STATE OF WYOMING

SENATE FILE NO. SF0062

Large project funding.

Sponsored by: Select Natural Resource Funding Committee

A BILL

for

AN ACT relating to the Wyoming Wildlife and Natural 1 Resource Funding Act; providing for funding of 2 projects under that act; specifying large projects approved 3 for funding in 2011; amending funding and timing for 4 specified previously approved large projects; requiring 5 specified conservation easements to include the state of 6 Wyoming as a third party beneficiary as specified; 7 requiring certifications regarding kickbacks and gifts; 8 providing appropriations; providing for reversion of funds; 9

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

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14 **Section 1**. W.S. 9-15-601 through 9-15-614 are created

15 to read:

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17 ARTICLE 6

and providing for an effective date.

1	2011 LARGE PROJECT FUNDING
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3	9-15-601. Golden Willow Ranch easement I.
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5	(a) Authorization is granted for funding of the
6	following large project as provided in this section.
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8	(b) Project: Golden Willow Ranch easement I:
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10	(i) Project sponsor: Wyoming Stock Growers
11	Agricultural Land Trust;
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13	(ii) Project purpose: Permanent use restriction
14	on approximately seven thousand eighty-four (7,084) acres
15	in Sheridan county in order to:
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17	(A) Preclude loss of habitat for deer,
18	antelope, sharp-tailed grouse, songbirds and other species;
19	and
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21	(B) Maintain agricultural production.
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23	(iii) Project description: Conservation
24	easement;

2 (iv) Total project budget: Two million seventy-

3 five thousand dollars (\$2,075,000.00);

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5 (v) Project grant: The Wyoming wildlife and

6 natural resource trust account board is authorized to grant

7 to the sponsor three hundred fifty thousand dollars

8 (\$350,000.00) for the purposes specified in this

9 subsection;

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11 (vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from

12 the income account to the board three hundred fifty

13 thousand dollars (\$350,000.00) or as much thereof as is

14 necessary to carry out the purposes of this subsection.

15 Unexpended and unobligated funds appropriated under this

16 subsection shall revert to the income account on June 30,

17 2014.

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9-15-602. Mowry Ranch conservation easement.

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21 (a) Authorization is granted for funding of the

22 following large project as provided in this section.

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24 (b) Project: Mowry Ranch easement:

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2	(i) Project sponsor: Wyoming Stock Growers
3	Agricultural Land Trust;
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5	(ii) Project purpose: Permanent use restriction
6	on approximately two thousand thirty-five (2,035) acres in
7	Carbon county in order to:
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9	(A) Preclude loss of habitat for mule deer,
10	antelope, elk, amphibians, fisheries, songbirds and other
11	species;
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13	(B) Secure habitat for sage grouse in a
14	core population area; and
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16	(C) Maintain agricultural production.
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18	(iii) Project description: Conservation
19	easement;
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21	(iv) Total project budget: Two million forty-

22 five thousand dollars (\$2,045,000.00);

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1	(v) Project grant: The Wyoming wildlife and
2	natural resource trust account board is authorized to grant
3	to the sponsor four hundred fifty thousand dollars
4	(\$450,000.00) for the purposes specified in this
5	subsection;
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7	(vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from
8	the income account to the board four hundred fifty thousand
9	dollars (\$450,000.00) or as much thereof as is necessary to
10	carry out the purposes of this subsection. Unexpended and
11	unobligated funds appropriated under this subsection shall
12	revert to the income account on June 30, 2014.
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14	9-15-603. McKinney Ranch conservation easement.
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16	(a) Authorization is granted for funding of the
17	following large project as provided in this section.
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19	(b) Project: McKinney Ranch conservation easement:
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21	(i) Project sponsor: The Conservation Fund;
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(ii) Project purpose: Permanent use restriction 1 2 on approximately two thousand seven hundred (2,700) acres 3 in Fremont county in order to: 4 5 (A) Preclude loss of habitat for mule deer, sage grouse, antelope, amphibians, songbirds and other 6 species; 7 8 9 (B) Secure migration routes and crucial habitats for sage grouse in a core population area; and 10 11 Maintain agricultural production. 12 (C) 13 (iii) Project description: Conservation 14 15 easement; 16 17 (iv) Total project budget: One million two hundred seventy thousand dollars (\$1,270,000.00); 18 19 20 (v) Project grant: The Wyoming wildlife and 21 natural resource trust account board is authorized to grant sponsor two hundred fifty thousand dollars 22 to the (\$250,000.00) for the purposes specified 23 in this subsection; 24

(vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from the income account to the board two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000.00) or as much thereof as is necessary to carry out the purposes of this subsection. Unexpended and unobligated funds appropriated under this subsection shall revert to the income account on June 30, 2014.

