



**CENTRAL
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Salt Lake County Council
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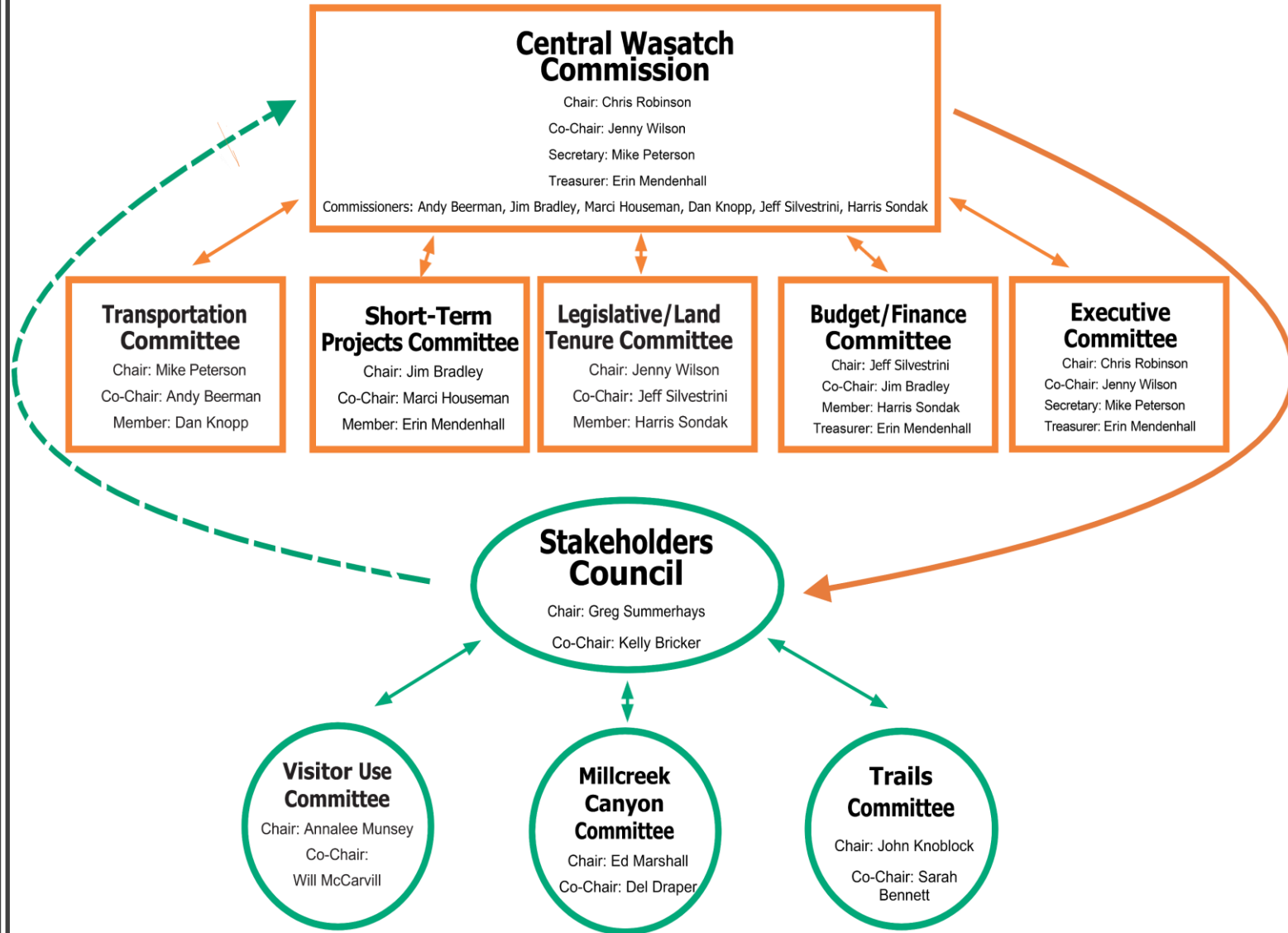
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Member jurisdictions

Central Wasatch Commission Decision-Making Chart





2019/2020 Ski-Bus Service Increase

The Central Wasatch Commission contributed \$60,000 toward improving UTA's 2019/2020 ski-bus service, with UTA committing to absorbing the improvement costs into future budgets.

