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## Weber County

August 9, 2014

To: Western Weber Township Planning Commission  
From: Charles Ewert, AICP – Principal Planner  
Re: Work-Session regarding Western Weber Trails Plan, An Amendment to the General Plan

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On September 16<sup>th</sup> the Planning Commission will be presented for consideration and discussion a draft map of a conceptual Western Weber trails and bike lane plan. The discussion is intended to kick-start the drafting of a pathways plan element of the Western Weber County General Plan.

The 2003 West Central Weber County General Plan indicates that the lack of trails for recreation and transportation is of particular concern. It gives specific policy direction to initiate a closed loop trail network in western part of the County. This plan shows trails that are equestrian-centric. For active transportation purposes we recommend modifying the plan to extend the proposed use of trails to all users, with a focus on multi-user trail etiquette. The current plan lacks more specific implementation policies, such as requiring trails as part of development proposals.

The Weber County Cooperative Pathways Master Plan, completed in 2010 and endorsed by WACOG, directs the County to consider planning for certain future trails and bicycle infrastructure. Planning for active transportation facilities has proven benefits for the health of a population, provides alternative modes of transportation for short trips, and enhances residents' recreational opportunities. By formally planning for such infrastructure the County becomes better positioned for the implementation of such. It gives the County legal tools to ask for certain trails or bicycle improvements as development is proposed (in the same manner the County currently asks for road infrastructure), and it positions us better for State and Federal funding.

The Weber County Cooperative Pathways Master Plan gives us guidance on how to assemble a formal trails and bike lane plan, with a map of recommended trail alignments generally. The WACOG endorsement gave the Cooperative Pathways Plan legitimacy for implementation in each jurisdiction, but it is not intended to be the adopted plan of the jurisdiction – that authority rests with the legislative authority of each jurisdiction. Using the Cooperative Pathways Plan as a guide, Weber County has previously adopted the Ogden Valley Pathways Master Plan and Map as a general plan element for the Ogden Valley planning area. Currently, the plan for trails in Western Weber is lacking adequate implementation strategies to bring multi-use trails to fruition. Considering that the surrounding Weber area is receiving national acclaim for its trails and recreation capabilities, filling this gap in the plan will help give the region the tools necessary to build a world class trail system that will not only provide for the local residents but also promote the region as an economic driver for outdoor products.

The attached draft maps were created as a beginning point of discussion. The Planning Commission has control over the evolution of the maps and forthcoming document, and your desires will be memorialized in deliverables that will be presented as your recommendation to the County Commission.

When planning for active transportation, key discussion points will answer the 'when?' and 'where?' questions.

Where?:

- Connections. Considering logical pathway connections to complete a larger pathways network. Reviewing the *adopted* plans of adjacent jurisdictions is imperative to provide for a logical



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regional network.

- Destinations. Consider where people want to go. This is not always a reflection on where they are currently going, but where they may want to go if infrastructure exists. Some destinations to consider: schools, parks, employment centers, transit stops and stations, points of interest (especially recreation interests).
- Features of Permanence. Routing trails along permanent features is often a simple way to get support for them, and occasionally provides alignments where current infrastructure can be simply upgraded or converted for pathways purposes. Seek out streets, canals, waterways, old rail lines, utility corridors, natural topographic features, etc.
- A future trails plan can be as general or specific as is desired. There may be some areas where we already know where the alignment should go. There are other areas where we are more concerned about making a pathway connection, but the future alignment of such is more elusive. The written text of the plan should address that.

When? Not all pathways segments make sense immediately. There may be physical, financial, or political constraints for the timing of an alignment. The written version should address the appropriateness of timing for trail installations.

For discussion items I have attached the following specific items:

The Cooperative Pathways Plan is a little lengthy for this packet. For a better review of it please visit the Weber County Planning website and click on the "Weber County Cooperative Pathways Master Plan" link under the 'General Plans' heading, or if reading from an electronic device click on the following link:  
[http://www.co.weber.ut.us/mediawiki/images/f/fb/Weber\\_County\\_Cooperative\\_Pathways\\_Master\\_Plan.pdf](http://www.co.weber.ut.us/mediawiki/images/f/fb/Weber_County_Cooperative_Pathways_Master_Plan.pdf)

- 11x17 Map of the Western Weber Planning Area with recommended bike lanes
- 11x17 Map of the Western Weber Planning Area with recommended trails
- Specific staff-selected discussion areas:
  - Bike lanes:
    - 4300 W. future road alignment
    - 3000 S. connection from 4700 W. to 5100 W.
    - 5100 W. from 12<sup>th</sup> street to Plain City.
    - 4000 N.
    - 12<sup>th</sup> St to Little Mountain
    - Washington Terrace/So Ogden Border south across unincorporated area and into Uintah City
  - Trails:
    - Closing the loop on far western side of the County.
    - 8300 W.
    - 7500 W.
- Surrounding City trails and bike plans
- DRAFT Transportation Master Plan Future Street Plan will be provided in the meeting
- Current West Central Weber County Proposed Land Use Map

# Western Weber Pathways DRAFT

Staff recommended map to start Western Weber Trails discussion. Any alignments here or not here are up for discussion. This map shows Bike Lanes and Trails together.

## Legend

### TRAILS

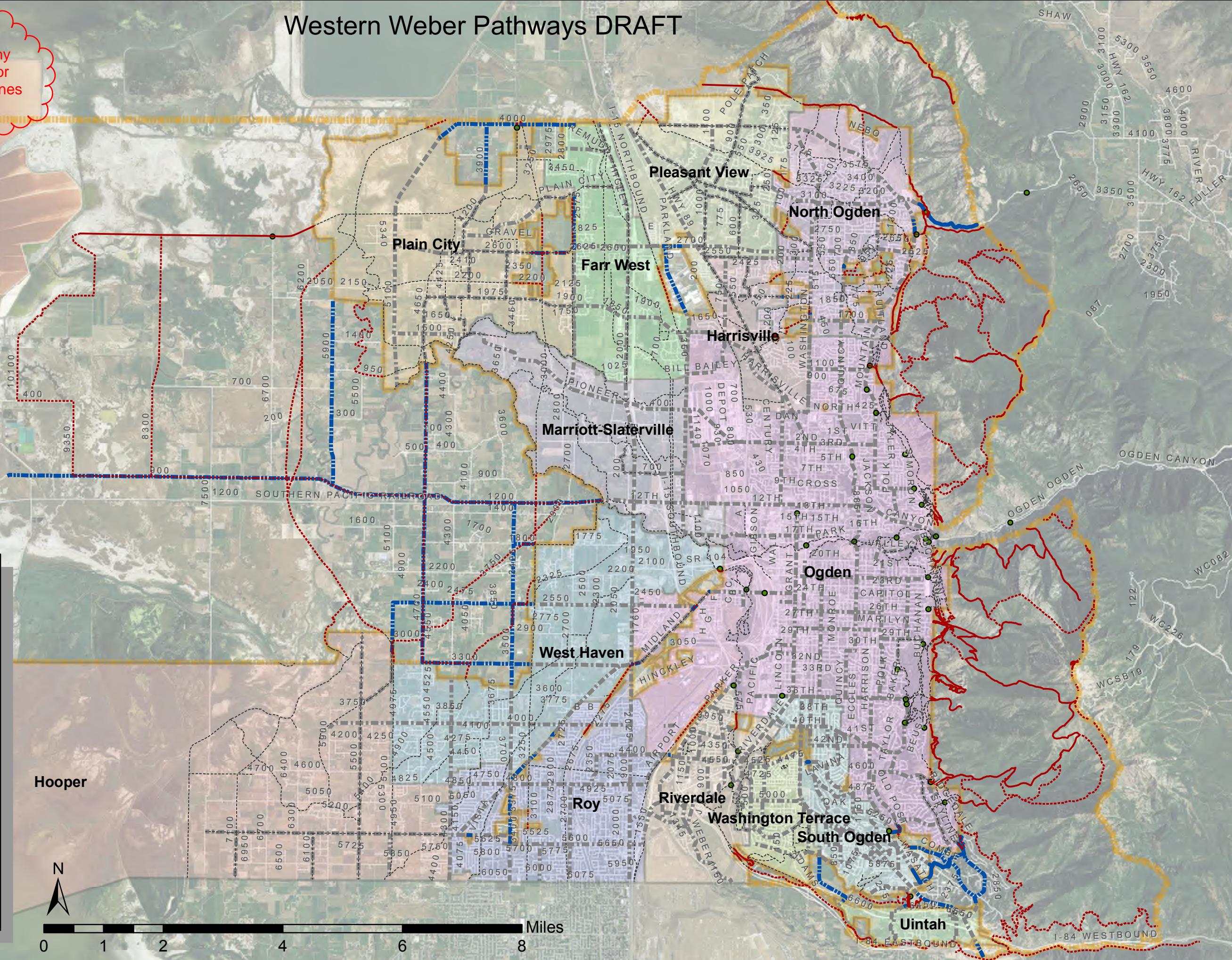
- Existing
- Proposed
- - - City Trails
- Trail Heads

