

SENATE FILE NO. SF0075

Omnibus water bill-construction.

Sponsored by: Select Water Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to water development projects; authorizing  
2 construction of designated water projects; describing  
3 projects; specifying terms and conditions of funding for  
4 projects; providing grants; providing appropriations;  
5 amending the sponsor's contingency fund; amending amounts  
6 and terms of appropriations for specified prior projects;  
7 repealing the sunset for the small water projects program;  
8 transferring funds from water development account I to  
9 water development account II; transferring funds from the  
10 general fund to water development accounts I and II; and  
11 providing for an effective date.

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

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15 **Section 1.** W.S. 99-3-2901 through 99-3-2904 are  
16 created to read:

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ARTICLE 29

3

2024 CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

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**99-3-2901. Definitions.**

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The definitions in W.S. 99-3-101 apply to this article.

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**99-3-2902. General authorization.**

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The provisions of W.S. 99-3-102 apply to this article.

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**99-3-2903. Level III construction projects - new**

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**development.**

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(a) Authorization is granted for the Level III new

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development construction projects identified in this

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section subject to the general conditions specified in W.S.

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99-3-103, provided that W.S. 99-3-103(a)(iii) shall not

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apply to the projects identified in this section unless

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required by W.S. 41-2-121.

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1           (b) Project - Big Horn Regional JPB Lucerne Tank and  
2 Pump Station 2024:

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4           (i) Project sponsor: Big Horn Regional Joint  
5 Powers Board;

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7           (ii) Project purpose: Municipal and rural  
8 domestic water supply;

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10           (iii) Project description: Design and  
11 construction of water transmission pipelines, storage  
12 tanks, pump stations, structures and appurtenances  
13 necessary to make the project function in the manner  
14 intended;

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16           (iv) Total project budget: Three million six  
17 hundred six thousand dollars (\$3,606,000.00);

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19           (v) Project grants:

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21           (A) The state of Wyoming shall grant to the  
22 sponsor from water development account I through the  
23 commission for the design, permit procurement, project land

1 procurement and pre-construction engineering of the project  
2 an amount not to exceed one hundred forty-three thousand  
3 three hundred dollars (\$143,300.00) or fifty percent (50%)  
4 of these actual development costs, whichever is less;

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6 (B) The state of Wyoming shall grant to the  
7 sponsor from water development account I through the  
8 commission for the construction engineering and  
9 construction of the project an amount not to exceed one  
10 million six hundred fifty-nine thousand seven hundred  
11 dollars (\$1,659,700.00) or fifty percent (50%) of these  
12 actual development costs, whichever is less.

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14 (vi) Appropriations:

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16 (A) There is appropriated from water  
17 development account I to the commission one hundred  
18 forty-three thousand three hundred dollars (\$143,300.00) or  
19 as much thereof as is necessary to carry out the purpose of  
20 subparagraph (v)(A) of this subsection. Unexpended funds  
21 appropriated under this subparagraph shall revert to water  
22 development account I on July 1, 2029;

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1                   (B) There is appropriated from water  
2 development account I to the commission one million six  
3 hundred fifty-nine thousand seven hundred dollars  
4 (\$1,659,700.00) or as much thereof as is necessary to carry  
5 out the purpose of subparagraph (v)(B) of this subsection.  
6 Unexpended funds appropriated under this subparagraph shall  
7 revert to the general fund on July 1, 2029.

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9                   (vii) Special conditions:

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11                   (A) The sponsor is responsible for  
12 acquiring fifty percent (50%) of the total project budget  
13 from other sources;

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15                   (B) The appropriation of funds for this  
16 project under subparagraph (vi)(B) of this subsection is  
17 contingent upon the transfer of funds to water development  
18 account I as described in section 5 of this act or a  
19 transfer from another funding source.

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21                   (c) Project - Cloud Seeding: Medicine Bow and Sierra  
22 Madre mountain ranges 2025 (aerial):

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1 (i) Project sponsor: The state of Wyoming;

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3 (ii) Project purpose: To enhance the winter  
4 snowpack in the Medicine Bow and Sierra Madre mountain  
5 ranges;

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7 (iii) Project description: Conduct an aerial  
8 operational winter snowpack augmentation program during the  
9 2024-2025 season;

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11 (iv) Total project budget: Eight hundred  
12 seventy-five thousand dollars (\$875,000.00);

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14 (v) Appropriation: There is appropriated from  
15 water development account I to the Wyoming water  
16 development office eight hundred twenty-five thousand  
17 dollars (\$825,000.00) or as much thereof as is necessary to  
18 carry out the purpose of this subsection. Unexpended funds  
19 appropriated under this subsection shall revert to water  
20 development account I on July 1, 2026;

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22 (vi) Special conditions:

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1                   (A) The Wyoming water development office  
2 shall acquire funding commitments from Wyoming water users  
3 or other interested parties for operational costs which  
4 exceed the project appropriation;

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6                   (B) The Wyoming water development office is  
7 authorized to enter into contracts with Colorado  
8 organizations to extend aerial weather modification efforts  
9 into Colorado, provided that these organizations pay one  
10 hundred percent (100%) of the additional costs associated  
11 with operations in Colorado.

