



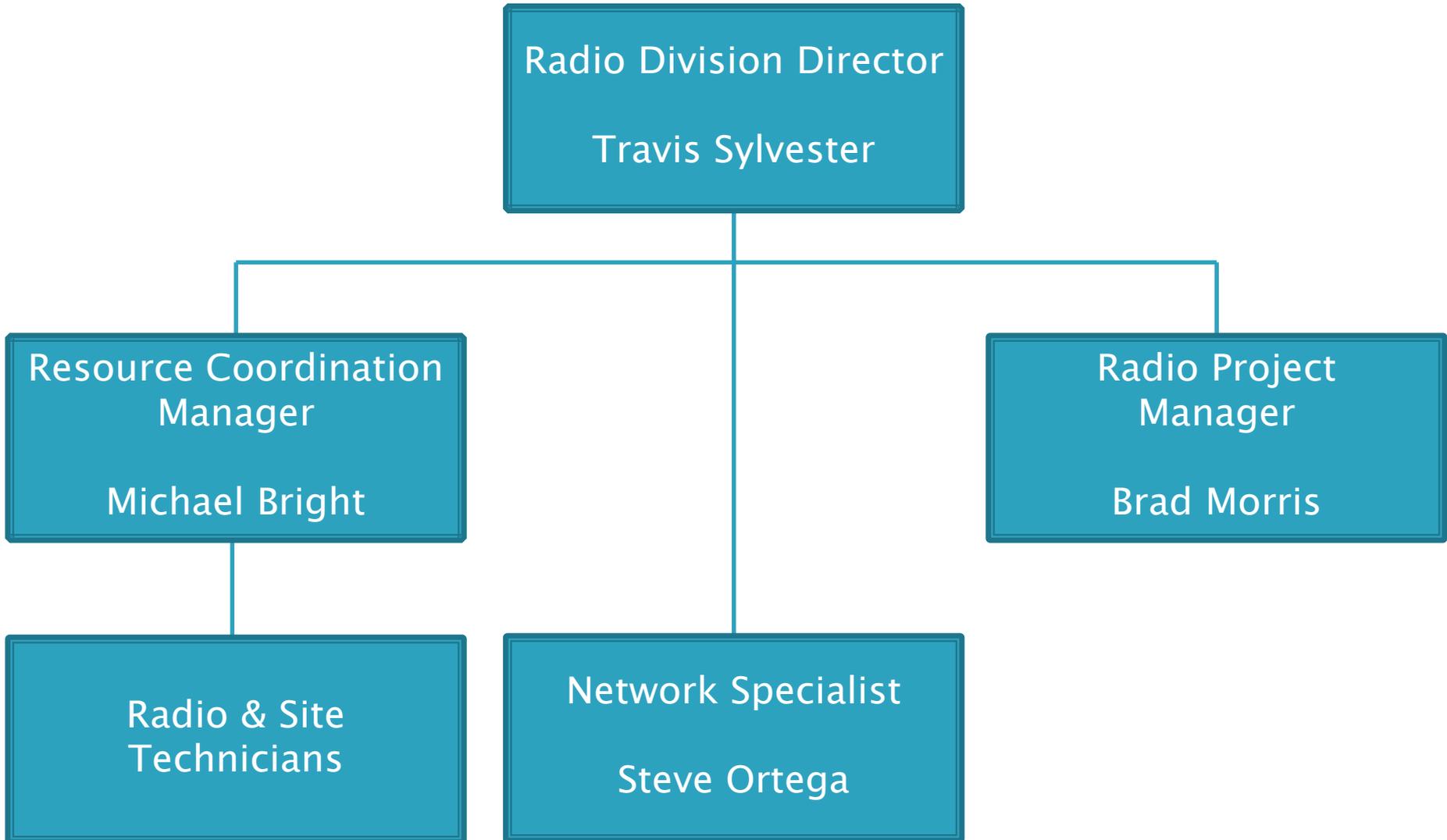
Radio Division

Utah Communications Authority
November 4th, 2019

A little about me

- ▶ I started working for the State of Utah in 1987 mowing lawns at the capital
 - ▶ In '92, after going to school for electronics, I was hired by DTS to work at “The Radio Shop” in Salt Lake installing radios and other equipment in UHP, UDOT, DNR, and other vehicles.
 - ▶ Since then, I have spent many years as a bench technician working on portable and mobile radios. I also spent several years certifying radar and laser equipment. I worked on a statewide mobile data project, I spent one whole summer as a field technician, and I spent 6 years as a project manager / planner.
 - ▶ I have been the Radio Division Director since 2017
 - ▶ I enjoy camping, hiking and fly fishing all over the state. I am an artist in my spare time, and I prefer to draw trout.
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Radio Division Org Chart



Radio Division Experience

Mike Christensen	42 years	Radio Technician	Salt Lake
Paul Smuin	40 years	Radio Technician	St. George
Wayne Diamond	37 years	Radio Technician	Salt Lake
Travis Sylvester	27 years	Division Director	Salt Lake
Jeremy White	27 years	Site Technician	Salt Lake
Eric Larson	25 years	Radio Technician	Salt Lake
Mike Lindquist	21 years	Radio Technician	Salt Lake
Brad Morris	20 years	Project Manager	Salt Lake
Trevor Pollock	20 years	Radio Technician	Cedar City
Michael Bright	19 years	Coordination Manager	Salt Lake
Kirk Rogers	18 years	Radio Technician	Salt Lake
Loren Lamoreaux	16 years	Radio Technician	Price
Travis Colby	13 years	Radio Technician	Salt Lake
Sean O'Neill	13 years	Site Technician	Salt Lake
Steve Ortega	6 years	Network Specialist	Salt Lake
Phil Singleton	6 years	Radio Technician	Richfield
Tice Guymon	4 months	Radio Technician	Price

