WYOMING COORDINATED TRANSIT PLAN

PROJECT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING #1

February 23, 2022

Meeting Facilitation & Format

Ask Questions & Provide Comments

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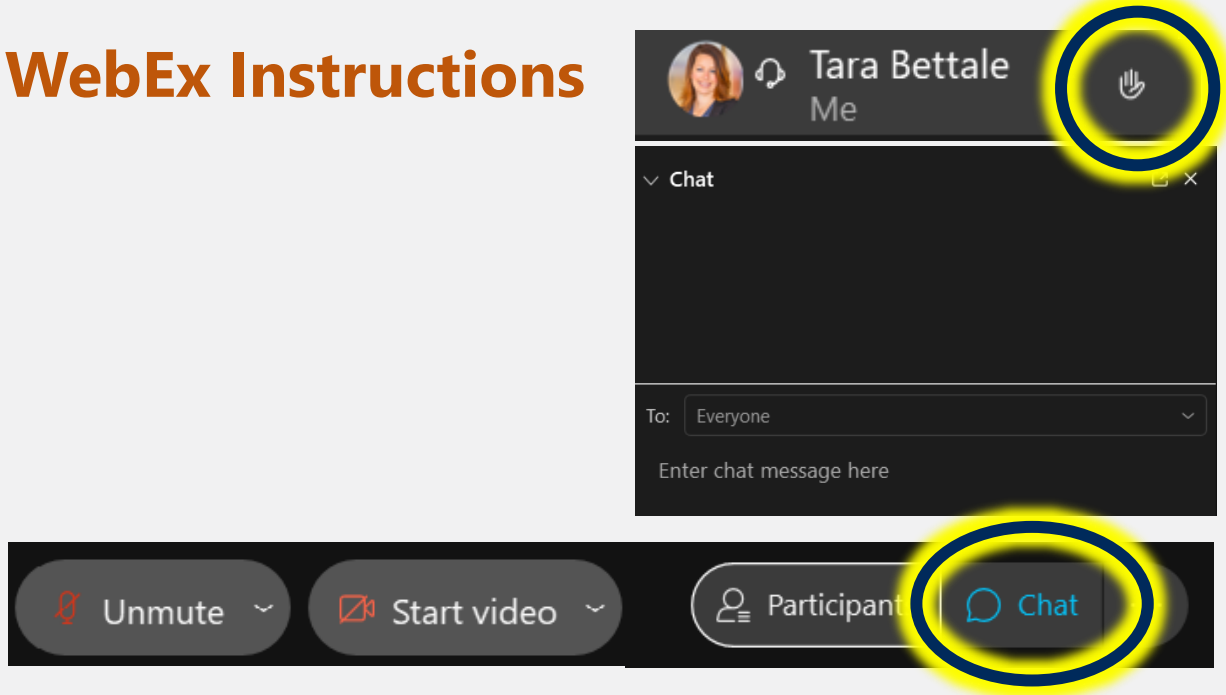

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QUESTION ONE

What part of Wyoming do you call home?

Agenda

1:30 – 1:35 PM	Welcome & Introductions
1:35 – 1:45 PM	Meeting Goals
	Advisory Committee Role
	Project Overview
1:45 – 2:00 PM	Baseline Conditions
2:00 – 2:15 PM	Existing Services
2:15 – 2:50 PM	Group Discussion
2:05 – 3:00 PM	Next Steps
3:00 PM	Adjourn

Introductions

Project Team

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Meeting Goals

- **Learn the plan's purpose** and development **process**
- **Understand Project Advisory Committee role**
- **Review baseline conditions**
- **Explore existing service**
- **Connect with providers** throughout the state
- Begin to **identify goals** for the plan

Advisory Committee & Project Overview

Project Advisory Committee

CITY OF Casper WYOMING

CTP CHEYENNE TRANSIT PROGRAM

NORTH BIG HORN • Senior Center •

PINE BLUFFS SENIOR CENTER

Services for Seniors Inc. SfS Platte County's Senior Centers

Enter as Strangers ~ Leave as Friends Thayne Senior Center

WYTRANS

SALT LAKE Express

WCSCC WESTON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER

Project Advisory Committee

- **What is the Project Advisory Committee?**
  - Representatives from local governments, mobility advocacy groups, specialized/human service transportation providers, and other specialized transportation stakeholders
  - Guide the development of the plan
- **What are the expectations and roles?**
  - Active participation and information sharing
  - Conduit of information to your communities
  - Attendance at 4 meetings throughout 2022

