

ENROLLED ACT NO. 32, SENATE

SIXTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING
2017 GENERAL SESSION

AN ACT relating to water development projects; authorizing specified level I and level II studies; providing appropriations; requiring reports; providing for reversion of unexpended funds; authorizing unobligated funds to be used to complete other designated projects as specified; providing priority for unfunded projects as specified; and providing for an effective date.

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

[2017-2018 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, as created by W.S. 41-2-124(a)(i), to the water development 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. Funds appropriated under this section for watershed studies shall be expended by the commission in the order of a prioritized list established by the commission and approved by the select water committee consisting of (1) or more of the following watershed studies, the Beaver Creek watershed study, the Bitter Creek/East Flaming Gorge watershed study, the Greybull River watershed study, the Horse Creek watershed study, the Lower Laramie River watershed study, the Middle Big Horn River watershed study and the Niobrara/Lower North Platte Rivers watershed study, provided that not more than three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000.00) shall be

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expended on any one (1) watershed study. Appropriated funds not obligated prior to July 1, 2020 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 2019 legislative session:

[LEVEL I RECONNAISSANCE STUDIES - NEW DEVELOPMENT]

<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION</u>
Hog Island Water Master Plan	Teton County	\$165,000
Statewide Water Research	Statewide	\$384,529
Watershed Studies	Statewide	\$1,087,500
Total appropriation for Section 1		\$1,637,029

Section 2. LEVEL II FEASIBILITY STUDIES - NEW DEVELOPMENT. The following sums of money are appropriated from water development account I, as created by W.S. 41-2-124(a)(i), to the water development 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 obligated prior to July 1, 2020 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 2019 legislative session:

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[LEVEL II FEASIBILITY STUDIES - NEW DEVELOPMENT]

<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION</u>
Big Horn Regional Southern Water Supply	Hot Springs County	\$180,000
Buffalo Groundwater Supply	Johnson County	\$180,000
Douglas Test Well Study	Converse County	\$1,205,000
GR/RS/SC JPWB Wind River Zone Study	Sweetwater County	\$180,000
Lake DeSmet Facilities Acquisition	Johnson County	\$200,000
Rolling Hills Groundwater Supply	Converse County	\$750,000
Total appropriation for Section 2		\$2,695,000

Section 3. LEVEL I RECONNAISSANCE STUDIES - REHABILITATION. The following sums of money are appropriated from water development account II, as created by W.S. 41-2-124(a)(ii), to the water development 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 obligated prior to July 1, 2020 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 2019 legislative session:

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[LEVEL I RECONNAISSANCE STUDIES - REHABILITATION]

<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION</u>
Hanover ID Master Plan Phase II	Washakie County	\$120,000
LaPrele Irrigation District Master Plan	Converse County	<u>\$190,000</u>
Total appropriation for Section 3		\$310,000

Section 4. LEVEL II FEASIBILITY STUDIES -
REHABILITATION. The following sums of money are appropriated from water development account II, as created by W.S. 41-2-124(a)(ii), to the water development 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 obligated prior to July 1, 2020 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 2019 legislative session:

[LEVEL II FEASIBILITY STUDIES - REHABILITATION]

<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION</u>
Cody Canal Laterals	Park County	\$180,000
Kirby Ditch Rehabilitation	Hot Springs County	\$100,000
Wheatland ID Tunnel Dam Rehabilitation	Albany County	<u>\$150,000</u>
Total appropriation for Section 4		\$430,000

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Section 5. LEVEL II FEASIBILITY STUDIES - DAMS AND RESERVOIRS. The following sums of money are appropriated from water development account III, as created by W.S. 41-2-124(a)(iii), to the water development 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 obligated prior to July 1, 2022 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 2021 legislative session:

[LEVEL II FEASIBILITY STUDIES - DAMS AND RESERVOIRS]

<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION</u>
Big Wind River Storage Study, Phase II	Fremont County	\$475,000
Greybull Valley ID Storage Enlargement, Phase II	Big Horn and Park Counties	\$500,000
Little Wind River Storage Study, Phase II	Fremont County	\$475,000
New Fork Lake Dam Enlargement, Phase II	Sublette County	\$450,000
Stateline Dam Enlargement, Phase II	Uinta County	\$300,000 ^a
West Fork Reservoir, Phase III	Carbon County	<u>\$6,220,000</u>
Total appropriation for Section 5		<u>\$8,420,000</u>

Footnotes:

- (a) Funds from this appropriation shall not be expended until the water development commission has accepted the Level II, Phase I Meeks Cabin Dam Enlargement study.

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Section 6. If the sums of money appropriated by this act are insufficient to fund the Level I and Level II studies described herein, the water development commission shall prioritize recommendations for funding for those projects over other future applications for funding for a Level I or Level II study.

Section 7. 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 Senate.

Chief Clerk