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

The following is the summary of the legislative intent language proposed for the agencies in the Natural Resources, Agriculture, & Environmental Quality Appropriations Subcommittee:

Nonlapsing Intent Language

Department of Natural Resources

1. Natural Resources Administration: \$225,000

Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for DNR Administration in Item 1, Chapter 3, Laws of Utah 2016, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017. Expenditures of these funds are limited to: Capital Projects \$25,000; Operating Budget Items \$200,000.

2. Species Protection: \$200,000

Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for the Species Protection program in Item 2, Chapter 8, Laws of Utah 2016, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017. Expenditures of these funds are limited to projects started in 2016: \$200,000.

3. DNR Pass Through: \$1,375,000

Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for DNR Pass Through in Item 147, Chapter 468, Laws of Utah 2015, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017. Expenditures of these funds are limited to: Richfield Building \$1,100,000; Utah Lake and Jordan River improvements \$275,000.

4. Watershed: \$700,000

Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for the Watershed program in Item 5, Chapter 3, Laws of Utah 2016, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017. Expenditures of these funds are limited to projects started in 2016: \$700,000.

5. Forestry, Fire, and State Lands: \$4,000,000

- a. Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for the Division of Forestry, Fire, and State Lands in Item 6, Chapter 3, Laws of Utah 2016, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017. Expenditures of these funds are limited to: Sovereign Lands Related Projects \$3,973,000; Little Willow Water Line \$27,000.
- b. The Legislature intends that all entities occupying the DNR Cedar City Office Complex and the DNR Richfield Office Complex pay annually their proportionate share of leased space based on the construction costs amortized over a 30-year period and deposit the funds into the Sovereign Lands Management Account.

6. Oil, Gas, and Mining: \$400,000

Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for the Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining in Item 7, Chapter 3, Laws of Utah 2016, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017. Expenditures of these funds are limited to: Mining Special Projects/Studies \$250,000; Computer Equipment/Software \$50,000; Employee Training/Incentives \$50,000; Equipment/Supplies \$50,000.

7. Wildlife Resources: \$600,000

Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for the Wildlife Resources line item in Item 8, Chapter 3, Laws of Utah 2016, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017. Expenditures of these funds are limited to: projects funded from the Mule Deer Protection Restricted Account \$200,000; projects funded from the Predator Control Restricted Account \$200,000, and prevent aquatic invasive species spread into Bear Lake \$200,000, with at least \$100,000 to be spent on check stations for boats entering Bear Lake Valley, boat decontamination, public education, and related activities.

8. Wildlife Resources Capital: \$649,400

Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for the Wildlife Resources Capital line item in Item 12, Chapter 3, Laws of Utah 2016, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017. Expenditures of these funds are limited to Operations and Maintenance of the Hatchery Systems in the state: \$649,400.

9. Utah Geological Survey: \$960,000

Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for the Utah Geological Survey in Item 15, Chapter 3, Laws of Utah 2016, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017. Expenditures of these funds are limited to: Mineral Lease Projects \$830,000; Computer Equipment/Software \$60,000; Equipment/Supplies \$40,000; Employee Training/Incentives \$30,000.

10. Water Resources: \$200,000 & \$7,300,000

- a. Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for the Division of Water Resources in Item 16, Chapter 3, Laws of Utah 2016, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017. Expenditures of these funds are limited to: Current Expenses \$50,000; Computer Equipment/Software \$25,000; Special Projects/Studies \$125,000.
- b. Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for the Division of Water Resources in Item 154, Chapter 468, Laws of Utah 2015, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017. Expenditures of these funds are limited to: dam safety construction projects \$7,300,000.

11. Water Rights: \$350,000

Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for the Division of Water Rights in Item 17, Chapter 3, Laws of Utah 2016, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017. Expenditures of these funds are limited to: Computer Equipment/Software \$40,000; Adjudication \$50,000, Special Projects/Studies \$150,000; Employee Incentive/Training \$30,000, Equipment/Supplies \$50,000, Current Expense \$30,000.

