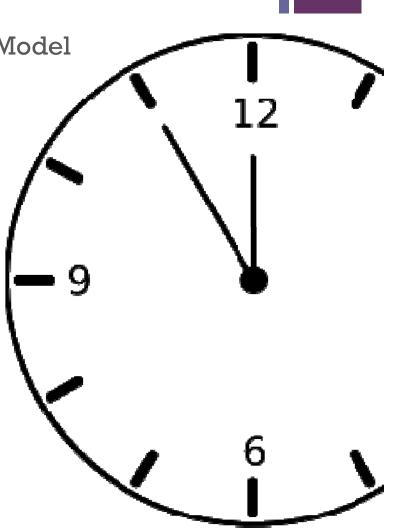


# Utah Cluster Acceleration<br/>Partnership Initiative<br/>(UCAP)Cameron K. Martin, PhD<br/>Associate Commissioner for<br/>Economic Development & Planning<br/>Utah System of Higher Education

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- Introduction to the UCAP Initiative and Model
- Overview of Current UCAP Projects
- Sample of Report Outcomes and Model Summary Graphics
- Q&A Open Discussion



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# + Utah Cluster Acceleration Partnership (UCAP) Initiative

The UCAP initiative is designed to support cutting-edge, innovative projects that will help **accelerate the growth** (jobs and wages) and capacity of key industry clusters by addressing their need for **talent** and **innovation** support. 3



# + Utah Cluster Acceleration Partnership (UCAP) Initiative

The UCAP initiative **develops and implements a strategic plan** for how industry, government, and higher education can be **aligned** to create more robust, internationally recognized clusters of business industries.

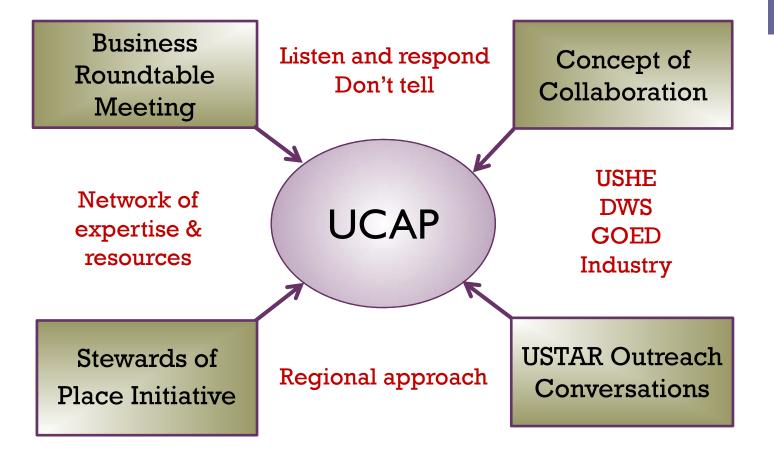




- Integrate, align, and leverage resources
  - Across higher education community (public/private)
  - Among USHE, DWS, GOED, USTAR, UCAT, and other state agencies
- Be complimentary to USTAR (Utah Science Technology and Research)
  - USTAR = research of discovery (tech transfer; new businesses)
  - UCAP = applied research (accelerate existing businesses)
- Accelerate growth in strategic Utah industry clusters and regional economies
- Position USHE institutions as regional hubs of economic activity and as a network of expertise and resources to be leveraged
- Replicate the process

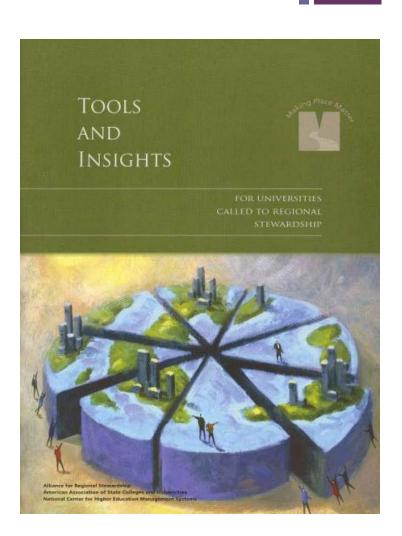


## + UCAP History



## + UCAP Model

- Pre-Phase A stewardship audit
  - Convened by institutional president
  - Identify institution's capability to meet regional needs
  - Builds relationships between institution and stakeholders
  - Build USHE institutions' network of services
  - Identify and prioritize specific cluster acceleration partnership projects
  - One-time endeavor