### BIKE LANE

- Existing
- Proposed
- - - City Bike Routes

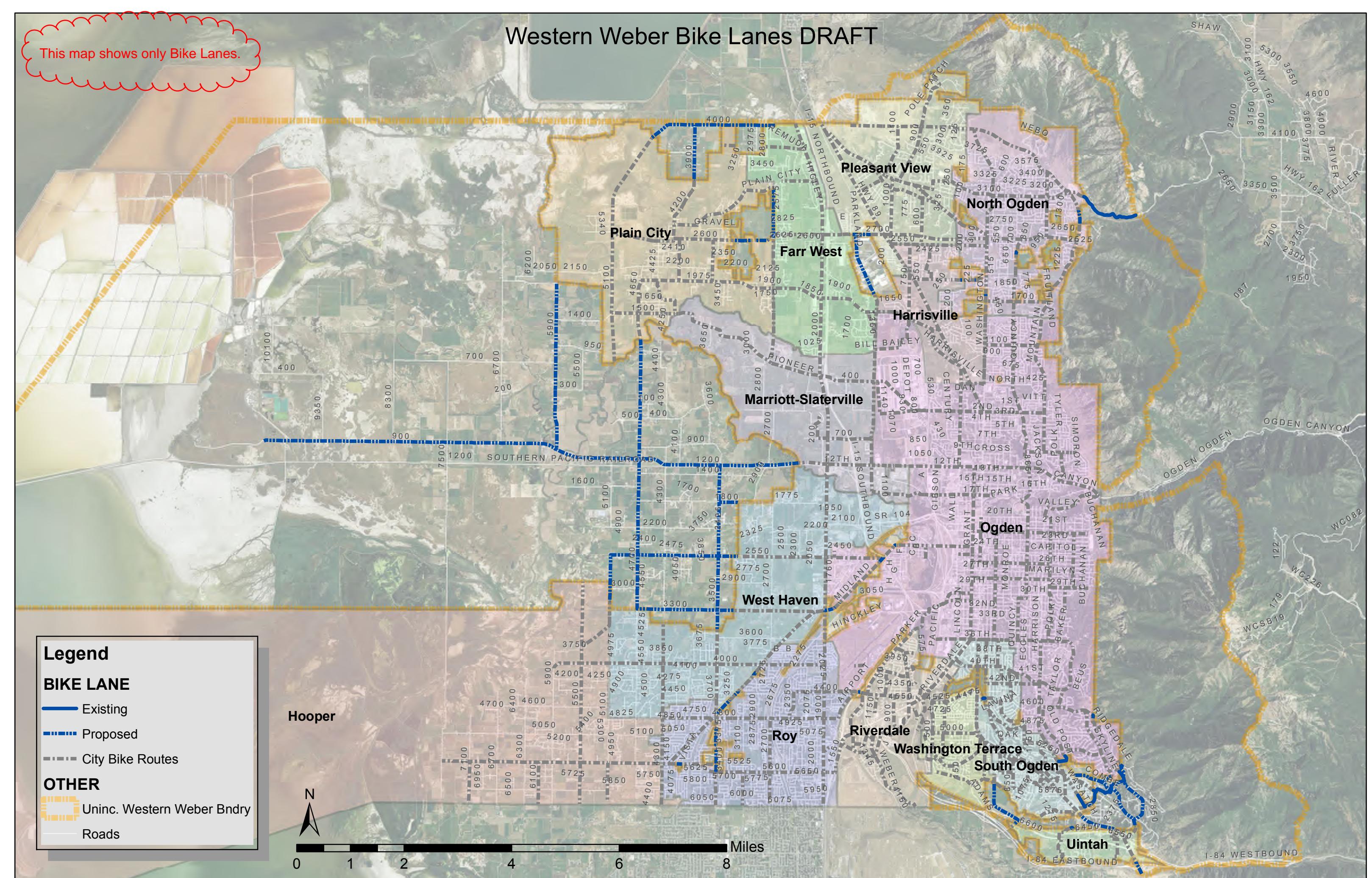
### OTHER

-  Uninc. Western Weber Bndry
- Roads



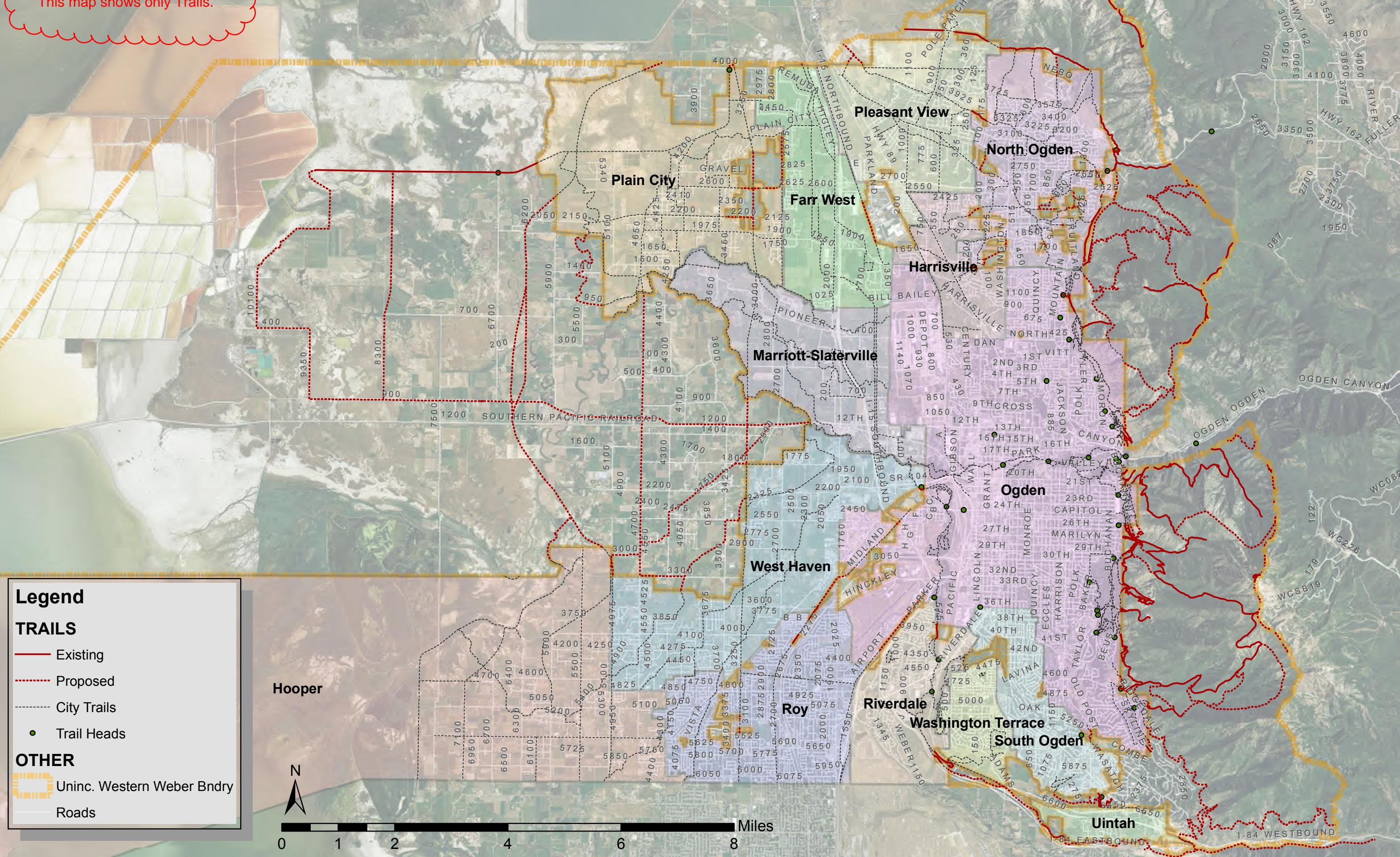
Western Weber Bike Lanes DRAFT

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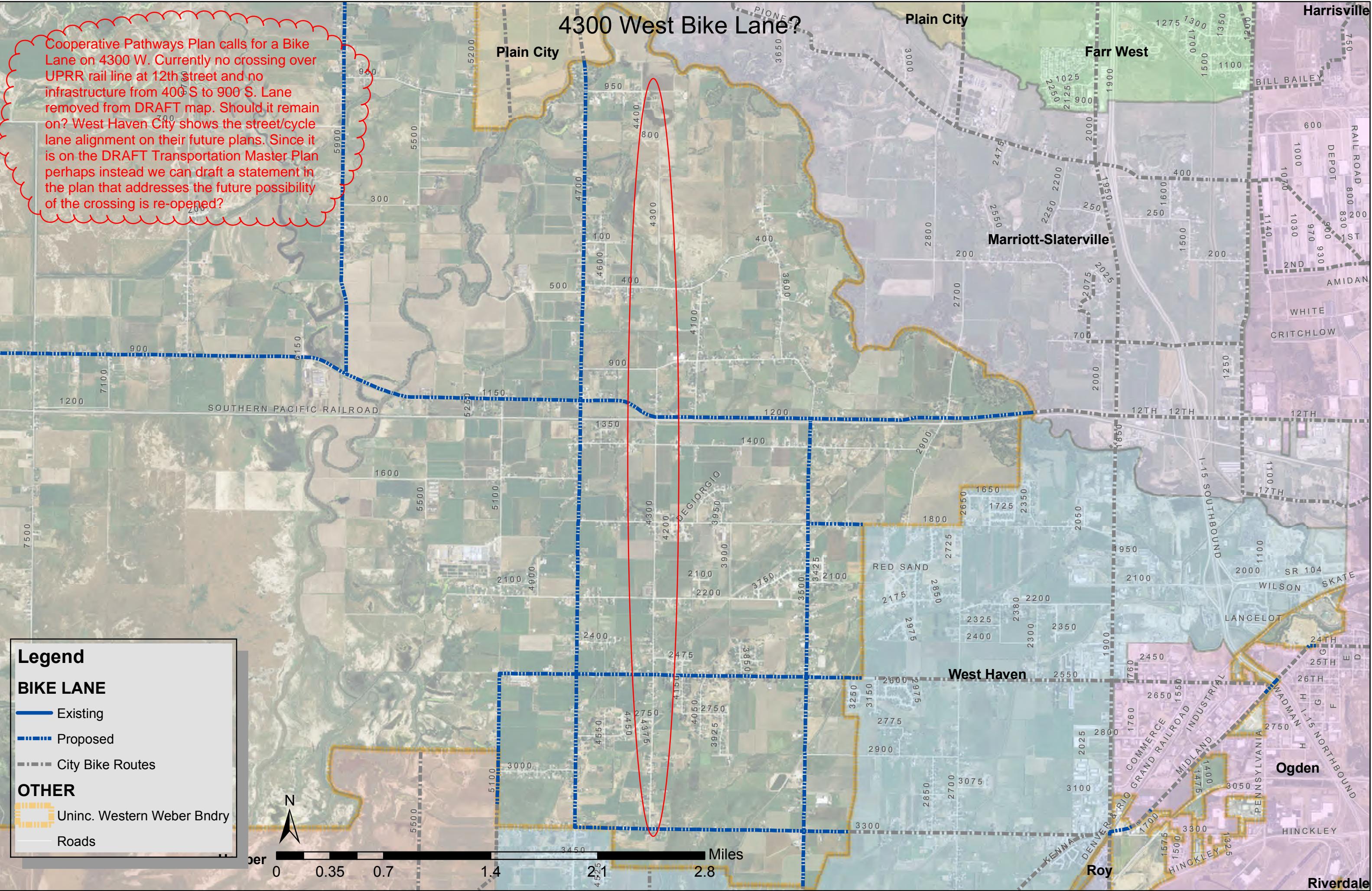
# Western Weber Trails DRAFT

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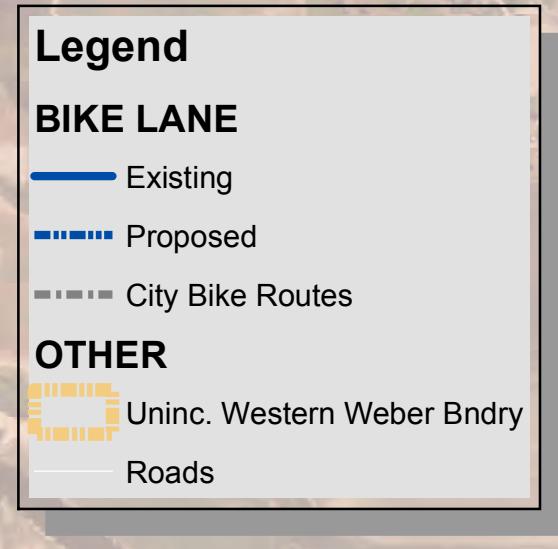
Cooperative Pathways Plan calls for a Bike Lane on 4300 W. Currently no crossing over UPRR rail line at 12th street and no infrastructure from 400 S to 900 S. Lane removed from DRAFT map. Should it remain on? West Haven City shows the street/cycle lane alignment on their future plans. Since it is on the DRAFT Transportation Master Plan perhaps instead we can draft a statement in the plan that addresses the future possibility of the crossing is re-opened?

