## FISCAL NOTE

## FY 2025 FY 2026 FY 2027

NON-ADMINISTRATIVE IMPACT

Anticipated Revenue increase GOOD NEIGHBOR AUTHORITY REVOLVING ACCOUNT \$6,000,000 \$6,000,000 \$6,000,000

Source of revenue increase:

Federal funds are granted to the State Forestry Division through Good Neighbor Authority (GNA) agreements with the US Forest Service and Wyoming Bureau of Land Management. Funds are to be utilized for increased GNA forestry project work on federal lands and support additional proposed staff.

The bill increases the maximum number of additional employees the state forester may employ to conduct good neighbor authority projects or other federally funded cooperative forest management projects funded through the Wyoming state forestry good neighbor authority revolving account. The bill increases the maximum number of full-time employees from one to four, and it increases the maximum number of at-will employee contract positions from four to six.

Assumptions:

The state forester assumes the increased positions would be used for increased good neighbor agreements and forestry project work on federal lands.

The estimated expenditure increases and additional position authorizations for fiscal years 2024, 2025 and 2026 are included in the State Forester's Agency Estimate of Administrative Impact.

## NOTICE-AGENCY ESTIMATE OF ADMINISTRATIVE IMPACT REQUESTED

This bill has <u>administrative impact</u> that appears to increase duties or responsibilities of one or more state agencies and may impact agency spending or staffing requirements. As introduced, the bill does not modify any state agency budget or current personnel authorizations.

The following state agencies will be asked to provide their estimate of the administrative fiscal impact prior to the first committee meeting held to consider the bill:

State Lands - Forestry Div

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