

ENROLLED ACT NO. 27, SENATE

SIXTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING  
2016 BUDGET 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; authorizing the contract of funds for the office of water programs as specified; and providing for an effective date.

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

[2016-2017 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. Appropriated funds not obligated prior to July 1, 2019 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 2018 legislative session:

[LEVEL I RECONNAISSANCE STUDIES - NEW DEVELOPMENT]

<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION</u>
Basin Planning: Environmental	Big Horn, Carbon, Fremont,	

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and Recreational Use Study	Hot Springs, Lincoln, Natrona, Park, Sublette, Sweetwater, Teton, Uinta and Washakie Counties	\$100,000
Bear River Data Model Pilot Study	Lincoln and Uinta Counties	\$120,000
Goose Creek Watershed Study	Johnson and Sheridan Counties	\$375,000
Manderson Water Master Plan	Big Horn County	\$100,000
Melody Ranch Water Supply Study	Teton County	\$180,000
New Fork River Watershed Study	Sublette County	\$375,000
Northwest Rural Water Master Plan	Big Horn and Park Counties	\$230,000
Owl Creek Watershed Study	Hot Springs County	\$375,000
Rock River Water Master Plan	Albany County	\$150,000
Shell Water Master Plan	Big Horn County	\$85,000
South Platte River Watershed Study	Laramie County	\$395,000
South Worland Water Master Plan	Washakie County	\$90,000
Statewide Water Research	Statewide	\$311,328
Total appropriation for Section 1		\$2,886,328

**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, 2019 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 2018 legislative session:

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[LEVEL II FEASIBILITY STUDIES - NEW DEVELOPMENT]

<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION</u>
Buckskin Extension Master Plan/ Gillette Regional	Campbell County	\$65,000
Fontenelle Dam and Outworks Infrastructure Completion	Lincoln and Sweetwater Counties	\$200,000
Fox Ridge Extension Master Plan/ Gillette Regional	Campbell County	\$130,000
Glendo Reservoir Full Utilization Project	Platte County	\$300,000
Grace Land Extension Master Plan/Gillette Regional	Campbell County	\$105,000
Lusk Water Supply Study	Niobrara County	\$175,000
Platte Alliance Water Supply Study	Goshen and Platte Counties	\$200,000
University of Wyoming Irrigation Well	Albany County	\$270,000
Total appropriation for Section 2		\$1,445,000

**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, 2019 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 2018 legislative session:

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[LEVEL I RECONNAISSANCE STUDIES - REHABILITATION]

<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION</u>
Cottonwood Irrigation District Master Plan	Lincoln County	\$165,000
Eden Valley Irrigation District Master Plan	Sublette and Sweetwater Counties	\$195,000
Hanover Irrigation District Master Plan	Washakie County	\$175,000
Lovell Irrigation District Master Plan	Big Horn County	\$165,000
Total appropriation for Section 3		\$700,000

**Section 4.** The Wyoming water development commission is authorized to expend funds from water development account I, as created by W.S. 41-2-124(a)(i), to contract with the University of Wyoming in an amount not to exceed one hundred seventy-five thousand dollars (\$175,000.00) to fund the office of water programs established under W.S. 41-2-125 from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2018.

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**Section 5.** 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.

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Speaker of the House

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President of the Senate

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Governor

TIME APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that this act originated in the Senate.

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Chief Clerk