Uinta Basin Railway



WHY BUILD A RAILWAY?

The Uinta Basin Railway provides new transportation infrastructure that will solve the long-standing freight transportation challenges in the region by connecting to the national railway network. Through a public-private partnership between the Seven County Infrastructure Coalition, Drexel Hamilton Infrastructure Partners, and the Rio Grande Pacific Corporation, the Uinta Basin Railway will provide a safe and cost-effective solution enabling economic stability, sustainable communities and enriched quality of life.

ENVIRONMENTAL REQUIREMENTS & PROJECT SCHEDULE

The U.S. Surface Transportation Board (STB) is responsible for preparing the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) in compliance with NEPA. The Coalition will support the STB as needed in this process, and is committed to minimizing and mitigating impacts where possible to meet all federal, state, and local environmental regulations. The proposed schedule is driven by the STB.







Draft environmental document for review, public meetings & comments (Draft EIS)



Final environmental document, public hearings & comments (Final EIS)



Construction

SPRING 2019

SUMMER 2019

FALL 2020

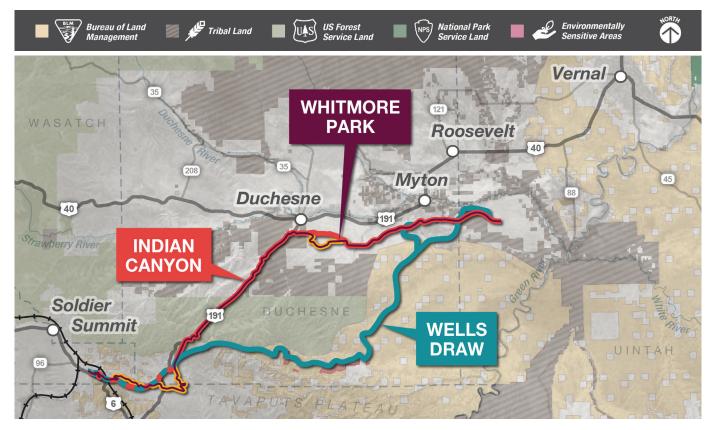
SUMMER 2021

2022-2023

2024

PROPOSED ROUTES

The Coalition reviewed several routes before narrowing down to four proposed alternatives that reflect the lowest cost to construct and operate, and have the fewest impacts to the environment, residents, communities, agriculture, public lands, endangered species and water resources. Of the four alternatives, three routes, as well as a No-Action alternative, were selected by the STB to be carried forward in the Uinta Basin Railway EIS.



This information is prepared by the Seven County Infrastructure Coalition, the proponent of the Uinta Basin Railway. This information is independent of the Surface Transportation Board public process.









Uinta Basin Railway Overview



FUNDING SOURCES

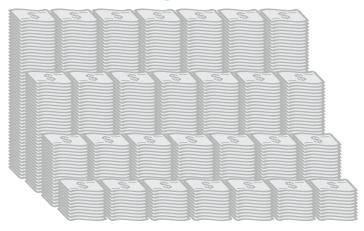
The public funds authorized for use on the Uinta Basin Railway come from mineral lease fees. Oil and gas are minerals for which producers pay a mineral lease fee to the federal government as part of the Mineral Lands Leasing Act of 1920. The government then gives part of those funds back to the state to be used within communities where the minerals are extracted. The Utah Permanent Community Impact Fund Board allocated these funds to the Coalition for use in planning and environmental studies.

\$27.9 MINERAL LEASE **FUNDS**

PUBLIC FUNDING

The private industry will pay for construction and operation through contracts and service fees for use of the railway.

\$1.2-1.5 BILLION*



PRIVATE FUNDING

*The final cost of the railway will be determined by the route that is selected

PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP FOR CREATIVE PROJECT DELIVERY

A public-private partnership creates a unique opportunity for collaboration to fund, build and operate important infrastructure projects. This creative partnership allows an important project like the Uinta Basin Railway to move forward faster.







PUBLIC PARTNER

PLANNING & STUDIES:

- ENVIRONMENTAL **CLEARANCE**
- PRELIMINARY DESIGN

PRIVATE PARTNER

COMMERCIALIZATION FINANCING

PRIVATE PARTNER

DESIGN CONSTRUCTION **OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE**

