****Needing to fill 2 vacant spots, Salt Lake, and Central Utah**

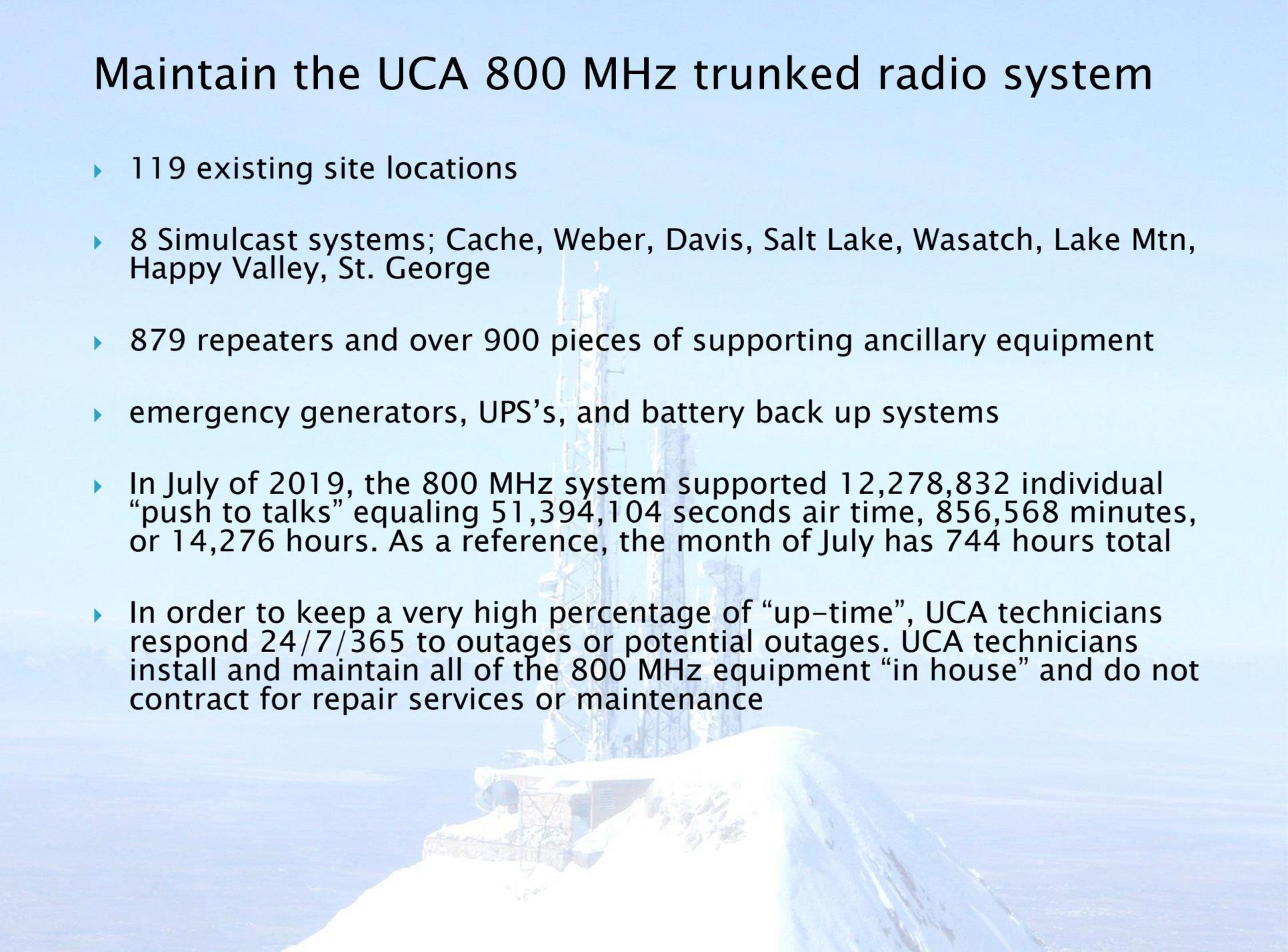
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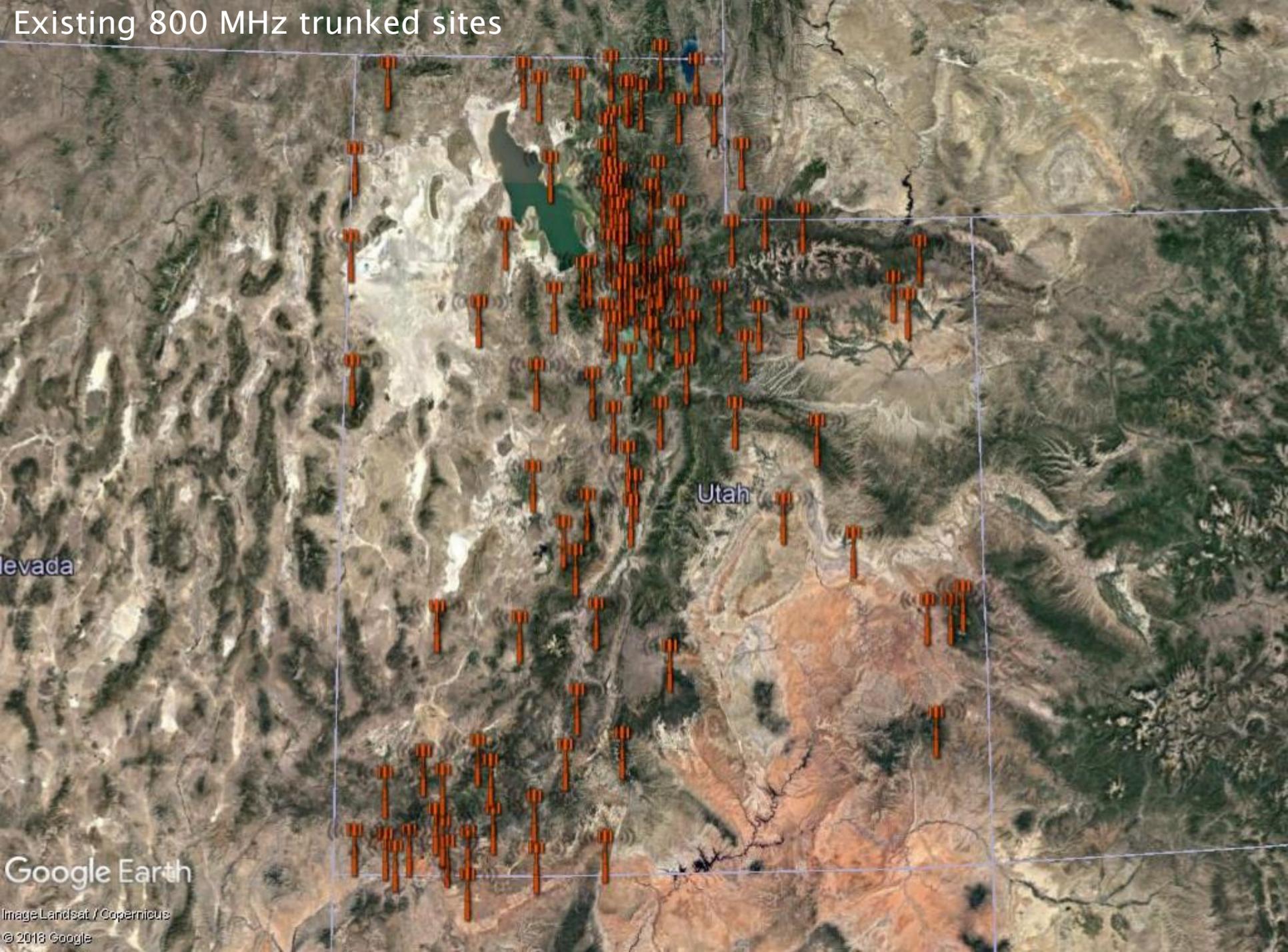
Cal Mountain, Box Elder Co.

Maintain the UCA 800 MHz trunked radio system

- ▶ 119 existing site locations
- ▶ 8 Simulcast systems; Cache, Weber, Davis, Salt Lake, Wasatch, Lake Mtn, Happy Valley, St. George
- ▶ 879 repeaters and over 900 pieces of supporting ancillary equipment
- ▶ emergency generators, UPS's, and battery back up systems
- ▶ In July of 2019, the 800 MHz system supported 12,278,832 individual “push to talks” equaling 51,394,104 seconds air time, 856,568 minutes, or 14,276 hours. As a reference, the month of July has 744 hours total
- ▶ In order to keep a very high percentage of “up-time”, UCA technicians respond 24/7/365 to outages or potential outages. UCA technicians install and maintain all of the 800 MHz equipment “in house” and do not contract for repair services or maintenance



