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Wasatch Canyons

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As members of the *Wasatch Canyons Tomorrow* Executive Committee, we would like to thank all of you for participating in the *Wasatch Canyons Tomorrow* process. As government agencies dedicated to the management and care of the seven major canyons in Salt Lake County, we deeply appreciate the work and countless hours members of the community have dedicated to the process. The number of involved citizens proves the important role the canyons play in this community and it further drives us to keep these lands protected and accessible for future generations.

Each of us has a different role in the management of the canyons. Our collective obligations highlight the need to continue a high level of ongoing collaboration in our management. Because of our responsibilities and the essential need for collaboration, we were each very engaged in the *Wasatch Canyons Tomorrow* visioning process.

Our intention with the *Wasatch Canyons Tomorrow* process was to create a public dialogue where your voice would be heard regarding the future of these canyons. The values you have voiced, and the input you have provided during this process are vital to us as we engage in future policy choices, planning, and decision-making.

The *Wasatch Canyons Tomorrow* report gives us a thoughtful menu of recommendations for projects, best management practices, and policies to be considered as we confront current and anticipated challenges in the management of the Wasatch Canyons. Some of these recommendations can be considered for implementation relatively quickly. We also recognize that consideration of many of these recommendations will need future study and evaluation to determine their feasibility, environmental impact, compliance with federal, state and local laws, and compliance with existing management plans.

The driving force behind the commencement of *Wasatch Canyons Tomorrow* was the recognized need to update the 1989 Salt Lake County Wasatch Canyons Master Plan. Therefore it is fitting that the publication of this report precedes and informs Salt Lake County's Wasatch Canyons Master Plan Update, anticipated to begin this coming winter. Of particular note, and consistent with your input in the *Wasatch Canyons Tomorrow* process, Salt Lake County will engage the community in its administration of its Foothills and Canyon's Overlay Zone ordinance. The US Forest Service, Salt Lake City Department of Public Utilities, Town of Alta, State of Utah, and Utah Transit Authority will also look to this report to inform our work and to guide our collaboration.

Again, thank you for your time and efforts. We look forward to working with all of you in the coming months and years. Together, we can chart the future of the Wasatch Canyons for today and for tomorrow.

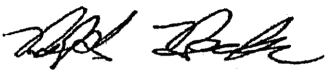
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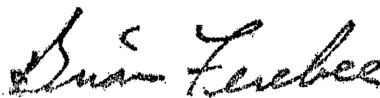
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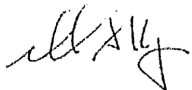
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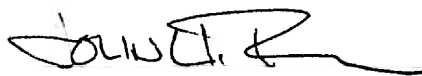
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