

A topographic map of a residential area in Utah, overlaid with a title. The map shows contour lines with elevations ranging from 7400 to 7800 feet. A reservoir labeled 'Selman Reservoir' is visible on the left side. The map includes a grid of streets and various zoning codes such as R-2-8, R-1-8, R-1-10, R-M, and R-2-10. The title 'Utah, the State of Quality Growth' is centered in a large, dark blue font, with the subtitle 'selected indicators' below it in a smaller, dark blue font. The background of the map is a light gray color.

# Utah, the State of Quality Growth

selected indicators

## **POPULATION GROWTH**

- From 1990-2000, the U.S. experienced a 13.2% growth in population. In that same period, Utah grew by 29.6%. — *U.S. Census Bureau*
- Some rural communities experienced significantly higher rates (Summit = 91.6%, Washington = 86.1%, Iron = 62.5%, Tooele 53.1%) — *U.S. Census Bureau*
- From 1990-2000, Utah grew by 30%, and is projected to grow another 19% from 2000-2010. — *Utah Governor's Office of Planning & Budget*
- "The Greater Wasatch is projected to increase from 1.9 million people in 2000 (~similar to the Sacramento metro area), to 3.1 million by 2030 (~similar to Phoenix metro area). — *QGET 2003 Baseline Scenario*

## **TRANSPORTATION**

- The Utah Transit Authority opened its third light rail line in the Salt Lake area. UTA's ridership has grown consistently since 1998. — *Utah Transit Authority*
- Envision Utah conducted a public opinion survey and found that 88% of respondents favored expansion of the transit system. — *Envision Utah*
- The Wasatch Front Regional Council (MPO) has reorganized to share its responsibility to produce the Long Range Transportation Plan with its Regional Growth Committee. — *Wasatch Front Regional Council*

## **HOUSING**

- Almost 600,000 new housing units will be constructed by 2030 (20,000 per year). Housing prices are expected to increase as the developable land decreases. — *QGET 2003 Baseline Scenario*
- Envision Utah conducted a public opinion survey and found that 80% of respondents favored more housing options in their community. — *Envision Utah*

## **CRITICAL LAND CONSERVATION**

- The U.S. Forest Service has contracted with the Utah Governor's Office of Planning & Budget to assist them to draft three Forest Plans. — *Utah Governor's Office of Planning & Budget*
- The LeRay McAllister Critical Land Preservation program has appropriated nearly \$9,000,000 in grants for 31 projects. These funds have leveraged over \$43,000,000 in private sector and federal funds (1/5 ratio) to preserve over 33,000 acres. — *Utah Governor's Office of Planning & Budget*