



**Update to State Committee - June 18, 2012**

**iUTAH EPSCoR Track-1 Project**

**Start date: July 1, 2012 (length is 5 years)**

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iUTAH<sub>2011</sub>

***innovative Urban Transitions and  
Aridregion Hydro-sustainability***

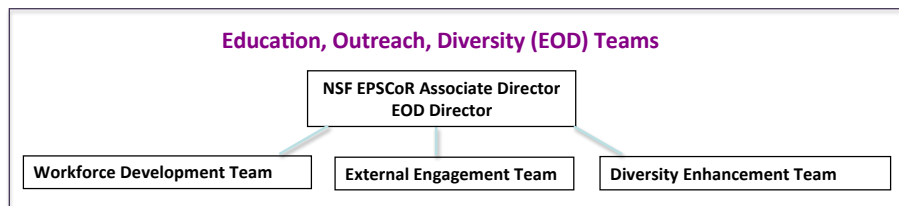
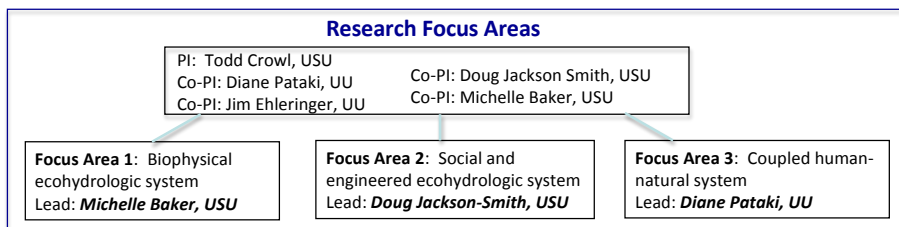
Exploring how population growth, changing  
climate, and land use affect water  
sustainability



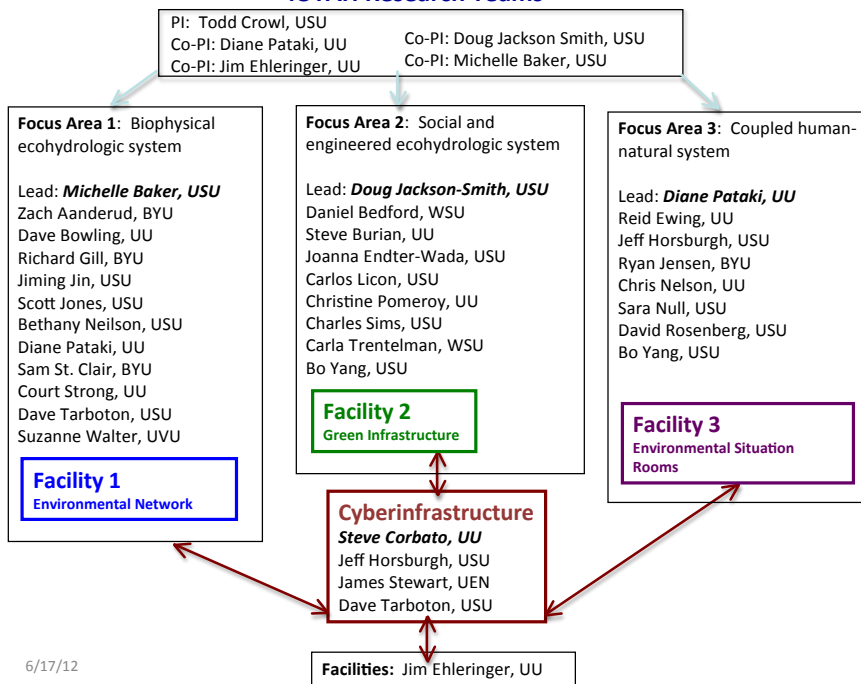
### What will we be doing over the next 5 years?

The purpose of the Research Infrastructure Improvement Program: Track 1 (RII Track-1) is to provide support for sustainable improvements in a **jurisdiction's** academic research infrastructure, that is, its research capacity in identified areas of **research and education** in science and engineering that are supported by the NSF.