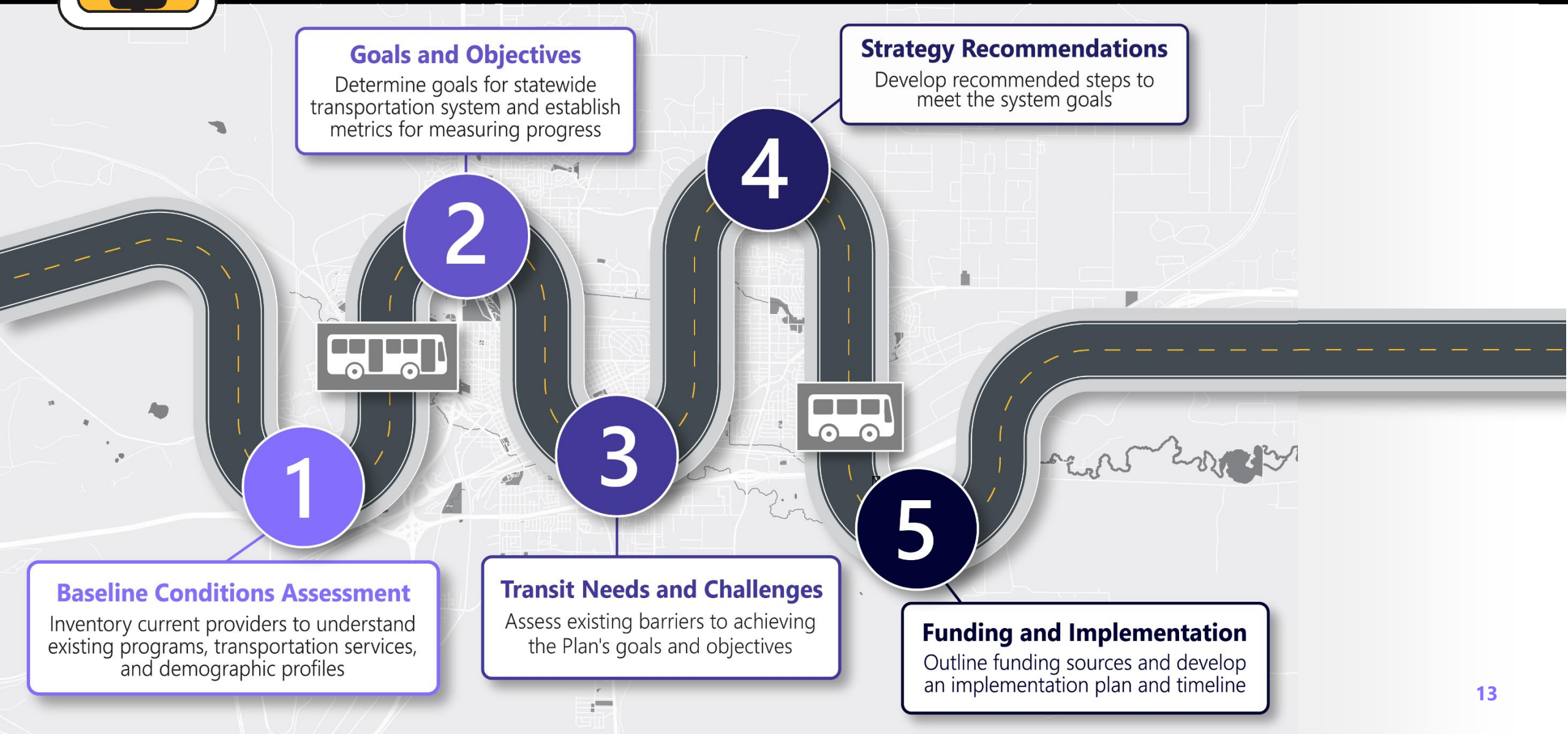
What is the Wyoming Coordinated Transit Plan?

- Identifies **transportation needs** and **service gaps** for older adults, individuals with disabilities, and people with low incomes in the state of Wyoming
- Provides **strategies** and **prioritizes** transportation services
- **Collaboration with transportation providers** (public, private, and non-profit)
- **Input from users** of the transit system

Outcomes of a Successful Plan

- **Enhanced mobility** for older adults, individuals with disabilities, and people with low incomes
- **Improved regional connectivity** with existing funding
- **Equitable transportation options** for rural and transit-dependent users
- **Coordination** across agencies and providers
- **Pre-positioning Wyoming to receive discretionary grants**

Plan Development Process



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Baseline Conditions Assessment

Inventory current providers to understand existing programs, transportation services, and demographic profiles

2

Goals and Objectives

Determine goals for statewide transportation system and establish metrics for measuring progress

3

Transit Needs and Challenges

Assess existing barriers to achieving the Plan's goals and objectives

4

Strategy Recommendations

Develop recommended steps to meet the system goals

5

Funding and Implementation

Outline funding sources and develop an implementation plan and timeline

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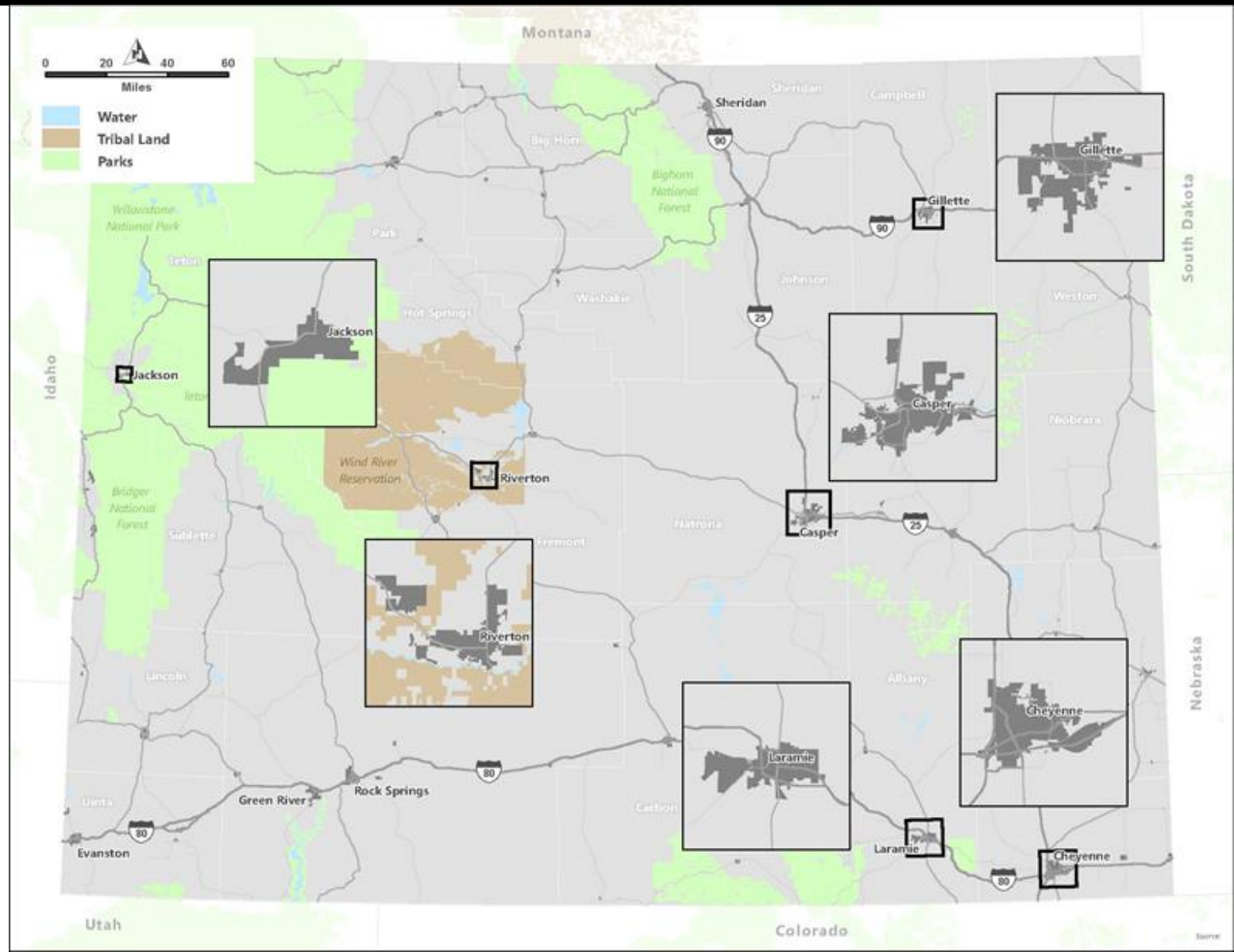
QUESTION TWO

What element of the plan would most benefit your organization?