Department of Agriculture and Food

12. Agriculture Administration: \$369,500

Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for the General Administration line item in Item 29, Chapter 3, Laws of Utah 2016, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017. Expenditures of these funds are limited to: Computer Equipment/Software \$126,000; Employee Training/Incentives \$103,500; Equipment/Supplies \$55,400; Special Projects/Studies \$84,600.

13. Animal Health: \$556,200

Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for the General Administration line item in Item 30, Chapter 3, Laws of Utah 2016, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017. Expenditures of these funds are limited to: Computer Equipment/Software \$100,000 Employee Training/Incentives \$139,100; Special Projects/Studies \$317,100.

14. Plant Industry: \$1,002,700

Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for the General Administration line item in Item 31, Chapter 3, Laws of Utah 2016, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017. Expenditures of these funds are limited to: Capital Equipment or Improvements \$27,800; Computer Equipment/Software \$352,800; Employee Training/Incentives \$63,300; Equipment/Supplies \$105,500; Vehicles \$120,000; Special Projects/Studies \$333,300.

15. Regulatory Services: \$484,300

Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for the General Administration line item in Item 31, Chapter 3, Laws of Utah 2016, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017. Expenditures of these funds are limited to: Computer Equipment/Software \$132,300; Employee Training/Incentives \$51,700; Equipment/Supplies \$64,600; Special Projects/Studies \$235,700.

16. Marketing and Development: \$67,500

Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for the General Administration line item in Item 32, Chapter 3, Laws of Utah 2016, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017. Expenditures of these funds are limited to: Employee Training/Incentives \$13,500; Equipment/Supplies \$16,900; Special Projects/Studies \$37,100.

17. Predatory Animal Control: \$186,000

Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for Predatory Animal Control in Item 35, Chapter 3, Laws of Utah 2016, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017. Expenditures of these funds are limited to: Employee Training/Incentives \$23,300; Equipment/Supplies \$29,100; Special Projects/Studies \$133,600.

18. Resource Conservation: \$96,700

Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for Resource Conservation in Item 36, Chapter 3, Laws of Utah 2016, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017. Expenditures of these funds are limited to: Capital Equipment or Improvements \$14,500; Computer Equipment/Software \$12,100; Employee Training/Incentives \$9,700; Equipment/Supplies \$9,700; Special Projects/Studies \$50,700.

19. Invasive Species Mitigation: \$899,900

Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for Invasive Species Mitigation in Item 37, Chapter 3, Laws of Utah 2016, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017. Expenditures of these funds are limited to invasive species mitigation projects \$899,900.

20. Rangeland Improvement: \$899,900

Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for Rangeland Improvement in Item 38, Chapter 3, Laws of Utah 2016, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017. Expenditures of these funds are limited to rangeland improvement projects \$899,900.

Department of Environmental Quality**21. Executive Director's Office: \$1,143,900**

Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for Executive Director's Office in Item 18, Chapter 3, Laws of Utah 2016, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017. Expenditures of these funds are limited to high level nuclear waste opposition \$127,200; capital improvements/maintenance, DP Software, and equipment \$450,000; administrative law judge \$150,000; enterprise-wide land information initiative \$416,700.

22. Air Quality: \$530,000

Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for Division of Air Quality in Item 19, Chapter 3, Laws of Utah 2016, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017. Expenditures of these funds are limited to reducing future operating permit fees \$100,000; air monitoring equipment \$200,000; air quality research \$230,000.

23. Environmental Response and Remediation: \$25,000

Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for Environmental Response and Remediation, Item 20, Chapter 3, Laws of Utah 2016, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017. Expenditures of these funds are limited to data processing equipment and software/programming \$25,000.

24. Water Quality: \$80,000

Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for Water Quality in Item 21, Chapter 3, Laws of Utah 2016, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017. Expenditures of these funds are limited to environmental monitoring/lab equipment \$30,000; peer review \$50,000.

25. Drinking Water: \$500,000

Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for Drinking Water in Item 22, Chapter 3, Laws of Utah 2016, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017. Expenditures of these funds are limited to water use study \$500,000.