- <u>Phase I</u> Conduct an strategic assessment of the industry.
- <u>Phase II</u> Develop an acceleration strategy to meet the industry cluster's needs
- Phase III Implement the strategic plan with measures of accountability
- <u>Phase IV</u> Report **outcomes** including wage levels and job creation



## + UCAP Oversight/Management

- Oversight Committee (financiers)
  - Heads of:
    - DWS
    - USHE
    - GOED
  - Quarterly meetings
    - Project updates
    - Project approvals
- Projects "convened" by a higher education institution
- One-time funds to seed activity per project
- Outcomes sustained through repurposed resources of partners



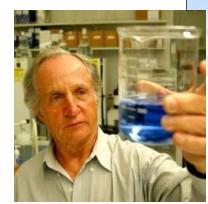


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- 2009-10 Projects (three pilot projects)
  - Aerospace and Defense (WSU convened)
  - Energy (SLCC convened)
  - Digital Media (USU convened)
- 2010-11 Projects
  - Healthcare (WSU/UofU convened)
  - Life Sciences (Westminster/UofU convened)
  - Stewardship Audits
    - SUU, Dixie, Snow, USU-CEU
    - Project launches spring 2011



Dr. Mario Capecchi, co-winner of the 2007 Nobel Prize in Physiology/Medicine, University of Utah





#### UTAH'S ENERGY CLUSTER ACCELERATION STRATEGY

#### Sustain the core

#### Growth Opportunities



#### Maintain Competitive Oil, Gas and Coal Production

Ensure Utah maintains its core energy businesses and capacity to extract the state's reserves of oil, oil shale/oil sands, natural gas, and coal in a cost competitive and environmentally responsible position relative to regional, national and global markets.

#### Access Resources on Hydrocarbon Based Lands

Ensure continued access to and timely issuance of federal and state government permits for energy exploration on lands within the state.

#### Generation/ Distribution/ Transport Consistent Increase of Energy Generation and Transmission

Consistently generate and transmit an increasing supply of low-cost electrical energy by Rocky Mountain Power, Intermountain Power Agency and Utah municipal power plants.

#### Maintain Economically Viable Refineries

Maintain the economic viability of Utah's oil refinery businesses, the associated jobs, and wage base to continue to benefit Utah's oil businesses.

#### Support

#### Sustain Energy Transport and Support Businesses

Sustain the numerous service and product businesses that support the energy industry and transport Utah's energy resources.

## Drive growth accelerators

#### Resources-Traditional

Continued Expansion of Natural Gas Production Continue to responsibly explore new fields and expand the production of Utah's natural gas reserves.

Enable Oil Shale/ Oil Sands/ Shale Gas Production Enable responsible extraction and development of Utah's oil shale/oil sands, and shale gas resources.

#### Innovate Clean Coal Technologies for Increased Coal Production

Innovate and adopt new technologies, such as carbon sequestration, that satisfy clean coal environmental restrictions and lead to an increased production from Utah's coal reserves.

#### **Specialize in Energy Training and Certification**

Become the leader in specialized energy training services, safety training and employee certification, which require direct access to a range of energy resources, in-situ operational facilities, and specialized curriculum focused on oil, gas, and coal extraction processes.

#### Resources-Renewable

Fully Develop Utah's Renewable Resources Fully access and make available to companies all federal and state financial incentives for the development of solar, wind, biodiesel, geothermal, and biomass.

#### Integrate Renewable Power Generation with Traditional Power Plants

Encourage the state research universities to pursue solutions to the integation of intermittent renewable energy.

#### Generation

#### Upgrade and Support Electrical Grid

Upgrade the physical facilities that comprise Utah's electrical grid and increase the number of trained grid technicians and linesmen and support the siting of critical transmission infrastructure.

#### **Expand Natural Gas Power Plants**

Capitalize on the upgraded electrical grid by expanding gas fired turbine power generation to meet the expected increase in demand for power consumption and to maintain Utah's low cost supply of energy.

