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Kevin Wright, Forest Supervisor
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RE: USDA Forest Service July 15, 2025 Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Brian Head Ski Resort Expansion (90 FR 31598).

Dear Supervisor Wright,

The Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) respectfully submits its letter in response to the NOI for the EIS for the Brian Head ski resort expansion.

As stated in the NOI, the proposed action has the potential to result in impacts to transportation resources and would potentially increase traffic on SR-143, a state road under the jurisdiction of UDOT. UDOT expects that the project could affect travel times, speeds and safety and that infrastructure improvements to SR-143 may be necessary.

Because of UDOT's special expertise regarding transportation in the state of Utah and because the project would affect resources under our jurisdiction, UDOT formally requests cooperating agency status per 42 USC 4336a(a)(3).

If you have any questions about this letter or UDOT's anticipated involvement in the EIS process, please contact Jeff Albrecht at 435-689-0299 or jalbrect@utah.gov.

Sincerely,

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