

**GREEN RIVER ENERGY ZONE**

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STATE OF UTAH

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill amends Title 63J, Chapter 8, State of Utah Resource Management Plan for Federal Lands, by creating the Green River Energy Zone.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ defines the term "Green River Energy Zone";
- ▶ adopts an energy exploration, access, and development policy for the Green River Energy Zone;
- ▶ promotes local, state, and federal collaboration to develop energy and mineral resources in the Green River Energy Zone; and
- ▶ makes technical changes.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

This bill provides an immediate effective date.

This bill coordinates with H.B. 382, Escalante Region Grazing Zone, by providing technical and merging amendments.

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

AMENDS:

**63J-8-102**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2012, Chapters 165, 189, and 369

**63J-8-105**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2012, Chapters 165 and 189

ENACTS:

30           **63J-8-105.7**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

31 **Utah Code Sections Affected by Coordination Clause:**

32           **63J-8-105**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2012, Chapters 165 and 189

33           **63J-8-105.7**, Utah Code Annotated 1953



35 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

36           Section 1. Section **63J-8-102** is amended to read:

37           **63J-8-102. Definitions.**

38           As used in this chapter:

39           (1) "ACEC" means an area of critical environmental concern as defined in 43 U.S.C.

40           Sec. 1702.

41           (2) "AUM" means animal unit months, a unit of grazing forage.

42           (3) "BLM" means the United States Bureau of Land Management.

43           (4) "BLM recommended wilderness" means a wilderness study area recommended for  
44 wilderness designation in the final report of the president of the United States to the United  
45 States Congress in 1993.

46           ~~[(6)]~~ (5) "Federal land use designation" means one or a combination of the following  
47 congressional or federal actions included in proposed congressional land use legislation:

48           (a) designation of wilderness within the National Wilderness Preservation System;

49           (b) designation of a national conservation area;

50           (c) designation of a watercourse within the National Wild and Scenic River System;

51           (d) designation of an ACEC;

52           (e) designation of a national monument in accordance with the Antiquities Act of 1906,  
53 16 U.S.C. Sec. 431 et seq. or by Congress;

54           (f) designation of a national park within the National Park System;

55           (g) designation of a national recreational area; or

56           (h) any other designation, classification, categorization, reservation, withdrawal, or

57 similar action that has the purpose or effect of eliminating, restricting, or reducing energy and

58 mineral development, motorized travel, grazing, active vegetation management, or any other  
59 traditional multiple use on public land.

60 ~~[(5)]~~ (6) "FLPMA" means the Federal Land and Policy Management Act of 1976, 43  
61 U.S.C. Sec. 1701 et seq.

62 (7) "Forest service" means the United States Forest Service within the United States  
63 Department of Agriculture.

64 (8) "Green River Energy Zone" means the lands described as follows in Subsections  
65 (8)(a) and (b), as more fully illustrated in the maps prepared by the Carbon County and Emery  
66 County GIS Departments in February 2013, each entitled "2013 Green River Energy Zone":

67 (a) BLM, Forest Service, and SITLA lands in Carbon County that are situated in the  
68 following townships: Township 12S Range 6E, Township 12S Range 7E, Township 12S  
69 Range 8E, Township 12S Range 9E, Township 12S Range 10E, Township 12S Range 11E,  
70 Township 12S Range 12E, Township 12S Range 13E, Township 12S Range 14E, Township  
71 12S Range 15E, Township 12S Range 16E, Township 12S Range 17E, Township 12S Range  
72 18E, Township 13S Range 6E, Township 13S Range 8E, Township 13S Range 9E, Township  
73 13S Range 10E, Township 13S Range 11E, Township 13S Range 12E, Township 13S Range  
74 13E, Township 13S Range 14E, Township 13S Range 15E, Township 13S Range 16E,  
75 Township 13S Range 17E, Township 14S Range 6E, Township 14S Range 8E, Township 14S  
76 Range 9E, Township 14S Range 11E, Township 14S Range 12E, Township 14S Range 13E,  
77 Township 14S Range 14E, Township 14S Range 15E, Township 14S Range 16E, Township  
78 14S Range 17E, Township 15S Range 7E, Township 15S Range 8E, Township 15S Range 9E,  
79 Township 15S Range 10E, Township 15S Range 11E, Township 15S Range 12E, Township  
80 15S Range 13E, Township 15S Range 14E, Township 15S Range 15E, and Township 15S  
81 Range 16E; and

82 (b) BLM, Forest Service, and SITLA lands in Emery County, excluding any areas that  
83 are or may be designated as wilderness, national conservation areas, or wild or scenic rivers,  
84 that are situated in the following townships and represented in the Emery County Public Land  
85 Management Act DRAFT Map prepared by Emery County and available at