Existing 800 MHz trunked sites



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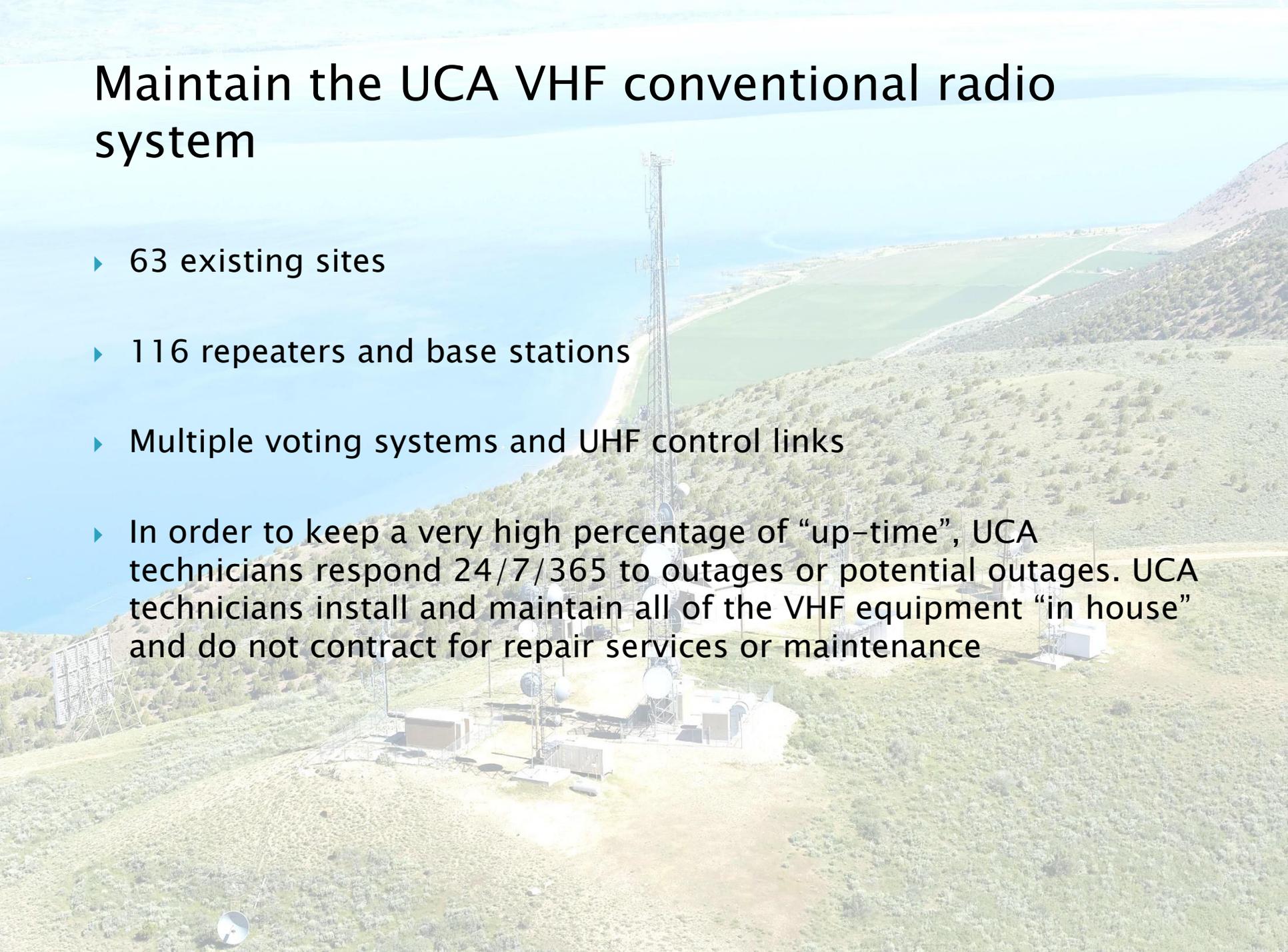
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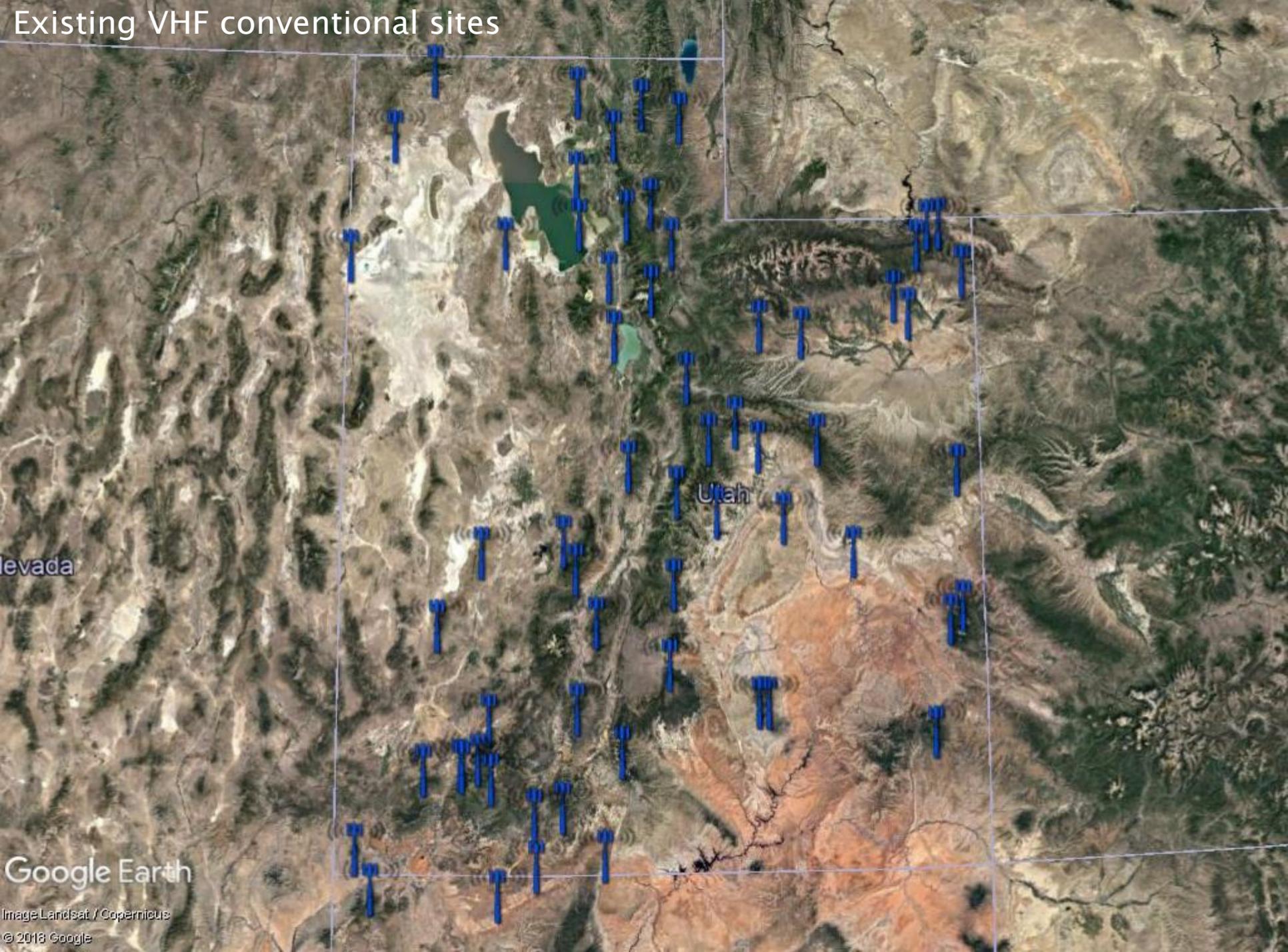
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Maintain the UCA VHF conventional radio system

- ▶ 63 existing sites
- ▶ 116 repeaters and base stations
- ▶ Multiple voting systems and UHF control links
- ▶ In order to keep a very high percentage of “up-time”, UCA technicians respond 24/7/365 to outages or potential outages. UCA technicians install and maintain all of the VHF equipment “in house” and do not contract for repair services or maintenance



Existing VHF conventional sites



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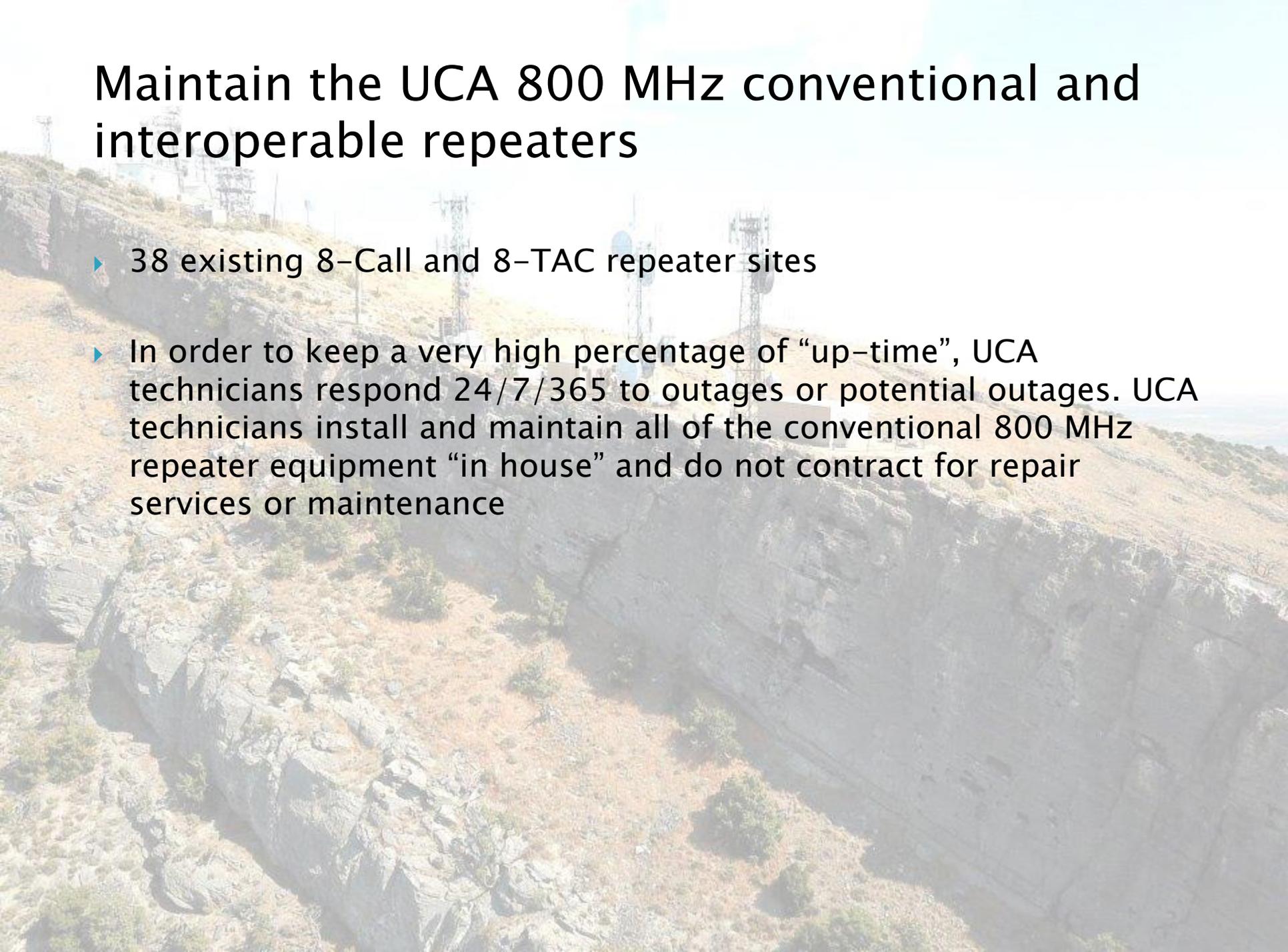
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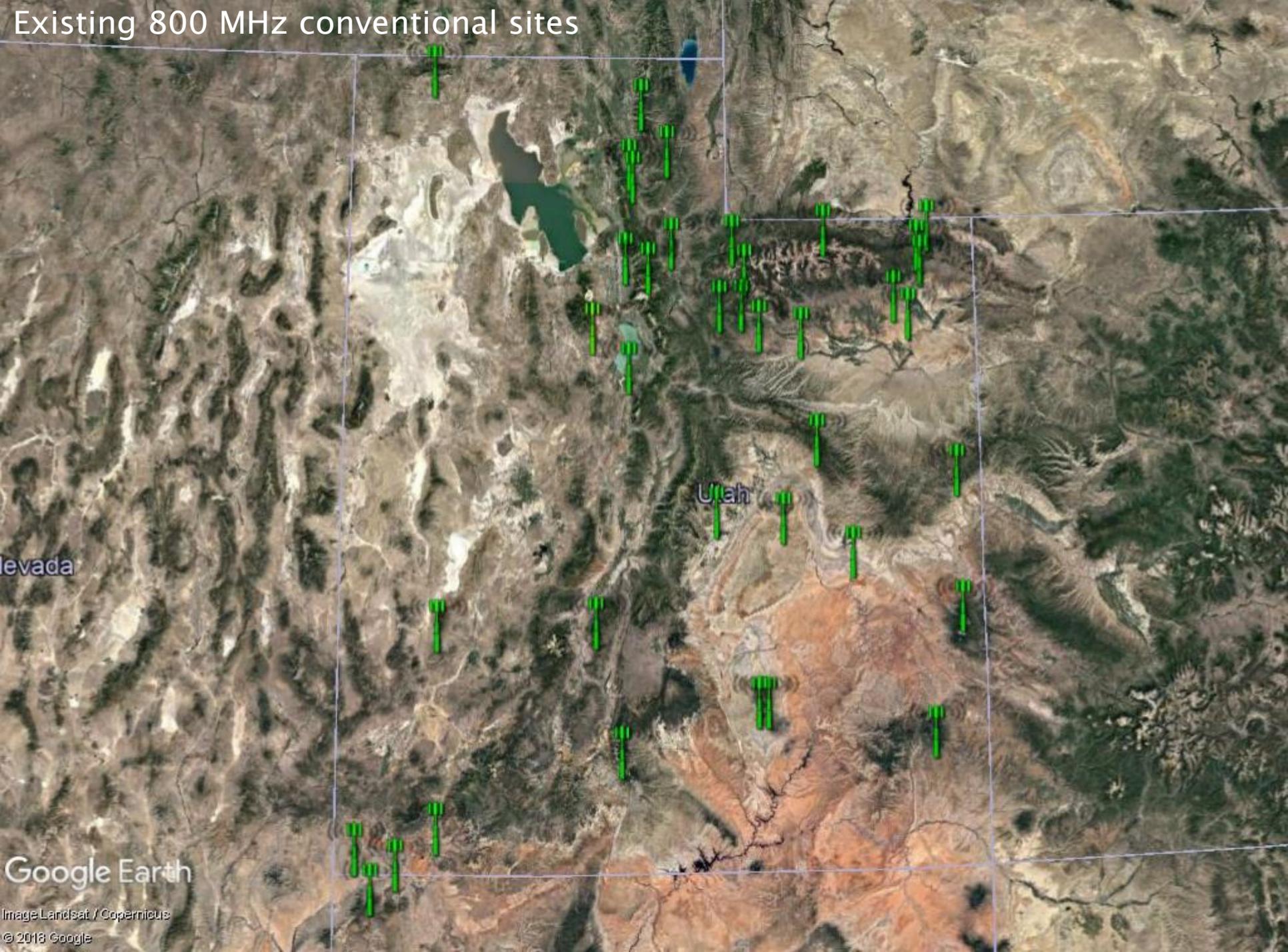
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Maintain the UCA 800 MHz conventional and interoperable repeaters