26. Clean Air Retrofit, Replacement, and Off-road Technology: \$395,900

Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for Clean Air Retrofit, Replacement, and Off-road Technology in Item 161, Chapter 468, Laws of Utah 2015 and in Item 163, Chapter 469, Laws of Utah 2015, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017. Expenditures of these funds are limited to grants, rebates, exchanges, or low-cost purchase program awards \$395,900.

27. Waste Management and Radiation Control: \$400,000

Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for Waste Management and Radiation Control in Item 23, Chapter 3, Laws of Utah 2016, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017. Expenditures of these funds are limited to public outreach \$125,000; program and database upgrades and improvements \$150,000; antifreeze collection program \$125,000.

Office of Energy Development**28. Office of Energy Development: \$147,100**

Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for the Office of Energy Development in Item 28, Chapter 3, Laws of Utah 2016, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017. Expenditures of these funds are limited to commercial and industrial energy efficiency and renewable energy programs involving building improvements, infrastructure, transportation and agriculture \$126,800; and, programs aimed at accomplishing the Governor's 10-year strategic energy plan \$20,300.

Public Lands Policy Coordinating Office**29. Public Lands Policy Coordinating Office: \$2,408,500**

Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for the Public Lands Policy Coordinating Office in Item 25, Chapter 3, Laws of Utah 2016, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017. Expenditures of these funds are limited to litigation and operation expenses: \$2,408,500.

30. Commission for the Stewardship of Public Lands: \$2,175,000

Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for the Public Lands Policy Coordinating Office - Commission for the Stewardship of Public Lands in Item 26, Chapter 3, Laws of Utah 2016, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017. Expenditures of these funds are for the Commission to use at its discretion in carrying out its statutory duties: \$2,175,000.

31. Public Lands Policy Coordinating Office - Public Lands Litigation: \$1,047,600

Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for the Public Lands Policy Coordinating Office - Public Lands Litigation in Item 27, Chapter 3, Laws of Utah 2016, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017. Expenditures of these funds are limited to litigation and operation expenses: \$1,047,600.

Other Intent Language***Department of Natural Resources*****32. Natural Resources Administration**

- a. The Legislature intends that the Department of Natural Resources work with the Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst to identify ways to optimize resources through consolidation of all public relations operations in the department, and report to the Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environmental Quality Appropriations Subcommittee by October 31, 2017.
- b. The Legislature intends that the Department of Natural Resources transfer \$50,000 to the Bear Lake Commission to be expended only as a one-to-one match with funds from the State of Idaho.

33. Wildlife Resources Operations

- a. The legislature intends that up to \$180,000 be spent on livestock damage. \$90,000 will be from the General Fund and up to \$90,000 will be from the General Fund Restricted - Wildlife Resources account. The Legislature also intends that this appropriation shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017.
- b. The Legislature intends that up to \$900,000 of Wildlife Resources budget may be used for big game depredation expenses in FY 2017. The Legislature further intends that up to \$550,000 of these funds be from the General Fund Restricted - Wildlife Resources account and up to \$350,000 from the General Fund. The Legislature also intends that this appropriation shall not lapse at the close of FY 2017.
- c. The Legislature intends that up to \$700,000 of Wildlife Resources budget may be used for big game depredation expenses in FY 2018. The Legislature further intends that half of these funds be from the General Fund Restricted – Wildlife Resources account and the other half from the General Fund.

34. Parks and Recreation

The Legislature intends that \$50,000 appropriation for This Is the Place Heritage Park be transferred to the park only after the park has received matching funds of at least \$50,000 from Salt Lake City and at least \$50,000 from Salt Lake County.

35. Water Rights

The Legislature intends that the Division of Water Rights reports on the accuracy of the water-use data to the Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environmental Quality Appropriations Subcommittee by November 30, 2017.

36. Forestry, Fire, and State Lands

The Legislature intends that the Division of Forestry, Fire, and State Lands purchase one new vehicle.