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Chapter No.: 173

Prime Sponsor: Hicks

Catch Title: Water quality.

Subject: Water quality issues related to diversion of water.

Summary/Major Elements:

- Existing law specifies water quality standards for the purposes of the Wyoming Environmental Quality Act.
- This bill provides the provisions of the Environmental Quality Act shall not be interpreted to supersede or abrogate a valid water right.
- The bill provides it is recognized that a diversion of water caused by the exercise of a valid water right is an allowable practice.
- The bill requires the administrator of the Water Quality Division to develop water quality standards where the exercise of valid water rights or the diversion or hydrologic modification precludes attainment of any existing water quality standard.

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