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9 9-15-604. Little Snake River aspen.

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11 (a) Authorization is granted for funding of the 12 following large project as provided in this section.

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14 (b) Project: Little Snake River aspen:

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

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(ii) Project purpose: Removal of conifers and stimulation of aspen production in areas where aspen are a primary habitat for a variety of wildlife species on approximately twelve thousand (12,000) acres in Carbon county in order to:

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1 (A) Improve hydrologic and watershed 2 function, including water yield and use; and 3 4 (B) Restore and maintain habitat for native 5 and game species including deer, elk, moose, mountain grouse, songbirds and small mammals. 6 7 (iii) Project description: Eradication 8 of 9 encroaching species and landscape restoration; 10 (iv) Total project budget: One million 11 six hundred thousand (\$1,600,000.00); 12 13 14 (v) Project grant: The Wyoming wildlife and natural resource trust account board is authorized to grant 15 to the sponsor three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000.00) 16 17 for the purposes specified in this subsection; 18 (vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from 19 20 the income account to the board one hundred one thousand 21 eight hundred eight dollars (\$101,808.00) or as thereof as is necessary to carry out the purposes of this 22 subsection. Unexpended and unobligated funds appropriated 23

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under this subsection shall revert to the income account on 1 2 June 30, 2014. 3 4 9-15-605. North Piney moose habitat. 5 Authorization is granted for funding of 6 (a) the following large project as provided in this section. 7 8 9 (b) Project: North Piney moose habitat: 10 (i) Project sponsor: The Conservation Fund; 11 12 13 (ii) Project purpose: Permanent use restriction on approximately ten thousand (10,000) acres in Sublette 14 county in order to: 15 16 (A) Preclude loss of habitat for moose, 17 18 mule deer, elk, sage grouse, antelope, amphibians, songbirds and other species; 19 20 21 (B) Secure migration routes and crucial 22 habitat for sage grouse in a core population area; and 23 Maintain agricultural production. 24 (C)

1 2 (iii) Project description: Conservation 3 easement; 4 5 (iv) Total project budget: Eight million dollars (\$8,000,000.00); 6 7 (v) Project grant: The Wyoming wildlife and 8 9 natural resource trust account board is authorized to grant to the sponsor one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) for the 10 11 purposes specified in this subsection; 12 13 (vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from the income account to the board one million dollars 14 (\$1,000,000.00) or as much thereof as is necessary to carry 15 out the purposes of this subsection. Unexpended and 16 17 unobligated funds appropriated under this subsection shall revert to the income account on June 30, 2014. 18 19 20 9-15-606. Savery Creek riparian habitat. 21 22 (a) Authorization is granted for funding of the

following large project as provided in this section.

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(b) Project: Savery Creek riparian habitat: 1 2 3 (i) Project sponsor: Little Snake River 4 Conservation District; 5 6 (ii) Project purpose: habitat Stream restoration, irrigation system improvements 7 and bank stabilization on a large watershed in Carbon county in 8 9 order to: 10 Improve hydrologic 11 (A) and watershed function, including water yield and flood abatement; and 12 13 (B) Maintain habitat for native fish and 14 wildlife species including mule deer, moose, songbirds, 15 waterfowl and amphibians. 16 17 (iii) Project description: Reestablishment of 18 functional stream through placement of stream altering 19 structures and vegetation; 20 21 22 (iv) Total project budget: Three million one hundred fifty-three thousand six hundred 23 seventy-five

dollars (\$3,153,675.00);

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2 (v) Project grant: The Wyoming wildlife and 3 natural resource trust account board is authorized to grant 4 to the sponsor three hundred fifty thousand dollars 5 (\$350,000.00) for the purposes specified in this subsection; 6 7

(vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from 8 9 the income account to the board one hundred sixty-three thousand eight hundred thirty dollars (\$163,830.00) or as 10 much thereof as is necessary to carry out the purposes of 11 this subsection. Unexpended and unobligated funds 12 appropriated under this subsection shall revert to the 13 income account on June 30, 2014. 14

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9-15-607. Fish Creek/Green River habitat. 16

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Authorization is granted for funding of the 18 (a) following large project as provided in this section. 19

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21 (b) Project: Fish Creek/Green River habitat:

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(i) Project sponsor: The Conservation Fund; 23

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1	(ii) Project purpose: Permanent use restriction
2	on approximately one thousand five hundred (1,500) acres in
3	Sublette county in order to:
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5	(A) Preclude loss of habitat for moose,
6	mule deer, elk, sage grouse, antelope, amphibians,
7	waterfowl, songbirds and other species;
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9	(B) Secure migration routes and crucial
10	habitat for native fish, moose, elk and mule deer; and
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12	(C) Maintain agricultural production.
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14	(iii) Project description: Conservation
15	easement;
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17	(iv) Total project budget: One million six
18	hundred thousand dollars (\$1,600,000.00);
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20	(v) Project grant: The Wyoming wildlife and
21	natural resource trust account board is authorized to grant
22	to the sponsor three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000.00)

for the purposes specified in this subsection;

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1	(vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from
2	the income account to the board three hundred thousand
3	dollars (\$300,000.00) or as much thereof as is necessary to
4	carry out the purposes of this subsection. Unexpended and
5	unobligated funds appropriated under this subsection shall
6	revert to the income account on June 30, 2014.
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8	9-15-608. Tyler Place conservation easement.
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10	(a) Authorization is granted for funding of the
11	following large project as provided in this section.
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13	(b) Project: Tyler Place conservation easement:
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15	(i) Project sponsor: Wyoming Land Trust;
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17	(ii) Project purpose: Permanent use restriction
18	on approximately one thousand six hundred (1,600) acres in
19	Sublette county in order to:
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21	(A) Preclude loss of habitat for moose,
22	mule deer, antelope, sage grouse, waterfowl, songbirds and
23	other species;

Maintain essential migration routes for 1 (B) antelope, sage grouse and mule deer; and 2 3 (C) Maintain agricultural production. 4 5 (iii) Project description: Conservation 6 easement; 7 8 9 (iv) Total project budget: Two million one 10 hundred nine thousand seven hundred fifty dollars 11 (\$2,109,750.00);12 13 (v) Project grant: The Wyoming wildlife and natural resource trust account board is authorized to grant 14 to the sponsor four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000.00) 15 for the purposes specified in this subsection; 16 17 (vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from 18 the income account to the board four hundred thousand 19 20 dollars (\$400,000.00) or as much thereof as is necessary to 21 carry out the purposes of this subsection. Unexpended and unobligated funds appropriated under this subsection shall 22 revert to the income account on June 30, 2014. 23

Τ	9-15-609. Badwater Ranch conservation easement.
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3	(a) Authorization is granted for funding of the
4	following large project as provided in this section.
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6	(b) Project: Badwater Ranch conservation easement:
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8	(i) Project sponsor: The Conservation Fund;
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10	(ii) Project purpose: Permanent use restriction
11	on approximately twenty thousand (20,000) acres in Fremont
12	county in order to:
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14	(A) Preclude loss of habitat for mule deer,
15	elk, sage grouse, antelope and other species;
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17	(B) Provide hunting access to approximately
18	sixty-six thousand (66,000) acres of public and private
19	lands; and
20	
21	(C) Maintain agricultural production.
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23	(iii) Project description: Conservation
24	easement;

2 Total project budget: Three million three (iv)

3 hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$3,320,000.00);

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5 (v) Project grant: The Wyoming wildlife

natural resource trust account board is authorized to grant 6

to the sponsor five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) 7

for the purposes specified in this subsection; 8

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10 (vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from

the income account to the board five hundred thousand 11

dollars (\$500,000.00) or as much thereof as is necessary to 12

13 carry out the purposes of this subsection. Unexpended and

unobligated funds appropriated under this subsection shall 14

revert to the income account on June 30, 2014. 15

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17 9-15-610. Alta open lands.

