



# CI-WATER



A Utah-Wyoming Cyberinfrastructure  
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# Cyberinfrastructure Facilities

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# CI objectives

- Provide coordinated, high-performance information technology resources and services to CI-WATER team and other Utah and Wyoming EPSCoR researchers
- Support research data analysis, management, and curation; modeling; and simulation needs
- Tools: computing cycles, data storage, advanced networking, visualization environments, middleware, software libraries, software development, data centers
- Strategies
  - Leverage campus facilities and services
  - Leverage Utah Education Network (UEN), Front Range Gigapop (FRGP), and Internet2 for advanced networking
  - Leverage other public sector partners – e.g., UDOT, UTA



## CI topics today

- Wyoming HPC cluster development and NWSC coordination
- CI-WATER STORE data repository
- USU CI development
- Interaction with emerging CI facilities in Utah
  - Downtown SLC Data Center
  - Optical network (EPSCoR RII Cyber Connectivity project)

# Advanced Research Computing Center (ARCC) Overview

Tim Kuhfuss



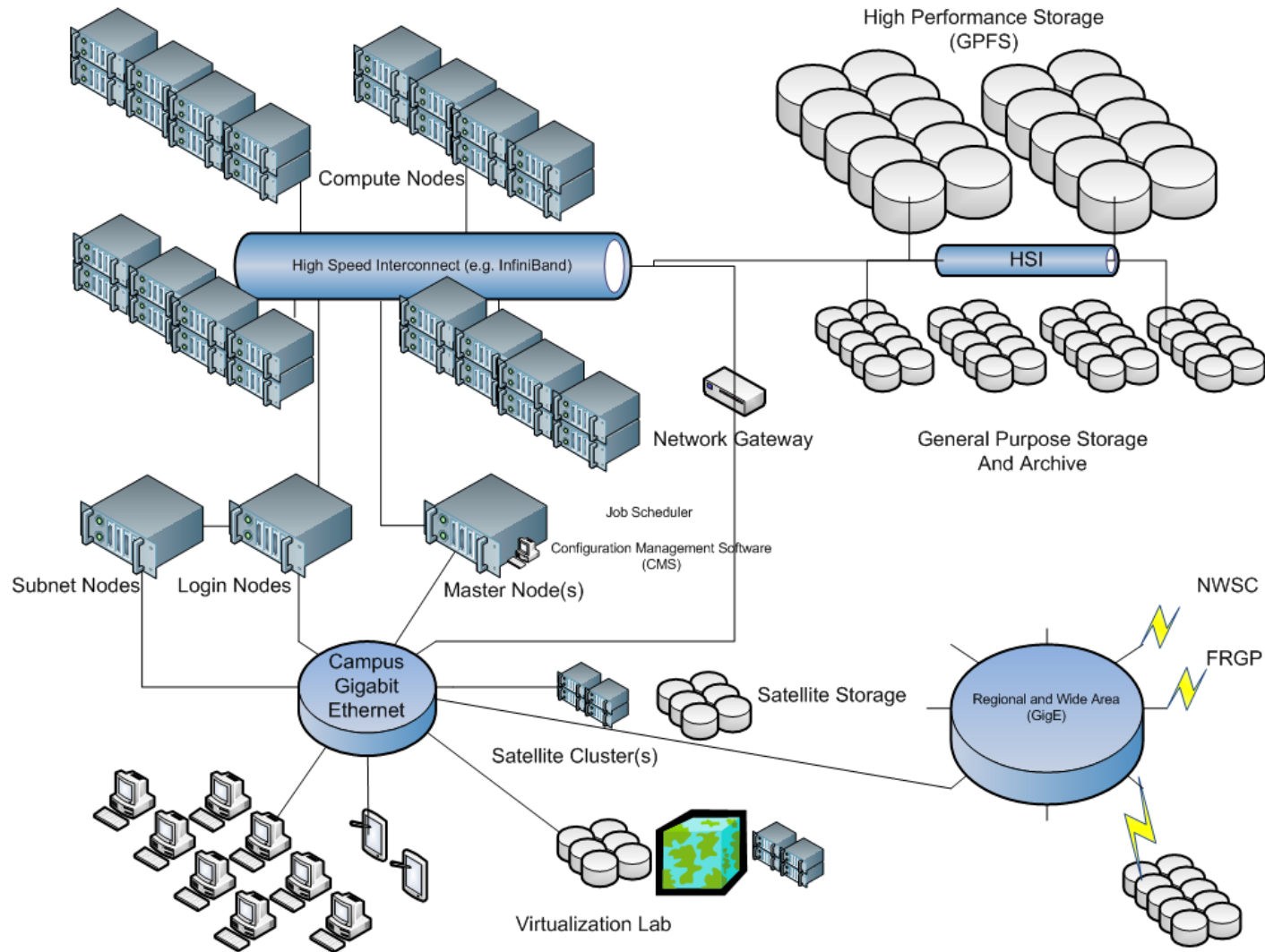
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# ARCC Overview

