Outdoor recreation improves quality of life, creates new jobs and attracts increased investment in Utah Communities. The Utah Outdoor Recreation Grant (UORG) supports recreation by providing matching funds for new trails, bike parks, boat ramps, shooting ranges and more. By investing in outdoor recreation infrastructure, the Utah Office of Outdoor Recreation helps local communities achieve their economic development and tourism goals.

### 2020 Funding Stats

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<th>JOBS SUPPORTED</th>
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- **64% of funding to rural Utah**
- **97 applications submitted**
- **20 counties received project funding**
- **$11.5 million in funding requests**
- **7:1 private/public leverage**
- **12 activity types funded**
- **40 new infrastructure projects**
- **80.6 new miles of trail funded**

### Regional Asset Tier:

New to 2020, the Regional Asset Tier funds up to $500,000 for projects with at least a $2 million total cost.

- 2 projects funded at $500,000
- 2 projects funded at $250,000
- Total Project Value of over $25 million

### Recreation Restoration Infrastructure (RAI):

New to 2020, these funds support deferred restoration or reconstruction projects on public lands for developed recreation infrastructure.

- 19 projects funded for $1,281,547
- 200 miles of trail to be restored
- 87 campsites and structures rehabilitated

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$6,031,396 awarded to projects valuing $43 million
In 2013, Utah became the first state to create an Office of Outdoor Recreation. Since then, the office has become a national leader working to broaden the economic value of Utah’s outdoors through collaboration with various business and community partners. In 2015, the office helped communities to build trails and other recreation infrastructure by awarding matching grants through a pilot program. Funding for the program increased the following year. Its success led to the Utah Legislature, creating a longer-term funding source to continue the grant program, now called the Utah Outdoor Recreation Grant.

2015-2020 Funding Stats

- **214 projects awarded in 25 counties**
- **$16 million awarded**
- **700+ jobs supported**
- **$121 million**
- **61% of project funding in rural Utah**
- **7:1 private/public leverage**
- **Over 390 miles of new trails funded**
- **25+ outdoor recreation activity types funded**
- **Applications Submitted: 351**

Activities Funded

- **OFF-ROAD**
  - UTVs, ATVs and off-road motorcycles
- **OUTDOOR COURSE**
  - Outdoor challenge courses, disc golf or ropes courses
- **NATURE ENJOYMENT**
  - Wildlife viewing, wildlife photography, birdwatching and nature walks
- **CAMPING**
  - Tents, RVs, yurts and hammocking
- **FISHING**
  - All recreational types
- **SHOOTING**
  - Archery, target shooting and biathlon
- **ROCK & MOUNTAIN**
  - Canyoneering, rappelling and all types of outdoor climbing
- **SNOW**
  - Snowboarding, all skiing types, snowshoeing, snowmobiling and ice-skating in outdoor rinks
- **WHEEL (PAVED SURFACE)**
  - Recreational bicycling, skateboarding, scootering and rollerblading
- **TRAIL (NATURAL SURFACE)**
  - Backpacking, hiking, trail running, mountain biking and horseback riding
- **WATER**
  - Canoeing, kayaking, rafting, stand-up paddle boarding, sailing, boating, swimming in lakes/river and snorkeling

2015-2020 Funding Summary

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