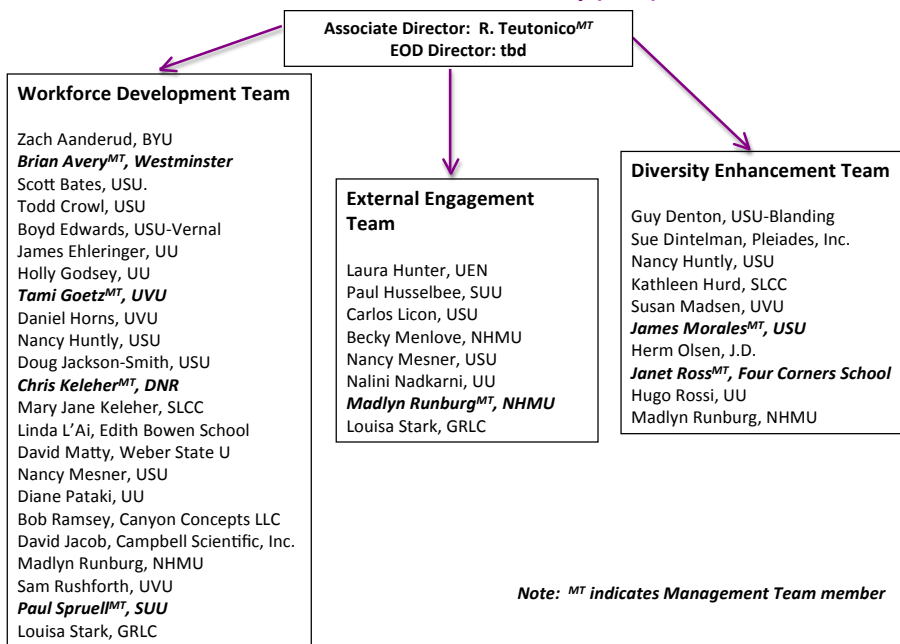
RII Track-1 activities build the core infrastructure needed to develop **collaborative efforts** for the successful pursuit of significant jurisdictional and regional opportunities in science and engineering.



**iUTAH Research Teams**



**iUTAH Education, Outreach, Diversity (EOD) Teams**





## Big Picture Priorities



Year 1 - Develop iUTAH and state EPSCoR Office and Staff

Watershed Observatories - design, install monitoring instruments, data flow and storage

Establish EOD teams, objectives and timelines

Internships, REUs, Museum Partnerships

***Satisfy NSF requirements***

Year 2 - Watershed Observatories – must be fully integrated and functioning, including urban and social components

Begin scoping Green Infrastructure

Summer Institute

all EOD activities

***NSF and assessment meetings***



## Big Picture Priorities



Year 3 - Watershed Observatories - Data & Modeling capabilities fully operational

EOD activities fully engaged

Summer Institute

Green Infrastructure Facility completed and integrated with EOD and other research

Environmental Situation Rooms Scoped

***NSF reverse site visit***



## Big Picture Priorities



Year 4 - Watershed Observatories - fully integrated

Green Infrastructure - fully integrated

Summer Institute

all EOD activities

Environmental Situation Rooms - functional

***NSF site visit; Assessment team evaluation***

*EPSCoR II planning begins*



## iUTAH EPSCoR 2012-2013 Timeline



May	Award DD concurred
June	Award Letter to USU
June	Initial Activity 1, 2 & 3 meetings; (June 1 - activities 1 & 2)
June	Initial institution update meetings UofU, USU completed; BYU, WSU & UVU over the next month
July 1, 2012	Official start date
July	Sub-contracts processed
July 12	EOD kickoff meeting
mid, late July	All hands celebration and kickoff meeting
July 15, 2012	Open iUTAH EPSCoR USTAR Offices USU complete; UU-??????
July 31, 2012	PhD GRA applications due. PIs will finalize appointments by beginning of fall semester



Graduate student RAships will be available for the 2012-2013 year



See announcement indicating a solicitation for Ph.D. graduate student RAships to begin in August 2012. These RA positions will be for one year, but maybe renewed. The positions may only be used for activities directly related to iUTAH.

Students will compete for these positions which may be used for stipend support in the Fall 2012, Spring 2013, and/or Summer 2013 semesters.

This announcement will be broadcast broadly to also reach Ph.D. students beyond the student pool that is associated with faculty listed earlier under Activities 1, 2, and 3, Communications and CI.