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13           (d) Project - Cloud Seeding: Wind River and Sierra  
14 Madre mountain ranges 2025 (ground-based):

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16                   (i) Project sponsor: The state of Wyoming;

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18                   (ii) Project purpose: To enhance the winter  
19 snowpack in the Wind River Mountain and Sierra Madre  
20 mountain ranges;

21

1           (iii) Project description: Conduct a  
2 ground-based operational winter snowpack augmentation  
3 program during the 2024-2025 season;

4

5           (iv) Total project budget: Seven hundred  
6 ninety-eight thousand six hundred fifty-one dollars  
7 (\$798,651.00);

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9           (v) Appropriation: There is appropriated from  
10 water development account I to the Wyoming water  
11 development office two hundred ninety-eight thousand six  
12 hundred fifty-one dollars (\$298,651.00) or as much thereof  
13 as is necessary to carry out the purpose of this  
14 subsection. Unexpended funds appropriated under this  
15 subsection shall revert to water development account I on  
16 July 1, 2026;

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18           (vi) Special conditions:

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20           (A) The state of Wyoming shall participate  
21 at a rate up to thirty-seven percent (37%) of actual  
22 project operational costs not to exceed two hundred



1 ninety-eight thousand six hundred fifty-one dollars  
2 (\$298,651.00);

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4 (B) Prior to commencing project operations,  
5 the Wyoming water development office shall acquire funding  
6 commitments from other Colorado River basin water users or  
7 other interested parties for a minimum of sixty-three  
8 percent (63%) of actual project operational costs;

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10 (C) If the project is cancelled, the  
11 Wyoming water development office is authorized to use the  
12 appropriated funds to remove weather modification equipment  
13 and reclaim project sites.

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15 (e) Project - Skyline ISD Well Connection 2024:

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17 (i) Project sponsor: Skyline Improvement &  
18 Service District;

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20 (ii) Project purpose: Municipal and rural  
21 domestic water supply;

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1           (iii) Project description: Design and  
2 construction of a well connection, pumping facilities,  
3 transmission pipelines, structures and appurtenances  
4 necessary to make the project function in the manner  
5 intended;

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7           (iv) Total project budget: Eight hundred  
8 ninety-six thousand dollars (\$896,000.00);

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10           (v) Project grant: The state of Wyoming shall  
11 grant to the sponsor from water development account I  
12 through the commission for the design, permit procurement,  
13 project land procurement, construction engineering and  
14 construction of the project an amount not to exceed four  
15 hundred forty-eight thousand dollars (\$448,000.00) or fifty  
16 percent (50%) of these actual development costs, whichever  
17 is less;

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19           (vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from  
20 water development account I to the commission four hundred  
21 forty-eight thousand dollars (\$448,000.00) or as much  
22 thereof as is necessary to carry out the purpose of this  
23 subsection. Unexpended funds appropriated under this

1 subsection shall revert to water development account I on  
2 July 1, 2029;

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4 (vii) Special conditions: The sponsor is  
5 responsible for acquiring fifty percent (50%) of the total  
6 project budget from other sources.

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8 **99-3-2904. Level III construction projects -**  
9 **rehabilitation.**

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11 (a) Authorization is granted for the Level III  
12 rehabilitation construction projects identified in this  
13 section subject to the general conditions specified in W.S.  
14 99-3-104, provided that W.S. 99-3-104(a)(iii) shall not  
15 apply to the projects identified in this section unless  
16 required by W.S. 41-2-121.

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18 (b) Project - Bridger Valley JPB Tank Replacement  
19 2024:

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21 (i) Project sponsor: Bridger Valley Joint Powers  
22 Board;

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1           (ii) Project purpose: Municipal and rural  
2 domestic water supply;

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4           (iii) Project description: Design and  
5 construction of a water storage tank, structures and  
6 appurtenances necessary to make the project function in the  
7 manner intended;

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9           (iv) Total project budget: One million four  
10 hundred fifty-seven thousand dollars (\$1,457,000.00);

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12           (v) Project grant: The state of Wyoming shall  
13 grant to the sponsor from water development account II  
14 through the commission for the design, permit procurement,  
15 project land procurement, construction engineering and  
16 construction of the project an amount not to exceed seven  
17 hundred twenty-eight thousand five hundred dollars  
18 (\$728,500.00) or fifty percent (50%) of these actual  
19 development costs, whichever is less;

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21           (vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from  
22 water development account II to the commission seven  
23 hundred twenty-eight thousand five hundred dollars

1 (\$728,500.00) or as much thereof as is necessary to carry  
2 out the purpose of this subsection. Unexpended funds  
3 appropriated under this subsection shall revert to water  
4 development account II on July 1, 2029;

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6 (vii) Special conditions:

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8 (A) The sponsor is responsible for  
9 acquiring fifty percent (50%) of the total project budget  
10 from other sources;

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12 (B) The appropriation of funds for this  
13 project is contingent upon the transfer of funds to water  
14 development account II as described in section 4 of this  
15 act or a transfer from another funding source.

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17 (c) Project - Dayton Water System Rehabilitation  
18 2024:

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20 (i) Project sponsor: Town of Dayton;

21

22 (ii) Project purpose: Municipal water supply;

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2 (iii) Project description: Design and  
3 construction of a diversion structure, pumping facilities,  
4 pipelines, structures and appurtenances necessary to make  
5 the project function in the manner intended;

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7 (iv) Total project budget: Four hundred thousand  
8 dollars (\$400,000.00);

9

10 (v) Project grant: The state of Wyoming shall  
11 grant to the sponsor from water development account II  
12 through the commission for the design, permit procurement,  
13 project land procurement, construction engineering and  
14 construction of the project an amount not to exceed two  
15 hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000.00) or fifty percent  
16 (50%) of these actual development costs, whichever is less;

17

18 (vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from  
19 water development account II to the commission two hundred  
20 thousand dollars (\$200,000.00) or as much thereof as is  
21 necessary to carry out the purpose of this subsection.

1 Unexpended funds appropriated under this subsection shall  
2 revert to water development account II on July 1, 2029;

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4 (viii) Special conditions: The sponsor is  
5 responsible for acquiring fifty percent (50%) of the total  
6 project budget from other sources.

