

September 9, 2015

MEMORANDUM

TO: State Board of Regents

FROM: David L. Buhler

SUBJECT: Utah State University – Campus Master Plan Approval

Issue

The Board last formally approved the Utah State University (USU) Campus Master Plan on September 13, 2013. A progress report was subsequently provided at the meeting on September 26, 2014. The University wishes to present its updated master plan at the September 17-18, 2015 meeting for approval.

Background

Utah State University will make a formal presentation at the meeting that will provide information about significant changes that have been made during the past two years including recently completed projects, projects currently in planning and under construction, and updates to the five-year plan to reflect current needs and priorities for all of the University's campuses. This information is summarized in the attached letter from the University.

Also attached is a master plan brochure that describes the projects on all campuses and shows the location of the applicable major projects on the Logan campus.

Commissioner's Recommendation

The Commissioner recommends approval of the Utah State University updated campus master plan.

David L. Buhler
Commissioner of Higher Education

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Attachments

August 25, 2015

Commissioner David L. Buhler
Utah State Board of Regents
Board of Regents Building The Gateway
60 South 400 West
Salt Lake City, Utah 84101-1284

Subject: Utah State University Campus Master Plan

Dear Commissioner Buhler:

Utah State University appreciates the opportunity to host the September 17-18, 2015 Board of Regents' meeting at the Logan Campus. At the meeting, we request the opportunity to present for approval USU's Campus Master Plan.

Over the past two years, the University has completed several significant master planning and construction projects.

On the Logan Campus the Icon Sports Performance Center was completed in 2014 with approximately 33,000 square feet of new space and the Wayne Estes Center was completed in 2013 with approximately 28,000 square feet of new space. On the Statewide Campuses the Central Instruction building in Price was completed in 2015 with approximately 66,600 square feet of new space and the Science and Technology building in Tooele was completed in 2015 with approximately 28,500 square feet of new space. On the Innovation Campus the Electric Vehicle Roadway building and track were completed in 2015, with approximately 5,000 square feet of new space.

Projects on the Logan Campus that are near completion include the Huntsman Hall addition and the Aggie Recreation Center. Additionally, in Brigham City, the Academic building is near completion.

Other projects in the programming/design phase or construction include Clinical Services, Residence Hall Replacement, West-side Stadium Renovation, Fine Arts Addition and Renovation, and the Space Dynamics Lab C4ISR building.

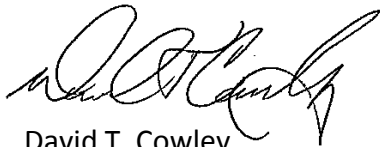
The University has prioritized additional capital development projects over the next five years. The top priority is the Biological Sciences building on the Logan Campus. Additional future priorities include a new student union building, Health, Physical Education, and Recreation

(HPER) addition/renovation, Animal Science renovation, and CHaSS Teaching and Learning Center.

Policy requires the University to hold a public hearing to review and present the Campus Master Plan. This hearing is scheduled to be held on the Logan Campus on September 8, 2015. Additionally the Board of Trustees was briefed on the Campus Master Plan during the workshop meeting on August 28, 2015 and is expected to provide ratifying approval during the next regularly scheduled meeting on October 30, 2015.

As always, we appreciate your ongoing support of the University.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David T. Cowley', written in a cursive style.

David T. Cowley
Vice President for
Business and Finance

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FIVE YEAR PLAN

AGGIE RECREATION CENTER

The Aggie Recreation Center is a 111,700 SF student recreational facility funded primarily with student fees. The new building is located with optimal adjacency to other student services and recreational facilities on the west side of campus. The project includes a new fitness center, multi-activity courts, indoor track, and campus and outdoor recreation services. It is projected to open in the Fall of 2015. (Pictured Upper Right)



BUSINESS BUILDING

The Jon M. Huntsman College of Business addition is under construction, with funding from state and private sources. The building adds 120,000 SF of new space to the existing building. It features a central courtyard to provide daylight to the interior of the building, and will connect to the existing building with a new student entrance on the north side. Construction will be complete in the spring of 2016.

ROMNEY STADIUM WEST-SIDE RENOVATION

The Romney Stadium renovation is currently under construction. The project consists of removing the old press box structure to make way for a new 86,000 SF facility on the west side of the existing Romney Stadium. It will include new restrooms, concessions, lobby space, and press box. The project will add approximately 1100 new club, loge, and premium skybox seats located above the existing stadium chair-back seats. Completion of the project is anticipated in the summer of 2016. (Pictured Lower Right)



VALLEY VIEW RESIDENCE HALL REPLACEMENT

The Valley View Residence Hall replacement is currently in design and will include the demolition and replacement of an aging high rise residence hall on central campus. The new residence hall will provide up to 390 beds and 110,000 SF for students living on campus, and will be sited on central campus for maximum convenience. The existing facility has many structural and code deficiencies and is an outdated and unpopular traditional dormitory style housing. Construction for the facility will begin in the spring of 2016.



BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES BUILDING

USU is currently seeking funding for a new science building in conjunction with a major renovation of the Biology and Natural Resources Building. The new building will be on the site of the old Agricultural Science Building, in the heart of the academic core of campus. The new building will house up to 110,000 SF of state-of-the-art teaching and research space for the College of Science, and will primarily be dedicated to the Biology Department. (Pictured Upper Left)

FINE ARTS COMPLEX

The Fine Arts Complex Addition and Renovation is a phased project which will include an addition to the west side of the building and major renovations to portions of the Fine Arts Center. Phase I is currently under design and consists of renovations for the Kent Concert Hall, Tippetts Gallery, courtyard landscaping, and a 6,700 SF addition to the scene shop. Construction for phase I will commence in the summer of 2015. Phase II will include a new addition on the west side for classrooms, practice space, student study space, museum expansion and storage, and a new Dean's suite. It will feature a prominent new entrance and lobby on the northwest corner of the Fine Arts Center.

CLINICAL SERVICES BUILDING

A new building for Clinical Services offered within the Emma Eccles Jones College of Education and Human Services is currently in design. The new project will house up to 100,000 SF of clinical, research, and office space. It will accommodate patients within the community receiving a variety of treatments and consultations. The Clinical Services Building will support an integrated, interdisciplinary program to train graduate students in a professional setting in closely related clinical fields, engage faculty members across disciplines, provide state-of-the-art equipment, and facilitate research with an interdisciplinary focus. The construction will begin in the spring of 2016. (Pictured Lower Left)