- Campus Compute Cluster = Mount Moran
  - Condo Model
  - CPU/GPU Nodes
  - Fat/Thin Nodes
- Campus Storage Cluster = Big Horn
  - Scales up to 3 PB
  - Current Configuration = 350TB Usable
  - GPFS File System



# ARCC Architecture





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# CI-WATER STORE data repository



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# CI-WATER data repository for Big Data

- Support acquired and simulated data curation needs of project
  - Key driver: atmospheric science simulations (Court Strong)
  - Needs: access to high speed computation; long-term preservation
  - Help support EPSCoR Track 1 projects
- Goal: 250 Terabytes in Year 2; 350 Terabytes by Year 3
- Leverage existing data storage system at Univ. of Utah CHPC (HP iBRIX)
- Location: new Univ. of Utah Downtown Data Center in Salt Lake City
- Distributed storage: Develop and maintain high-performance connectivity to ARCC resources at UWyo as well as HPC/CI resources at BYU and USU
- Access: Open to all CI-WATER collaborators
- Status: Hardware specification and procurement underway





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# USU-based Cyberinfrastructure

Jeff Horsburgh, Utah State University

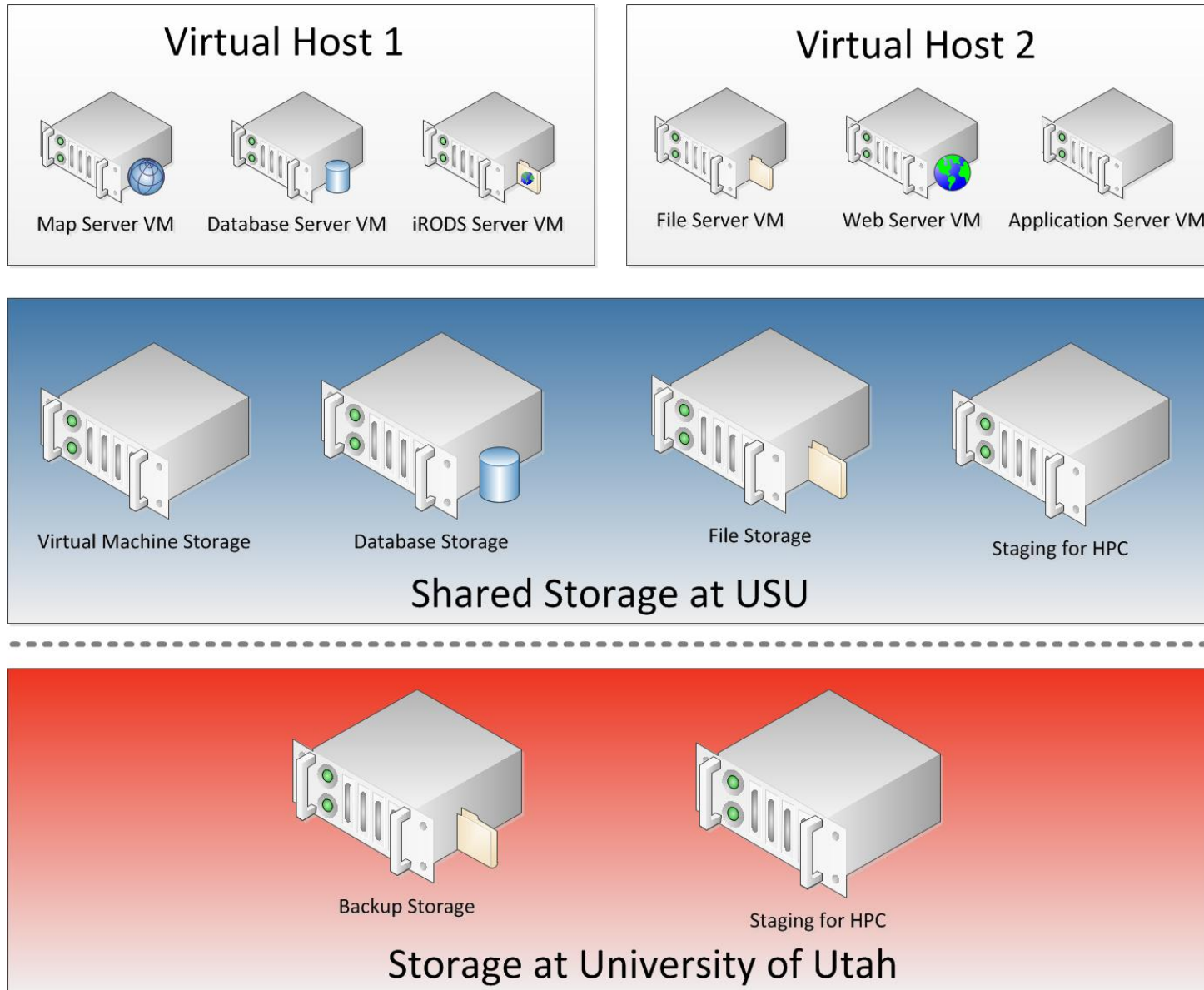
# USU Hardware

- Developing a virtualized server infrastructure
- Designed in collaboration with USU Information Technology
- Will serve the data service development, prototyping, and hosting needs of CI-WATER
- Designed by pooling resources to meet the needs of 3 NSF-funded projects: CI-WATER, iUTAH, and HydroShare

# Required Functionality

- Serve as a research platform (CI-WATER, HydroShare)
  - Development, prototyping, and testing of software applications and services on multiple platforms (e.g., Windows, Linux)