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8 (d) Project - Deaver ID Laterals 2024:

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10 (i) Project sponsor: Deaver Irrigation District;

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12 (ii) Project purpose: Agricultural water supply;

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14 (iii) Project description: Design and  
15 construction of pipelines, structures and appurtenances  
16 necessary to make the project function in the manner  
17 intended;

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19 (iv) Total project budget: Three hundred  
20 thirty-two thousand dollars (\$332,000.00);

21

22 (v) Project grant: The state of Wyoming shall  
23 grant to the sponsor from water development account II

1 through the commission for the purchase of project  
2 materials as supported by vendor invoices and as approved  
3 by the commission an amount not to exceed one hundred  
4 seventy-two thousand dollars (\$172,000.00) or one hundred  
5 percent (100%) of the approved materials costs, whichever  
6 is less;

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8 (vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from  
9 water development account II to the commission one hundred  
10 seventy-two thousand dollars (\$172,000.00) or as much  
11 thereof as is necessary to carry out the purpose of this  
12 subsection. Unexpended funds appropriated under this  
13 subsection shall revert to water development account II on  
14 July 1, 2029;

15

16 (vii) Special conditions:

17

18 (A) The sponsor is responsible for all  
19 project costs with the exception of the purchase of project  
20 materials as supported by vendor invoices and as approved  
21 by the commission, up to the amount appropriated in this  
22 subsection;



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2 (B) The sponsor is responsible for  
3 retaining professional engineering services to design the  
4 project, compile materials and bidding documents and  
5 monitor construction activities including the installation  
6 of project components and the tracking of project  
7 expenditures.

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9 (e) Project - Dry Creek ID Phase V 2024:

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11 (i) Project sponsor: Dry Creek Irrigation  
12 District;

13

14 (ii) Project purpose: Agricultural water supply;

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16 (iii) Project description: Design and  
17 construction of pipelines, structures and appurtenances  
18 necessary to make the project function in the manner  
19 intended;

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21 (iv) Total project budget: One million five  
22 hundred fifty-four thousand dollars (\$1,554,000.00);

23

1           (v) Project grant: The state of Wyoming shall  
2 grant to the sponsor from water development account II  
3 through the commission for the design, permit procurement,  
4 project land procurement, construction engineering and  
5 construction of the project an amount not to exceed seven  
6 hundred seventy-seven thousand dollars (\$777,000.00) or  
7 fifty percent (50%) of these actual development costs,  
8 whichever is less;

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10           (vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from  
11 water development account II to the commission seven  
12 hundred seventy-seven thousand dollars (\$777,000.00) or as  
13 much thereof as is necessary to carry out the purpose of  
14 this subsection. Unexpended funds appropriated under this  
15 subsection shall revert to water development account II on  
16 July 1, 2029;

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18           (vii) Special conditions:

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20           (A) The sponsor is responsible for  
21 acquiring fifty percent (50%) of the total project budget  
22 from other sources;

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2 (B) The appropriation of funds for this  
3 project is contingent upon the transfer of funds to water  
4 development account II as described in section 4 of this  
5 act or a transfer from another funding source.

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7 (f) Project - Goshen Irrigation District Tunnels 1  
8 and 2 Rehabilitation:

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10 (i) Project sponsor: Goshen Irrigation District;

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12 (ii) Project purpose: Agricultural water supply;

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14 (iii) Project description: Construction  
15 engineering and construction of tunnels, structures and  
16 appurtenances necessary to make the project function in the  
17 manner intended;

18

19 (iv) Total project budget: Eighty-four million  
20 dollars (\$84,000,000.00). The sponsor's project budget is  
21 twenty-one million eight hundred ten thousand dollars

1 (\$21,810,000.00) or forty-nine percent (49%) of the total  
2 project budget, whichever is less;

3

4 (v) Project grant: The state of Wyoming shall  
5 grant to the sponsor from water development account II  
6 through the commission for the construction engineering and  
7 construction of the project an amount not to exceed  
8 twenty-one million eight hundred ten thousand dollars  
9 (\$21,810,000.00) or one hundred percent (100%) of these  
10 actual development costs within the sponsor's project  
11 budget, whichever is less;

12

13 (vi) Appropriation: 2022 Wyoming Session Laws,  
14 Chapter 74, Section 1(a)(ii), as amended, appropriated  
15 twenty-one million eight hundred ten thousand dollars  
16 (\$21,810,000.00) to the commission to carry out the purpose  
17 of this subsection.

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19 (g) Project - Hanover ID Bighorn River Flume  
20 Replacement 2024:

21

22 (i) Project sponsor: Hanover Irrigation  
23 District;

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2 (ii) Project purpose: Agricultural water supply;

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4 (iii) Project description: Design and

5 construction of water control structures and appurtenances

6 necessary to make the project function in the manner

7 intended;

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9 (iv) Total project budget: Three million dollars

10 (\$3,000,000.00);

11

12 (v) Project grant: The state of Wyoming shall

13 grant to the sponsor from water development account II

14 through the commission for the design, permit procurement,

15 project land procurement, construction engineering and

16 construction of the project an amount not to exceed one

17 million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000.00) or

18 fifty percent (50%) of these actual development costs,

19 whichever is less;

20

21 (vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from

22 water development account II to the commission one million

23 five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000.00) or as much

1 thereof as is necessary to carry out the purpose of this  
2 subsection. Unexpended funds appropriated under this  
3 subsection shall revert to water development account II on  
4 July 1, 2029;

5

6 (vii) Special conditions:

7

8 (A) The sponsor is responsible for  
9 acquiring fifty percent (50%) of the total project budget  
10 from other sources;

11

12 (B) The appropriation of funds for this  
13 project is contingent upon the transfer of funds to water  
14 development account II as described in section 4 of this  
15 act or a transfer from another funding source.