**iUTAH EPSCoR 2012-2013 Timeline**



Sept. 1, 2012	Individual participants (from all institutions) submit finalized scopes of work and deliverables for 2012-2013 to Crowl
Sept. 10, 2012	PIs and team leads meet with External Advisory Board
No later than Sept. 30, 2012	Assessment/NSF strategic planning meeting - All required to attend (including a revised education plan)
Nov. 15, 2012	Final watershed designs
<b>No later than Nov. 30, 2012</b>	<b>Strategic Plan, State S&amp;T Plan and State EPSCoR bylaws due to NSF including individual Scopes of Work with roles, responsibilities and deliverables</b>
Jan. 1, 2013	First semi-annual reporting due
March 1, 2013	Second semi-annual reporting due Final individual reports due with estimates for 4th quarter
April 1, 2013	80% of budget must be obligated;



The reporting process is complex and requires a structure be maintained



<i>Institution or RII Title</i>	<i>Category</i>	<i>Total Individuals in category</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>Blacks or African Americans</i>	<i>Hispanics</i>	<i>Other Ethnic</i>	<i>Persons with Disabilities</i>	<i>New Investigators*</i>
<b><i>Institution A</i></b>	Faculty participants (or equivalent)								
	Technical support staff								
	Non-technical support staff								
	Post docs								
	Graduate students								
<b><i>Institution B</i></b>	Undergraduate students								
	RII Leadership Team								
	Faculty participants (or equivalent)								
	Technical support staff								
	Non-technical support staff								
<b><i>Institution C</i></b>	Post docs								
	Graduate students								
	Undergraduate students								
	RII Leadership Team								
	Faculty participants (or equivalent)								
<b><i>RII Total</i></b>	Technical support staff								
	Non-technical support staff								
	Post docs								
	Graduate students								
	Undergraduate students								
	RII Leadership Team								
	Faculty participants (or equivalent)								
	Advisory Boards								



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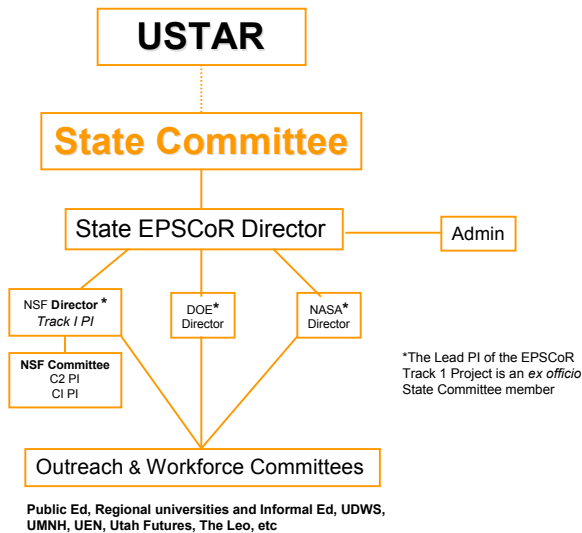
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A directory of participant, photos, and brief bios will be constructed and made available to all between now and September 30<sup>th</sup>.

## UTAH EPSCoR Structure



### UTAH NSF Committee Activities



April, 2012	Initiated bi-weekly conference call Winters, Teutonico, Corbato, Jones, Crowl
May 2012	Completed UTEPSCoR.org transfer (to UEN) State Logo chosen and completed
June 2, 2012	State website launched by UEN
June, 2012	In collaboration with Hawaii, New Mexico, Alaska and New Hampshire EPSCoR Programs, established a web-based reporting approach using the DRUPAL information management platform.  New Mexico has agreed to transfer their software designed for NSF reporting structures  Crowl and Kelly co-chairs of the web-based reporting working group;
Sept. 30, 2012	Workshop proposal due to NSF (Crowl and Kelly, Co-PIs)





May, 2012

**UTAH NSF Committee Activities**



NSF PI/PD/PA meeting, DC  
(ppts available at [NSF.GOV/EPSCOR/](http://NSF.GOV/EPSCOR/))

upcoming EPSCoR reviews

- NAS - current committee makeup lacking
- NSF sanctioned review - data intensive
- 2030 Review available (posted on website)

New procedures for NSF outreach - now coordinated through  
NSF EPSCoR outreach Coordinator (Martha  
(James)

Handout posted on website