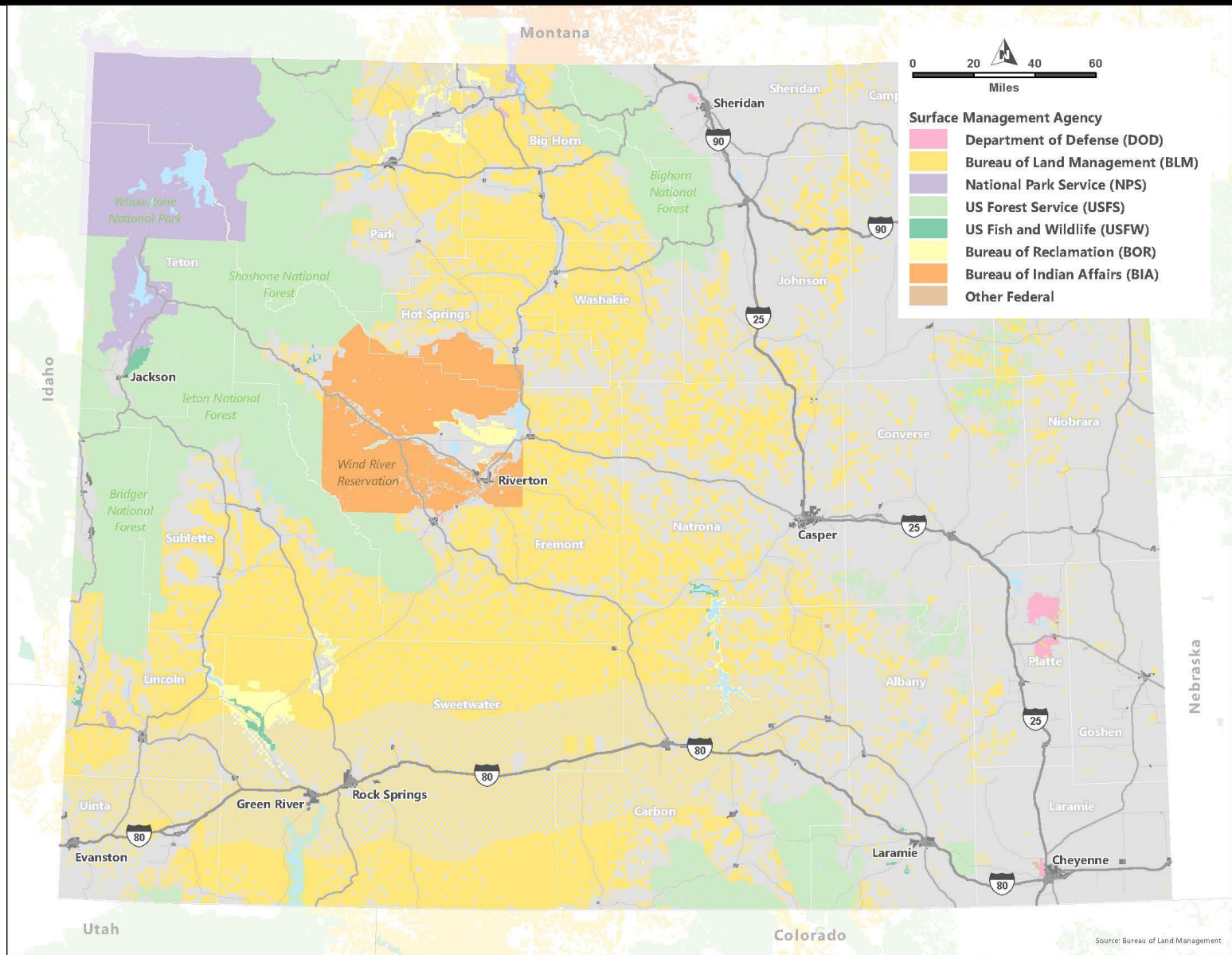
Baseline Conditions

Service Area



Federal Land

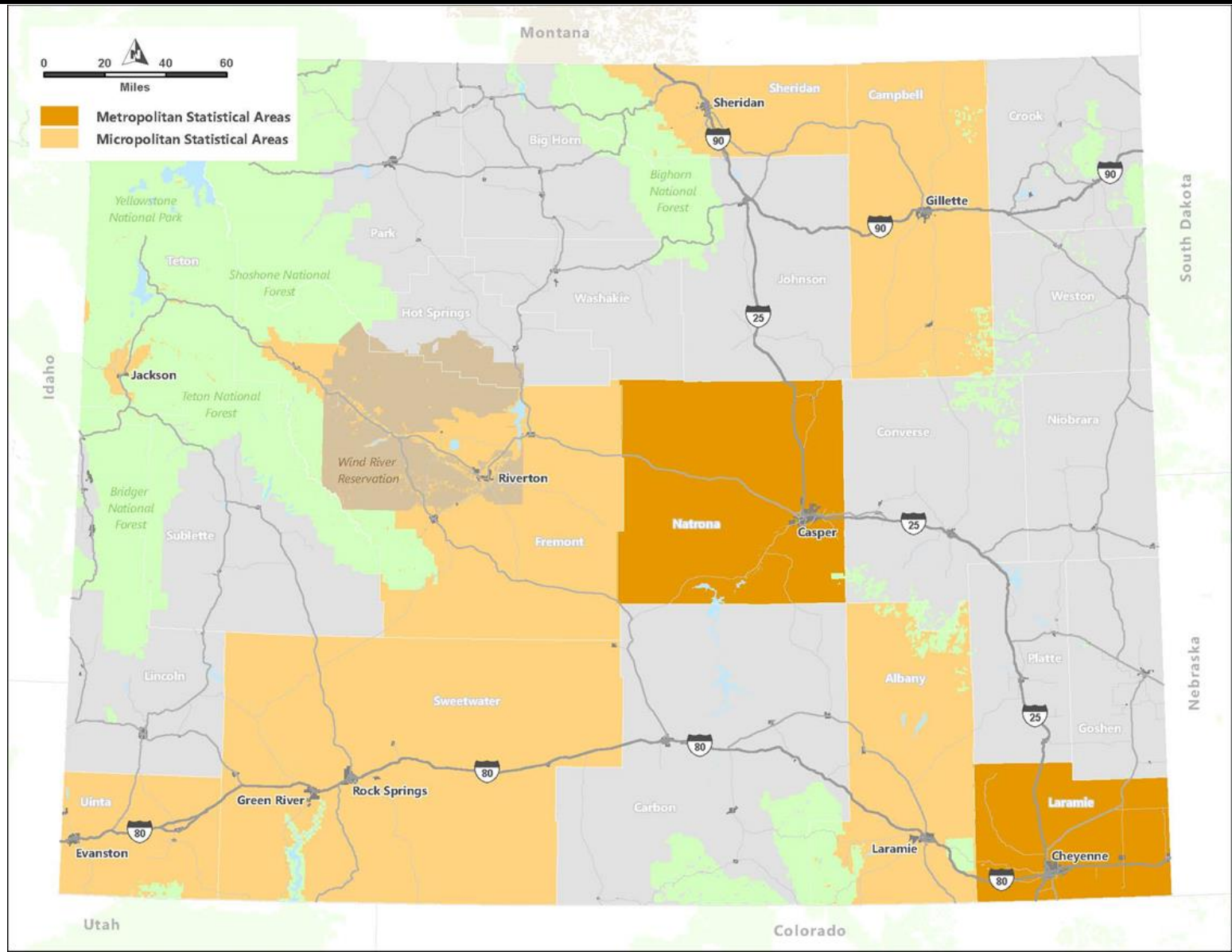
- Bureau of Indian Affairs
- U.S. Forest Service
- National Park Service
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- Bureau