

ORIGINAL HOUSE
BILL NO. 0118

ENROLLED ACT NO. 25, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FIFTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING
2004 BUDGET SESSION

AN ACT relating to water development projects; authorizing specified Level I and Level II studies and providing appropriations; providing definitions; requiring reports; providing for reversion of unexpended funds; providing an appropriation for the office of water programs; and providing for an effective date.

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

[2004-2005 WATER PROGRAM]
[DEFINITIONS]

Section 1. Definitions.

(a) As used in this act:

(i) "Commission" means the Wyoming water development commission created by W.S. 41-2-117;

(ii) "Hold project" means a project which has had a previous legislative funding authorization for a study at the same level authorized by this act, but has been placed on hold status as a result of outstanding issues which warrant limiting future expenditures until the issues are resolved. Hold status serves to document commission or sponsor interest in a project subject to resolution of issues;

(iii) "Water development account I" means the account created by W.S. 41-2-124(a)(i);

(iv) "Water development account II" means the account created by W.S. 41-2-124(a)(ii).

[AUTHORIZED LEVEL I AND LEVEL II STUDIES]

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Section 2. 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, 2006, 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 2006 legislative session.

[LEVEL I RECONNAISSANCE STUDIES - NEW DEVELOPMENT]

<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION</u>
Crook County Reservoirs & Water Management Study	Crook County	\$150,000
Kirby Area Water Supply Study	Washakie County	150,000
Statewide Water Research	Statewide	200,000
Westside Irrigation NEPA	Washakie County	<u>250,000</u>
Total appropriation for Section 2		\$750,000

Section 3. LEVEL I RECONNAISSANCE STUDIES - REHABILITATION. The following sums of money are appropriated from water development account II 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

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this section. Appropriated funds not expended prior to July 1, 2006, 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 2006 legislative session.

[LEVEL I RECONNAISSANCE STUDIES -
REHABILITATION]

<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION</u>
Crowheart/Dinwoody Delivery	Fremont County	<u>150,000</u>
Total appropriation for Section 3		\$150,000

Section 4. 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, 2006, 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 2006 legislative session.

[LEVEL II FEASIBILITY STUDIES - NEW DEVELOPMENT]

<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION</u>
Albin Well & Water Supply	Laramie County	\$140,000
Alta Test Well	Teton County	65,000
Baggs Water & Raw Water Supply	Carbon County	50,000
Canyon Water Supply 2.	Weston County	600,000
Cheyenne Belvoir Ranch	Laramie County	350,000

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Dubois Water Supply, Phase 2	Fremont County	400,000
Eight Mile-High Plains Well	Campbell County	60,000
Encampment Sierra Madre Well	Carbon County	250,000
Evanston/Bear River Regional	Uinta County	70,000
Glenrock Well & Tank	Converse County	600,000
Hyattville Water Supply 1.	Big Horn County	600,000
Northern Arapaho Groundwater	Fremont County	700,000
Pine Bluffs Lance/Fox Well	Laramie County	475,000
Saratoga Test Well	Carbon County	160,000
Ray Lake Enlargement	Fremont County	100,000
Shoshone Groundwater Development	Fremont County	850,000
Weather Modification Study	Western Wyoming	100,000
Hold Projects*	Statewide	<u>15,000</u>
Total appropriation for Section 4		\$5,585,000

1. The sponsor shall first form a public entity prior to the commencement of the study.

2. If the project progresses through construction, the Canyon Improvement and Service District shall be required to connect to the Salt Creek Water District System.

*Hold projects include: Blackwillow, Rock Springs East and Bridger Valley Water Supply Projects, Cheyenne Hydropower, Crow Creek Groundwater Recharge, Goshen Reregulating Reservoir, Greybull Valley Hydropower, Middle Fork Dam, North Cheyenne and Smith's Fork Dam Projects.

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

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section. Appropriated funds not expended prior to July 1, 2006, 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 2006 legislative session.

[LEVEL II FEASIBILITY STUDIES - REHABILITATION]

<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION</u>
Greybull Wells Rehabilitation	Big Horn County	\$475,000
Green River Canal PAM Study	Sweetwater County	40,000
Heart Mountain Screens	Park County	100,000
Kennington Springs 1.	Lincoln County	100,000
Lake DeSmet Master Plan-Phase 2	Johnson County	150,000
Mead Creek Ditch 1.	Sheridan County	75,000
Worland Wells Flow Test	Washakie County	40,000
Midvale Sand Gulch	Fremont County	75,000
Wagoner/Cherokee ID-Phase 2	Carbon County	35,000
Washam Water Supply 2.	Sweetwater County	40,000
Total appropriation for Section 5		<u>\$1,130,000</u>

1. The project sponsor shall first form a public entity prior to the commencement of the study.

2. If the project advances to a Level III construction phase, one-half (1/2) of the cost of the Level II study shall be repaid to the commission.

Section 6. The Wyoming water development commission is authorized to contract with the University of Wyoming in an amount not to exceed one hundred sixteen thousand dollars (\$116,000.00) from water development account I to fund the office of water programs established under W.S. 41-2-125 from July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2006.

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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.

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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