

ORIGINAL SENATE  
FILE NO. SF0060

ENROLLED ACT NO. 10, SENATE

SIXTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING  
2024 BUDGET SESSION

AN ACT relating to the Wyoming Wildlife and Natural Resource Funding Act; providing for funding of large projects under the act; specifying large projects approved for funding in 2024; specifying conditions for large project funding; authorizing distributions from the Wyoming wildlife and natural resource trust income account for approved large projects; providing for the reversion of funds; and providing for an effective date.

*Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

**Section 1.**

(a) As used in this section:

(i) "Board" means the Wyoming wildlife and natural resource trust account board created by W.S. 9-15-104;

(ii) "Income account" means the Wyoming wildlife and natural resource trust income account created by W.S. 9-15-103(b).

(b) Pursuant to the authority granted under W.S. 9-15-104(k) and subject to each recipient's certification under W.S. 9-15-103(r), authorization is granted for funding of the large projects provided for in subsections (c) through (e) of this section.

(c) Upper Greybull Fish Passage:

(i) Project sponsor: Wyoming Game And Fish Commission;

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(ii) Project purpose: removal of barriers to fish passage and migration, irrigation enhancement and stream modification on the Greybull River drainage in Park County in order to:

(A) Allow for seasonal movement of native fish into spawning and juvenile rearing habitats;

(B) Reduce and eliminate the potential for predation on native species in areas of high native fish propagation;

(C) Improve irrigation efficiency.

(iii) Project description: river restoration;

(iv) Total project budget: two million nine hundred two thousand dollars (\$2,902,000.00);

(v) Project grant: the board is authorized to grant to the sponsor one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) for the purposes specified in this subsection;

(vi) Appropriation: there is appropriated from the income account to the board one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) or as much thereof as is necessary to carry out the purposes of this subsection.

(d) Baggs Valley Headwaters II:

(i) Project sponsor: Little Snake River Conservation District;

(ii) Project purpose: restoration of native vegetation through mechanical, chemical and prescribed

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controlled burns across a varied landscape of approximately one hundred thirty-eight thousand (138,000) acres in Carbon County in order to:

(A) Maintain key seasonal habitats for mule deer, elk, moose, antelope and other species;

(B) Maintain primary migration corridors for native ungulates;

(C) Maintain core population areas for greater sage-grouse and other sagebrush obligate species;

(D) Conserve valuable grassland and intermediate shrubland ecotypes.

(iii) Project description: rangeland restoration;

(iv) Total project budget: three million five hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$3,550,000.00);

(v) Project grant: the total grant for the project, including all grants previously awarded for this project and the additional grant authorized under this subsection, shall be six hundred ninety-eight thousand dollars (\$698,000.00) to the sponsor for the purposes specified in this subsection;

(vi) Appropriation: there is appropriated from the income account to the board three hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$350,000.00) or as much thereof as is necessary to carry out the purposes of this subsection.

(e) Seminoe Shirley Habitat:

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(i) Project sponsor: Wyoming Game and Fish Commission;

(ii) Project purpose: restoration of native ecosystems through vegetation management, riparian restoration, fence modification and invasive species control in central Wyoming in order to:

(A) Maintain key seasonal habitats for mule deer, elk, antelope and other species;

(B) Maintain primary migration corridors for native ungulates;

(C) Maintain core population areas for greater sage-grouse and other sagebrush obligate species;

(D) Conserve valuable grassland and intermediate shrubland ecotypes.

(iii) Project description: rangeland restoration;

(iv) Total project budget: four million ninety-nine thousand dollars (\$4,099,000.00);

(v) Project grant: the board is authorized to grant to the sponsor eight hundred thousand dollars (\$800,000.00) for the purposes specified in this subsection;

(vi) Appropriation: there is appropriated from the income account to the board eight hundred thousand

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dollars (\$800,000.00) or as much thereof as is necessary to carry out the purposes of this subsection.

(f) Unexpended and unobligated funds appropriated under this section shall revert to the income account on June 30, 2028.

**Section 2.** This act is effective immediately upon completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming Constitution.

(END)

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Speaker of the House

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President of the Senate

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Governor

TIME APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that this act originated in the Senate.

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Chief Clerk