of Land Management
- Bureau of Reclamation
- Department of Defense



Metropolitan/Micropolitan Statistical Areas

Population:

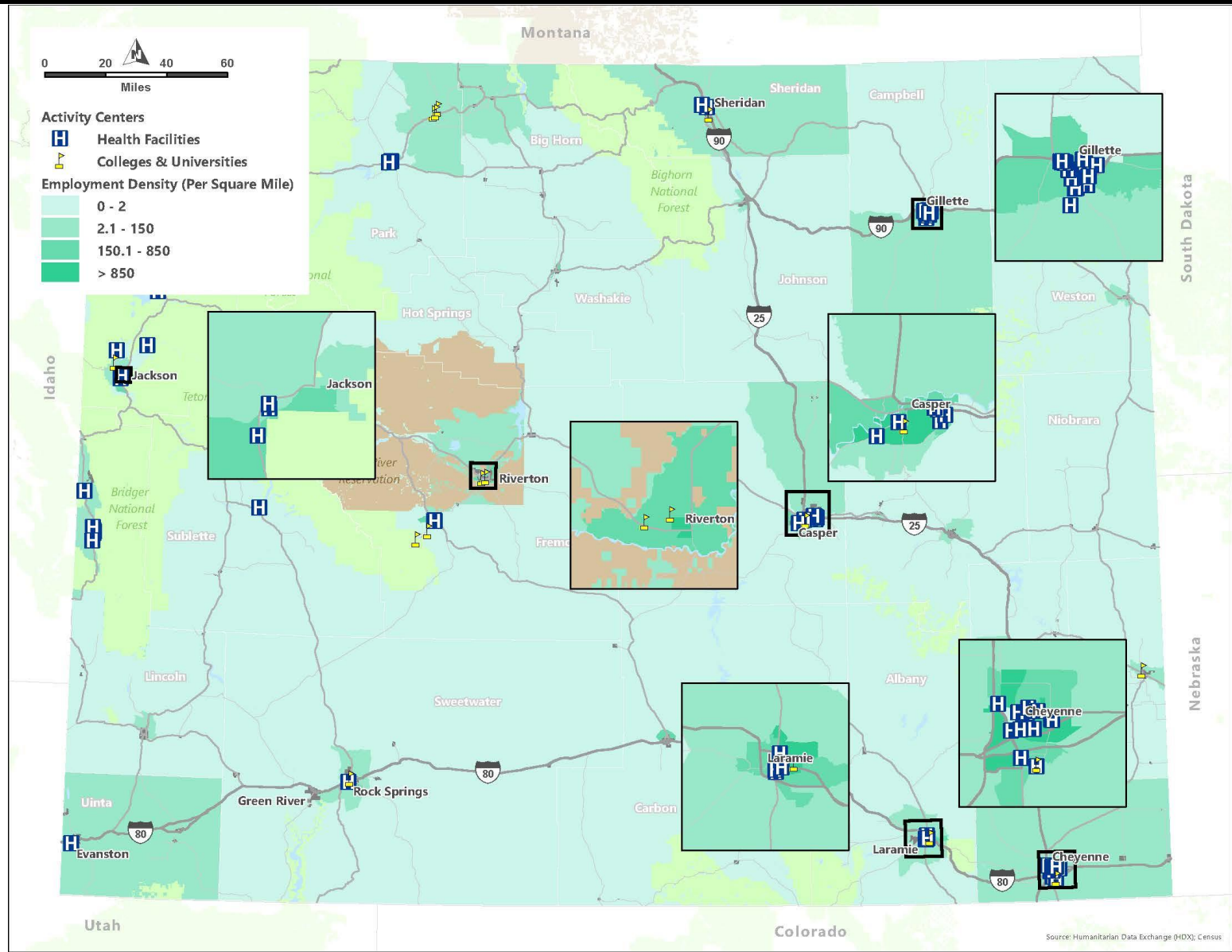
- **Cheyenne MSA**
  100,512
- **Casper MSA**
  79,955



