

The Utah Petroleum Association's (UPA) position on the Uinta Basin Railway project

We seek to promote the responsible development of Utah's vast natural resources and the manufacture of fuels that keep Utah families and businesses moving. UPA recognizes that increased takeaway capacity is crucial to our industry's ability to grow, and rail infrastructure is regionally beneficial.

- UPA supports infrastructure projects that seek to promote Utah's natural resource and energy sectors.
- Neither UPA nor its member companies are involved in the new financing effort for this private venture to tap into public bonding.
- If constructed, the Uinta Basin Railway will add another transportation alternative to the existing options, the terms and conditions of which will be competitively evaluated against existing transportation options.
- The major producers cannot commit to rail yellow and black wax on the Uinta Basin Railway unless the project is able to compete financially with existing transportation alternatives already being utilized by the industry and must not result in increased gasoline prices for consumers.
- If the Uinta Basin Railway is to exist, it must not be solely dependent upon transportation of crude oil. Rail is a critical component of our economy, serving a multitude of industries, and therefore this project should drive more broad economic development.

The Utah Petroleum Association (UPA) is comprised of companies from every segment of the petroleum industry who work cooperatively to resolve mutual problems and provide a unified voice for the advancement and improvement of the oil and gas industry in Utah. UPA was founded in 1958 and continues today as the voice of Utah's oil and natural gas industries.

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