## 4300 West Bike Lane?



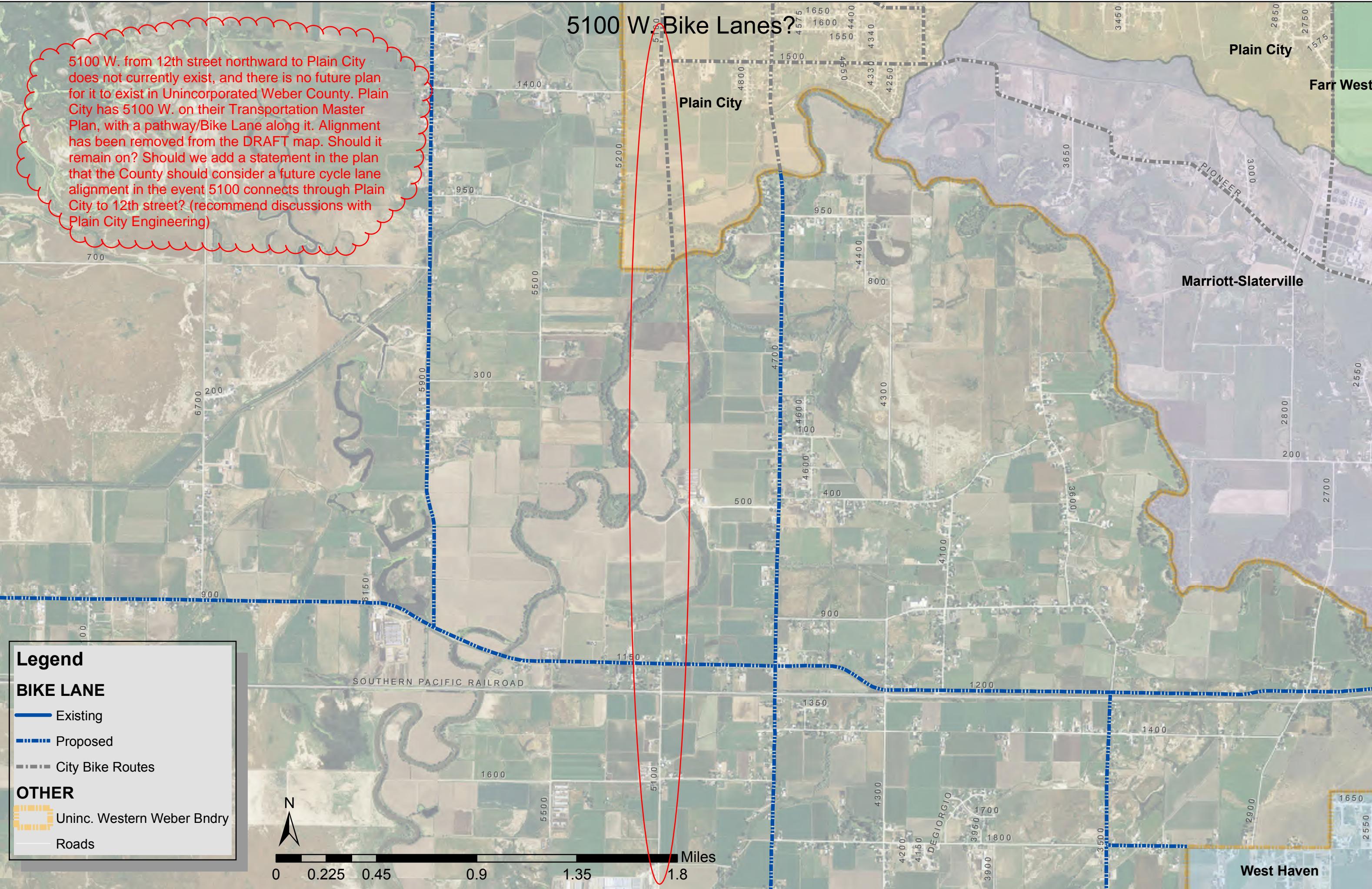
## 3000 South Bike Lane? Or 2550 connection?

Cooperative Pathways Plan calls for bike lane along 3000 S connecting 4700 W to 5100 W. Staff recommend removing and instead, to close dead end loop, connect from intersection of 4700 W, 2550 S to 5100 W. then South on 5100 West into West Haven/Hooper. Both West Haven and Hooper have 5100 on their trails plans.



5100 W. from 12th street northward to Plain City does not currently exist, and there is no future plan for it to exist in Unincorporated Weber County. Plain City has 5100 W. on their Transportation Master Plan, with a pathway/Bike Lane along it. Alignment has been removed from the DRAFT map. Should it remain on? Should we add a statement in the plan that the County should consider a future cycle lane alignment in the event 5100 connects through Plain City to 12th street? (recommend discussions with Plain City Engineering)

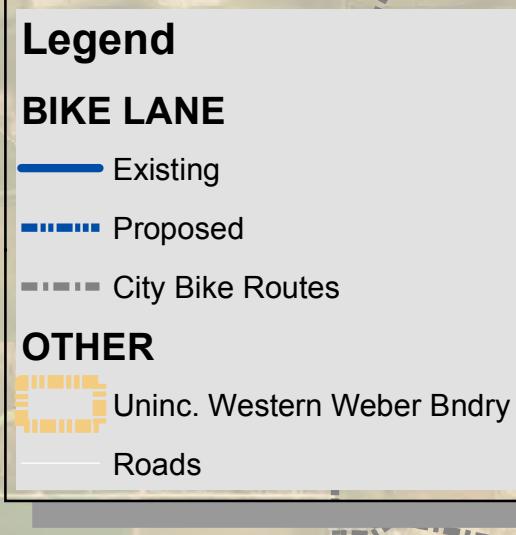
## 5100 W. Bike Lanes?



# 4000 North Bike Lane

Cooperative Pathways Plan shows a road alignment on approx 3700 N. which does not currently exist and is not on Plain City's plan. Recommend discussions with Plain City. The bike lane has been removed from the map and moved to 4000 N. Recommend discussing 4000 N. with Box Elder County.

4000 N dead ends. Plain City is planning a 5100 W road alignment. Recommend a general connection from 4000 N to 5100 W to close the loop.