Activity Centers

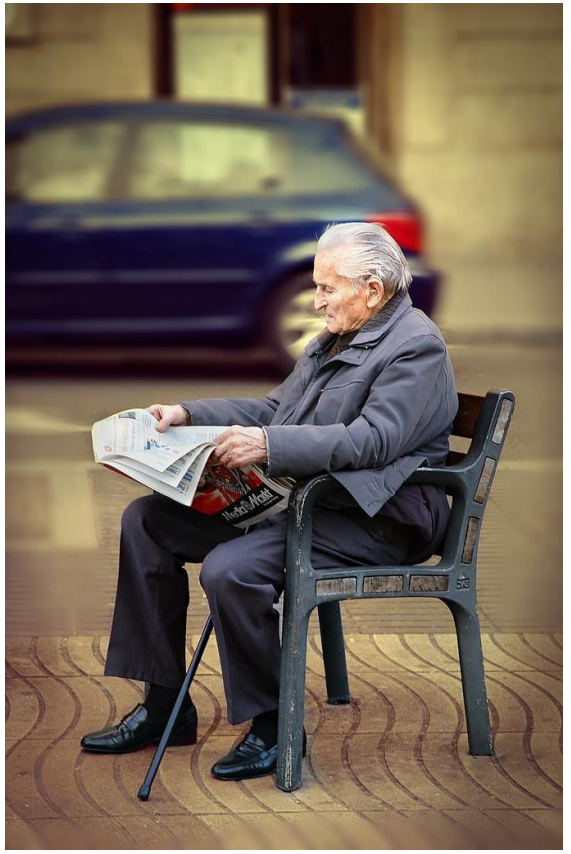
Social Services operating in Wyoming:

- Wyoming Department of Family Services
- Wyoming Department of Health
- Wyoming Department of Education
- Local Agencies



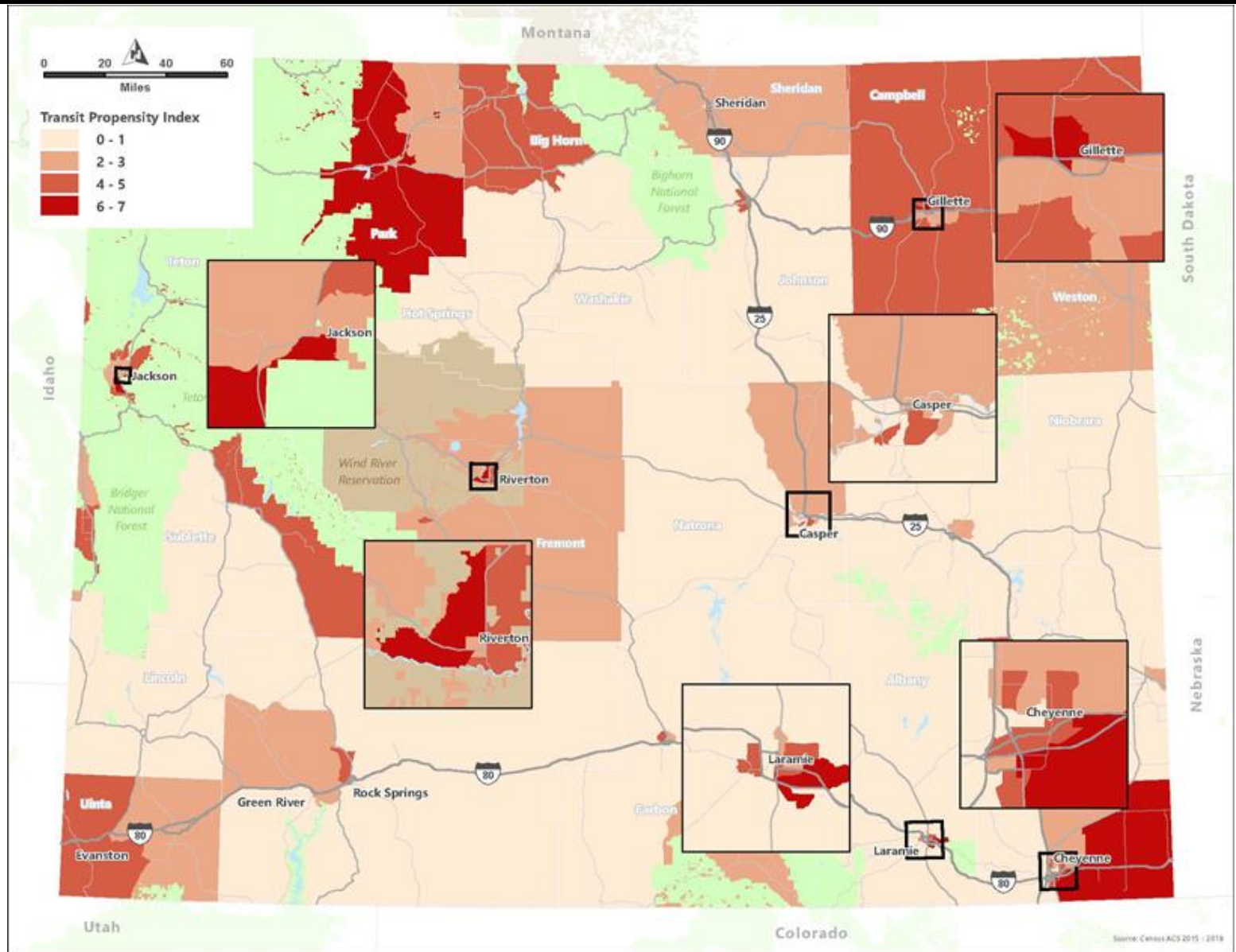
Demographics (2019)

- The population over the age of 65 in Wyoming (17.1%) is 0.6% higher than the National Average.
- Approximately 13% of Wyoming's population is disabled.
- More than 1 in 10 people in Wyoming live below the poverty line.



Transit Propensity Index

- Population Under 18
- Population Over 65
- Population with a Disability
- Minority Population
- Population Below Poverty Line



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QUESTION THREE

What are the biggest barriers to providing transit service?