## Explore future opportunities

#### Resources

#### **Capitalize on Federal Research Initiatives**

Capitalize on federal research initiatives conducted at Utah's universities including carbon sequestration, biofuels, and other related energy research projects by effectively applying findings, technologies, and innovations to Utah's energy industry.

#### Distribution/Transport

#### Explore the Application of Cost Effective New , Transmission Storage and Power Usage Technologies

Explore the application of new information and physical technologies to improve the transmis sion, efficiency, usage, distribution, and battery capacitor kinetics of electrical power delivered over the grid.

#### Consumption

#### Promote the Use and Adoption of Green Construction Techniques

Promote the growth of green construction businesses by encouraging the adoption of green construction techniques, innovations and services.

#### Consumption

#### Improve the Viability of Cost Effective Innovative Energy Efficiency Businesses

Improve the economic viability of innovative energy efficiency businesses by adopting reasonable energy efficiency requirements set by the local, state and federal government entities. Capitalize on federal tax credits and tax breaks for energy efficient products and services.

#### **Expand Natural Gas Vehicle Use**

Expand Utah's leadership by promoting the growth of businesses that provide services, solutions and innovations that encourage the adoption of natural gas vehicles for public and private sector fleets and private vehicle use.

#### UTAH'S ENERGY CLUSTER ACCELERATION STRATEGY

#### Key Supporting Strategies

#### TALENT DEVELOPMENT

Increase Trained Workforce- Increase the overall number of trained energy industry workers to meet the projected needs in renewable and traditional resource development, generation, distribution and transport, support, and energy consumption.

#### APPLIED RESEARCH

Research Viability of Renewable Energy- Undertake consistent research and development of reasonable factors that will eventually make renewable energy an economically viable energy source not dependent on government subsidies or specialized fiscal policies.

#### **RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT**

State Sponsored Research Agenda- Promote and sponsor a state agenda for energy research, innovations, technologies, and applied research in fields that are of specific interest to Utah, including carbon management, cleaner hydrocarbon, energy efficiency, energy management, electrical grid management, energy consumption, and renewable energy resources.

#### BUSINESS EXPANSION

Expand Oil Refineries- Expand Utah's oil refinery business by becoming a viable hub for refining crude oil extracted in Canada and Mexico by partnering with producers in these regions.

#### **BUSINESS ATTRACTION**

Increase the Regional Demand for Natural Gas and Low Cost Power- Leverage Utah's low cost power and abundant natural gas reserves to attract national and international heavy power users such as fertilizer and chemical manufacturers.

Create Strong Base of Power Demand- Create a strong economic and industrial base in Utah that utilizes and demands Utah's abundant supply of low cost power.

#### BUSINESS CREATION

Create Energy Efficient Businesses- Foster the creation of innovative entrepreneur-led businesses in the fields of energy efficiency, energy production, energy management, and energy storage.

#### CLUSTER LEADERSHIP

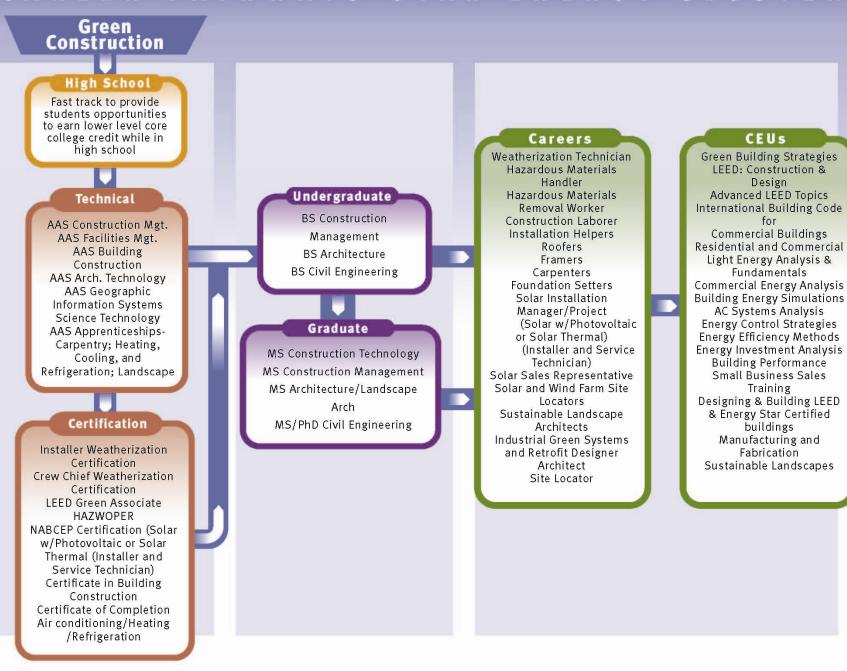
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Link Small Company Innovation with Large Company Resources and Needs -Foster partnerships between small business innovators of new energy development and production technologies, methods, and processes with larger companies able to effectively capitalize on and integrate these developments into their operations.