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Authorization is granted for funding of 19 (a) the

following large project as provided in this section. 20

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22 (b) Project: Alta open lands:

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24 (i) Project sponsor: Jackson Hole Land Trust;

2 (ii) Project purpose: Permanent use restriction 3 on approximately four hundred ninety-one (491) acres in

4 Teton county in order to:

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6 (A) Preclude loss of habitat for elk, mule

7 deer, moose, bighorn sheep and other species;

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9 (B) Maintain open lands and essential

10 migration routes in a heavily developed habitat area; and

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12 (C) Maintain agricultural production.

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14 (iii) Project description: Conservation

15 easement;

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17 (iv) Total project budget: Four million dollars

18 (\$4,000,000.00);

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20 (v) Project grant: The Wyoming wildlife and

21 natural resource trust account board is authorized to grant

22 to the sponsor three hundred fifty thousand dollars

23 (\$350,000.00) for the purposes specified in this

24 subsection;

2 (vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from

3 the income account to the board three hundred fifty

4 thousand dollars (\$350,000.00) or as much thereof as is

5 necessary to carry out the purposes of this subsection.

6 Unexpended and unobligated funds appropriated under this

7 subsection shall revert to the income account on June 30,

8 2014.

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9-15-611. Vee Cross Ranch conservation easement.

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12 (a) Authorization is granted for funding of the

13 following large project as provided in this section.

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15 (b) Project: Vee Cross Ranch conservation easement:

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17 (i) Project sponsor: Wyoming Game and Fish

18 Commission;

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20 (ii) Project purpose: Permanent use restriction

21 on approximately two thousand one hundred (2,100) acres in

22 Lincoln county in order to:

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1	(A) Preclude loss of habitat for moose,
2	mule deer, elk, sage grouse, waterfowl, songbirds and other
3	species;
4	
5	(B) Maintain essential migration routes for
6	moose, waterfowl, mule deer and elk;
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8	(C) Allow for public access to public lands
9	that have not been accessible; and
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11	(D) Maintain agricultural production.
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13	(iii) Project description: Conservation
14	easement;
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16	(iv) Total project budget: Two million thirty-
17	one thousand two hundred dollars (\$2,031,200.00);
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19	(v) Project grant: The Wyoming wildlife and
20	natural resource trust account board is authorized to grant
21	to the sponsor four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000.00)

for the purposes specified in this subsection;

1	(vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from
2	the income account to the board four hundred thousand
3	dollars (\$400,000.00) or as much thereof as is necessary to
4	carry out the purposes of this subsection. Unexpended and
5	unobligated funds appropriated under this subsection shall
6	revert to the income account on June 30, 2014.
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8	9-15-612. Angle N Ranch conservation easement.
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10	(a) Authorization is granted for funding of the
11	following large project as provided in this section.
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13	(b) Project: Angle N Ranch conservation easement:
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15	(i) Project sponsor: Wyoming Game and Fish
16	Commission;
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18	(ii) Project purpose: Permanent use restriction
19	on approximately three thousand thirty-six (3,036) acres in
20	Weston county in order to:
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22	(A) Preclude loss of habitat for deer, elk,
23	sharp-tailed grouse, turkey, songbirds and other species;
24	and

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2	(B) Maintain agricultural production.
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4	(iii) Project description: Conservation
5	easement;
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7	(iv) Total project budget: One million five
8	hundred seventeen thousand six hundred eighty dollars
9	(\$1,517,680.00);
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L1	(v) Project grant: The Wyoming wildlife and
L2	natural resource trust account board is authorized to grant
L3	to the sponsor three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000.00)
L4	for the purposes specified in this subsection;
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L6	(vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from
L 7	the income account to the board three hundred thousand
L8	dollars (\$300,000.00) or as much thereof as is necessary to
L9	carry out the purposes of this subsection. Unexpended and
20	unobligated funds appropriated under this subsection shall
21	revert to the income account on June 30, 2014.

23 9-15-613. Little Snake River restoration.