Existing Service

Existing Service Providers

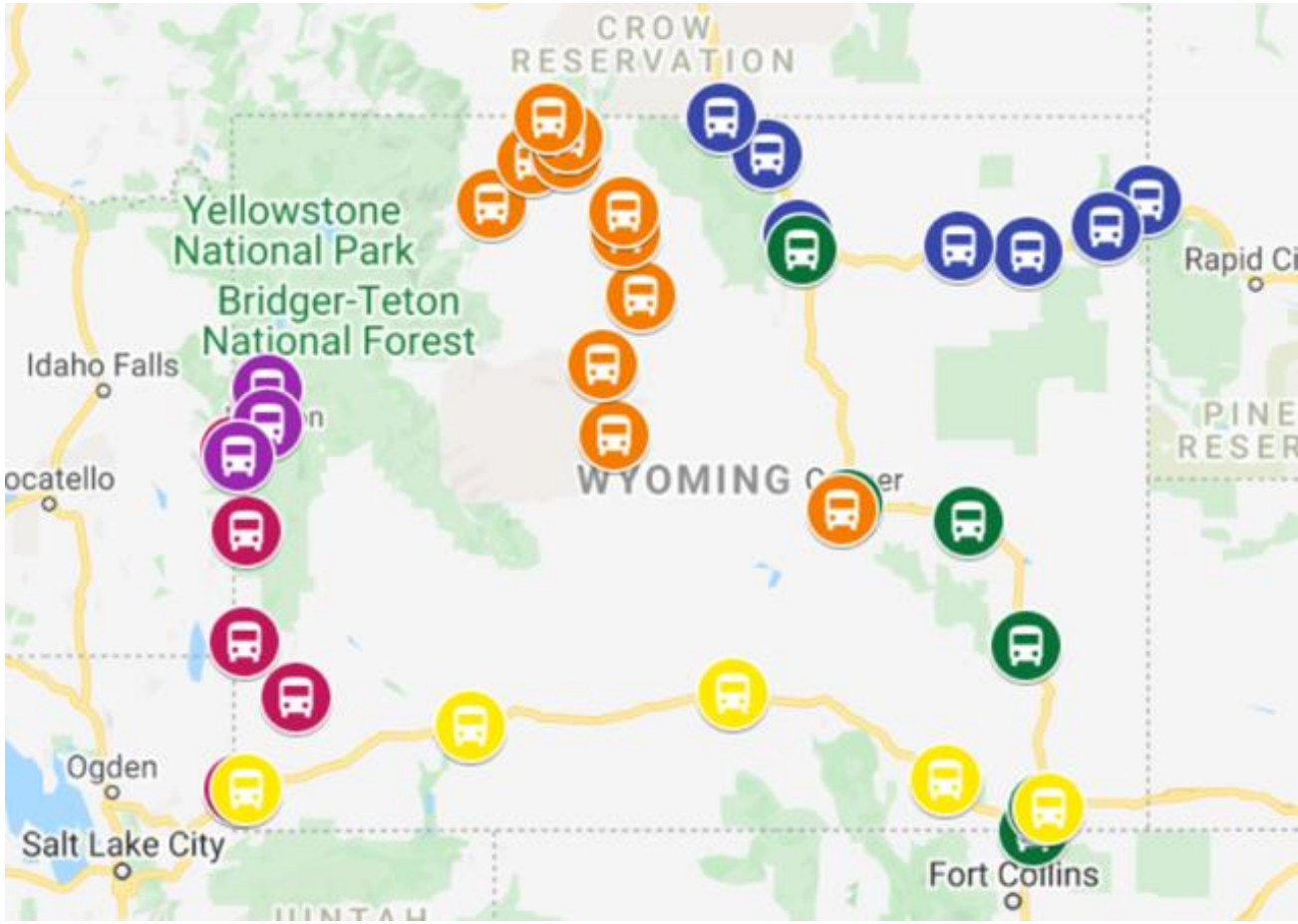
Service Providers (2020)	Service Area	Annual Ridership	Revenue Miles	Revenue Hours	Revenue Vehicles
Buffalo Senior Center	City of Buffalo (+5 miles) with trips to the Cities of Sheridan & Casper	8,430	30,271	5,457	5
Campbell County Senior Citizens Association	City of Gillette & Campbell County	13,032	34,636	1,387	10
Carbon County Senior Services, Inc.	Carbon County				
Cheyenne Transit Program	City of Cheyenne	126,630	394,920	28,978	18
Child Development Services of Fremont County	Cities of Lander & Riverton				18
Children's learning Center, Inc.	Sublette County & Teton County				
Casper Area Transit	City of Casper	200,503	439,458	40,271	13
Cody Council of Aging	City of Cody (+10 miles)	9,896	55,025	6,889	6
Converse County Aging Services	Converse County	14,633	38,341	4,554	5
Crook County Senior Services, Inc.	Crook County				
Diversified Services	City of Torrington				
Eppson Center for Seniors	City of Laramie (+5 miles)	8,648	49,474	3,818	3
Fremont County Association of Governments	Fremont County, Wind River Indian Reservation, & Central Wyoming	27,603	207,911	7,743	14
Goose Creek Transit	City of Sheridan				4
Goshen County Senior Friendship Center	City of Torrington Community	11,212	36,733	3,499	4
High Country Senior Citizens	Town of Dubois	2,868	8,665	1,359	2
Hot Springs County Senior Citizens Center, Inc.	Hot Springs County with trips to the Cities of Cody, Casper, Riverton, Lander, Worland, & Sheridan				
Kemmerer Senior Citizens Association	City of Kemmerer	875	5,842	1,165	2
Lander Senior Citizens Center	City of Lander	8,787	29,736	5,985	3
Meeteetse Recreation District	Town of Meeteetse with trips to the City of Cody	1,688	6,075	170	2
Memorial Hospital of Laramie County	Laramie County				
Niobrara Senior Center	Town of Lusk	1,265	24,069	830	4
North Big Horn Senior Center	Town of Lovell	3,072	29,226	1,520	6