- ▶ 38 existing 8-Call and 8-TAC repeater sites
- ▶ In order to keep a very high percentage of “up-time”, UCA technicians respond 24/7/365 to outages or potential outages. UCA technicians install and maintain all of the conventional 800 MHz repeater equipment “in house” and do not contract for repair services or maintenance

Existing 800 MHz conventional sites



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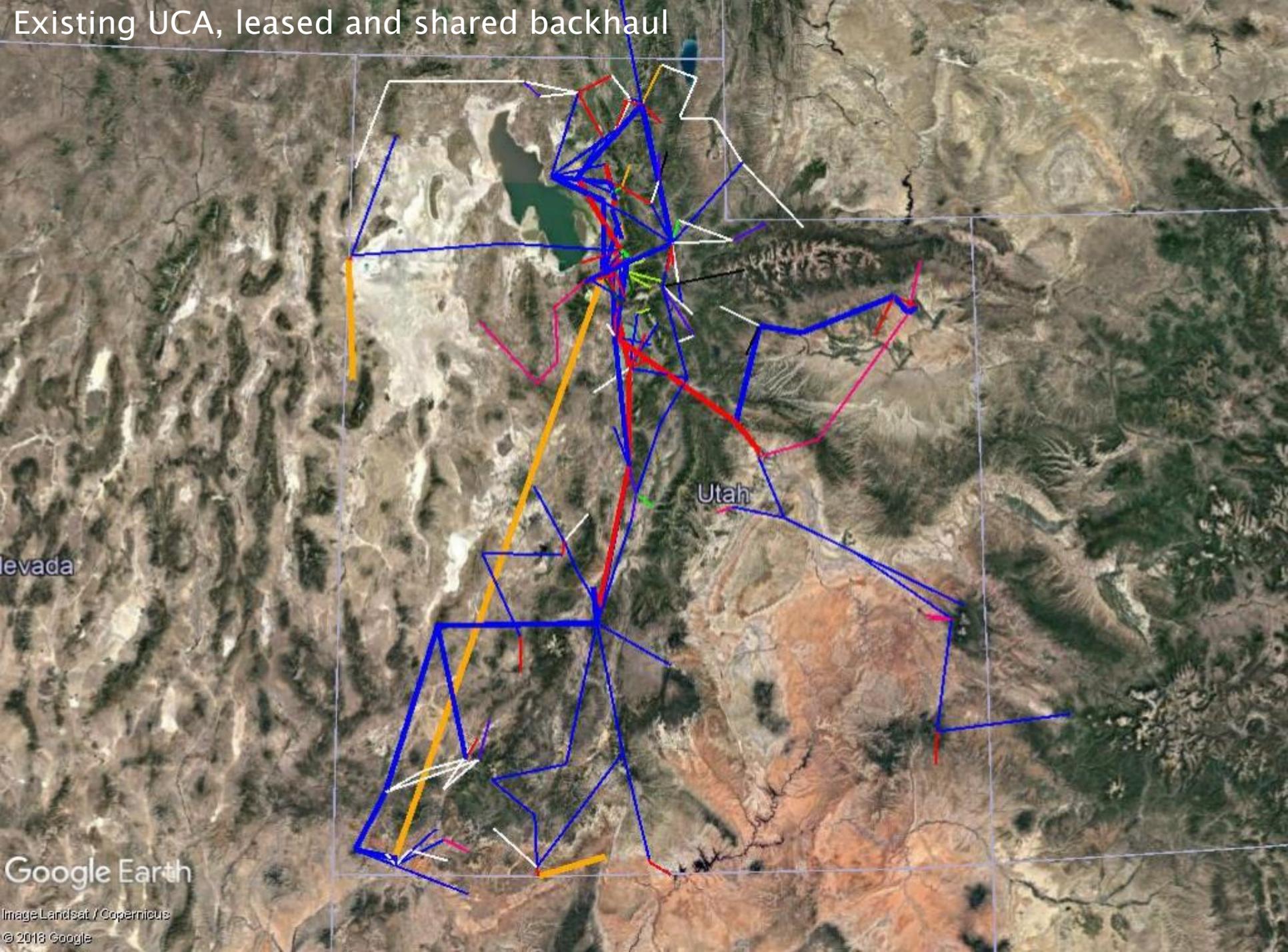
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Maintain the UCA microwave network

- ▶ 165 sites
- ▶ 463 individual paths
- ▶ 10,042 miles of licensed paths
- ▶ Hundreds of channel banks, muxing devices, multiple DAC systems, and optical networking service devices
- ▶ UCA assists with the maintenance of several state, county and federally owned microwave paths
- ▶ In order to keep a very high percentage of “up-time”, UCA technicians respond 24/7/365 to outages or potential outages. UCA technicians install and maintain all of the microwave equipment “in house” and do not contract for repair services or maintenance

Existing UCA, leased and shared backhaul



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Humpy in winter



West Mtn. Utah Co.



MegaStar 155

AVIMS

DW End

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Red Spur, Rich Co.



Blackcreek, Tooele Co.



Tower workers,
Cache Co.

