

Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment Interim Committee

2017 Potential Studies

Natural Resources

- Public lands priorities, resource management plans, coordination with congressional delegation
- Exchange of SITLA lands surrounded by federally controlled lands for federally controlled lands in other areas where the SITLA lands could benefit Utah's school children.
- Oil and gas operations (2nd Sub. S.B. 189) and potential oil exploration in or near the Bears Ears National Monument
- Canal rights-of-way and modifications (S.B. 271)
- Interaction between water rights and mineral rights
- Instream Flow
- Utah State Parks issues (Antelope Island State Park funding (H.B. 317), park expansion (e.g. Goosenecks, Goblin Valley, Little Sahara, Hole in the Rock, etc.), park fees)
- Wild horses and burros
- Legislative standards or criteria for appropriations passed through an agency

Agriculture

- Restructuring of the Conservation Commission Board (H.B. 269)
- Title 4 recodification follow-up (Wholesome Food Act and Dairy Act)

Environment

- American Fork Canyon mine tailings pollution mitigation options.
- Waste Tire Program
- Paint recycling
- Reports from DEQ (status of tax credit programs, Bountiful air toxics study, Salt Lake Valley airplane research project summary and results, Great Salt Lake water quality strategy)
- Regulation of above-ground storage tanks
- Utah Lake management and role of state and local governments and publicly owned treatment works (Possible Utah Lake site visit)
- Nutrient pollution and harmful algal blooms (Possible Utah Lake site visit)