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I am writing to complain about the new area code overlay (as I am sure a lot of people are doing). I am fine with having another area code. However, I cannot imagine that the only way to incorporate this was to add another area code within the existing area code. Was any consideration given to how confusing this is to visitors from out of state? With Utah's tourism and the number of hotels and recreational facilities that many out of state visitors access, can you imagine how confusing this will be to them trying to make phone calls? Is it a 801 area code or a 385 area code, or maybe it is the 435? Where the 801 and 385 are intermixed, there is no way of knowing who belongs to what?

As many other states have faced the same issues as Utah (we're not the only ones with growth), the other states seem to have been able to facilitate adding more phone numbers in a more logical manner. Why not just section Utah and designate 3 different area codes for 3 different areas?

This just seems crazy to me.
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