

FISCAL NOTE

FY 2019 FY 2020 FY 2021

NON-ADMINISTRATIVE IMPACT

Anticipated Revenue increase			
GAME & FISH FUND	\$64,000	\$64,000	\$64,000
GAME & FISH TRUST ACCT	\$96,000	\$96,000	\$96,000
GAME AND FISH ACCESS FUND	\$96,000	\$96,000	\$96,000

Source of revenue increase:

Sale of special conservation stamp add-on items to nonresidents hunting or fishing on state land.

Assumptions:

Nonresident hunters and anglers that do not meet the conservation stamp exemption criteria (i.e. one-day licenses) would be required to purchase the general \$12.00 conservation stamp. In addition, for those nonresidents who will hunt or fish on state land, an additional \$8.00 special conservation stamp would be required. Nonresidents that have a lifetime conservation stamp would be required to purchase the \$8.00 special conservation stamp each year they hunted or fished on state lands. State owned land makes up approximately 10 percent of Wyoming's total land area. While the proportion of state land in specific hunt areas varies, most hunt areas contain at least some state land. Depending on the abundance, accessibility and location of that state land within each hunt area, some state land is utilized more heavily by hunters and anglers than others. As a result, of the approximate 64,000 distinct nonresident hunting or fishing license holders each year, it is difficult and speculative to determine how many of them would participate on state land and purchase the special conservation stamp. However, we believe that the state land in approximately half of the hunt areas across Wyoming are more heavily used than in the others and therefore are predicting that approximately 50 percent of the 64,000 distinct nonresidents would purchase the special conservation stamp for an estimated total revenue increase of \$256,000.

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Anticipated Expenditure increase			
GAME & FISH FUND	\$1,016		

Source of Expenditure Increase:

One-time programming expenses for the development of a new special conservation stamp only product and a conservation stamp and special conservation stamp add-on combination product, programming to enhance reporting from the Electronic Licensing System and all required testing to ensure necessary functionality of the system prior to implementation.

Assumptions:

This will require approximately 20 hours of Game and Fish programming staff time at an estimated hourly rate of \$50.79. This reallocation of time will require programmer responsibilities to be reprioritized or contract services to be acquired in order to ensure all projects are completed as necessary.

The expenditure increase reflected above could be considered an administrative cost. However, for simplicity and to follow consistent practice on legislation of this type, it is included on the fiscal note.

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