



Legacy Parkway & Preserve

Preserve and Trail Information: www.legacypreserve.utah.gov

The Legacy Parkway Project (state Road 67) was designed as a 14-mile stretch of four-lane highway to provide an alternate roadway for commuters in Weber and Davis Counties and the Salt Lake City metropolitan area. Construction was completed on the first phase of the Legacy Parkway, from North Salt Lake to Farmington, and opened to traffic on September 13, 2008. The project alleviates congestion in one of Utah's most heavily traveled freeway corridors, and has proven that the Davis County portion was needed whether or not the entire Legacy Highway concept is ever completed.

Interstate 15 through Davis County hosted upwards of 150,000 vehicles each day before the Legacy Parkway was completed. Since the Parkway opened to traffic it is estimated that traffic on I-15, between the U.S. 89/Legacy Parkway/I-15 interchange in Farmington and the I-215 exit in North Salt Lake, has been consistently reduced as much as 20 percent. Additionally, the Parkway provides a unique "escape route" from the Salt Lake City area northward, when accidents, construction, or other events significantly slows, or even closes I-15.

A new western-style parkway: Legacy Parkway is the first of its kind in the United States and includes many unique elements:

- Gateways to introduce motorists to the Parkway and surrounding communities
- Meandering roadway instead of a traditional fixed, straight freeway design
- Unique landscaping
- Unusual structural design features including bridge monuments and barriers
- Independent multi-use and equestrian trails alongside the Parkway
- "Greenways" that blurs the boundary between the Parkway and community
- Lower overall speed limit provides a pastoral driving experience
- Commercial trucks of five axles or 80,000 RGVM are generally prohibited from using the Parkway. But thanks to special signage on I-15 and I-215, they are able to use it during special traffic emergencies.

Why Legacy? The Legacy Parkway was designed and built to respond to our SEIS commitment, to avoid as much wetland impact as possible, as well as our negotiated agreement to create a unique Parkway look and feel. We also worked closely with the communities along the Legacy Parkway corridor -- North Salt Lake, West Bountiful, Woods Cross, Centerville and Farmington -- to find ways to make the Parkway an asset to their communities.