86 [emerycounty.com/publiclands/LANDS-USE-15.pdf](http://emerycounty.com/publiclands/LANDS-USE-15.pdf): Township 13S Range 6E, Township 14S  
87 Range 6E, Township 14S Range 7E, Township 15S Range 6E, Township 15S Range 7E,  
88 Township 16S Range 6E, Township 16S Range 7E, Township 16S Range 8E, Township 16S  
89 Range 9E, Township 16S Range 10E, Township 16S Range 11E, Township 16S Range 12E,  
90 Township 16S Range 13E, Township 16S Range 14E, Township 16S Range 15E, Township  
91 17S Range 6E, Township 17S Range 7E, Township 17S Range 8E, Township 17S Range 9E,  
92 Township 17S Range 10E, Township 17S Range 11E, Township 17S Range 12E, Township  
93 17S Range 13E, Township 17S Range 14E, Township 17S Range 15E, Township 18S Range  
94 6E, Township 18S Range 7E, Township 18S Range 8E, Township 18S Range 9E, Township  
95 18S Range 10E, Township 18S Range 11E, Township 18S Range 12E, Township 18S Range  
96 13E, Township 18S Range 14E, Township 18S Range 15E, Township 19S Range 6E,  
97 Township 19S Range 7E, Township 19S Range 8E, Township 19S Range 9E, Township 19S  
98 Range 10E, Township 19S Range 11E, Township 19S Range 12E, Township 19S Range 13E,  
99 Township 19S Range 14E, Township 19S Range 15E, Township 20S Range 6E, Township 20S  
100 Range 7E, Township 20S Range 8E, Township 20S Range 9E, Township 20S Range 10E,  
101 Township 20S Range 11E, Township 20S Range 12E, Township 20S Range 13E, Township  
102 20S Range 14E, Township 20S Range 15E, Township 20S Range 16E, Township 21S Range  
103 6E, Township 21S Range 7E, Township 21S Range 8E, Township 21S Range 9E, Township  
104 21S Range 14E, Township 21S Range 15E, Township 21S Range 16E, Township 22S Range  
105 6E, Township 22S Range 7E, Township 22S Range 8E, Township 22S Range 9E, Township  
106 22S Range 14E, Township 22S Range 15E, Township 22S Range 16E, Township 23S Range  
107 6E, Township 23S Range 7E, Township 23S Range 8E, Township 23S Range 9E, Township  
108 23S Range 13E, Township 23S Range 14E, Township 23S Range 15E, Township 23S Range  
109 16E, Township 24S Range 6E, Township 24S Range 7E, Township 24S Range 8E, Township  
110 24S Range 12E, Township 24S Range 13E, Township 24S Range 14E, Township 24S Range  
111 15E, Township 24S Range 16E, Township 24S Range 17E, Township 25S Range 6E,  
112 Township 25S Range 7E, Township 25S Range 8E, Township 25S Range 11E, Township 25S  
113 Range 12E, Township 25S Range 13E, Township 25S Range 14E, Township 25S Range 15E,

114 Township 25S Range 16E, Township 25S Range 17E, Township 26S Range 6E, Township 26S  
115 Range 7E, Township 26S Range 8E, Township 26S Range 9E, Township 26S Range 10E,  
116 Township 26S Range 11E, Township 26S Range 12E, Township 26S Range 13E, Township  
117 26S Range 14E, Township 26S Range 15E, Township 26S Range 16E, and Township 26S  
118 Range 17E.

119       ~~[(8)]~~ (9) "Multiple use" means proper stewardship of the subject lands pursuant to  
120 Section 103(c) of FLPMA, 43 U.S.C. Sec. 1702(c).

121       ~~[(9)]~~ (10) "National conservation area" means an area designated by Congress and  
122 managed by the BLM.

123       ~~[(10)]~~ (11) "National wild and scenic river" means a watercourse:

124       (a) identified in a BLM or Forest Service planning process; or

125       (b) designated as part of the National Wild and Scenic River System.

126       ~~[(11)]~~ (12) "National Wild and Scenic River System" means the National Wild and  
127 Scenic River System established in 16 U.S.C. Sec. 1271 et seq.

128       ~~[(12)]~~ (13) "Office" means the Public Lands Policy Coordinating Office created in  
129 Section 63J-4-602.

130       ~~[(13)]~~ (14) "OHV" means off-highway vehicle as defined in Section 41-22-2.

131       ~~[(14)]~~ (15) "Proposed congressional land use legislation" means a draft or a working  
132 document of congressional legislation prepared by a person that includes a federal land use  
133 designation.

134       ~~[(15)]~~ (16) "RARE II" means the second United States Forest Service Roadless Area  
135 Review and Evaluation report of 1984.

136       ~~[(16)]~~ (17) "R.S. 2477 right-of-way" means a right-of-way established in accordance  
137 with 43 U.S.C. Sec. 932 repealed by FLPMA 1976.

