

SENATE FILE NO. SF0056

Omnibus water bill-planning.

Sponsored by: Select Water Committee

A BILL

for

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

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

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10 [2017-2018 WATER PROGRAM]

11 [AUTHORIZED LEVEL I AND LEVEL II STUDIES]

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13 **Section 1.** LEVEL I RECONNAISSANCE STUDIES - NEW
14 DEVELOPMENT. The following sums of money are appropriated
15 from water development account I, as created by W.S.
16 41-2-124(a)(i), to the water development commission to be

1 expended to conduct the following reconnaissance studies as
 2 defined in W.S. 41-2-114. Funds appropriated under this
 3 section for a particular project which are in excess of the
 4 actual amount necessary to complete the study may, subject
 5 to the review of the select water committee, be expended by
 6 the commission to complete the reconnaissance study for any
 7 other project listed in this section. Appropriated funds
 8 not obligated prior to July 1, 2020 shall revert to water
 9 development account I. The commission shall submit a report
 10 to the legislature on each of the following studies prior
 11 to the 2019 legislative session:

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13 [LEVEL I RECONNAISSANCE STUDIES - NEW DEVELOPMENT]

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15 <u>PROJECT</u>	16 <u>LOCATION</u>	17 <u>APPROPRIATION</u>
18 Beaver Creek Watershed Study	19 Weston County	20 \$300,000
21 Bitter Creek/East Flaming Gorge 22 Watershed Study	23 Sweetwater County	24 \$300,000
25 Greybull River Watershed Study	26 Big Horn and Park Counties	27 \$325,000
28 Hog Island Water Master Plan	29 Teton County	30 \$165,000
31 Horse Creek Watershed Study	32 Albany, Goshen, Laramie and Platte Counties	33 \$300,000
34 Lower Laramie River Watershed Study	Albany, Goshen, Laramie and Platte Counties	\$325,000
Middle Big Horn River Watershed Study	Big Horn, Hot Springs, Park and Washakie Counties	\$325,000
Niobrara/Lower North Platte Rivers Watershed Study	Goshen, Niobrara and Platte Counties	\$300,000
Statewide Water Research	Statewide	\$384,529
Total appropriation for Section 1		\$2,724,529

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33 **Section 2. LEVEL II FEASIBILITY STUDIES - NEW**
 34 **DEVELOPMENT.** The following sums of money are appropriated

1 from water development account I, as created by W.S.
 2 41-2-124(a)(i), to the water development commission to be
 3 expended to conduct the following feasibility studies as
 4 defined in W.S. 41-2-114. Funds appropriated under this
 5 section for a particular project which are in excess of the
 6 actual amount necessary to complete the study may, subject
 7 to the review of the select water committee, be expended by
 8 the commission to complete the feasibility study for any
 9 other project listed in this section. Appropriated funds
 10 not obligated prior to July 1, 2020 shall revert to water
 11 development account I. The commission shall submit a report
 12 to the legislature on each of the following studies prior
 13 to the 2019 legislative session:

14 [LEVEL II FEASIBILITY STUDIES - NEW DEVELOPMENT]		
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17	<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u> <u>APPROPRIATION</u>
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19	Big Horn Regional Southern	Hot Springs County \$180,000
20	Water Supply	
21	Buffalo Groundwater Supply	Johnson County \$180,000
22	Douglas Test Well Study	Converse County \$1,205,000
23	GR/RS/SC JPWB Wind River	Sweetwater County \$180,000
24	Zone Study	
25	Lake DeSmet Facilities	Johnson County \$200,000
26	Acquisition	
27	Rolling Hills Groundwater Supply	Converse County \$750,000
28	Total appropriation for Section 2	\$2,695,000
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30 **Section 3.** LEVEL I RECONNAISSANCE STUDIES -
 31 REHABILITATION. The following sums of money are

