Todd Provost, VP of Operations and Capital

Todd Provost is currently the interim vice president of operations for the Utah Transit Authority (UTA). Provost has been with UTA since 1998 and has advanced through the ranks of the agency, holding a number of positions such as rail engineer, systems engineer, senior program manager for engineering and project development, and regional general manager for light rail services. His past experience includes responsibility for the technical operating aspects of UTA's initial rail system; system integration and startup of five concurrently-built rail lines; major procurements of rolling stock, traction power substations, and fare collection equipment; oversight of all system-related activities; and daily operation of UTA's light rail system.

As the interim vice president of operations, Provost oversees approximately 1,800 personnel, 170 miles of commuter and light rail service, and a 652-vehicle bus and paratransit fleet. Recent initiatives include transforming UTA's culture to emphasize continuous improvement and Shingo principles and developing a rail fleet sustainability program.

Provost holds a degree in electrical engineering from the University of Utah. He was instrumental in founding the North American Light Rail Benchmarking Group, and currently serves as its president. In 2009, Provost was named one of Mass Transit's "Top 40 under 40" for his contributions to the transit industry.