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17 (h) Project - Kirby Ditch ID Pipeline Phase II 2024:

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19 (i) Project sponsor: Kirby Ditch Irrigation  
20 District;

21

22 (ii) Project purpose: Agricultural water supply;

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2 (iii) Project description: Design and  
3 construction of pipelines, structures and appurtenances  
4 necessary to make the project function in the manner  
5 intended;

6

7 (iv) Total project budget: Three million seven  
8 hundred sixty-five thousand dollars (\$3,765,000.00);

9

10 (v) Project grant: The state of Wyoming shall  
11 grant to the sponsor from water development account II  
12 through the commission for the design, permit procurement,  
13 project land procurement, construction engineering and  
14 construction of the project an amount not to exceed one  
15 million eight hundred eighty-two thousand five hundred  
16 dollars (\$1,882,500.00) or fifty percent (50%) of these  
17 actual development costs, whichever is less;

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19 (vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from  
20 water development account II to the commission one million  
21 eight hundred eighty-two thousand five hundred dollars  
22 (\$1,882,500.00) or as much thereof as is necessary to carry  
23 out the purpose of this subsection. Unexpended funds

1 appropriated under this subsection shall revert to water  
2 development account II on July 1, 2029;

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4 (vii) Special conditions:

5

6 (A) The sponsor is responsible for  
7 acquiring fifty percent (50%) of the total project budget  
8 from other sources;

9

10 (B) The appropriation of funds for this  
11 project is contingent upon the transfer of funds to water  
12 development account II as described in section 4 of this  
13 act or a transfer from another funding source.

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15 (j) Project - LaPrele Dam Rehabilitation:

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17 (i) Project sponsor: LaPrele Irrigation  
18 District;

19

20 (ii) Project purpose: Agricultural water supply;

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1           (iii) Project description: Design and  
2 construction of a new dam on LaPrele Creek, dam  
3 decommissioning, structures and appurtenances necessary to  
4 make the project function in the manner intended;

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6           (iv) Total project budget: One hundred eighteen  
7 million dollars (\$118,000,000.00);

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9           (v) Project grant: The state of Wyoming shall  
10 grant to the sponsor from water development account II  
11 through the commission for the design and construction of  
12 the project an amount not to exceed thirty million dollars  
13 (\$30,000,000.00) or one hundred percent (100%) of these  
14 actual development costs, whichever is less;

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16           (vi) Appropriation: 2022 Wyoming Session Laws,  
17 Chapter 74, Section 1(a)(iii), as amended, appropriated  
18 thirty million dollars (\$30,000,000.00) to the commission  
19 to carry out the purpose of this subsection.

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21           (k) Project - Laramie Dowlin Diversion Rehabilitation

22 2024:

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2 (i) Project sponsor: City of Laramie;

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4 (ii) Project purpose: Agricultural water supply;

5

6 (iii) Project description: Design and  
7 construction of a diversion structure and appurtenances  
8 necessary to make the project function in the manner  
9 intended;

10

11 (iv) Total project budget: Two million two  
12 hundred seventy-five thousand dollars (\$2,275,000.00);

13

14 (v) Project grant: The state of Wyoming shall  
15 grant to the sponsor from water development account II  
16 through the commission for the design, permit procurement,  
17 project land procurement, construction engineering and  
18 construction of the project an amount not to exceed one  
19 million one hundred thirty-seven thousand five hundred  
20 dollars (\$1,137,500.00) or fifty percent (50%) of these  
21 actual development costs, whichever is less;

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2           (vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from  
3 water development account II to the commission one million  
4 one hundred thirty-seven thousand five hundred dollars  
5 (\$1,137,500.00) or as much thereof as is necessary to carry  
6 out the purpose of this subsection. Unexpended funds  
7 appropriated under this subsection shall revert to water  
8 development account II on July 1, 2029;

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10           (vii) Special conditions:

11

12                   (A) The sponsor is responsible for  
13 acquiring fifty percent (50%) of the total project budget  
14 from other sources;

15

16                   (B) The appropriation of funds for this  
17 project is contingent upon the transfer of funds to water  
18 development account II as described in section 4 of this  
19 act or a transfer from another funding source.

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21           (m) Project - Lovell Bench Lateral 2024:

22

1 (i) Project sponsor: Lovell Irrigation District;

2

3 (ii) Project purpose: Agricultural water supply;

4

5 (iii) Project description: Design and  
6 construction of pipelines, structures and appurtenances  
7 necessary to make the project function in the manner  
8 intended;

9

10 (iv) Total project budget: Two million eight  
11 hundred ninety thousand dollars (\$2,890,000.00);

12

13 (v) Project grant: The state of Wyoming shall  
14 grant to the sponsor from water development account II  
15 through the commission for the purchase of project  
16 materials as supported by vendor invoices and as approved  
17 by the commission an amount not to exceed one million four  
18 hundred forty-eight thousand dollars (\$1,448,000.00) or one  
19 hundred percent (100%) of the approved materials costs,  
20 whichever is less;

21

22 (vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from  
23 water development account II to the commission one million

1 four hundred forty-eight thousand dollars (\$1,448,000.00)  
2 or as much thereof as is necessary to carry out the purpose  
3 of this subsection. Unexpended funds appropriated under  
4 this subsection shall revert to water development account  
5 II on July 1, 2029;

6

7 (vii) Special conditions:

8

9 (A) The sponsor is responsible for all  
10 project costs with the exception of the purchase of project  
11 materials as supported by vendor invoices and as approved  
12 by the commission, up to the amount appropriated in this  
13 subsection;

14

15 (B) The sponsor is responsible for  
16 retaining professional engineering services to design the  
17 project, compile materials and bidding documents and  
18 monitor construction activities including the installation  
19 of project components and the tracking of project  
20 expenditures;

21

22 (C) The appropriation of funds for this  
23 project is contingent upon the transfer of funds to water

1 development account II as described in section 4 of this  
2 act or a transfer from another funding source.