EXPAND

CREATE

#### CAREER PATHWAYS UTAH ENERGY CLUSTER



## + Implementation Responsibilities

Action Items	Industry	USHE	DWS	GOED	USTAR	Other
Capitalize on Training Grants						
Fully utilize the training grants received by the Department of Workforce Services and managed by Salt Lake Community College for re-training workers for energy industry positions.	٢	0	•			ATC's and Public Education
Applied Research						
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### UCAP PROJECT PHASES

#### Pre Phase Stewardship Audit

#### Work

Assessment of issues, drivers, opportunties and gaps that define future regional needs and set institutional direction to close gaps and meet needs

#### Task

- Assessment of regional drivers
- O Identification of opportunities
- Institutional gap analysis
- © Determine regional leader priorities
- O Stakeholder strategy sessions
- O Assess institutional alignment/capacity
- © Set strateic direction
- O Select economic cluster

#### Result

Engaged community leaders
 Idenfied economic cluster
 Stewardship priorities

#### Parties

- > Business Leaders
- > Academic Leaders
- Regional Leaders
- Community Leaders

## UCAP PROJECT PHASES

#### Phase I Strategic Assessment

#### Work

Assessment of economic cluster and factors influencing acceleration and cluster growth

#### Tasks

- O Industry leader interviews
- O Academic leader interviews
- O Cluster data review
- Integrate higher education leadership consituents
- © Form Strategy Committee
- © Strategy work sessions
- O Determine factors of influence

#### Results

<sup>©</sup> Determine cluster growth potential <sup>©</sup> Determine acceleration factors

<sup>O</sup> Determine cluster value

#### Parties

- > Cluster Industry leadership
- > Academic leadership
- > Higher educ public/private leaders
- Regional support leaders

#### Phase II Acceleration Strategy

#### Work

Design acceleration strategy and define career pathways and talent development to grow targeted economic clusters

#### Tasks

 Facilitate strategy work sessions
 Determine acceleration strategies
 Determine work force skills required
 Align educational programs to meet cluster needs/train skill sets
 Set research agenda
 Assign implementation accountability

#### Results

- Comprehensive cluster acceleration strategy
- Engaged and committed leadership
  Defined work force training
  Defined research needs

#### Parties

Acceleration Strategy Members

### UCAP PROJECT PHASES

### mplementation

#### Work

Implementation of cluster acceleration strategy. Training of skilled work force. Manage implementation accountability.

#### Tasks

- Implementation of core acceleration strategy initiatives
- Implement career pathway plan
- Manage implementation accountability
- Implement research agenda

#### Results

- Clearly defined implementation responsibility
- Implemented action items
- Career pathway meeting cluster needs
- Stronger Industry/Academic partnerships
- Supportive policy allies

#### Parties

- Acceleration Strategy Members
- Institutional leadership
- Regional ledership

#### Phase IV Outcomes

#### Work

Monitor and measure impact on cluster acceleration, institutional alignment, talent development, and ultimately job development and increased wages

#### Tasks

- © Regularly report progress
- © Continually engage stakeholders
- Maintain industry partnerships
- O Manage cluster leadership
- O Monitor and measure impact
- Host annual strategy review/redirect

#### Results

- © Engaged and informed leaders
- <sup>O</sup> Industry/institutional partnership
- O Success metrics
- © Continually relevant strategy
- Business development
- Increased jobs
- Improved workforce skills

#### Parties

- Acceleration Strategy Members
- Industry partners
- Institutional stakeholders





