

ORIGINAL HOUSE
BILL NO. 0088

ENROLLED ACT NO. 22, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FIFTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING
2008 BUDGET SESSION

AN ACT relating to water development projects; authorizing specified Level I and Level II studies and providing appropriations; requiring reports; providing for reversion of unexpended funds; authorizing unobligated funds to be used to complete other designated project studies under certain conditions; providing funding for the office of water programs; amending provision regarding the reversion of funds for a specified study; and providing for an effective date.

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

[2008-2009 WATER PROGRAM]

[AUTHORIZED LEVEL I AND LEVEL II STUDIES]

Section 1. LEVEL I RECONNAISSANCE STUDIES - NEW DEVELOPMENT. The following sums of money are appropriated from water development account I to the commission to be expended to conduct the following reconnaissance studies as defined in W.S. 41-2-114. Funds appropriated under this section for a particular project which are in excess of the actual amount necessary to complete the study may, subject to the review of the select water committee, be expended by the commission to complete the reconnaissance study for any other project listed in this section. Appropriated funds not expended prior to July 1, 2010, shall revert to water development account I. The commission shall submit a report to the legislature on each of the following studies prior to the 2009 legislative session.

[LEVEL I RECONNAISSANCE STUDIES - NEW DEVELOPMENT]

<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION</u>
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Cody Master Plan	Park County	\$ 100,000
Evansville Master Plan	Natrona County	150,000
Gillette Regional Master Plan	Campbell County	350,000
Kemmerer-Diamondville Master Plan	Lincoln County	100,000
Lander Master Plan	Fremont County	100,000
Laramie County Aquifer	Laramie County	25,000
Pine Bluffs Master Plan	Laramie County	80,000
Pine Haven Master Plan	Crook County	100,000
Rawlins Master Plan	Carbon County	150,000
South Circle Master Plan	Washakie County	50,000
Wind/Bighorn River Basin Plan	Wind/Bighorn Basin	500,000
Wright Master Plan	Campbell	100,000
Statewide Water Research	Statewide	300,000
Total appropriation for Section 1		<u>\$2,105,000</u>

Section 2. LEVEL II FEASIBILITY STUDIES - NEW DEVELOPMENT. The following sums of money are appropriated from water development account I to the commission to be expended to conduct the following feasibility studies as defined in W.S. 41-2-114. Funds appropriated under this section for a particular project which are in excess of the actual amount necessary to complete the study may, subject to the review of the select water committee, be expended by the commission to complete the feasibility study for any other project listed in this section. Appropriated funds not expended prior to July 1, 2010, shall revert to water development account I. The commission shall submit a report to the legislature on each of the following studies prior to the 2009 legislative session.

[LEVEL II FEASIBILITY STUDIES - NEW DEVELOPMENT]

<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION</u>
Alpine Master Plan Update, Phase II	Lincoln County	\$ 85,000
Farview Water Supply	Fremont County	375,000
Glendo Water Supply	Platte County	150,000
Jamestown/Rio Vista Water Supply	Sweetwater County	75,000

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Mile-Hi Water Supply	Natrona County	75,000
Northern Arapaho Groundwater	Fremont County	685,000
Owl Creek Water Supply	Hot Springs County	75,000
South Thermopolis Water Supply	Hot Springs County	75,000
Wamsutter Groundwater	Sweetwater County	800,000
Total appropriation for Section 2		<u>\$2,395,000</u>

Section 3. LEVEL I RECONNAISSANCE STUDIES - STORAGE.

The following sums of money are appropriated from water development account III, as created by W.S. 41-2-124(a)(iii), to the commission to be expended to conduct the following reconnaissance studies as defined in W.S. 41-2-114. Funds appropriated under this section for a particular project which are in excess of the actual amount necessary to complete the study may, subject to the review of the select water committee, be expended by the commission to complete the reconnaissance study for any other project listed in this section. Appropriated funds not expended prior to July 1, 2010, shall revert to water development account III. The commission shall submit a report to the legislature on each of the following studies prior to the 2009 legislative session.

[LEVEL I RECONNAISSANCE STUDIES - STORAGE]

<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION</u>
Nowood River Watershed	Washakie County	\$300,000
Thunder Basin Watershed	East Central Wyoming	<u>300,000</u>
Total appropriation for Section 3		<u>\$600,000</u>

Section 4. LEVEL II FEASIBILITY STUDIES - STORAGE.

The following sums of money are appropriated from water development account III, as created by W.S. 41-2-124(a)(iii), to the commission to be expended to conduct the following feasibility studies as defined in W.S. 41-2-114. Funds appropriated under this section for a particular project which are in excess of the actual amount

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necessary to complete the study may, subject to the review of the select water committee, be expended by the commission to complete the feasibility study for any other project listed in this section. Appropriated funds not expended prior to July 1, 2010, shall revert to water development account III. The commission shall submit a report to the legislature on each of the following studies prior to the 2009 legislative session.

[LEVEL II FEASIBILITY STUDIES - STORAGE]

<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION</u>
Cottonwood/Grass Creek CRM	Hot Springs County	\$250,000
Little Snake Supplemental Storage	Carbon County	250,000
Total appropriation for Section 4		\$500,000

Section 5. LEVEL II FEASIBILITY STUDIES - REHABILITATION. The following sums of money are appropriated from water development account II to the commission to be expended to conduct the following feasibility studies as defined in W.S. 41-2-114. Funds appropriated under this section for a particular project which are in excess of the actual amount necessary to complete the study may, subject to the review of the select water committee, be expended by the commission to complete the feasibility study for any other project listed in this section. Appropriated funds not expended prior to July 1, 2010, shall revert to water development account II. The commission shall submit a report to the legislature on each of the following studies prior to the 2009 legislative session.

[LEVEL II FEASIBILITY STUDIES - REHABILITATION]

<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION</u>
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Cody Canal Rehab, GIS	Park County	\$200,000
Greybull Valley Rehab, GIS	Bighorn County	150,000
Willwood Rehab, GIS	Park County	150,000
Total appropriation for Section 5		<u>\$500,000</u>

Section 6. W.S. 41-2-119(a) is amended to read:

41-2-119. Groundwater studies.

(a) The Wyoming water development commission may grant not to exceed ~~five million five hundred thousand dollars (\$5,500,000.00)~~ six million dollars (\$6,000,000.00) to incorporated cities and towns, water and sewer districts and improvement and service districts in Wyoming for exploration for and feasibility studies of the use of underground water for municipal and rural domestic purposes, not to exceed four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000.00) for any one (1) exploration or study. The grants shall be made from revenues from water development account I and those revenues are hereby so appropriated. Any city or town, water and sewer district or service and improvement district receiving a grant pursuant to this section shall provide at least twenty-five percent (25%) of the cost of the exploration or study from its own funds. The commission shall adopt rules and regulations governing application procedures for the grants.

Section 7. The Wyoming Water Development Commission is authorized to contract with the University of Wyoming in an amount not to exceed one hundred sixty-five thousand dollars (\$165,000.00) from water development account I to fund the Office of Water Programs established under W.S. 41-2-125 from July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2010.

Section 8. 2007 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 85, Section 6(c) is amended to read:

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Section 6. Part II. LEVEL I FEASIBILITY
STUDY - MITIGATION NORTH PLATTE DRAINAGE SYSTEM.

(c) Any balance of funds remaining after completion of the level I feasibility study ~~may be used for the acquisition of replacement water as described in paragraph (a)(i) of this section~~ shall revert to water development account I.

Section 9. 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)

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Governor

TIME APPROVED: _____
DATE APPROVED: _____

I hereby certify that this act originated in the House.

Chief Clerk