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4 (n) Project - Ranchester Transmission Line 2024:

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6 (i) Project sponsor: Town of Ranchester;

7

8 (ii) Project purpose: Municipal water supply;

9

10 (iii) Project description: Design and  
11 construction of water transmission pipelines, pump  
12 stations, structures and appurtenances necessary to make  
13 the project function in the manner intended;

14

15 (iv) Total project budget: Four million nine  
16 hundred thirty thousand dollars (\$4,930,000.00);

17

18 (v) Project grants:

19

20 (A) The state of Wyoming shall grant to the  
21 sponsor from water development account II through the  
22 commission for the design, permit procurement, project land  
23 procurement, and pre-construction engineering of the

1 project an amount not to exceed two hundred sixty-eight  
2 thousand six hundred dollars (\$268,600.00) or fifty percent  
3 (50%) of these actual development costs, whichever is less;

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5 (B) The state of Wyoming shall grant to the  
6 sponsor from water development account II through the  
7 commission for the construction engineering and  
8 construction of the project an amount not to exceed two  
9 million one hundred ninety-six thousand four hundred  
10 dollars (\$2,196,400.00) or fifty percent (50%) of these  
11 actual development costs, whichever is less.

12

13 (vi) Appropriations:

14

15 (A) There is appropriated from water  
16 development account II to the commission two hundred  
17 sixty-eight thousand six hundred dollars (\$268,600.00) or  
18 as much thereof as is necessary to carry out the purpose of  
19 subparagraph (v)(A) of this subsection. Unexpended funds  
20 appropriated under this subparagraph shall revert to water  
21 development account II on July 1, 2029;

22

1                   (B) There is appropriated from water  
2 development account II to the commission two million one  
3 hundred ninety-six thousand four hundred dollars  
4 (\$2,196,400.00) or as much thereof as is necessary to carry  
5 out the purpose of subparagraph (v)(B) of this subsection.  
6 Unexpended funds appropriated under this subparagraph shall  
7 revert to the general fund on July 1, 2029.

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9                   (vii) Special conditions:

10

11                   (A) The sponsor is responsible for  
12 acquiring fifty percent (50%) of the total project budget  
13 from other sources;

14

15                   (B) The appropriation of funds for this  
16 project under subparagraph (vi)(B) of this subsection is  
17 contingent upon the transfer of funds to water development  
18 account II as described in section 6 of this act or a  
19 transfer from another funding source.

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21                   (o) Project - Wheatland Tank Replacement 2024:

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1 (i) Project sponsor: Town of Wheatland;

2

3 (ii) Project purpose: Municipal water supply;

4

5 (iii) Project description: Design and  
6 construction of a water storage tank, structures and  
7 appurtenances necessary to make the project function in the  
8 manner intended;

9

10 (iv) Total project budget: Five million three  
11 hundred seventy-one thousand dollars (\$5,371,000.00);

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13 (v) Project grant: The state of Wyoming shall  
14 grant to the sponsor from water development account II  
15 through the commission for the design, permit procurement,  
16 project land procurement, construction engineering and  
17 construction of the project an amount not to exceed two  
18 million six hundred eighty-five thousand five hundred  
19 dollars (\$2,685,500.00) or fifty percent (50%) of these  
20 actual development costs, whichever is less;

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1           (vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from  
2 water development account II to the commission two million  
3 six hundred eighty-five thousand five hundred dollars  
4 (\$2,685,500.00) or as much thereof as is necessary to carry  
5 out the purpose of this subsection. Unexpended funds  
6 appropriated under this subsection shall revert to water  
7 development account II on July 1, 2029;

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9           (vii) Special Conditions: The sponsor is  
10 responsible for acquiring fifty percent (50%) of the total  
11 project budget from other sources.

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13           **Section 2.** W.S. 99-3-1903(g)(vii) and (k)(iv) through  
14 (vi), 99-3-2103(b)(vi), 99-3-2205(c)(v) and (e)(iv) through  
15 (vii), 99-3-2404(b)(vi), (c)(vi) and (f)(vi),  
16 99-3-2406(b)(vii), (h)(vi), (j)(vii) and (q)(vi),  
17 99-3-2505(a)(iv) and (vii), 99-3-2704(k)(vii) and  
18 99-3-2803(d)(iii) through (vii) and (e)(iii) through (vii)  
19 are amended to read:

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21           **99-3-1903. Level III construction projects - new**  
22 **development.**

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2 (g) Project - Laramie North Side Tank:

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4 (vii) Appropriation: There is appropriated from  
5 water development account I to the commission eight million  
6 five hundred three thousand dollars (\$8,503,000.00) or as  
7 much thereof as is necessary to carry out the purpose of  
8 this subsection. Unexpended funds appropriated under this  
9 subsection shall revert to water development account I on  
10 July 1, ~~2024~~2025.

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12 (k) Project - Small Water Development Projects -  
13 2014:

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15 (iv) Total project budget: ~~Seventeen million~~  
16 ~~three hundred twenty six thousand dollars (\$17,326,000.00)~~  
17 Nineteen million three hundred twenty-six thousand dollars  
18 (\$19,326,000.00);

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20 (v) Project grant: The state of Wyoming shall  
21 grant to sponsors from water development account I through  
22 the commission for the design, permit procurement, project  
23 land procurement, construction engineering and construction

1 of the project an amount not to exceed ~~eight million six~~  
 2 ~~hundred sixty three thousand dollars (\$8,663,000.00)~~ nine  
 3 million six hundred sixty-three thousand dollars  
 4 (\$9,663,000.00) or fifty percent (50%) of the actual  
 5 development costs, whichever is less;

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7 (vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from  
 8 water development account I to the commission ~~eight million~~  
 9 ~~six hundred sixty three thousand dollars (\$8,663,000.00)~~  
 10 nine million six hundred sixty-three thousand dollars  
 11 (\$9,663,000.00) or as much thereof as is necessary to carry  
 12 out the purpose of this subsection. The funds appropriated  
 13 shall not lapse at the end of any fiscal period but shall  
 14 carry over until expended or reverted by the legislature to  
 15 water development account I;

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17 **99-3-2103. Level III construction projects - new**  
 18 **development.**

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20 (b) Project - Arapahoe Water Supply 2016:

21

22 (vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from  
 23 water development account I to the commission two million

1 two hundred forty-seven thousand eight hundred fifty  
2 dollars (\$2,247,850.00) or as much thereof as is necessary  
3 to carry out the purpose of this subsection. Unexpended  
4 funds appropriated under this subsection shall revert to  
5 water development account I on July 1, ~~2024~~2026.