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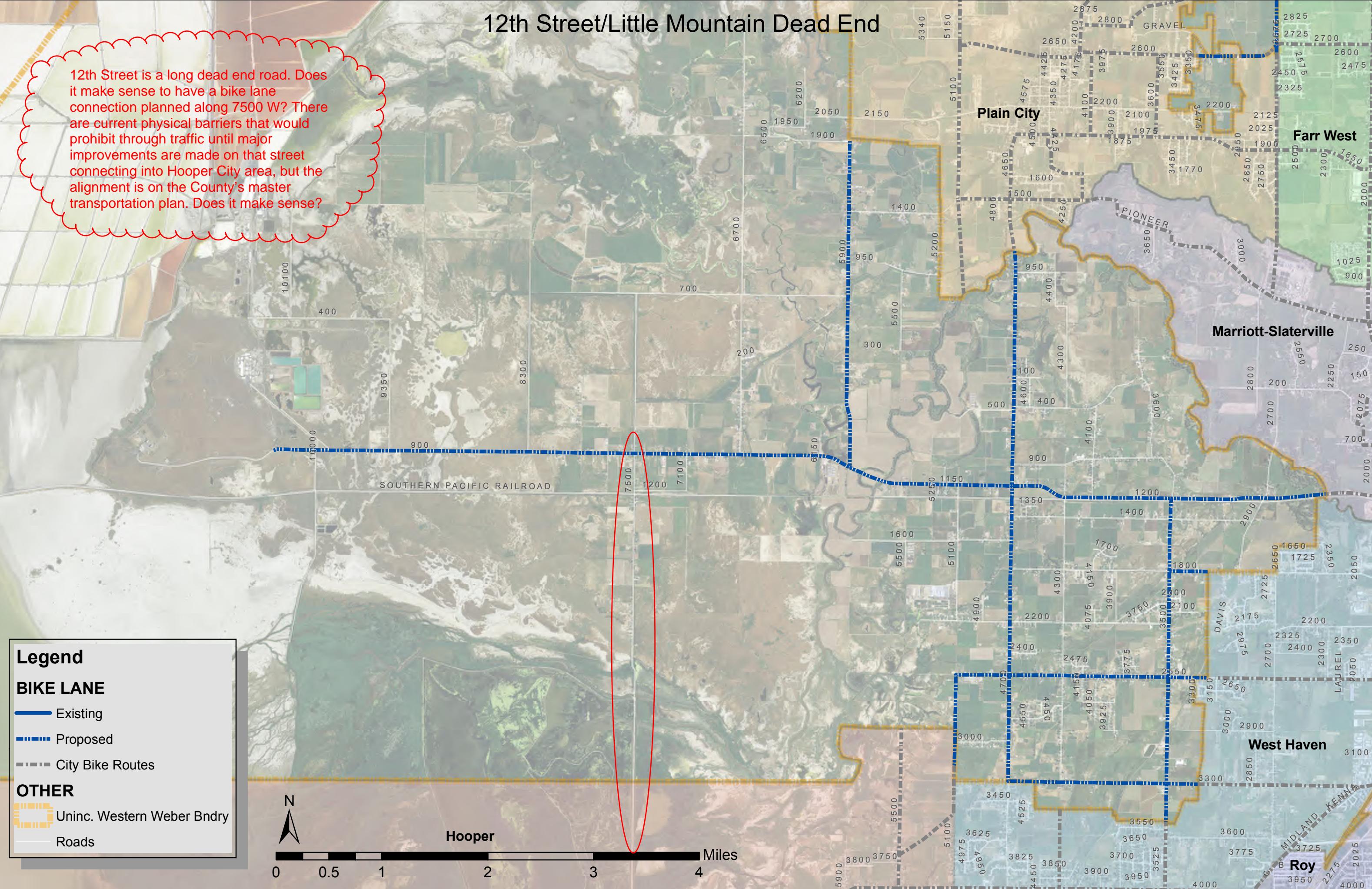
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**Plain City****Farr West****Pleasant View****I-15 NORTHBOUND****I-15 SOUTHBOUND****UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD****Hwy 89****HIGLEY PELICAN****1-15 SB 2700 S OFF****1-15 GD C B A H G F M L****PARKLAND****Miles****0 0.2 0.4 0.6 0.8 1.0 1.2 1.4 1.6 1.8 2.0 2.2 2.4 2.6 2.8 3.0 3.2 3.4 3.6 3.8 4.0 4.2 4.4 4.6 4.8 5.0 5.2 5.4 5.6 5.8 6.0 6.2 6.4 6.6 6.8 7.0 7.2 7.4 7.6 7.8 8.0 8.2 8.4 8.6 8.8 9.0 9.2 9.4 9.6 9.8 10.0**

# 12th Street/Little Mountain Dead End

12th Street is a long dead end road. Does it make sense to have a bike lane connection planned along 7500 W? There are current physical barriers that would prohibit through traffic until major improvements are made on that street connecting into Hooper City area, but the alignment is on the County's master transportation plan. Does it make sense?



# Washington Terrace/So. Ogden to Uintah Bike Lane?

## Washington Terrace

Cooperative Pathways Plan shows bike lane from Washington Terrace/So Ogden Border south across unincorporated area and into Uintah City. There does not appear to be a road there, nor does there appear to be one planned. What is this? Should it remain on the plan?

## Legend

### BIKE LANE

- Existing
- Proposed

- City Bike Routes

### OTHER

- Uninc. Western Weber Bndry

- Roads

0 0.15 0.3 0.6 0.9 1.2 Miles

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CHAMBERS

GLASS

DAYBREAK

WINDSOR

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# Closing 12th St to Rail Trail Loops: 10000 W. and 8300 W.

Cooperative Pathways Plan does not show a closed loop system on the far west side of county. There is currently an existing rail trail (Little Mountain Rail Trail) that dead ends at about 9000 west where an active rail line picks up. The cooperative plan recommends a trail along 12th street. We recommend closing the trail system loop with an alignment that follows public roads, existing canals and slough roads between 12th street and the existing rail trail. Is there a better way to close the loop?

Cooperative Pathways Plan shows a planned trail along some unknown path at around 8300 W. There is currently a street at 8300 W. for about 0.5 mile north of 12th St. Does this connection make sense?