The CWC support of the bus service increase built upon existing partnerships with UTA, and the Cottonwood Canyon ski resorts.

Cottonwood Canyons 2019/2020 Ski- Bus Service Increase



The CWC contributed funding to provide for the following service increases and improvements to UTA's 2019/2020 ski-bus service:



A 26 percent increase in trips on Route 953 (to Snowbird and Alta Ski Area).



A 28 percent increase on Route 972 (to Solitude Mountain Resort and Brighton) to 79 trips per day, up from 61 and 65 trips per day.



Route 972 no longer serves the Bingham Junction Station on the TRAX Red Line, due to high traffic congestion and delays.



To increase efficiency and capacity for more riders, the ski racks were removed on Routes 953, 972 & 994.



Route 953 and Route 994 no longer serve the park and ride lot at the base of LCC, due to traffic congestion and significant delays.



2020 Short-Term Projects

In March 2020, the CWC opened a community-wide call for project ideas to engage the public and learn where needs existed throughout the CWC project area.

The CWC received 35 project proposals, and to-date, has contributed just under \$80,000 to support seven projects for the 2020 work season.

The following short-term projects built partnerships between the CWC and organizations including: Utah Open Lands, Save Our Canyons, Trails Utah, the Forest Service, Salt Lake Climbers Alliance, the Utah State Division of Forestry, Fire, and State Lands, and the Graffiti Busters.