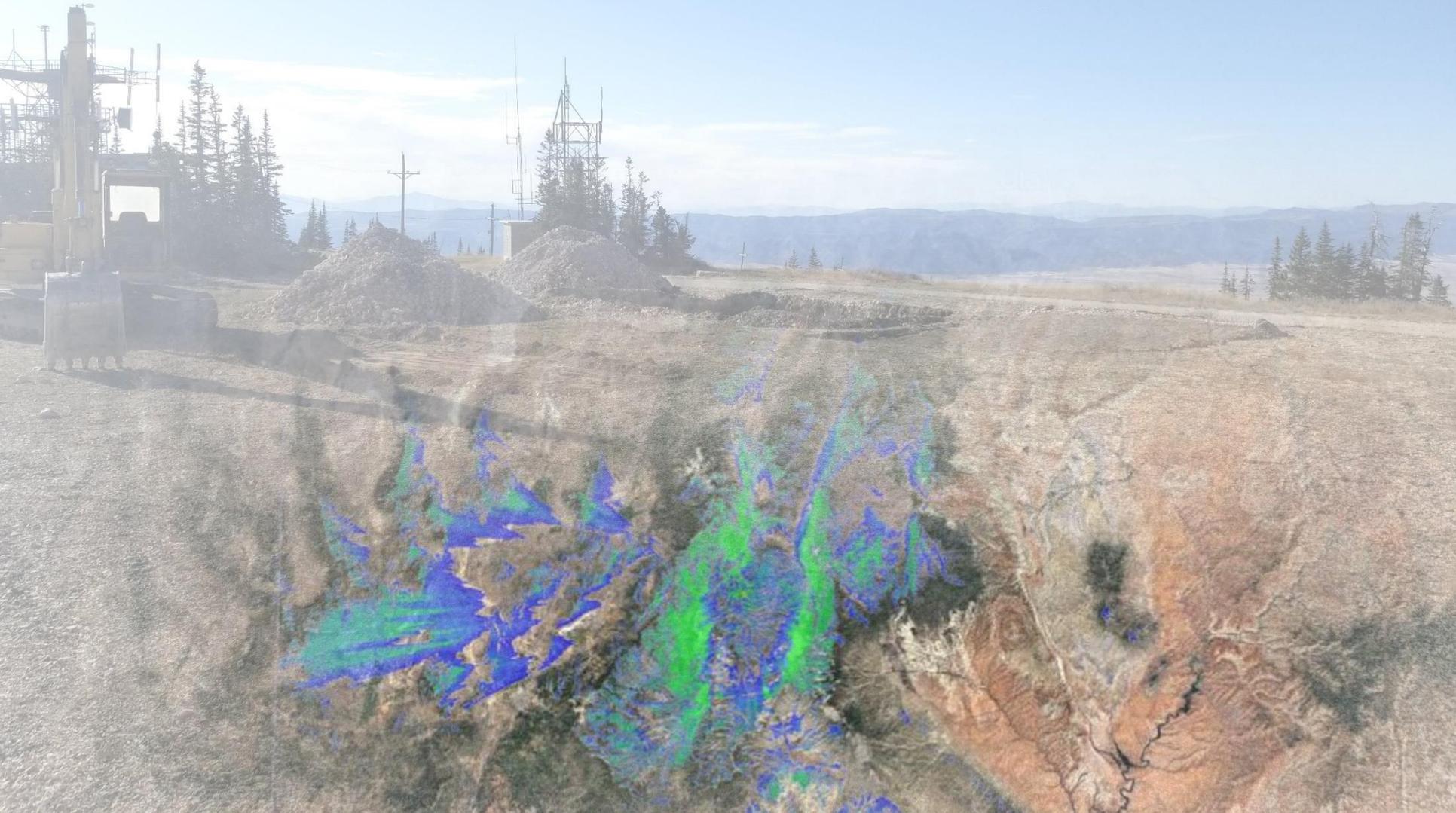




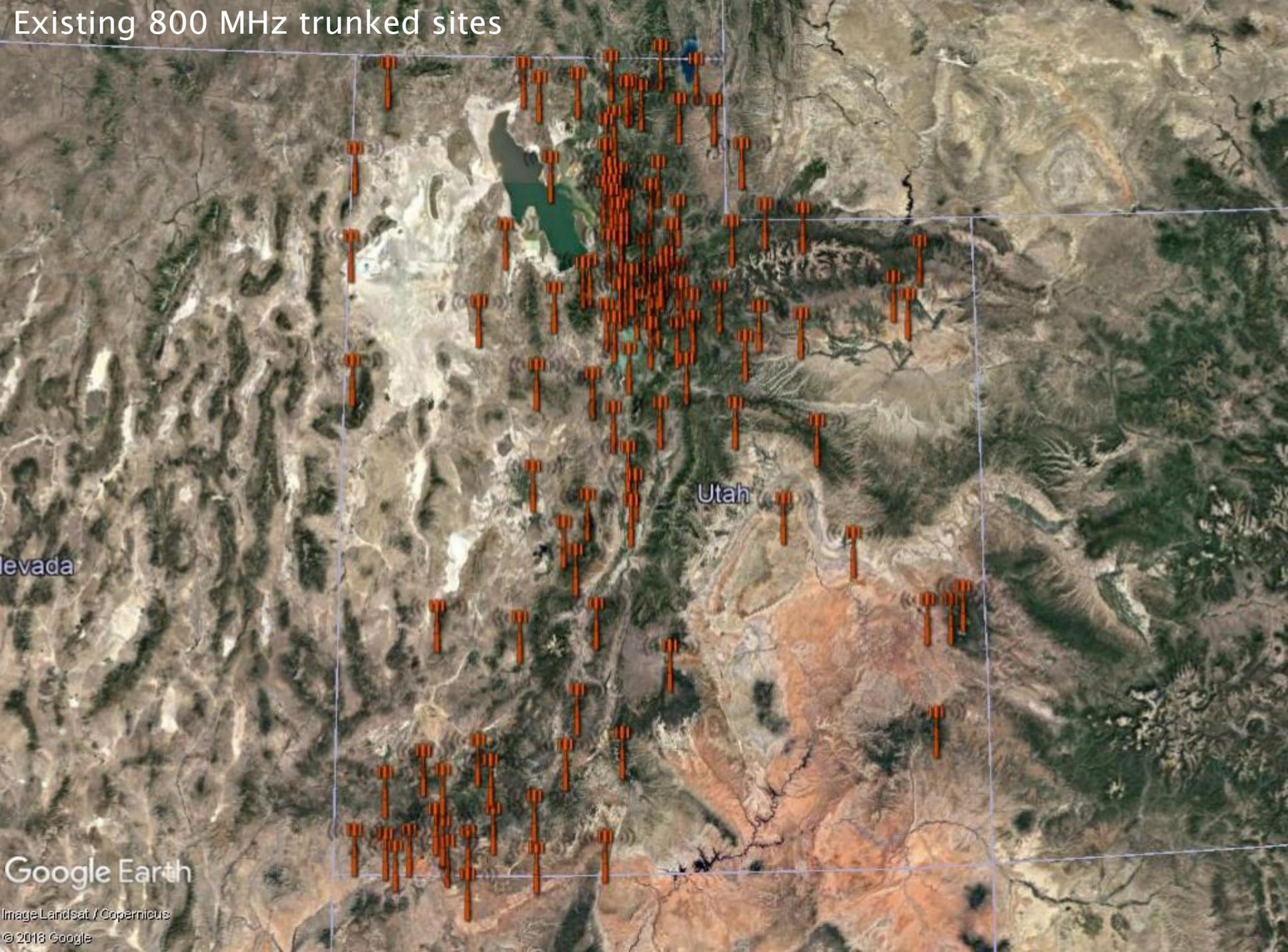
Strawberry Peak, Wasatch Co



Existing sites, future sites and coverage maps



Existing 800 MHz trunked sites



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Existing 800 MHz coverage

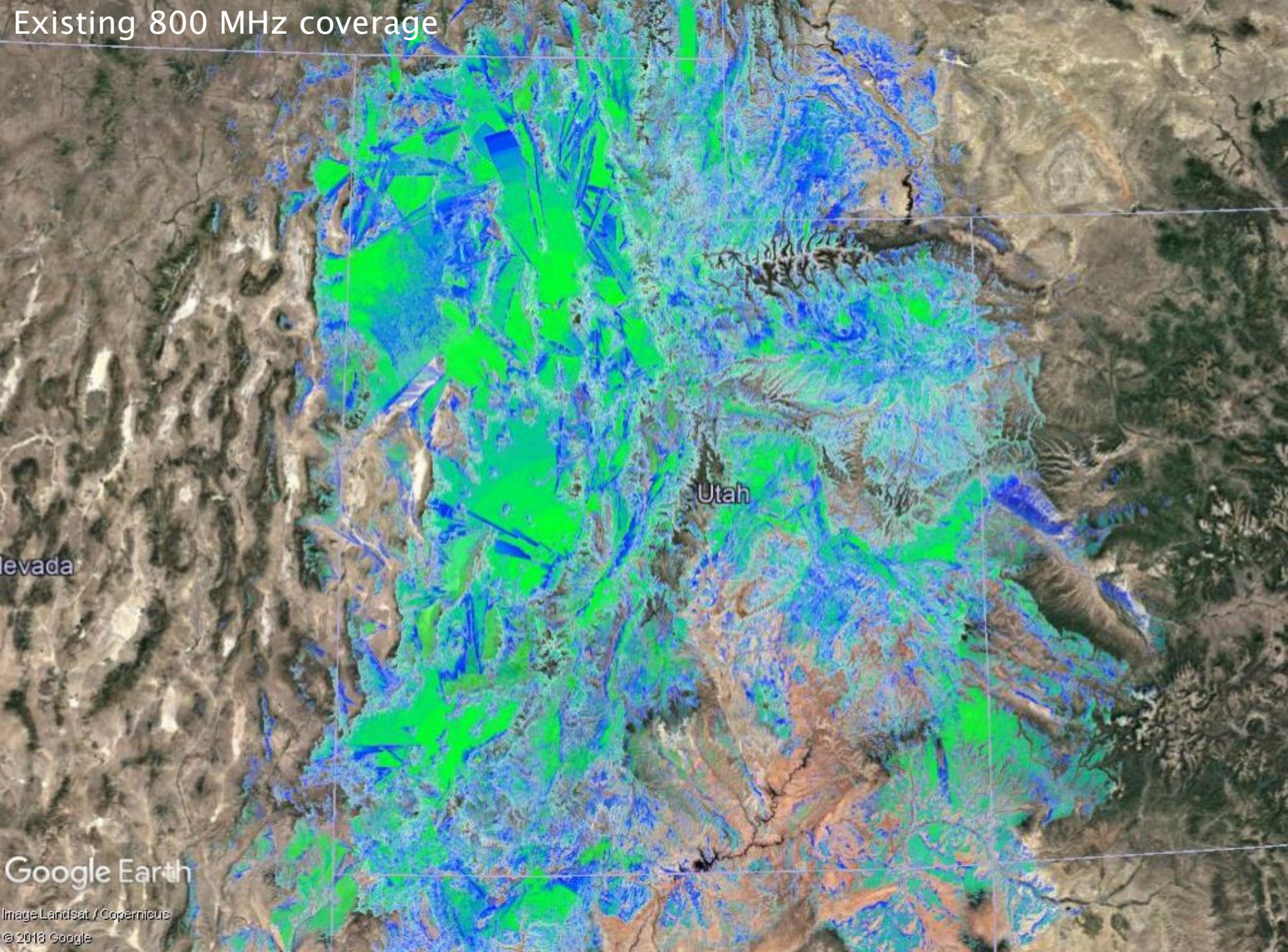