  - Host virtual machines allocated for modeling, analysis, and computational tasks
- Serve as a production data service and application hosting platform (iUTAH)
  - Web servers
    - Data web services
    - Web applications
  - Database servers
  - Map servers
  - File servers
  - Data harvesters and automated data processing applications

# Virtual Server Architecture





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# Leveraging related CI projects

# New Downtown Data Center



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OF UTAH

- 74,000+ sq ft<sup>2</sup> former industrial building south of downtown SLC (~4 miles off-campus)
- Designing for enterprise & HPC (2.4 MW)
- Co-location by research groups & partners
- Low industrial electric power rates in Utah
- Energy efficient design (low PUE)
- Now in production



# Cyber Connectivity Award



- Special EPSCoR program based on ARRA funding
- Collaboration partners: UofU, USU, BYU, and UEN
- Award: \$1.17M (9/1/2010 for three years)
  - One-year no-cost extension granted through 8/31/2013
  - Better coordination with Tracks -1 and -2 outreach efforts
- Leadership
  - S. Corbató (PI) and Jim Ehleringer, U. of Utah
  - Larry Baxter and Kelly McDonald, BYU
  - Mike Petersen, UEN/USU
- Key partners
  - Eric Hawley and Robert Spall, USU
  - Jim Stewart and Laura Hunter, UEN

# Regional Optical Network Development in Utah



- Collaboration of Utah Education Network (UEN) , Univ. of Utah, Utah State, and Brigham Young Univ.
  - Leverage UEN operational capability & statewide reach
- Motivations
  - New University off-campus data center in downtown SLC
  - Reach national R&E networks (Internet2, ESnet, N-Wave) at SLC Level 3 PoP at 100 Gbps
  - Enhanced interconnectivity among 3 research universities in Utah – BYU, USU, and UofU
  - **Connect federal R&D partners: NOAA/NWS, USFS RSAC**