Existing Service Providers

Service Providers (2020)	Service Area	Annual Ridership	Revenue Miles	Revenue Hours	Revenue Vehicles
Pine Bluffs Senior Citizens, Inc.	Town of Pine Bluffs				
Powell Senior Citizens Ago-Go	City of Powell (10+ miles)	6,549	22,251	5,886	4
Rehabilitation Enterprises of Northeastern Wyoming (RENEW)	Sheridan County	13,381	55,694	3,428	15
Rendezvous Pointe	Town of Pinedale	1,303	20,161	629	4
Riverton Senior Center	City of Riverton	8,825	25,041	3,395	3
Senior Center of Jackson Hole	Town of Jackson to Rafter J Ranch				2
Senior Citizens Council, dba: Sheridan Mini-Bus	Sheridan County	37,510	181,490	15,518	15
Services for Seniors, Inc.	Platte County				
Shoshone and Arapaho Tribes DOT	The Wind River Reservation	2,321	29,338	2,210	2
Shoshoni Senior Citizens Center	Fremont County & surrounding areas				
South Big Horn Senior Citizens, Inc.	Town of Greybull	7,470	37,780	1,675	5
Star Valley Senior Citizens	Town of Afton	71	14,966	1,173	4
Southern Teton Area Rapid Transit	Jackson Hole	35,128	79,482	2,525	3
Southwest Sublette County Pioneers, Inc.	Town of Marbleton & Town of Big Piney				1
Sweetwater Transit Authority Resources	Cities of Rock Springs & Green River	21,838	148,917	10,087	12
Ten Sleep Senior Center	Town of Ten Sleep				1
Thayne Senior Center	Town of Thayne				
Wyoming Services for Independent Living	Western Wyoming				
Uinta Senior Citizens Inc.	City of Evanston & Bridger Valley				
University of Wyoming	University of Wyoming Campus	361,125	226,026	31,424	20
Warm Valley Senior Center	Fort Washakie	1,696	12,714	1,158	1
Washakie County Senior Citizens Center	City of Worland				
Weston County Senior Services	Weston County	30,364	68,207	4,183	8
Wyoming Independent Living, Inc	Eastern Wyoming				
Wyoming Public Transit Association	Statewide				

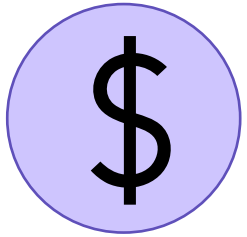
Intercity Bus Service Providers

Route	Operator	Major Corridors	Cities Served
A	**Jefferson Lines**	I-90 Corridor	Sundance, Moorcroft, Gillette, Buffalo, Sheridan
B	**Black Hills Stage Lines**	I-25 Corridor	Cheyenne, Wheatland, Douglas, Casper, Buffalo
C	**Alltrans (Mountain State Express)**	US 191/89/30/ 1-89/I-80	Evanston, Kemmerer, Alpine, Jackson
D	**Black Hills Stage Lines**	US 20/26/16/ 14/310	Casper, Shoshoni, Thermopolis, Worland, Basin, Greybull, Cody, Powell, Byron, Cowley
E	**Greyhound (Greyhound Lines)**	I-80 Corridor	Cheyenne, Laramie, Rawlins, Rock Springs, Evanston
F	**Western Trails Charters (Salt Lake Express)**	US 89/191	Jackson, Hoback Junction, Alpine



Provider Inventory Survey Themes

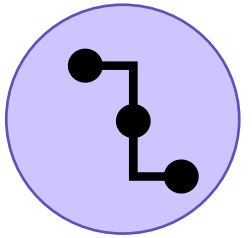
Vehicle Replacement or Acquisition



Funding Constraints

Need for Additional Qualified Staff

Rural Service Area/Low Population Density



Limited Connections to Major Cities and Hubs

Group Discussion

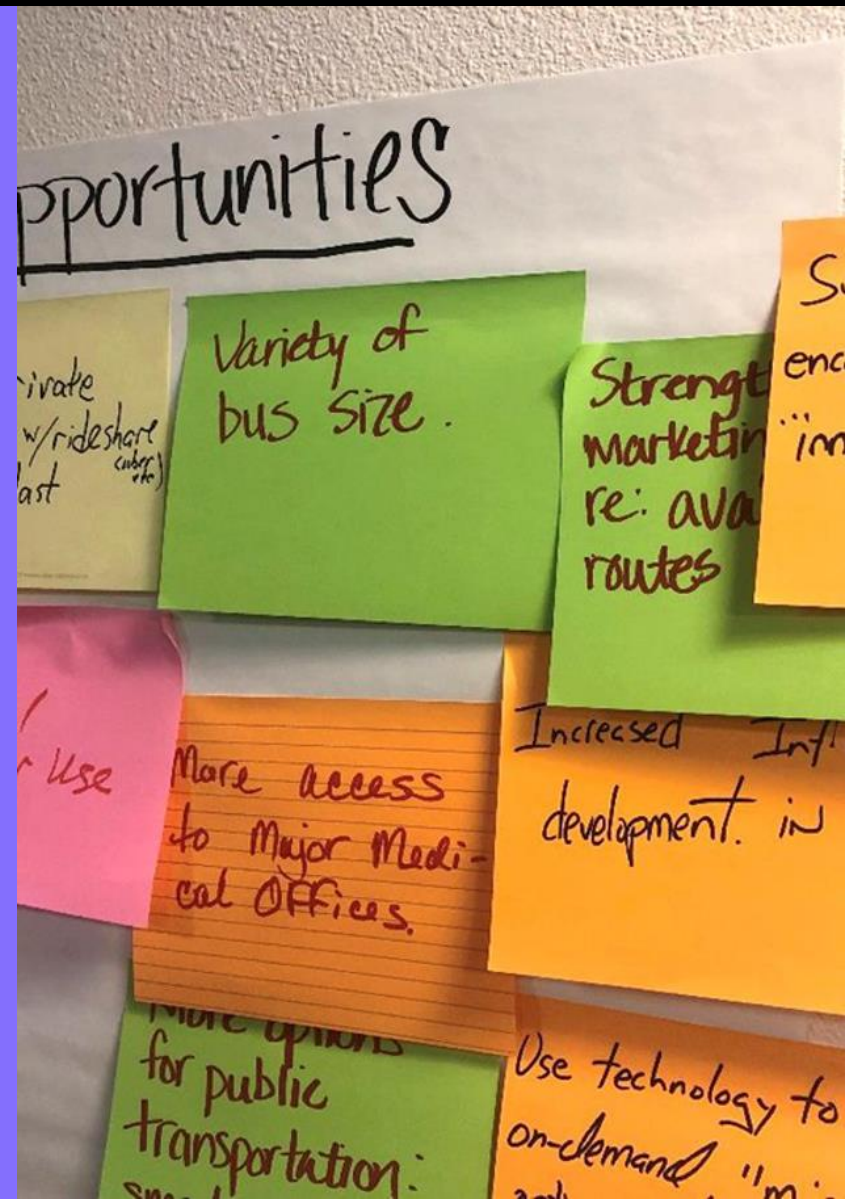
Project Advisory Committee

Introductions & Overview of Services

- Who do you serve?
  - Geography, User Group
- How are you funded?
- What are your routes?
- What is your service schedule?