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7 **99-3-2205. Level III construction projects - dams and**  
8 **reservoirs.**

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10 (c) Project - Middle Piney Reservoir:

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12 (v) Appropriation: There is appropriated from  
13 water development account III to the commission for project  
14 land procurement, construction engineering and construction  
15 of the project fourteen million two hundred twenty-eight  
16 thousand dollars (\$14,228,000.00) or as much thereof as is  
17 necessary to carry out the purpose of this subsection.  
18 Unexpended funds appropriated under this subsection shall  
19 revert to water development account III on July 1, ~~2024~~  
20 2025;

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22 (e) Project - Leavitt Reservoir Expansion:

23

1 (iv) Total project budget: ~~Seventy-eight million~~  
2 ~~dollars (\$78,000,000.00)~~ Eighty-eight million eight hundred  
3 fifty thousand dollars (\$88,850,000.00);

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5 (v) Project Grant: The state of Wyoming shall  
6 grant to the sponsor from water development account III  
7 through the commission for project land procurement,  
8 construction engineering and construction of the project an  
9 amount not to exceed ~~seventy-six million two hundred~~  
10 ~~eighty four thousand dollars (\$76,284,000.00)~~ eighty-seven  
11 million one hundred thirty-four thousand dollars  
12 (\$87,134,000.00) or ~~ninety-seven and eight tenths percent~~  
13 ~~(97.8%)~~ ninety-eight and seven hundredths percent (98.07%)  
14 of the actual development costs, whichever is less;

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16 (vi) Project loan: The state of Wyoming shall  
17 loan to the sponsor from water development account III  
18 through the commission for project land procurement,  
19 construction engineering and construction of the project an  
20 amount not to exceed one million seven hundred sixteen  
21 thousand dollars (\$1,716,000.00) or ~~two and two tenths~~  
22 ~~percent (2.2%)~~ one and ninety-three hundredths percent  
23 (1.93%) of actual development costs, whichever is less, for

1 a term of fifty (50) years from the date the commission  
2 determines that project benefits accrue to the sponsor, at  
3 an annual interest rate of four percent (4%);

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5 (vii) Appropriation and authorization: There is  
6 appropriated from water development account III to the  
7 commission ~~forty-six million dollars (\$46,000,000.00)~~  
8 fifty-six million eight hundred fifty thousand dollars  
9 (\$56,850,000.00) or as much thereof as is necessary to  
10 carry out the purpose of this subsection. Unexpended funds  
11 appropriated under this subsection shall revert to water  
12 development account III on July 1, ~~2027~~2028. There is  
13 authorized for expenditure by the commission from the  
14 sponsor's contingency fund - account III, created by W.S.  
15 99-3-2505(a), thirty-two million dollars (\$32,000,000.00)  
16 to carry out the purpose of this subsection.

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18 **99-3-2404. Level III construction projects - new**  
19 **development.**

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21 (b) Project - Buffalo Wells and Transmission 2019:

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1           (vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from  
2 water development account I to the commission one million  
3 two hundred thirty-eight thousand one hundred sixty dollars  
4 (\$1,238,160.00) or as much thereof as is necessary to carry  
5 out the purpose of this subsection. Unexpended funds  
6 appropriated under this subsection shall revert to water  
7 development account I on July 1, ~~2024~~2026;

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9           (c) Project - Clearmont Well Connection 2019:

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11           (vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from  
12 water development account I to the commission three hundred  
13 twenty-eight thousand nine hundred seventy dollars  
14 (\$328,970.00) or as much thereof as is necessary to carry  
15 out the purpose of this subsection. Unexpended funds  
16 appropriated under this subsection shall revert to water  
17 development account I on July 1, ~~2024~~2026;

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19           (f) Project - Lander Storage Tanks and Pump Station  
20 2019:

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22           (vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from  
23 water development account I to the commission seven million



1 twenty-eight thousand three hundred dollars (\$7,028,300.00)  
2 or as much thereof as is necessary to carry out the purpose  
3 of this subsection. Unexpended funds appropriated under  
4 this subsection shall revert to water development account I  
5 on July 1, ~~2024~~2025;

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7 **99-3-2406. Level III construction projects -**  
8 **rehabilitation.**

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10 (b) Project - Austin-Wall Reservoir Rehabilitation  
11 2019:

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13 (vii) Appropriation: There is appropriated from  
14 water development account II to the commission three  
15 hundred seventy-four thousand dollars (\$374,000.00) or as  
16 much thereof as is necessary to carry out the purpose of  
17 this subsection. Unexpended funds appropriated under this  
18 subsection shall revert to water development account II on  
19 July 1, ~~2024~~2026;

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21 (h) Project - Eden Valley Irrigation District System  
22 Improvements 2019:

23

1           (vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from  
2 water development account II to the commission three  
3 hundred fifty-one thousand dollars (\$351,000.00) or as much  
4 thereof as is necessary to carry out the purpose of this  
5 subsection. Unexpended funds appropriated under this  
6 subsection shall revert to water development account II on  
7 July 1, ~~2024~~2026;

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9           (j) Project - Interstate Diversion Structure  
10 Rehabilitation 2019:

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12           (vii) Appropriation: There is appropriated from  
13 water development account II to the commission four hundred  
14 twenty thousand dollars (\$420,000.00) or as much thereof as  
15 is necessary to carry out the purpose of this subsection.  
16 Unexpended funds appropriated under this subsection shall  
17 revert to water development account II on July 1, ~~2024~~  
18 2026.