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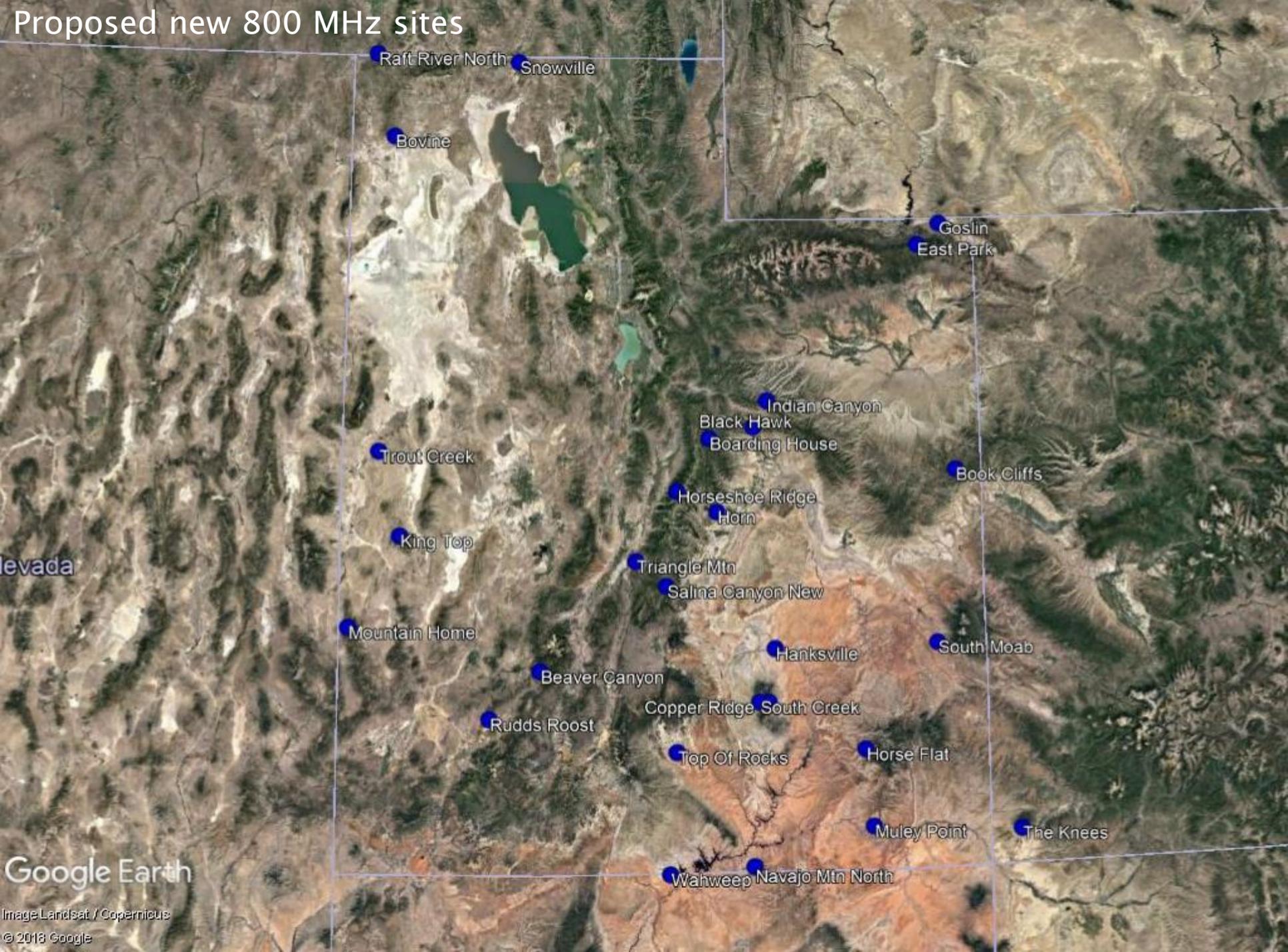
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Proposed new 800 MHz sites



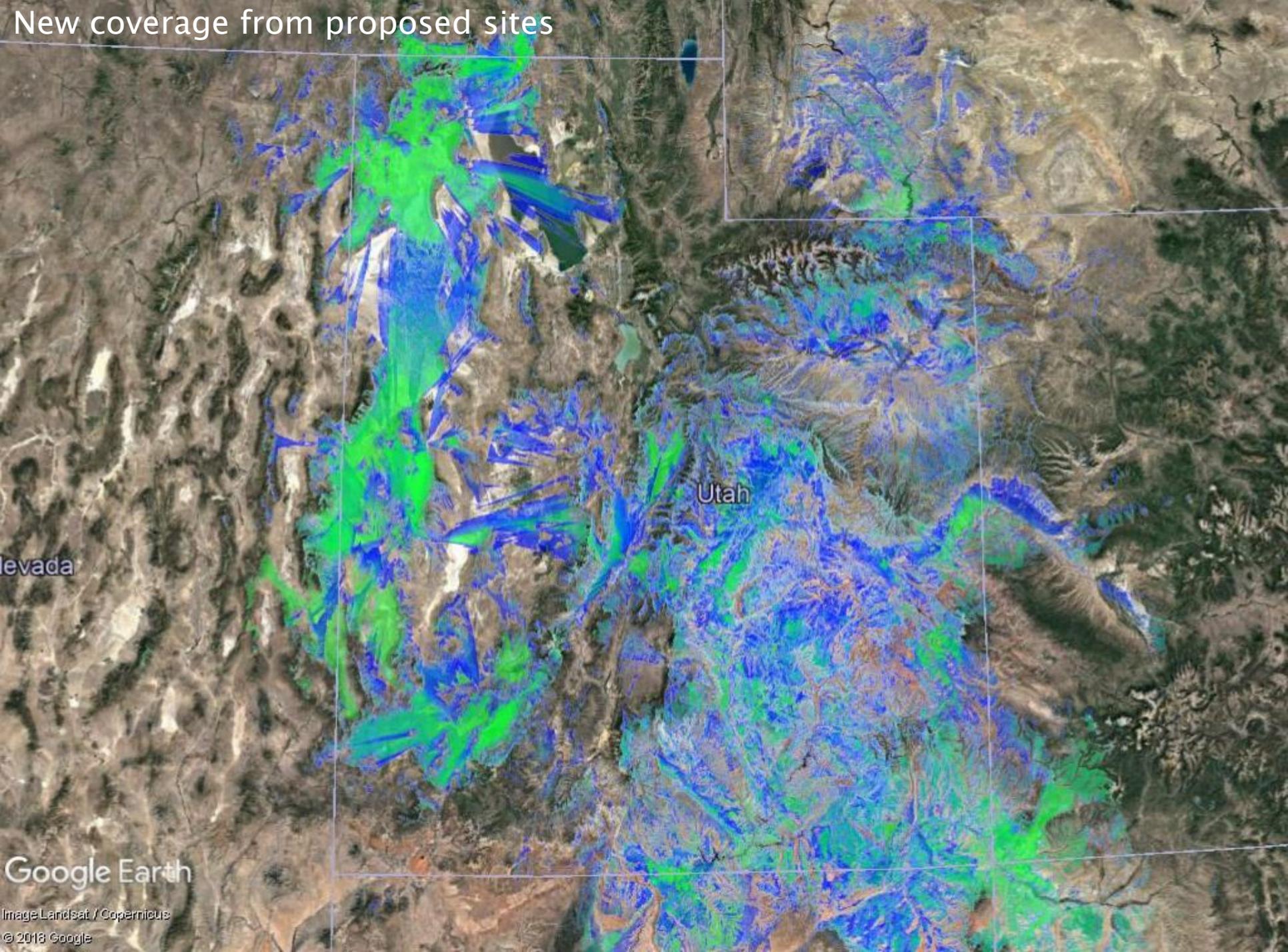
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New coverage from proposed sites