1 appropriated from water development account II, as created
 2 by W.S. 41-2-124(a)(ii), to the water development
 3 commission to be expended to conduct the following
 4 reconnaissance studies as defined in W.S. 41-2-114. Funds
 5 appropriated under this section for a particular project
 6 which are in excess of the actual amount necessary to
 7 complete the study may, subject to the review of the select
 8 water committee, be expended by the commission to complete
 9 the reconnaissance study for any other project listed in
 10 this section. Appropriated funds not obligated prior to
 11 July 1, 2020 shall revert to water development account II.
 12 The commission shall submit a report to the legislature on
 13 each of the following studies prior to the 2019 legislative
 14 session:

15 [LEVEL I RECONNAISSANCE STUDIES - REHABILITATION]		
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18	<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
19		<u>APPROPRIATION</u>
20	Hanover ID Master Plan	Washakie County
21	Phase II	
22	LaPrele Irrigation District	Converse County
23	Master Plan	
24	Total appropriation for Section 3	
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26 **Section 4.** LEVEL II FEASIBILITY STUDIES -
 27 REHABILITATION. The following sums of money are
 28 appropriated from water development account II, as created

1 by W.S. 41-2-124(a)(ii), to the water development
 2 commission to be expended to conduct the following
 3 feasibility studies as defined in W.S. 41-2-114. Funds
 4 appropriated under this section for a particular project
 5 which are in excess of the actual amount necessary to
 6 complete the study may, subject to the review of the select
 7 water committee, be expended by the commission to complete
 8 the feasibility study for any other project listed in this
 9 section. Appropriated funds not obligated prior to July 1,
 10 2020 shall revert to water development account II. The
 11 commission shall submit a report to the legislature on each
 12 of the following studies prior to the 2019 legislative
 13 session:

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15 [LEVEL II FEASIBILITY STUDIES - REHABILITATION]

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17 <u>PROJECT</u>	18 <u>LOCATION</u>	19 <u>APPROPRIATION</u>
20 Cody Canal Laterals	Park County	\$180,000
21 Kirby Ditch Rehabilitation	Hot Springs County	\$100,000
22 Wheatland ID Tunnel Dam Rehabilitation	Albany County	<u>\$150,000</u>
23 Total appropriation for Section 4		\$430,000

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25 **Section 5.** LEVEL II FEASIBILITY STUDIES - DAMS AND
 26 RESERVOIRS. The following sums of money are appropriated
 27 from water development account III, as created by W.S.
 28 41-2-124(a)(iii), to the water development commission to be

1 expended to conduct the following feasibility studies as
 2 defined in W.S. 41-2-114. Funds appropriated under this
 3 section for a particular project which are in excess of the
 4 actual amount necessary to complete the study may, subject
 5 to the review of the select water committee, be expended by
 6 the commission to complete the feasibility study for any
 7 other project listed in this section. Appropriated funds
 8 not obligated prior to July 1, 2022 shall revert to water
 9 development account III. The commission shall submit a
 10 report to the legislature on each of the following studies
 11 prior to the 2021 legislative session:

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 13 [LEVEL II FEASIBILITY STUDIES - DAMS AND RESERVOIRS]

14	15 <u>PROJECT</u>	16 <u>LOCATION</u>	17 <u>APPROPRIATION</u>
18	Big Wind River Storage Study,	Fremont County	\$475,000
19	Phase II		
20	Greybull Valley ID Storage	Big Horn and Park Counties	\$500,000
21	Enlargement, Phase II		
22	Little Wind River Storage Study,	Fremont County	\$475,000
23	Phase II		
24	New Fork Lake Dam Enlargement,	Sublette County	\$450,000
25	Phase II		
26	Stateline Dam Enlargement,	Uinta County	\$300,000 ^a
27	Phase II		
28	West Fork Reservoir, Phase III	Carbon County	\$6,220,000
29	Total appropriation for Section 5		\$8,420,000

30 Footnotes:

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

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1 **Section 6.** This act is effective immediately upon
2 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law
3 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming
4 Constitution.

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