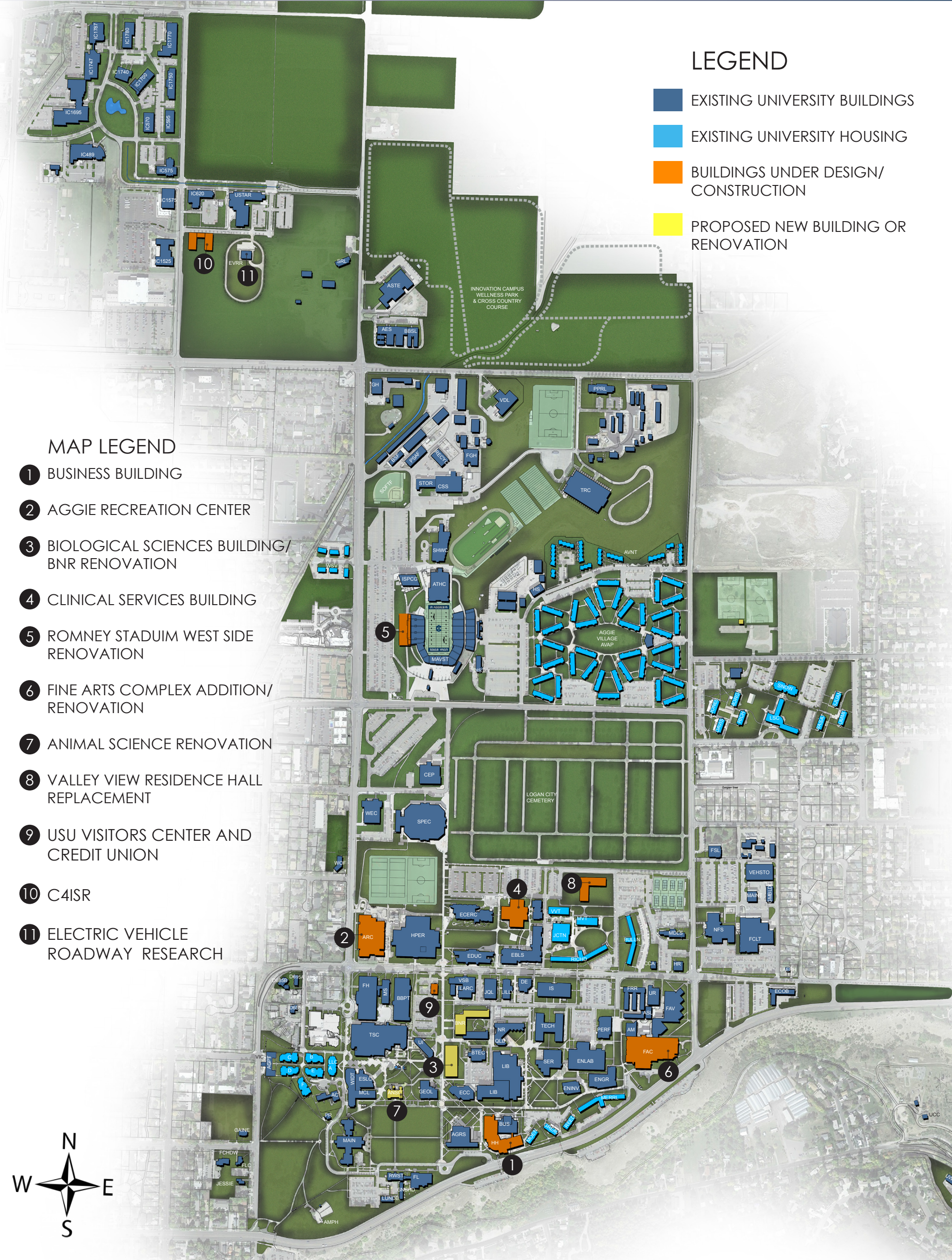


C4ISR BUILDING

The C4ISR building is phase one of a four phase project for the Space Dynamics Lab (SDL) at the USU Innovation Campus. The building will provide up to 35,000 SF for offices, electronics and computer testing labs, computer server rooms, conference rooms, and a marketing demo room. The building will provide a high level of security and technology needed for this research program. The project is currently under design and construction will begin in spring of 2016.



CAMPUS MASTER PLAN 2015



LEGEND

- EXISTING UNIVERSITY BUILDINGS
- EXISTING UNIVERSITY HOUSING
- BUILDINGS UNDER DESIGN/ CONSTRUCTION
- PROPOSED NEW BUILDING OR RENOVATION

MAP LEGEND

- 1 BUSINESS BUILDING
- 2 AGGIE RECREATION CENTER
- 3 BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES BUILDING/ BNR RENOVATION
- 4 CLINICAL SERVICES BUILDING
- 5 ROMNEY STADIUM WEST SIDE RENOVATION
- 6 FINE ARTS COMPLEX ADDITION/ RENOVATION
- 7 ANIMAL SCIENCE RENOVATION
- 8 VALLEY VIEW RESIDENCE HALL REPLACEMENT
- 9 USU VISITORS CENTER AND CREDIT UNION
- 10 C4ISR
- 11 ELECTRIC VEHICLE ROADWAY RESEARCH



USU MASTER PLANNING

Utah State University is located in northern Utah's beautiful Cache Valley. Established in 1888, USU is the state's land-grant university. USU's central campus sits above downtown Logan, Utah at the base of the Bear River Mountains. The University was historically planned around two central tenets: the main quadrangle and the underlying city grid system. Current USU master planning has set the following goals to accommodate long range growth on campus:

- Accommodate anticipated increases in enrollment
- Preserve USU's land-grant legacy
- Sustain student residency on campus
- Maintain a compact, walk-able academic core
- Strengthen the image of USU
- Enhance compatibility with the community
- Maintain consistent spatial pattern and density
- Efficient and safe pedestrian and vehicular circulation

The historical basis for planning at USU will continue to provide the framework for the campus plan. Additionally, new quadrangles and courtyards will be prioritized as density of buildings increase. Main entrances and nodes of activity will be strengthened and linkages developed and maintained. Density will be increased, while maintaining a suitable, human scale. Parking structures will replace surface lots over time. Future planning will enable alternative modes of transportation as well as address sustainability goals.



CENTRAL INSTRUCTION BUILDING, USU EASTERN

The new Central Instruction Building on the USU Eastern Campus in Price will replace the aging Music and SAC buildings, and is currently under construction. Located adjacent to the historic Geary Theater, the project includes 70,600 SF of multi-purpose instructional space that will bring together criminal justice, communication, theatre, music, and visual arts into one facility. The project will allow USU Eastern to eliminate inadequate and geographically separate facilities, create efficiencies of operation, improve campus integration, and modernize instructional services. Construction will be complete in 2015.

Image courtesy of Method Studio

BRIGHAM CITY CAMPUS ACADEMIC BUILDING

The new Brigham City Academic Building is currently under construction and will provide 54,400 SF to house classrooms, faculty offices, and student support spaces to accommodate the growing campus. The new building is the first building on the new campus site, a 44 acre contiguous parcel formerly used as a naval hospital and Indian school. It is located near downtown Brigham City with convenient access from Main Street and Highway 89. Construction will be complete in 2015.