## Legend

### TRAILS

- Existing
- - - Proposed
- - - - City Trails
- Trail Heads

### OTHER

Uninc. Western Weber Bndry

Roads

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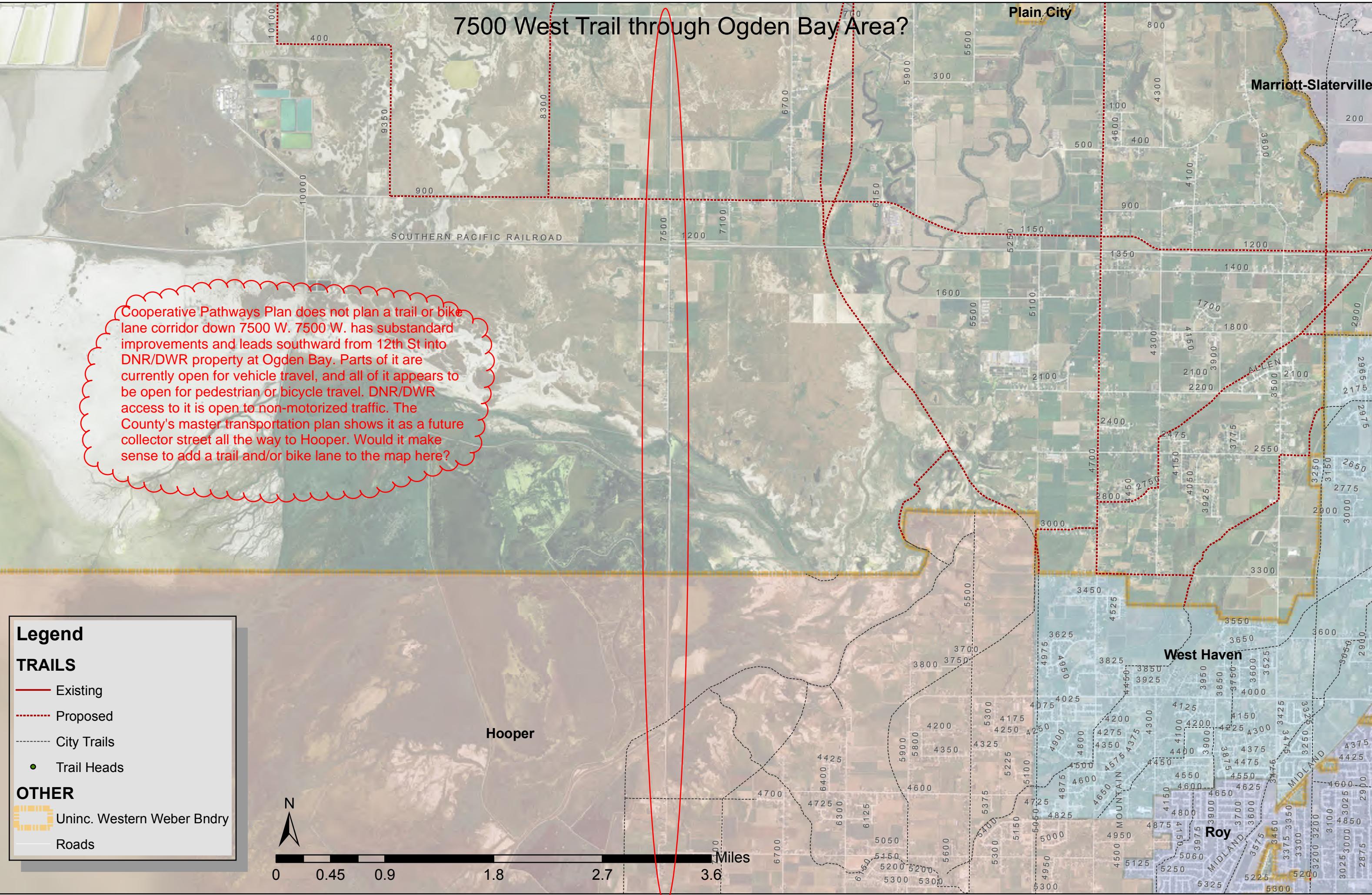
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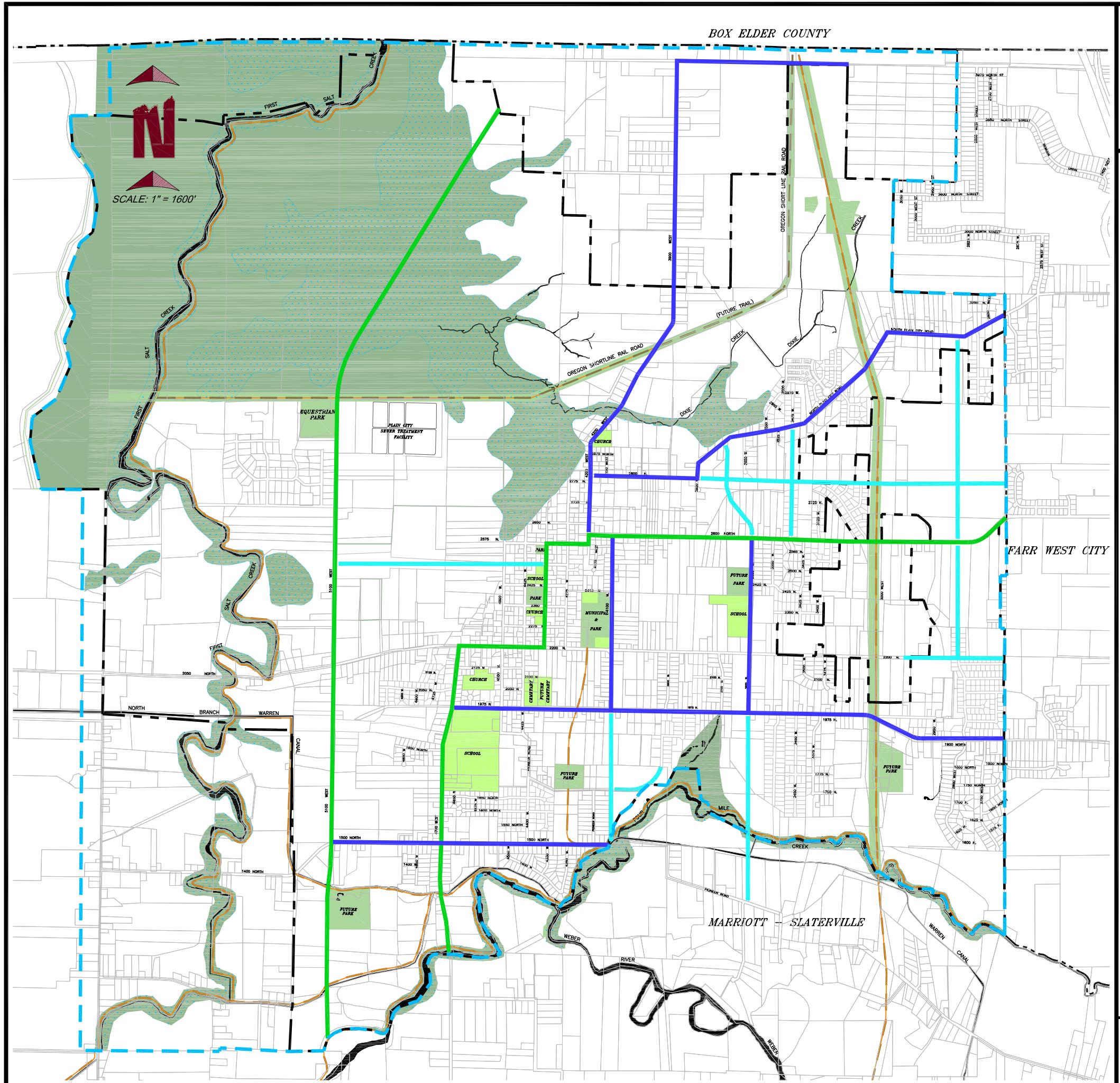
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SOUTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD

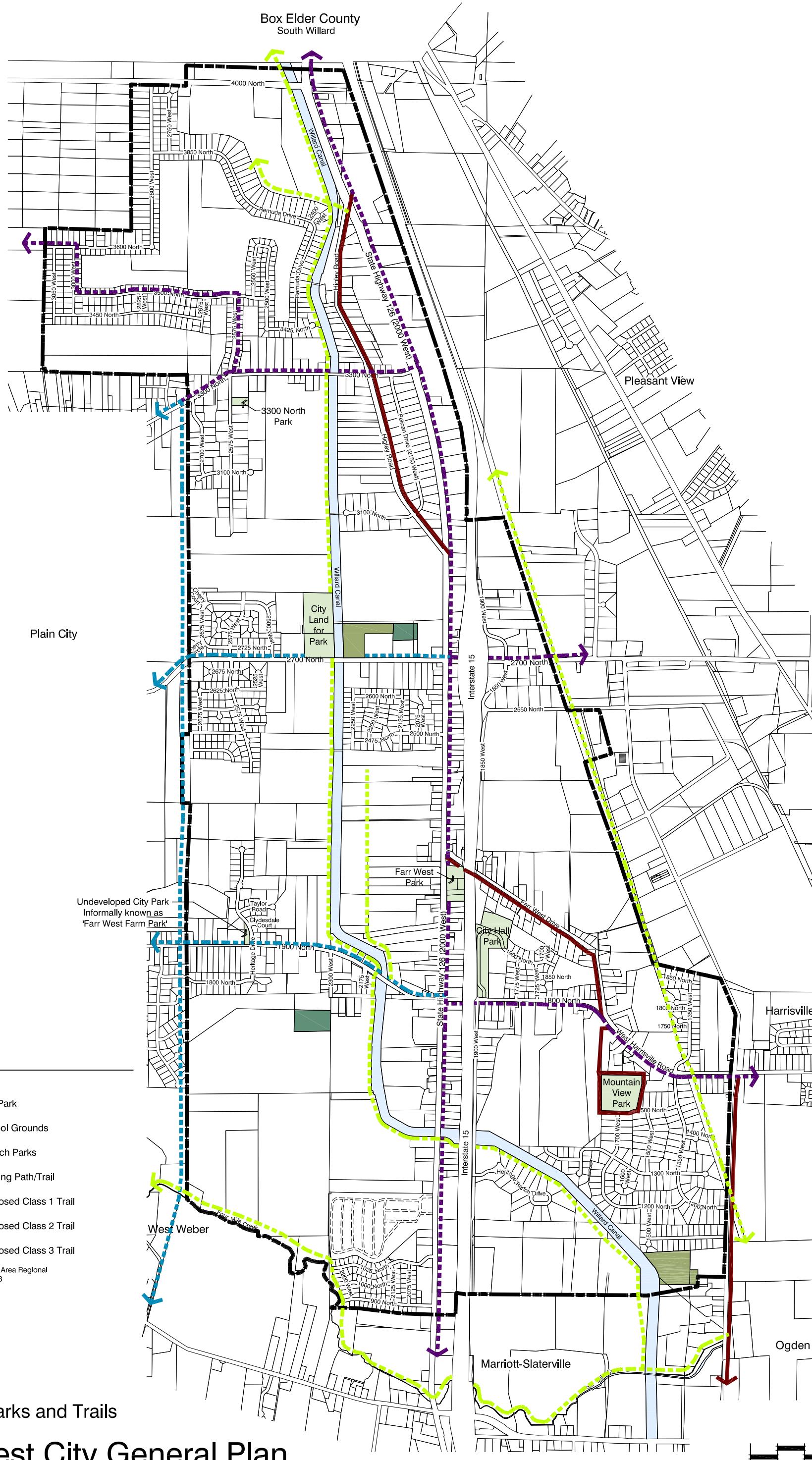
SOUTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD

# 7500 West Trail through Ogden Bay Area?





Box Elder County  
South Willard



# MARRIOTT-SLATERVILLE CITY CORPORATION

CITY TRAILS MAP  
FOR PEDESTRIAN, EQUESTRIAN AND BIKE TRAILS  
June 2006



SCALE:  
1" = 2000'



## LEGEND:

- CLASS I PROPOSED (SEPARATE 10' MIN. R.O.W.)
- - - CLASS I EXISTING
- - - CLASS I POSSIBLE PROPOSED
- CLASS II PROPOSED (WIDE SHOULDERS, STRIPED, SIGNED)
- CLASS III PROPOSED (WIDE SHOULDERS)

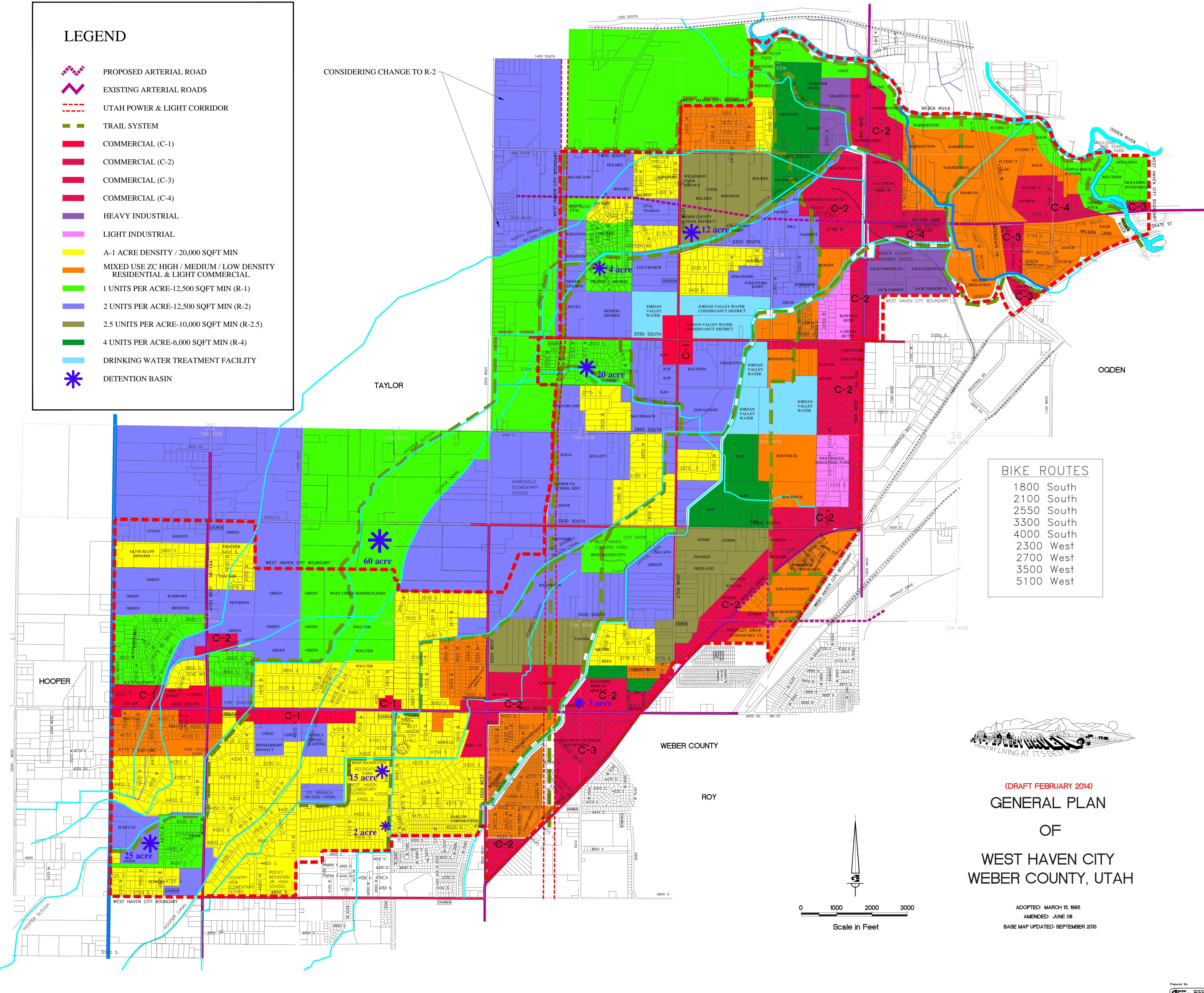


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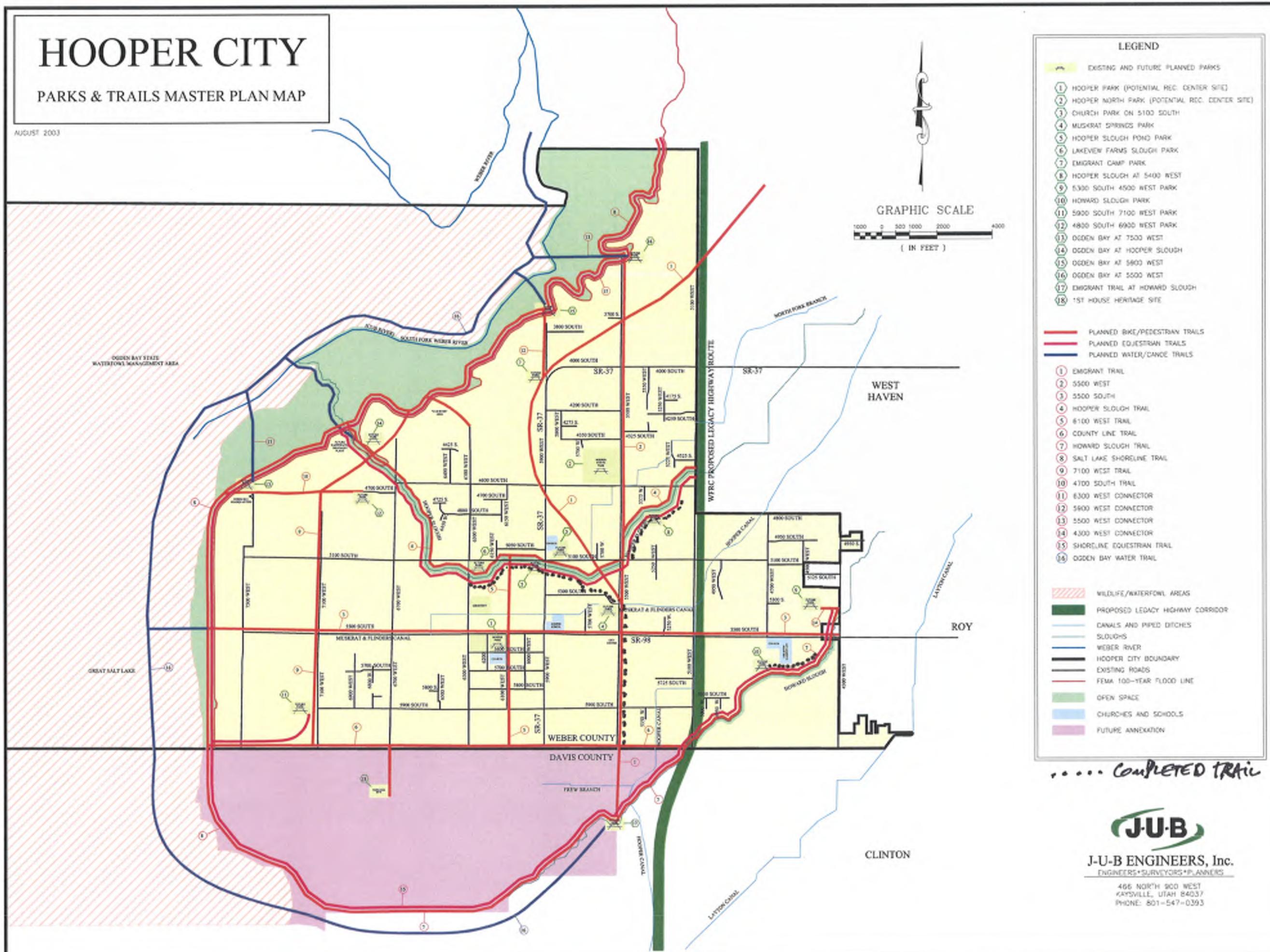
- PROPOSED ARTERIAL ROAD
- EXISTING ARTERIAL ROADS
- UTAH POWER & LIGHT CORRIDOR
- TRAIL SYSTEM
- COMMERCIAL (C-1)
- COMMERCIAL (C-2)
- COMMERCIAL (C-3)
- COMMERCIAL (C-4)
- HEAVY INDUSTRIAL
- LIGHT INDUSTRIAL
- A-1 ACRE DENSITY / 20,000 SQFT MIN
- MIXED USE ZC HIGH / MEDIUM / LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL & LIGHT COMMERCIAL
- 1 UNITS PER ACRE-12,500 SQFT MIN (R-1)
- 2 UNITS PER ACRE-12,500 SQFT MIN (R-2)
- 2.5 UNITS PER ACRE-10,000 SQFT MIN (R-2.5)
- 4 UNITS PER ACRE-6,000 SQFT MIN (R-4)
- DRINKING WATER TREATMENT FACILITY
- DETENTION BASIN



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## PARKS & TRAILS MASTER PLAN MAP