2020 Short-Term Projects



CO-SPONSORED
CHIPPING IN
CWC PROJECT
AREA



MAINTENANCE
OF USFS
BATHROOMS IN
LITTLE AND BIG
COTTONWOOD
CANYONS



CONSTRUCTION
OF TWO
SIGNIFICANT
BRIDGES ON THE
DOG LAKE TRAIL



SUPPORT OF THE
ACQUISITION OF
LAND AT THE
BASE OF LCC



SUPPORT OF
ONGOING
MAINTENANCE
OF THE LONE
PEAK
WILDERNESS
WAG BAG KIOSK



SUPPORT OF
GRAFFITI
ABATEMENT
WORK
THROUGHOUT
THE CWC
PROJECT AREA



STEWARDSHIP AT
GATE BUTTRESS
TRAIL TO BUILD
TRAILS AND REPLACE
AGING FIXED
HARDWARE ON
CLIMBING ROUTES



Environmental Dashboard

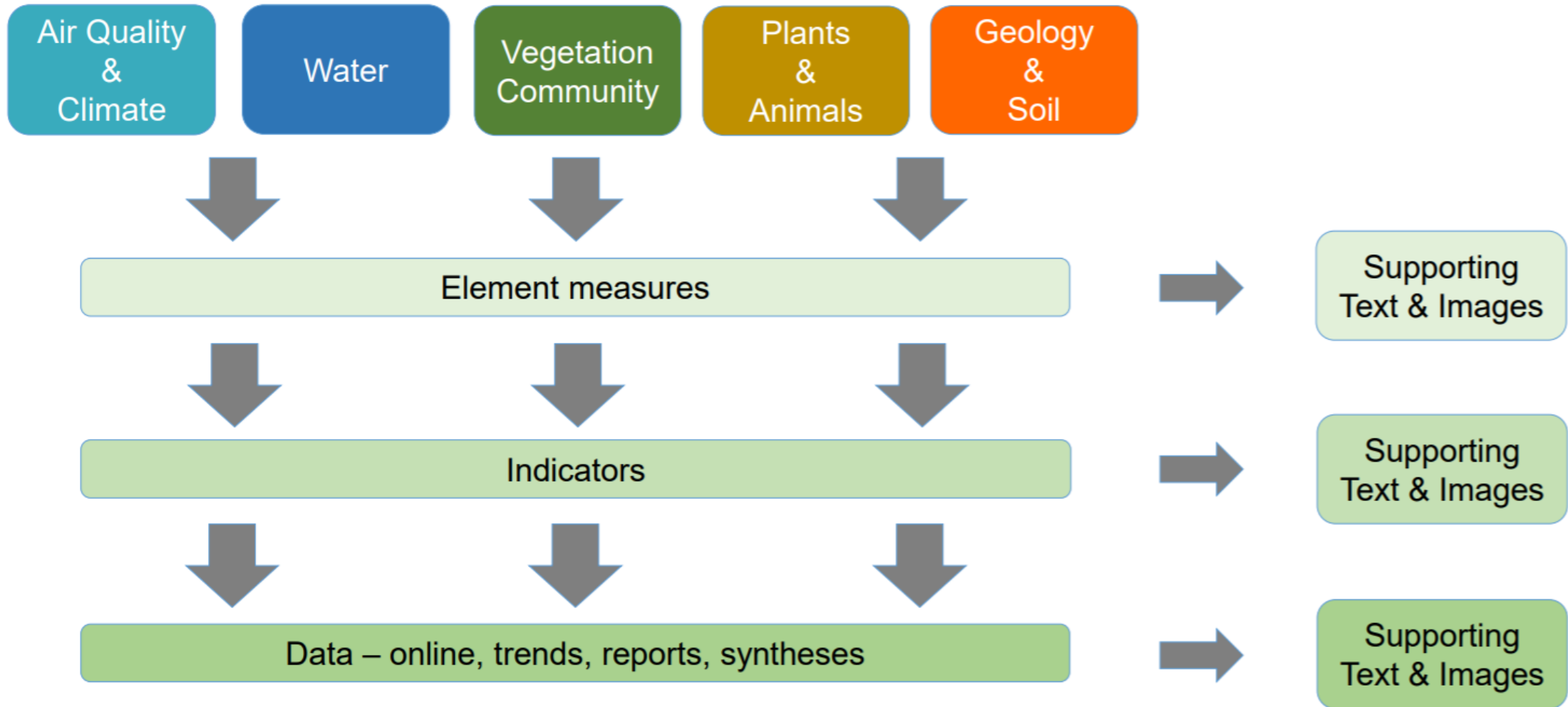
During 2019, the CWC contracted with the University of Utah to build upon the work completed by the original Environmental Dashboard contractor, The Brendle Group.

Under the direction of the CWC, Dr. Jim Ehleringer and Dr. Phoebe McNeally have rescoped the Dashboard, bringing it from a static paper report to a dynamic, online tool.

Phase 1 of the Dashboard was completed December 2019. Phase 2 is currently in motion, with the Dashboard projected to be online and functional in 2021.

The cost of Phase 1 and 2 the Dashboard is just under \$200,000.

Proposed Dashboard Elements



Mountain Transportation

Over the course of 2020, the Central Wasatch Commission aims to arrive at a proposed comprehensive year-round transportation system that includes the Salt Lake Valley, Big and Little Cottonwood Canyons, Parleys Canyon, and connections to the Wasatch Back.

The MTS process opened with a public comment period from February 7th — March 1st 2020 and 1,223 comments were received from 366 individuals on the scope, goals, and attributes of a Mountain Transportation System.

The CWC is currently working with mode experts to evaluate various mode alternatives for an MTS.



Mountain Transportation System Project Timeline



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WINTER 2020

Initial Scoping Process &
Public Comment Period



SUMMER 2020

Alternative Plans &
Finalize Reports



OCTOBER 2020

MTS Summit



WINTER '20/'21

CWC Board Will
Recommend an MTS



SPRING 2020

Comment Report
Approved



FALL 2020

Release MTS
Alternatives & Public
Comment Period Begins



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