



Fiscal Note
S.B. 277 1st Sub. (Green)
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Water Conservation and Augmentation
Amendments
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General, Income Tax, and Uniform School Funds

JR4-4-101

	Ongoing	One-time	Total
Net GF/ITF/USF (rev.-exp.)	\$0	\$(170,000,000)	\$(170,000,000)

State Government

UCA 36-12-13(2)(c)

Revenues	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
Agricultural Water Optimization Restricted Account (GFR)	\$0	\$200,000,000	\$0
Water Resources C and D	\$0	\$50,000,000	\$50,000,000
Total Revenues	\$0	\$250,000,000	\$50,000,000

Enactment of this legislation appropriates \$170,000,000 from the General Fund and \$30,000,000 from the American Rescue Plan Act to the Agricultural Water Optimization Account for irrigation efficiency grants. Enactment of this legislation also appropriates \$50,000,000 ongoing from the Water Infrastructure Restricted Account to the Water Resources Conservation and Development Fund for a loan to Washington County for various projects as outlined in intent and a grant for construction on the Hyrum Reservoir.

Expenditures	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
General Fund, One-time	\$0	\$170,000,000	\$0
Federal Funds - American Rescue Plan	\$0	\$30,000,000	\$0
Agricultural Water Optimization Restricted Account (GFR)	\$0	\$125,000,000	\$0
Water Infrastructure Restricted Account (GFR)	\$0	\$50,000,000	\$50,000,000
Total Expenditures	\$0	\$375,000,000	\$50,000,000

Enactment of this legislation transfers \$170,000,000 from the General Fund and \$30,000,000 from the American Rescue Plan Act one-time in FY 2024 to the Agricultural Water Optimization Account. This legislation also appropriates \$125,000,000 from the Agricultural Water Optimization Account to the Division of Resource Conservation for grants to improve water efficiency of agriculture water users through various technologies as outlined in the bill. Finally, enactment of this legislation appropriates \$50,000,000 from the Water Infrastructure Restricted Account to the Water Resources Conservation and Development Fund ongoing beginning in FY 2024 for a loan to be used in the Colorado River drainage in Utah and a grant for construction on the Hyrum Reservoir.

	<i>FY 2023</i>	<i>FY 2024</i>	<i>FY 2025</i>
Net All Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$(125,000,000)</u>	<u>\$0</u>

Local Government

UCA 36-12-13(2)(c)

Enactment of this legislation likely will not result in direct, measurable costs for local governments.

Individuals & Businesses

UCA 36-12-13(2)(c)

Enactment of this legislation likely will not result in direct expenditures from tax or fee changes for Utah residents and businesses.

Regulatory Impact

UCA 36-12-13(2)(d)

Enactment of this legislation likely will not change the regulatory burden for Utah residents or businesses.

Performance Evaluation

JR1-4-601

This bill does not create a new program or significantly expand an existing program.

Notes on Notes

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