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20           (q) Project - Wind River Inter-Tribal Council  
21 Rehabilitation 2019:

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1           (vi) Appropriation: There is appropriated from  
2 water development account II to the commission nine hundred  
3 twenty-nine thousand dollars (\$929,000.00) or as much  
4 thereof as is necessary to carry out the purpose of this  
5 subsection. Unexpended funds appropriated under this  
6 subsection shall revert to water development account II on  
7 July 1, ~~2024~~2025;

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9           **99-3-2505. Sponsor's Contingency Funds.**

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11           (a) Project - Sponsor's Contingency Funds - Account  
12 III:

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14           (iv) Total project budget: ~~Thirty-five million~~  
15 ~~dollars (\$35,000,000.00)~~ Fifty-five million dollars  
16 (\$55,000,000.00);

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18           (vii) Appropriation: There is appropriated from  
19 water development account III to the commission ~~thirty-five~~  
20 ~~million dollars (\$35,000,000.00)~~ fifty-five million dollars  
21 (\$55,000,000.00) or as much thereof as is necessary to  
22 carry out the purpose of this subsection. Unexpended funds

1 appropriated under this subsection shall revert to water  
2 development account III on July 1, 2030;

3

4 **99-3-2704. Level III construction projects -**  
5 **rehabilitation.**

6

7 (k) Project - Owl Creek Irrigation District System  
8 Improvements:

9

10 (vii) Appropriation: There is appropriated from  
11 water development account II to the commission five million  
12 forty thousand dollars (\$5,040,000.00) or as much thereof  
13 as is necessary to carry out the purpose of this  
14 subsection. Unexpended ~~and unobligated~~ funds appropriated  
15 under this subsection shall revert to water development  
16 account II on July 1, ~~2027-2028~~;

17

18 **99-3-2803. Level III construction projects - new**  
19 **development.**

20

21 (d) Project - Happy Valley Water Transmission and  
22 Storage 2023:

23

1 (iii) Project description: Design and  
2 ~~pre-construction~~ construction of water transmission  
3 pipelines, storage tanks, structures and appurtenances  
4 necessary to make the project function in the manner  
5 intended;

6  
7 (iv) Total project budget: ~~Four hundred sixty~~  
8 ~~thousand dollars (\$460,000.00)~~ Six million one hundred  
9 thirty-four thousand nine hundred dollars (\$6,134,900.00);

10

11 (v) Project grants:

12

13 (A) The state of Wyoming shall grant to the  
14 sponsor from water development account I through the  
15 commission for the design, permit procurement, project land  
16 procurement and pre-construction engineering of the project  
17 an amount not to exceed three hundred eight thousand two  
18 hundred dollars (\$308,200.00) or sixty-seven percent (67%)  
19 of these actual development costs, whichever is less;

20

21 (B) The state of Wyoming shall grant to the  
22 sponsor from water development account I through the  
23 commission for the construction engineering and

1 construction of the project an amount not to exceed two  
2 million eight hundred thirty-seven thousand four hundred  
3 fifty dollars (\$2,837,450.00) or fifty percent (50%) of  
4 these actual development costs, whichever is less.

5

6 (vi) ~~Appropriation~~ Appropriations:

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8 (A) There is appropriated from water  
9 development account I to the commission three hundred eight  
10 thousand two hundred dollars (\$308,200.00) or as much  
11 thereof as is necessary to carry out the purpose of  
12 subparagraph (v)(A) of this subsection. Unexpended funds  
13 appropriated under this subsection shall revert to water  
14 development account I on July 1, 2028;

15

16 (B) There is appropriated from water  
17 development account I to the commission two million eight  
18 hundred thirty-seven thousand four hundred fifty dollars  
19 (\$2,837,450.00) or as much thereof as is necessary to carry  
20 out the purpose of subparagraph (v)(B) of this subsection.  
21 Unexpended funds appropriated under this subsection shall  
22 revert to the general fund on July 1, 2028.

23

1 (vii) Special conditions:

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3 (A) The sponsor is responsible for  
4 acquiring thirty-three percent (33%) of the ~~total project~~  
5 design, permit procurement, project land procurement and  
6 pre-construction engineering budget and fifty percent (50%)  
7 of the construction engineering and construction budget  
8 from other sources;

9

10 (B) The appropriation of funds for this  
11 project under subparagraph (vi)(B) of this subsection is  
12 contingent upon the transfer of funds to water development  
13 account I as described in section 5 of this act or a  
14 transfer from another funding source.

15

16 (e) Project - Sheridan Northeast Transmission Main  
17 Extension 2023:

18

19 (iii) Project description: Design and  
20 ~~pre-construction~~ construction of water transmission  
21 pipelines, structures and appurtenances necessary to make  
22 the project function in the manner intended;

23

1 (iv) Total project budget: ~~Three hundred~~  
2 ~~eighteen thousand dollars (\$318,000.00)~~ Three million eight  
3 hundred twenty-eight thousand dollars (\$3,828,000.00);

4

5 (v) Project grants:

6

7 (A) The state of Wyoming shall grant to the  
8 sponsor from water development account I through the  
9 commission for the design, permit procurement, project land  
10 procurement and pre-construction engineering of the project  
11 an amount not to exceed two hundred thirteen thousand sixty  
12 dollars (\$213,060.00) or sixty-seven percent (67%) of these  
13 actual development costs, whichever is less;

14

15 (B) The state of Wyoming shall grant to the  
16 sponsor from water development account I through the  
17 commission for the construction engineering and  
18 construction of the project an amount not to exceed one  
19 million seven hundred fifty-five thousand dollars  
20 (\$1,755,000.00) or fifty percent (50%) of these actual  
21 development costs, whichever is less.

