

Division of Wildlife Resources Land Purchase

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Requester Information

Legislator: Millner, Ann

Creation Date: 2024-01-25

Submission Date: 2024-01-25

Section 1: Request Details

Description:

The primary focus for the purchase of this land is the preservation of wildlife and outdoor recreation. This valuable land will also safeguard the historical Mormon Trail, and will increase camping, hiking, and other family-friendly activities within the vicinity of East Canyon State Park. We have secured 10 million in matching funds from Parks and DWR.

Legislative designee contact information:

- Name: Chelsea Duke
 - Organization: DWR
 - Position: Wildlife Lands Coordinator
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Section 2: Funding Information

How will the appropriation be used?

	One-time	Ongoing
Personnel Services	2024: \$0.00 2025: \$0.00	\$0.00
In-State Travel	2024: \$0.00 2025: \$0.00	\$0.00
Out-of-state Travel	2024: \$0.00 2025: \$0.00	\$0.00
Supplies and Equipment	2024: \$0.00 2025: \$0.00	\$0.00
Technology Purchases	2024: \$0.00 2025: \$0.00	\$0.00
Infrastructure/Capital Investments	2024: \$9,500,000.00 2025: \$9,500,000.00	\$0.00
Other Charges/Pass Thru	2024: \$0.00 2025: \$0.00	\$0.00
Expenditure Total		
One-time 2024	One-time 2025	Ongoing 2025
\$9,500,000.00	\$9,500,000.00	\$0.00

Funding Sources:

General Fund

- Amount Requested 2024 (One-time) \$9,500,000.00
- Amount Requested 2025 (One-time) \$9,500,000.00
- Amount Requested 2025 (Ongoing) \$0.00

Revenue Total

One-time 2024
\$9,500,000.00

One-time 2025
\$9,500,000.00

Ongoing 2025
\$0.00

Should unused funding be returned to the state at the end of the fiscal year?

No

Is this project scalable if the Legislature does not fund the full requested amount?

Yes

A short explanation describing how the project might be scaled

The project cost may fluctuate based on the appraisal that is due February 9th.

Section 3: Agency Information

Subjects:

Government Administration
Land and Environment

Agency:

560 / Natural Resources

Type of entity to receive pass-through funding

- State Government
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Section 4: Performance Outcome Measurement

Who would benefit from this request (who is the target audience)?

Preserving this habitat for Sage grouse, deer, elk, and other wildlife species is critical for this region where there is very little public land. Working together we can maintain biodiversity and ecological balance in alignment with the principle of multiple use. Access to nature and outdoor activities has been proven to

positively impact mental and physical health. This project serves as a vital intersection between wildlife, parks, and outdoor recreation.

What is this project or program intended to accomplish?

1. The preservation of recreational land 2. Conservation of wildlife 3. Preservation of important historical landmarks 4. Improve the mental and physical health of Utah residents

How will the Legislature know whether the project or program achieved its intended purpose?

When the land is purchased and secured, and opportunities are made available for wildlife and recreation.

Section 5: Other Supporting Documents

Intent Language

Previous State Funding