Image courtesy of Jacoby Architects



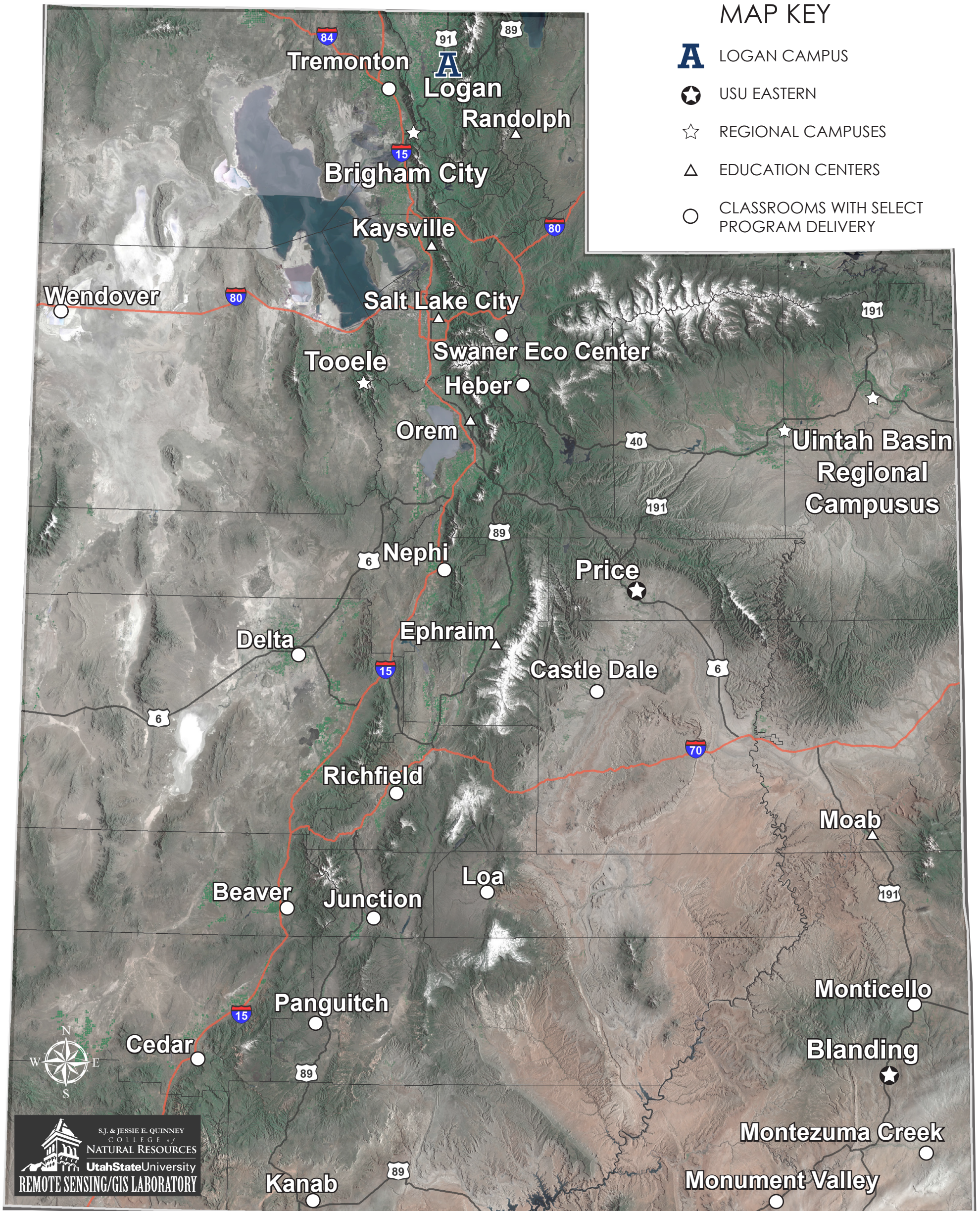
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TOOELE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY BUILDING

The Tooele Science and Technology Building is currently under construction, and will provide 27,300 SF of space for distance education classrooms and biology, chemistry, and physics teaching laboratories. The building will be the first on the newly acquired campus property south of the existing campus facilities, with convenient access by the recently improved Tooele Boulevard. Construction will be complete in 2015.



STATEWIDE MASTER PLAN 2015



STATEWIDE MASTER PLANNING

As a public land-grant university, Utah State University is committed to expanding and enhancing the educational opportunities of the citizens of Utah. With statewide campuses, Education Centers and multiple education sites in all of Utah's 29 counties, higher education is now more accessible than ever before. These campuses and centers support and facilitate the delivery of quality courses and degree programs to students throughout Utah. Current USU master planning has set the following goals to accommodate immediate as well as long range growth throughout the state:

- Accommodate anticipated increases in enrollment
- Sustain student residency at USU Eastern
- Preserve USU land-grant legacy
- Create and maintain compact, walk-able academic cores
- Strengthen the image of USU
- Enhance compatibility within communities
- Maintain consistent spatial patterns and density
- Efficient and safe pedestrian and vehicular circulation

The mission of USU statewide campuses is to provide opportunities for professional and vocational learning, as well as lifelong enrichment through participation in social and cultural programs. These programs enable people of all ages and circumstances to enrich their lives and increase their knowledge without disrupting their employment or life style. Programs offered range from associate to doctoral level, including endorsements and certificates. As student enrollment increases, future planning will continue to address the needs of these facilities.