



# WILDLIFE RESOURCES OPERATIONS

NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, & ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE  
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BUDGET BRIEF

## SUMMARY

The Division of Wildlife Resources (DWR) manages all fish and wildlife species, regulates hunting, fishing and trapping, and conducts non-consumptive activities. The mission of the Division is: "To serve the people of Utah as trustee and guardian of the state's wildlife."

## ISSUES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

### Hunters Walk-In Access on SITLA Lands

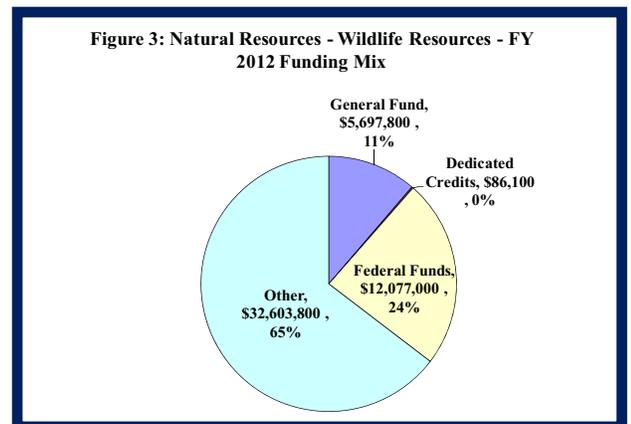
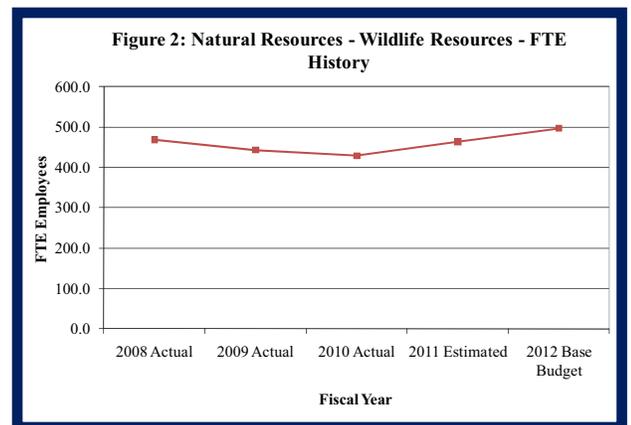
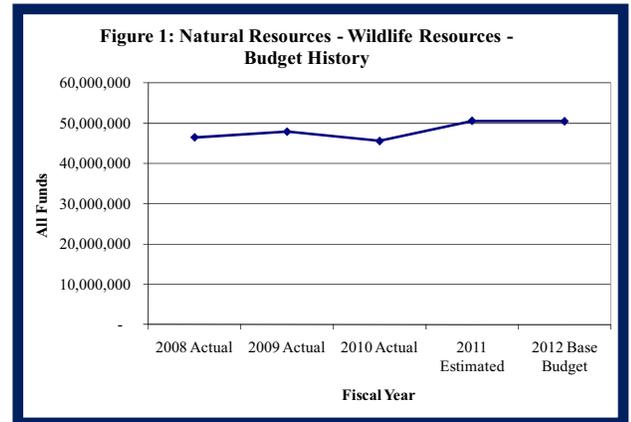
In 2008 the Division of Wildlife Resources (DWR) made an agreement with the School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration (SITLA) for DWR to provide payment to SITLA in exchange for access for sportsmen and the general public on school trust lands. As the economy grew worse, the Legislature felt that this payment needed to be suspended to assist with more critical budget needs and the payment was eliminated from the DWR budget. This year DWR requests an ongoing appropriation of \$600,000 from the Wildlife Resources restricted account to restore its payment according to the agreement with SITLA. The Analyst recommends the Legislature consider funding this request.