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Authorization is granted for funding of the 1 (a) 2 following large project as provided in this section. 3 4 (b) Project: Little Snake River restoration: 5 (i) Project sponsor: Little 6 Snake River Conservation District; 7 8 9 (ii) Project purpose: Stream habitat 10 restoration, irrigation system improvements and bank stabilization on portions of a watershed comprising 11 approximately six and one-half (6.5) miles of river in 12 Carbon county in order to: 13 14 15 (A) hydrologic Improve and watershed function, including water yield and use; and 16 17 (B) Maintain habitat for native fish and 18 wildlife species including deer, songbirds, waterfowl and 19 20 amphibians. 21 22 (iii) Project description: Reestablishment functional stream through placement of stream altering 23 structures and vegetation; 24

2 (iv) Total project budget: One million eight

3 hundred forty-three thousand two hundred dollars

4 (\$1,843,200.00);

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6 (v) Project grant: The Wyoming wildlife and

7 natural resource trust account board is authorized to grant

8 to the sponsor two hundred forty-five thousand dollars

9 (\$245,000.00) for the purposes specified in this

10 subsection;

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12 (vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from

13 the income account to the board one hundred fifty thousand

14 dollars (\$150,000.00) or as much thereof as is necessary to

15 carry out the purposes of this subsection. Unexpended and

16 unobligated funds appropriated under this subsection shall

17 revert to the income account on June 30, 2014.

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9-15-614. HF Bar Ranch conservation easement.

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21 (a) Authorization is granted for funding of the

22 following large project as provided in this section.

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24 (b) Project: HF Bar Ranch conservation easement:

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2	(i) Project sponsor: Rocky Mountain Elk
3	Foundation;
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5	(ii) Project purpose: Permanent use restriction
6	on approximately two thousand (2,000) acres in Johnson
7	county in order to:
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9	(A) Preclude loss of habitat for deer, elk,
10	sharp-tailed grouse, turkey, songbirds and other species;
11	and
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13	(B) Maintain agricultural production.
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15	(iii) Project description: Conservation
16	easement;
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18	(iv) Total project budget: Four million thirty-
19	five thousand dollars (\$4,035,000.00);
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(v) Project grant: The Wyoming wildlife and natural resource trust account board is authorized to grant to the sponsor eight hundred thousand dollars (\$800,000.00)

24 for the purposes specified in this subsection;

2 (vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from 3 the income account to the board eight hundred thousand 4 dollars (\$800,000.00) or as much thereof as is necessary to 5 carry out the purposes of this subsection. Unexpended and unobligated funds appropriated under this subsection shall 6 revert to the income account on June 30, 2014. 7 8 9 Section 2. W.S. 9-15-302(b)(iv) through (vi), 9-15-309(b)(iv) through (vi) and 9-15-508(b)(iv) through 10 11 (vi) are amended to read: 12 13 9-15-302. Wyoming Range Aspen Enhancement. 14 (b) Project - Wyoming Range Aspen Enhancement: 15 16 17 (iv) Total project budget: Two million four hundred forty thousand dollars (\$2,440,000.00) Two million 18 twenty thousand dollars (\$2,020,000.00) over an anticipated 19 period of approximately three (3) four (4) years; 20 21 (v) Project grant: The Wyoming wildlife and 22 natural resource trust account board is authorized to grant 23 24 to the sponsors six hundred thirty thousand dollars

1 (\$630,000.00) seven hundred forty thousand dollars

2 (\$740,000.00) over a period of not more than $\frac{\text{three}}{\text{(3)}}$ four

3 (4) years for the purposes specified in this subsection;