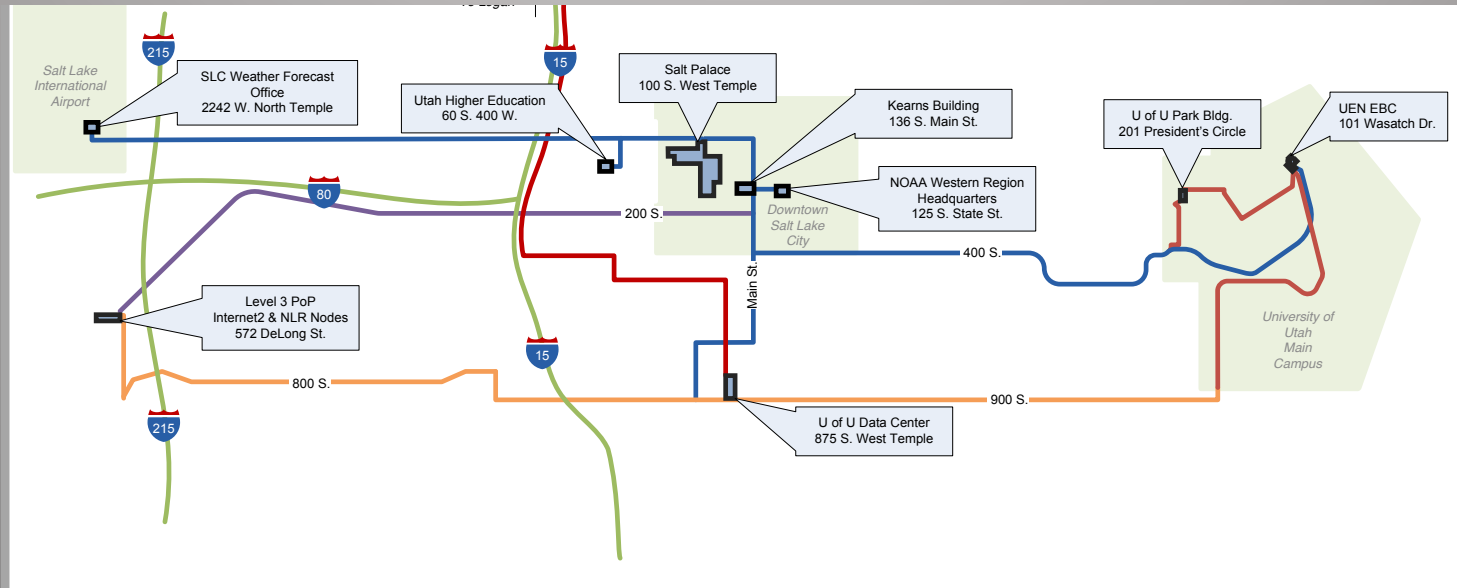


# Regional Optical Network Development in Utah - II



- Leverage public sector partner assets (fiber & conduit) wherever possible
  - UDOT (Interstate/state highway RoW)
  - Utah Transit Authority (UTA/TRAX light rail)
- Work with wholesale oriented carriers (e.g., Zayo, Syringa)
- Leverage federal stimulus funding
  - NSF EPSCoR RII Cyber Connectivity award - \$1.18M (S. Corbató, U of Utah)
  - NTIA BTOP Round 1 award - \$13.4M (M. Petersen/ D. Sampson, UEN) – revised statement of work

