The UDOT Data Portal is a one-stop shop for GIS data, applications, news and training.

**GIS tools work: Region Two ROW Initiative**

A new GIS tool that populates an ArcGIS map with UDOT Right of Way data stored in ProjectWise is saving time and funding for UDOT. Read more about it on the UDOT Blog.

**Meet the GIS team**

**David Alger**

Meet David Alger, Right of Way, Environmental and Technology Engineer for UDOT Region One. He has a Bachelor or Science Degree in Civil Engineering from Utah State University. David began working for UDOT as an intern in 2006, became a rotational engineer in 2008, and recently concluded over four years of roadway design experience. His role at Region One is to implement new processes and technologies, including the use of GIS tools.

David considers himself as "the interchange from the GIS experts to the UDOT users" and is working to replace the question of "Why do they use Google Earth to design?"
with "How did we find our information before we had the UDOT Data Portal?"

Aaron Pinkerton

Aaron Pinkerton is a Special Projects Engineer at UDOT Region Three. He graduated from BYU with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Civil Engineering and started at UDOT as a rotational engineer four years ago. He is focusing on a variety of efforts that involve GIS, including the three year plan maps, putting the UDOT Right of Way CADD data into a GIS mapping System, using the LiDar point cloud data, and helping Region Three Maintenance work with the culvert data available through the UDOT Data Portal.

"GIS data provides innovative ways to view and quantify our resources by providing another means to visually access a project, data or situation and make a decision based on a clear representation of that project or situation," says Aaron.

Send in your photos

If you've taken some great shots of bridges or other structures, projects showing people working, or just a great looking roadway, please share. Photos will be used on UDOT's UPlan map app. Send photos to Becky Hjelm at bhjelm@utah.gov

Next user group meeting

A bi-monthly GIS user group meeting provides a forum for questions about ArcGIS and UPlan. Group facilitators generally demo UPlan functionality and answer as many question as time allows. To be included in this group, please email udotgis@utah.gov
NEXT MEETING: October 1 at 3 p.m. at the Calvin Rampton Complex on the first floor in the east conference room.

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