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5 (vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from the income account to the board two hundred sixty thousand 6 dollars (\$260,000.00) or as much thereof as is necessary to 7 carry out the purpose of this subsection. In addition to 8 9 appropriated prior to 2009, is any amounts there appropriated from the income account to the board one 10 11 hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000.00) or as much thereof as is necessary to carry out the purpose of this 12 13 subsection. In addition to any amounts appropriated prior 14 to 2010, there is appropriated from the income account to the board two hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$220,000.00) 15 or as much thereof as is necessary to carry out the 16 17 purposes of this subsection. In addition to any amounts appropriated prior to 2011, there is appropriated from the 18 19 income account to the board one hundred ten thousand dollars (\$110,000.00) or as much thereof as is necessary to 20 21 carry out the purposes of this subsection. Notwithstanding 22 W.S. 9-2-1008, 9-2-1012(e) and 9-4-207(a), unexpended and unobligated funds appropriated under this subsection shall 23

not lapse on June 30, 2010, but shall revert to the income 1 2 account on June 30, 2013 2014. 3 9-15-309. Yellowtail CRM II. 4 5 (b) Project - Yellowtail CRM II: 6 7 (iv) Total project budget: One million seven 8 9 hundred eighty thousand dollars (\$1,780,000.00) Two million dollars (\$2,000,000.00) over an anticipated period of 10 approximately three (3) five (5) years; 11 12 (v) Project grant: The Wyoming wildlife and 13 natural resource trust account board is authorized to grant 14 to the sponsor four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000.00) 15 five hundred ten thousand dollars (\$510,000.00) over a 16 period of not more than six (6) five (5) years for the 17 purposes specified in this subsection; 18 19 20 (vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from 21 the income account to the board two hundred thousand 22 dollars (\$200,000.00) or as much thereof as is necessary to carry out the purpose of this subsection. In addition to 23 24 any amounts appropriated prior to 2010, there is

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appropriated from the income account to the board one 1 2 hundred ten thousand dollars (\$110,000.00) or as much 3 thereof as is necessary to carry out the purposes of this 4 subsection. In addition to any amounts appropriated prior 5 to 2011, there is appropriated from the income account to the board one hundred ten thousand dollars (\$110,000.00) or 6 as much thereof as is necessary to carry out the purposes 7 of this subsection. Notwithstanding W.S. 8 9-2-1008, 9 9-2-1012(e) and 9-4-207(a), unexpended and unobligated funds appropriated under this subsection shall not lapse on 10 11 June 30, 2010, but shall revert to the income account on June 30, 2013 2014. 12 13 9-15-508. Laramie River Restoration. 14 15 Project: Laramie River Restoration: 16 (b) 17 Total project budget: One million one 18 (iv) hundred eighty thousand three hundred ninety-three dollars 19 (\$1,180,393.00) One million four hundred twenty-eight 20

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thousand six hundred eleven dollars (\$1,428,611.00) over an

anticipated period of approximately three (3) years;

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(v) Project grant: The Wyoming wildlife and 1 natural resource trust account board is authorized to grant 2 to the sponsor three hundred forty-four thousand dollars 3 (\$344,000.00) four hundred forty-seven thousand six hundred 4 5 eleven dollars (\$447,611.00) over a period of not more than (3) years for the purposes specified in 6 three subsection; 7 8 9 (vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from the income account to the board one hundred seventy-two 10 11 thousand dollars (\$172,000.00) or as much thereof as is necessary to carry out the purpose of this subsection. 12

is appropriated from the income account to the board one

addition to any amounts appropriated prior to 2011, there

hundred three thousand six hundred eleven dollars 15

(\$103,611.00) or as much thereof as is necessary to carry 16

17 out the purposes of this subsection. Unexpended and

unobligated funds appropriated under this subsection shall 18

revert to the income account on June 30, 2013 2014. 19

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21 Section 3. Each conservation easement for which 22 funding is authorized under Section 1 or 2 of this act shall include the state of Wyoming as a third party 23 beneficiary with the right to enforce the terms of the 24

1 agreement and, if the easement is transferred or

2 extinguished, the right to recover the state's pro rata

3 share of funds provided for the creation of the easement up

4 to one hundred percent (100%) of the funds granted by the

5 state for the creation of the easement.

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7 **Section 4**. Before any distribution of funds is made

8 pursuant to the appropriations authorized by Sections 1 and

9 2 of this act, the person receiving the funds shall certify

10 that no gratuities, kickbacks, gifts, commissions,

11 contingency fees or other considerations have been or will

12 be made in connection with the appropriation or the

13 associated grant made by the Wyoming wildlife and natural

14 resource trust account board.

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16 **Section 5**. This act is effective immediately upon

17 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law

18 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming

19 Constitution.

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21 (END)