# Salt Lake City metro optical network



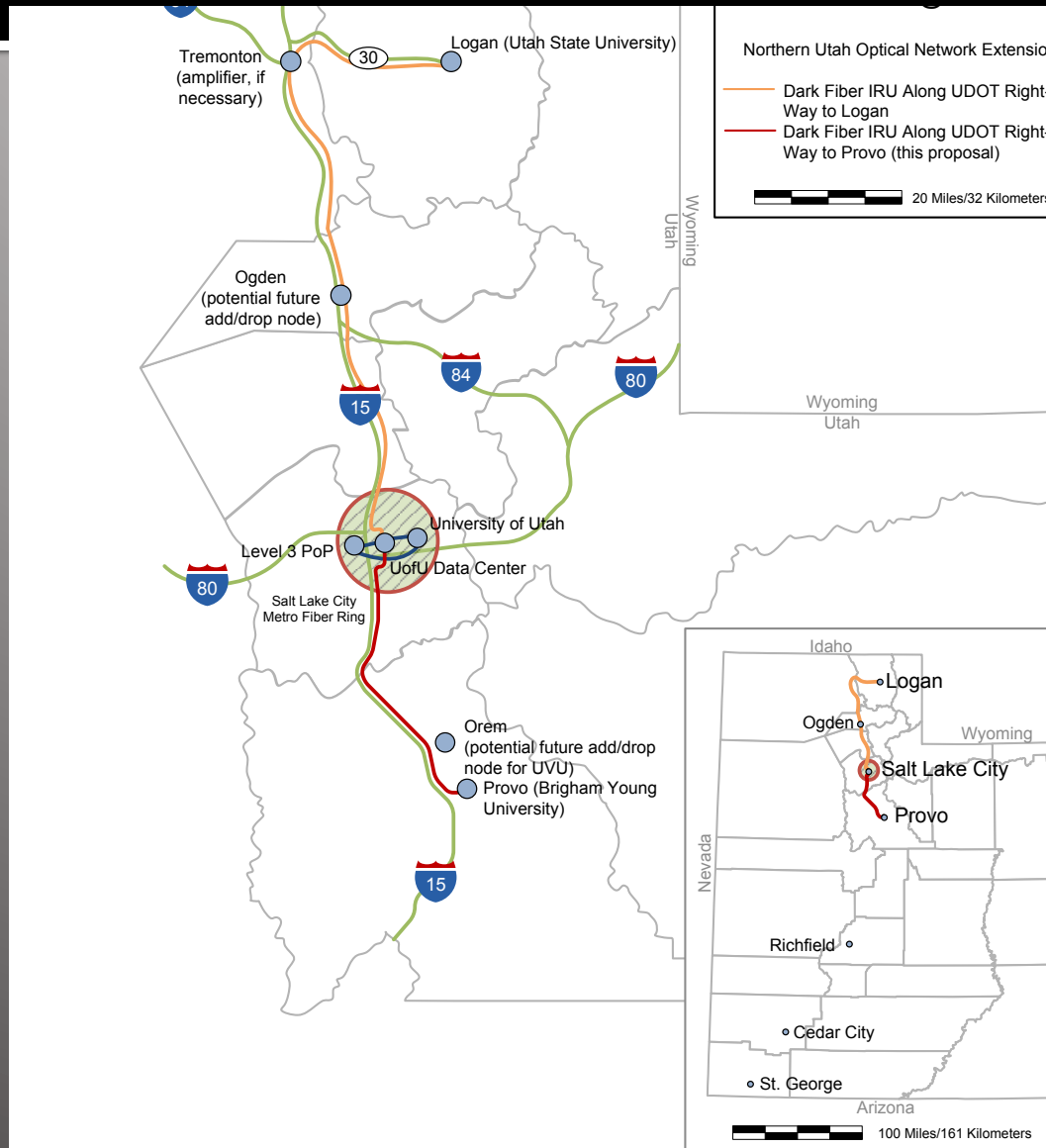
**Research@UEN: Salt Lake City Metro Optical Network**

- U of U Campus Fiber —
- UTA Light Rail Routes (proposed) —
- CENIC/LLC Fiber IRU (through AFS) —
- AFS Fiber IRU (proposed) —
- Northern Utah Extension (proposed) —

1 Mile

Carrier proprietary information included

# Extensions for USU and BYU





**SC12**  
Salt Lake City, Utah

November 10-16, 2012



- November 10-16, 2012 – Salt Palace
  - International conference and exhibition for HPC & computational science
  - Large Utah and EPSCoR presence
- >10K attendees and >160K s.f. exhibit space
  - General chair: Jeff Hollingsworth, U Maryland
  - SCinet chair: Linda Winkler, Argonne National Lab
    - Jim Stewart & Kevin Quire, UEN
  - Exhibits: Mary Hall & Steve Corbató, Univ. of Utah

<http://sc12.supercomputing.org/>





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