

# Dewey Road & New Payette

Dewey Road & New Payette provide connections for Gem and Payette Counties.



## WHY THIS CORRIDOR MATTERS

Dewey Road will provide the City of Emmett and Gem County more direct access to I-84 and greatly enhance connectivity in the area. The proposed corridor would extend the existing Dewey Road in the City of Emmett across approximately four miles of land owned by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and connect to I-84 at the existing Black Canyon Interchange. This project interacts with the Indian Valley Highway corridor proposed through the Idaho Transportation Department's "Connecting Idaho" program. It also ties into the New Payette corridor proposed by Payette County. Together, these projects provide more connectivity in the western portion of the region.

The New Payette corridor provides a more direct alignment from I-84's Black Canyon Interchange (near the proposed Dewey Road intersection) roughly along Old SH 30 and west along SH 52 to the City of Payette.

## Goals for *Communities in Motion* (CIM)

**Connections:** Provide options for safe access and mobility in a cost-effective manner for the region.

**Coordination:** Achieve better inter-jurisdictional coordination of transportation and land use planning.

**Environment:** Minimize transportation impacts to people, cultural resources, and the environment.

**Information:** Coordinate data gathering and dispense better information.

## Recommendations for Dewey Road & New Payette Corridor to meet CIM goals:

- ❖ The proposed improvements provide more direct connection to the City of Emmett.
- ❖ Support from the Idaho Transportation Department, the City of Emmett, Gem and Payette Counties is needed.

## Recommendations for Dewey Road & New Payette Corridor Public Transportation:

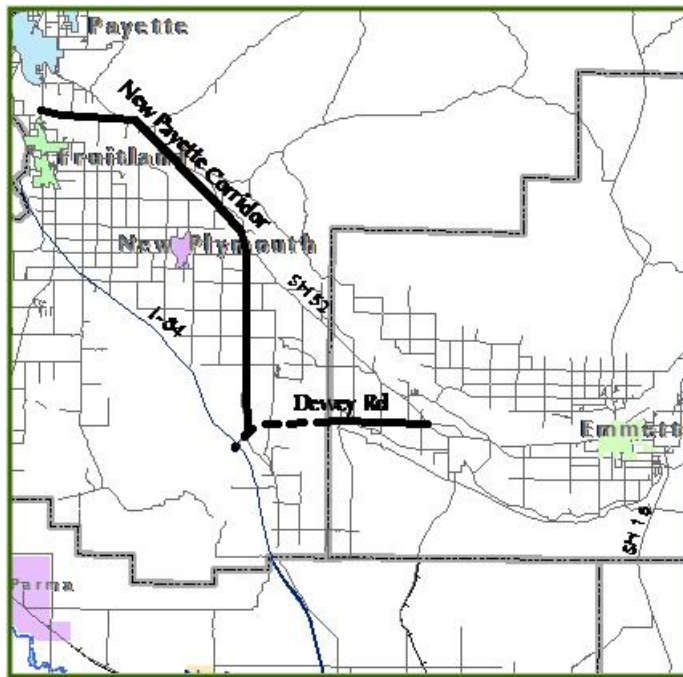
- ❖ A parcel on the north side of Black Canyon Interchange at I-84 is a prime location for a park and ride lot and transit shuttle to the main transit line.

## Land use decisions needed to implement the plan:

- ❖ Gem and Payette Counties (especially Gem) are experiencing residential development. Land in the vicinity of these projects should be preserved for future improvements



# Regional Connection



## CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

**Dewey Road** – There are some major topographic challenges with the proposed alignment of this roadway. Those challenges include bluffs and a river crossing. There are also opportunities in that the area is not currently developed. The County can provide oversight in the area to ensure that the corridor is preserved.

**New Payette Corridor** - The proposed improvements include a realignment of existing roadways. This may prove to be beneficial in the design of this project.

Past and Current Investments through 2015	Funded Investments through 2035	Unfunded Improvements through 2035
<p>Gem County obtained a grant to conduct a corridor study on the Dewey Road corridor. This study was conducted in FY 2006-2007.</p>		<p>Construction of Dewey Road and the realignment of the New Payette corridor are desired. Estimated Costs: Dewey Road - \$22,410,000, New Payette Corridor - \$14,250,000.</p>