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23 (vi) ~~Appropriation~~ Appropriations:



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2           (A) There is appropriated from water  
3 development account I to the commission two hundred  
4 thirteen thousand sixty dollars (\$213,060.00) or as much  
5 thereof as is necessary to carry out the purpose of  
6 subparagraph (v)(A) of this subsection. Unexpended funds  
7 appropriated under this ~~subsection~~subparagraph shall  
8 revert to water development account I on July 1, 2028;

9

10           (B) There is appropriated from water  
11 development account I to the commission one million seven  
12 hundred fifty-five thousand dollars (\$1,755,000.00) or as  
13 much thereof as is necessary to carry out the purpose of  
14 subparagraph (v)(B) of this subsection. Unexpended funds  
15 appropriated under this subparagraph shall revert to the  
16 general fund on July 1, 2028.

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18           (vii) Special conditions:

19

20           (A) The sponsor is responsible for  
21 acquiring thirty-three percent (33%) of the ~~total project~~  
22 design, permit procurement, project land procurement and  
23 pre-construction engineering budget and fifty percent (50%)

1 of the construction engineering and construction budget  
2 from other sources;

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4 (B) No funds granted for this project under  
5 subparagraph (v)(B) of this subsection shall be expended  
6 until motions supporting the project have passed by a  
7 majority vote of both the Sheridan Board of County  
8 Commissioners and the Sheridan Area Water Supply Joint  
9 Powers Board.

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11 (C) The appropriation of funds for this  
12 project under subparagraph (vi)(B) of this subsection is  
13 contingent upon the transfer of funds to water development  
14 account I as described in section 5 of this act or a  
15 transfer from another funding source.

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17 **Section 3.** W.S. 99-3-1903(k)(ix) and 99-3-1904(m)(ix)  
18 are repealed.

19

20 **Section 4.** The Wyoming water development commission  
21 is hereby authorized to transfer seven million dollars  
22 (\$7,000,000.00) from water development account I created by

1 W.S. 41-2-124(a)(i) to water development account II created  
2 by W.S. 41-2-124(a)(ii).

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4 **Section 5.** The state auditor shall transfer six  
5 million two hundred fifty-two thousand one hundred fifty  
6 dollars (\$6,252,150.00) from the general fund to water  
7 development account I as created by W.S. 41-2-124(a)(i) on  
8 or after July 1, 2024.

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10 **Section 6.** The state auditor shall transfer two  
11 million one hundred ninety-six thousand four hundred  
12 dollars (\$2,196,400.00) from the general fund to water  
13 development account II as created by W.S. 41-2-124(a)(ii)  
14 on or after July 1, 2024.

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16 **Section 7.** 2022 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 74,  
17 Section 1(a)(i) through (iii), as amended by 2023 Wyoming  
18 Session Laws, Chapter 180, Section 6, is amended to read:

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20 **Section 1.**

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22 (a) The following sums of money are  
23 appropriated from the legislative stabilization

1       reserve account to the following accounts for the  
2       purposes specified. The governor is authorized to  
3       direct up to:

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5                   (i) Twenty-five million dollars  
6       (\$25,000,000.00) to water development account I  
7       created by W.S. 41-2-124(a)(i) which shall be  
8       further appropriated from water development  
9       account I to the Wyoming water development  
10      commission for the purpose of acquiring water  
11      storage capacity in Fontenelle reservoir. The  
12      Wyoming water development office is hereby  
13      authorized to negotiate a purchase agreement with  
14      the bureau of reclamation to acquire water  
15      storage capacity in Fontenelle reservoir. No  
16      funds shall be expended from this appropriation  
17      to acquire water storage capacity in Fontenelle  
18      reservoir until the negotiated purchase agreement  
19      is approved by the Wyoming water development  
20      commission and the governor; ~~and the state loan~~  
21      ~~and investment board authorizes the purchase of~~  
22      ~~water storage capacity as a water development~~  
23      ~~program construction project;~~

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(ii) Twenty-one million eight hundred ten thousand dollars (\$21,810,000.00) to water development account II created by W.S. 41-2-124(a)(ii) which shall be further appropriated from water development account II to the Wyoming water development commission for the Goshen irrigation district tunnels 1 and 2 rehabilitation water development project. ~~No funds shall be expended from this appropriation until the state loan and investment board authorizes the project as a water development program construction project~~ or as much thereof as necessary to carry out the purpose of W.S. 99-3-2904(f). Unexpended funds appropriated under this paragraph shall revert to the legislative stabilization reserve account on July 1, 2032;

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(iii) Thirty million dollars (\$30,000,000.00) to water development account II created by W.S. 41-2-124(a)(ii) which shall be further appropriated from water development account II to the Wyoming water development

1           commission for the purpose of the LaPrele dam  
2           rehabilitation water development project.—~~No~~  
3           ~~funds shall be expended from this appropriation~~  
4           ~~until the state loan and investment board~~  
5           ~~authorizes the project as a water development~~  
6           ~~program construction project~~ or as much thereof  
7           as necessary to carry out the purpose of W.S.  
8           99-3-2904(j). Unexpended funds appropriated under  
9           this paragraph shall revert to the legislative  
10          stabilization reserve account on July 1, 2032.

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12           **Section 8.** This act is effective immediately upon  
13          completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law  
14          as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming  
15          Constitution.

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(END)