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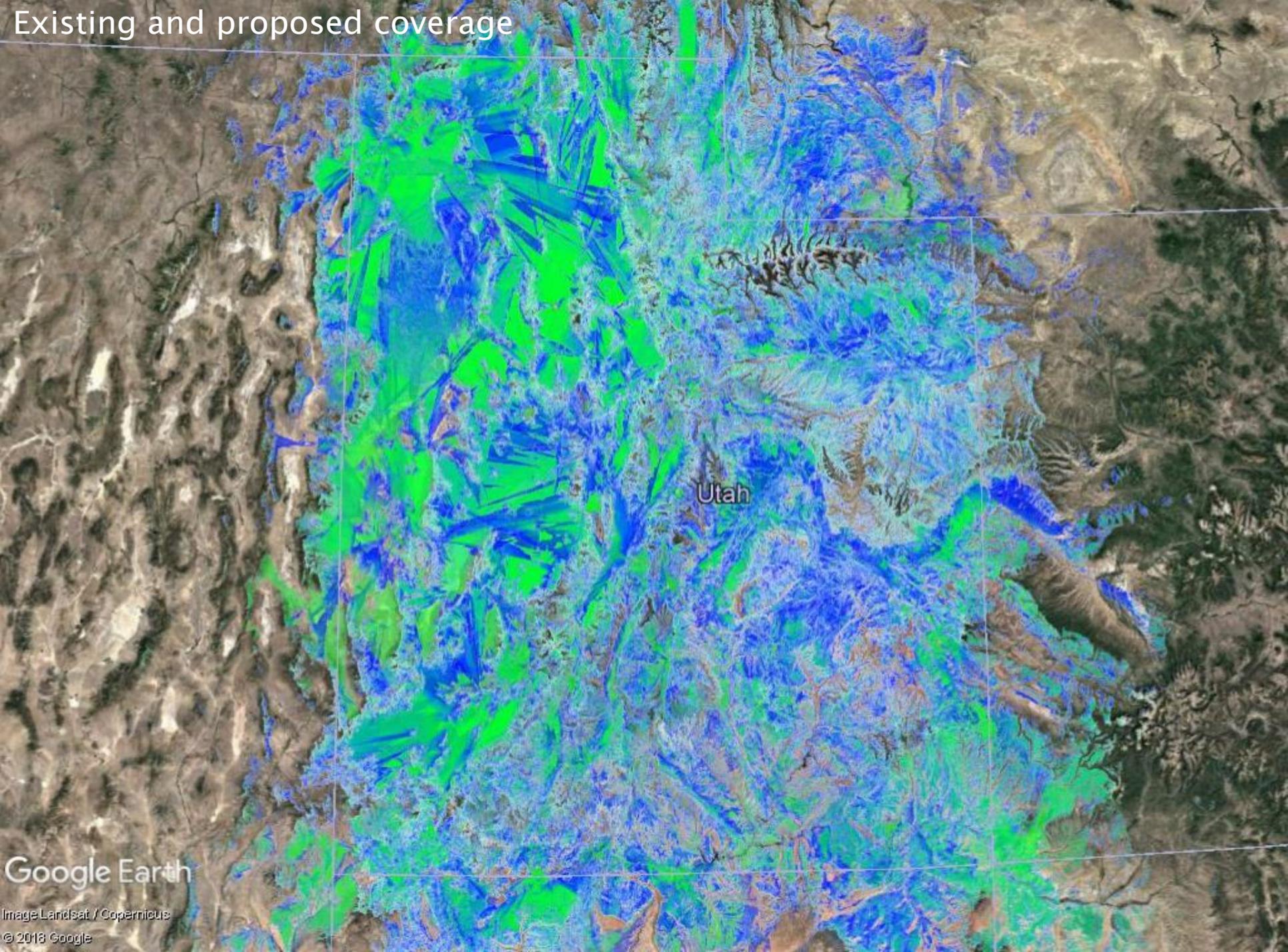
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Existing and proposed coverage

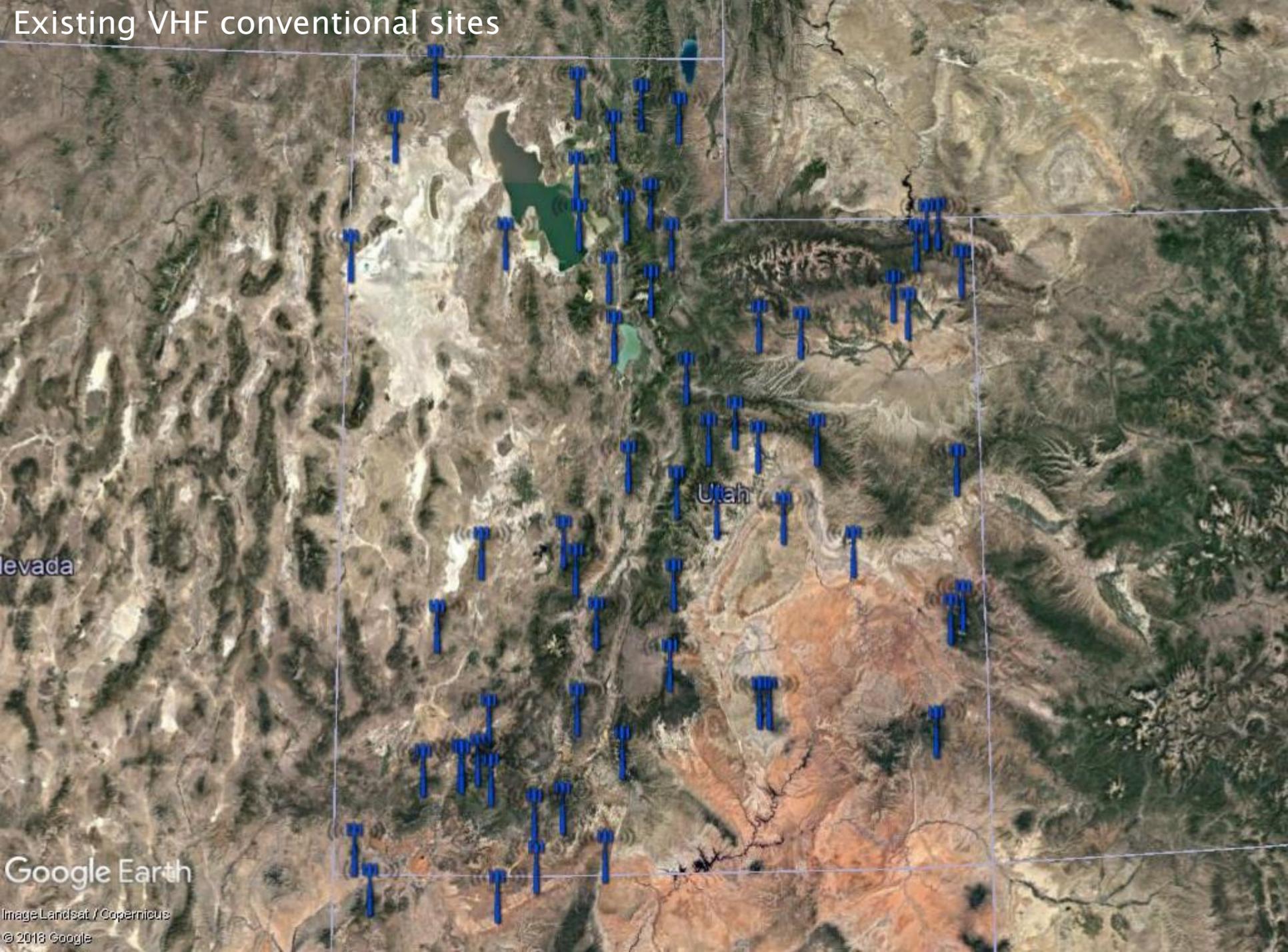


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Existing VHF conventional sites