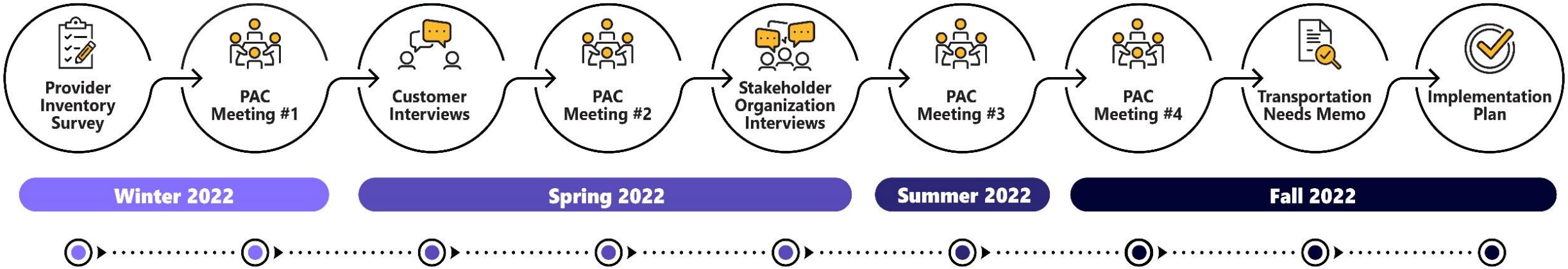
You tell us!

- **Collaborative White Board Exercise**
  - What are your top three challenges or barriers?
  - How would you use additional resources?
  - How do you publicize your services?
  - What is your most successful program or aspect of service?



Next Steps

Project Schedule



Next Steps

- Developing Plan's **Goals** and **Objectives**
- **Interviewing Providers** and **Advocacy Groups**
- Assessing **Needs** and **Challenges**

- Next PAC Meeting: March/April 2022
  - Preferred time of day
  - Preferred day of week
  - When is spring break

Stay in touch

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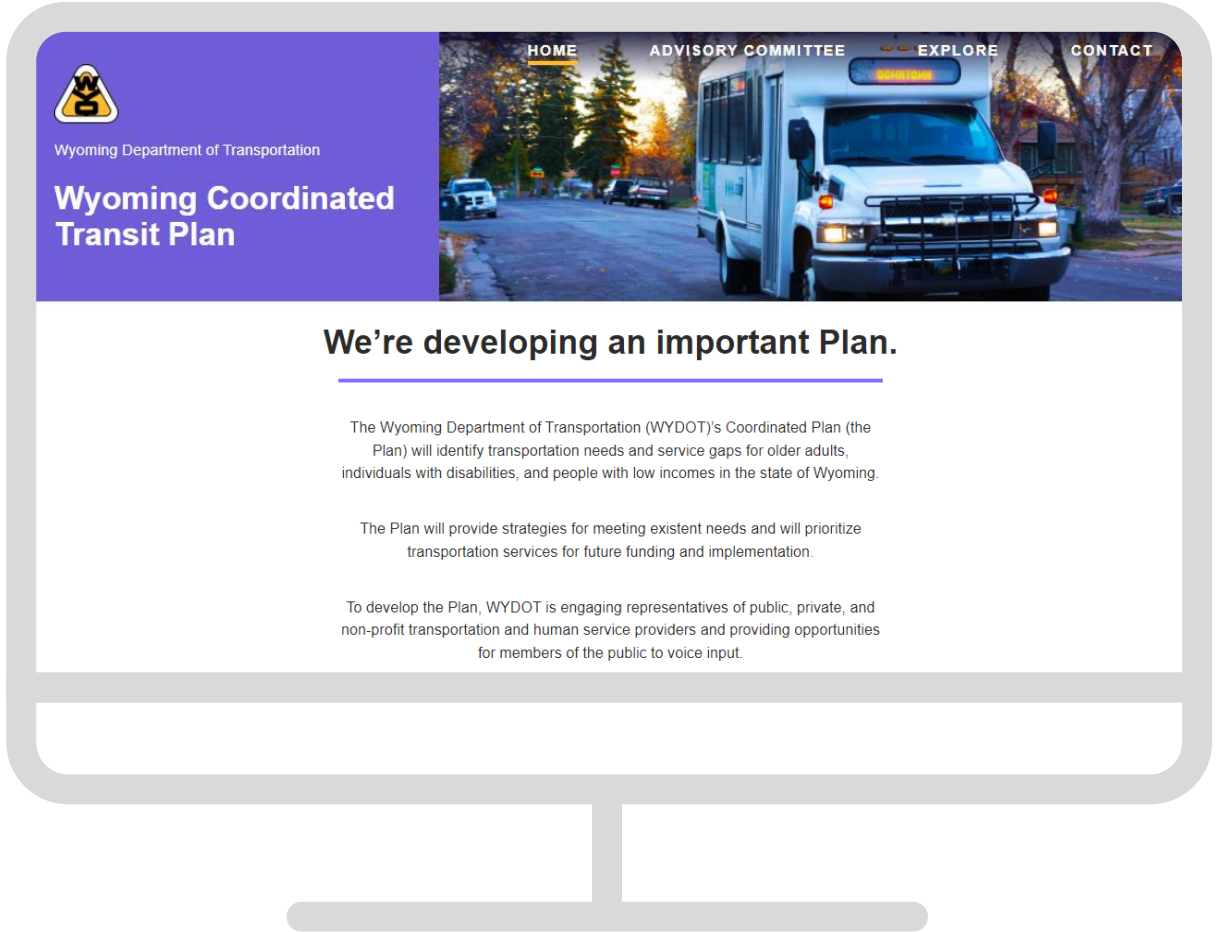

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