### Intent Language

*The Legislature intends that up to \$500,000 of Wildlife Resources budget may be used for big game depredation expenses. The legislature also intends that half of these funds be from the General Fund Restricted - Wildlife Resources account and half from the General Fund.*

*The Legislature intends that up to \$140,000 be spent on livestock damage. \$90,000 will be from the General Fund and up to \$50,000 will be from the General Fund Restricted - Wildlife Resources account.*

*Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for Wildlife Resources in Item 174, Chapter 2, Laws of Utah 2010, shall not lapse at the end of FY 2011. Expenditures of these funds are limited to landowner payments \$100,000.*



**BUDGET DETAIL TABLE**

<b>Natural Resources - Wildlife Resources</b>						
<b>Sources of Finance</b>	<b>FY 2010 Actual</b>	<b>FY 2011 Appropriated</b>	<b>Changes</b>	<b>FY 2011 Revised</b>	<b>Changes</b>	<b>FY 2012 Base Budget</b>
General Fund	5,956,100	5,697,800	0	5,697,800	0	5,697,800
General Fund, One-time	(87,900)	100,000	0	100,000	(100,000)	0
Federal Funds	10,971,800	12,077,000	0	12,077,000	0	12,077,000
Dedicated Credits Revenue	114,200	86,100	0	86,100	0	86,100
GFR - Wildlife Habitat	2,706,400	2,900,000	0	2,900,000	0	2,900,000
GFR - Wildlife Resources	28,290,100	29,538,900	0	29,538,900	0	29,538,900
Transfers	175,000	164,900	0	164,900	0	164,900
Beginning Nonlapsing	300,000	0	0	0	0	0
Lapsing Balance	(2,810,500)	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$45,615,200</b>	<b>\$50,564,700</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$50,564,700</b>	<b>(\$100,000)</b>	<b>\$50,464,700</b>
<b>Programs</b>						
Administrative Services	6,973,800	7,534,200	(554,200)	6,980,000	0	6,980,000
Aquatic Section	12,180,300	11,933,700	1,929,400	13,863,100	(100,000)	13,763,100
Conservation Outreach	2,332,800	2,582,300	(267,500)	2,314,800	0	2,314,800
Director's Office	1,775,200	2,964,800	(220,200)	2,744,600	0	2,744,600
Habitat Council	2,487,600	2,900,000	121,700	3,021,700	0	3,021,700
Habitat Section	3,681,400	6,083,300	(1,932,400)	4,150,900	0	4,150,900
Law Enforcement	8,574,900	8,839,800	(264,400)	8,575,400	0	8,575,400
Wildlife Section	7,609,200	7,726,600	1,187,600	8,914,200	0	8,914,200
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$45,615,200</b>	<b>\$50,564,700</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$50,564,700</b>	<b>(\$100,000)</b>	<b>\$50,464,700</b>
<b>Categories of Expenditure</b>						
Personnel Services	28,314,100	30,761,300	1,329,900	32,091,200	0	32,091,200
In-state Travel	255,700	242,900	12,800	255,700	0	255,700
Out-of-state Travel	61,200	99,100	(37,900)	61,200	0	61,200
Current Expense	11,824,900	15,036,400	(722,400)	14,314,000	(100,000)	14,214,000
DP Current Expense	1,283,900	1,262,300	10,600	1,272,900	0	1,272,900
DP Capital Outlay	(3,000)	68,200	(68,200)	0	0	0
Capital Outlay	1,949,800	1,923,500	(467,900)	1,455,600	0	1,455,600
Other Charges/Pass Thru	1,925,900	1,171,000	(60,100)	1,110,900	0	1,110,900
Cost Accounts	2,700	0	3,200	3,200	0	3,200
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$45,615,200</b>	<b>\$50,564,700</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$50,564,700</b>	<b>(\$100,000)</b>	<b>\$50,464,700</b>
<b>Other Data</b>						
Budgeted FTE	429	442	22	464	33	497
Actual FTE	520	0	0	0	0	0
Vehicles	421	421	0	421	0	421