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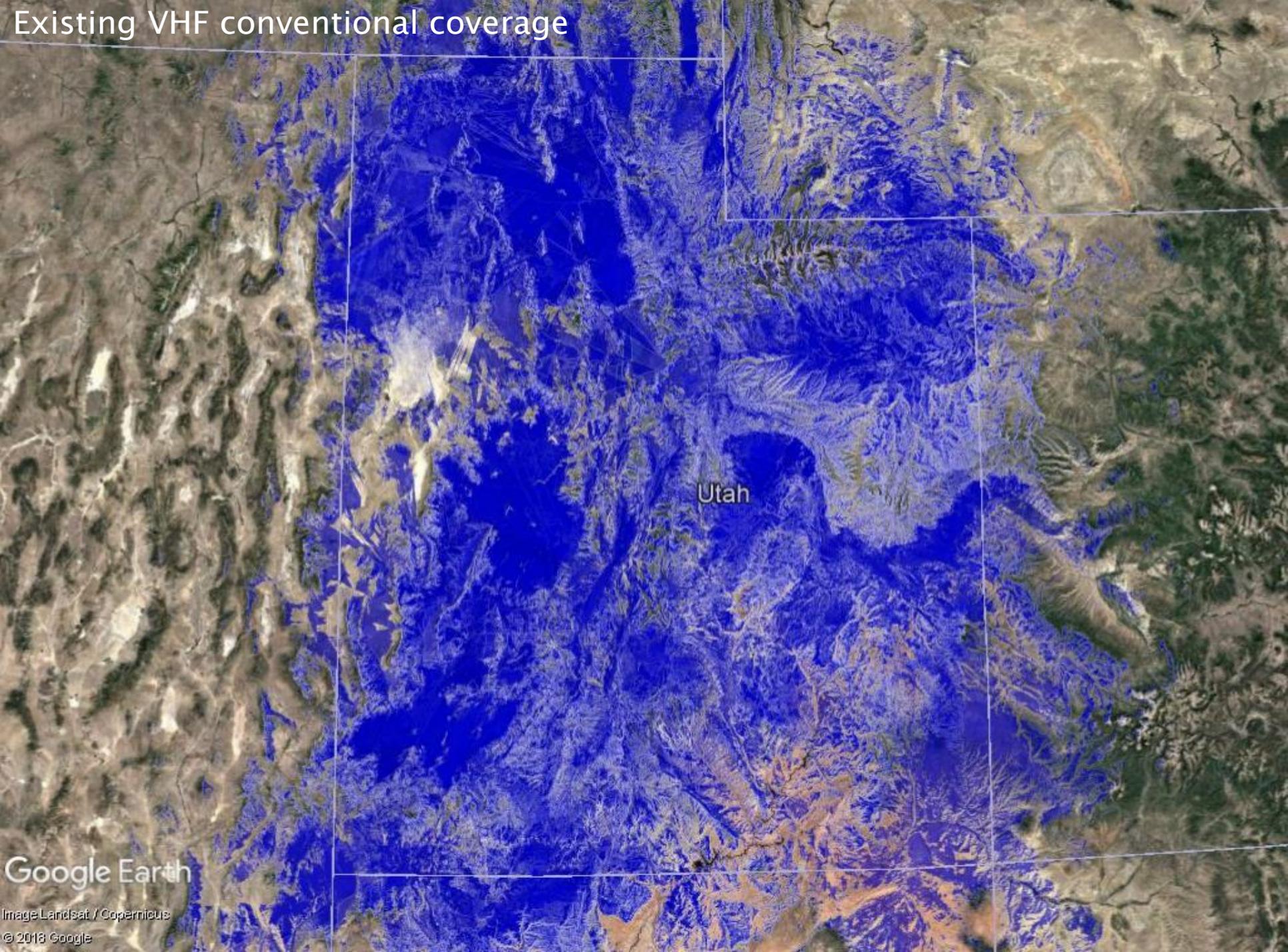
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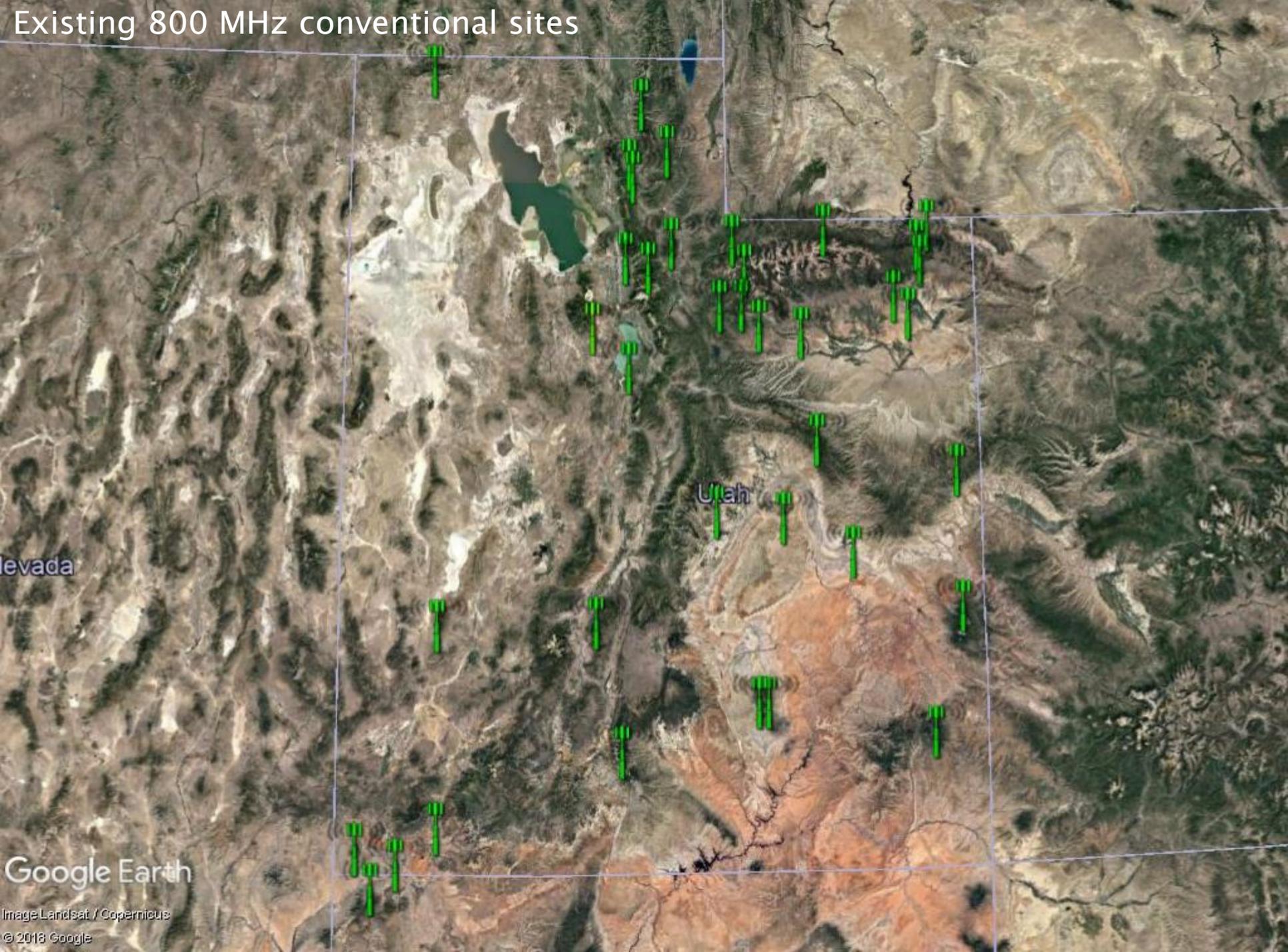
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Timeline of new sites

- ▶ UCA is diligently working internally, along with state, federal, local, and private partners to complete the new sites by the end of 2020
 - ▶ Some of the new sites may take longer to develop and build depending on permitting and other external restrictions
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What's next?

- ▶ Dutton – 95% complete
- ▶ Horseshoe – 70% complete
- ▶ Rudds Roost
- ▶ Hanksville
- ▶ Snowville
- ▶ Horn
- ▶ Boarding house
- ▶ Wahweep
- ▶ Triangle Mtn.
- ▶ King Top
- ▶ East Park
- ▶ South Moab
- ▶ Book Cliffs
- ▶ Blackhawk
- ▶ South Creek

Garfield County
Sanpete County
Iron County
Wayne County
Box Elder County
Emery County
Carbon County
Kane County
Sevier County
Millard, Juab
Daggett County
San Juan County
Grand County
Carbon County
Garfield County

Thank you

