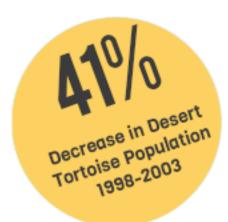
#### **FACTS ON THE**

# **WASHINGTON PARKWAY**





## Can a Highway Protect Tortoise Populations?

"a road would compromise the commitments on which the Washington County Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) was based, is likely to compromise the biological integrity of the Upper Virgin Recovery Unit (already the smallest recovery unit), and may result in an adverse modification of designated critical habitat"

US Fish and Wildlife 2009

### **Protect Washington County's HCP**

Washington County's Habitat Conservation Plan is facing renewal in 2016.

Failure to adequately protect existing desert tortoise populations may jeopordize this renewal.

"Unlocked" over 350,000 acres of land for development

Millions of taxpayer dollars already spent on land exchanges

Provides cities with protection from the ESA

#### Is there a need?



Vision Dixie results anticipte population growth to focus on the south end of the county.



Public transportation was not considered as an option for east west commuting.



65 % of Washington County Residents DO NOT SUPPORT this highway.



An existing east west transportation route currenty exists.

### **Stop Taxpayer Waste**

No Future Funding for UDOT Studies to Undermine US Fish and Wildlifes Standing Decision Against a Highway through Red Cliffs National Conservation Area