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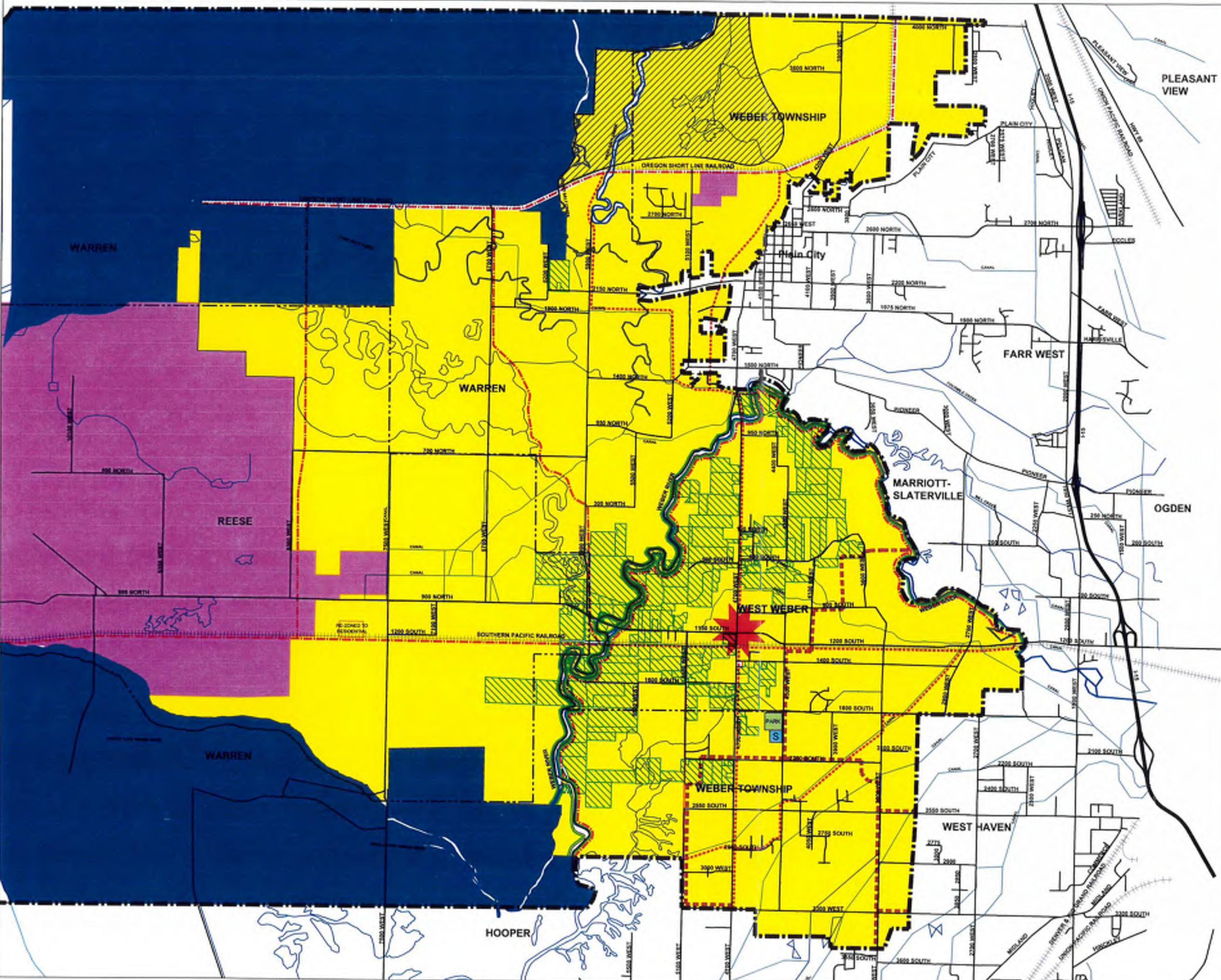
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# WEST CENTRAL WEBER COUNTY GENERAL PLAN

## PROPOSED LAND USE MAP 2-4

### LEGEND

- INDUSTRIAL PARK**
  - Rezone approximately 20-acre parcel to match adjacent zoning.
  - Eliminate residential as a conditional use in industrial zones.
- RESIDENTIAL/AGRICULTURAL**
  - As zoned - one-acre and five-acre lots.
  - Cluster style development pattern required, minimum 30 percent open space.
- EXISTING STATE / FEDERAL LAND  
WATERFOWL MANAGEMENT AREA**
- COMMUNITY VILLAGE CENTER**
  - Commercial node of 7 to 14 acres of supportable neighborhood services.
  - First response emergency service.
- EXISTING AGRICULTURE  
PROTECTION AREAS**
  - Unchanged
- EXISTING SEWER**
- PROPOSED 100' WIDE SETBACK  
ALONG RIVER**
- SCHOOLS AND PARKS**
  - New High School as planned by Weber School District.
  - Adjacent 20-acre park.
- TRAILS**
  - Pedestrian and bicycle trails along railroad tracks, selected canals, major roadways, and Weber River.
  - Equestrian trails.
- TOWNSHIP BOUNDARY**



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