138       ~~[(17)]~~ (18) "Settlement Agreement" means the written agreement between the state and  
139 the Department of the Interior in 2003 (revised in 2005) that resolved the case of State of Utah  
140 v. Gale Norton, Secretary of Interior (United States District Court, D. Utah, Case No.  
141 2:96cv0870).

142            [~~(18)~~] (19) "SITLA" means the School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration as  
143 created in Section 53C-1-201.

144            [~~(19)~~] (20) (a) "Subject lands" means the following non-WSA BLM lands:

145            (i) in Beaver County:

146            (A) Mountain Home Range South, Jackson Wash, The Toad, North Wah Wah  
147 Mountains, Central Wah Wah Mountains, and San Francisco Mountains according to the  
148 region map entitled "Great Basin Central" linked in the webpage entitled "Citizen's Proposal  
149 for Wilderness in Utah" at <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage  
150 existed on February 17, 2011; and

151            (B) White Rock Range, South Wah Wah Mountains, and Granite Peak according to the  
152 region map entitled "Great Basin South" linked in the webpage entitled "Citizen's Proposal for  
153 Wilderness in Utah" at <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage  
154 existed on February 17, 2011;

155            (ii) in Box Elder County: Little Goose Creek, Grouse Creek Mountains North, Grouse  
156 Creek Mountains South, Bald Eagle Mountain, Central Pilot Range, Pilot Peak, Crater Island  
157 West, Crater Island East, Newfoundland Mountains, and Grassy Mountains North according to  
158 the region map entitled "Great Basin North" linked in the webpage entitled "Citizen's Proposal  
159 for Wilderness in Utah" at <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage  
160 existed on February 17, 2011;

161            (iii) in Carbon County: Desbrough Canyon and Turtle Canyon according to the region  
162 map entitled "Book Cliffs" linked in the webpage entitled "Citizen's Proposal for Wilderness in  
163 Utah" at <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage existed on  
164 February 17, 2011;

165            (iv) in Daggett County: Goslin Mountain, Home Mountain, Red Creek Badlands,  
166 O-wi-yu-kuts, Lower Flaming Gorge, Crouse Canyon, and Diamond Breaks according to the  
167 region map entitled "Dinosaur" linked in the webpage entitled "Citizen's Proposal for  
168 Wilderness in Utah" at <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage  
169 existed on February 17, 2011;

170 (v) in Duchesne County: Desbrough Canyon according to the region map entitled  
171 "Book Cliffs" linked in the webpage entitled "Citizen's Proposal for Wilderness in Utah" at  
172 <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage existed on February 17,  
173 2011;

174 (vi) in Emery County:

175 (A) San Rafael River and Sweetwater Reef, according to the region map entitled  
176 "Canyonlands Basin" linked in the webpage entitled "Citizen's Proposal for Wilderness in  
177 Utah" at <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage existed on  
178 February 17, 2011;

179 (B) Flat Tops according to the region map entitled "Glen Canyon," which is available  
180 by clicking the link entitled "Dirty Devil" at the webpage entitled "Citizen's Proposal for  
181 Wilderness in Utah" at <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage  
182 existed on February 17, 2011; and

183 (C) Price River, Lost Spring Wash, Eagle Canyon, Upper Muddy Creek, Molen Reef,  
184 Rock Canyon, Mussentuchit Badland, and Muddy Creek, according to the region map entitled  
185 "San Rafael Swell" linked at the webpage entitled "Citizen's Proposal for Wilderness in Utah"  
186 at <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage existed on February 17,  
187 2011;

188 (vii) in Garfield County:

189 (A) Pole Canyon, according to the region map entitled "Great Basin South" linked in  
190 the webpage entitled "Citizen's Proposal for Wilderness in Utah" at  
191 <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage existed on February 17,  
192 2011;

193 (B) Dirty Devil, Fiddler Butte, Little Rockies, Cane Spring Desert, and Cane Spring  
194 Desert Adjacents, according to the region map entitled "Glen Canyon," which is available by  
195 clicking the link entitled "Dirty Devil" at the webpage entitled "Citizen's Proposal for  
196 Wilderness in Utah" at <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage  
197 existed on February 17, 2011;

198 (C) Lampstand, Wide Hollow, Steep Creek, Brinkerhof Flats, Little Valley Canyon,  
199 Death Hollow, Studhorse Peaks, Box Canyon, Heaps Canyon, North Escalante Canyon, Colt  
200 Mesa, East of Bryce, Slopes of Canaan Peak, Horse Spring Canyon, Muley Twist Flank,  
201 Pioneer Mesa, Slopes of Bryce, Blue Hills, Mud Springs Canyon, Carcass Canyon, Willis  
202 Creek North, Kodachrome Basin, and Kodachrome Headlands, according to the region map  
203 entitled "Grand Staircase Escalante" linked at the webpage entitled "Citizen's Proposal for  
204 Wilderness in Utah" at <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage  
205 existed on February 17, 2011; and

206 (D) Notom Bench, Mount Ellen, Bull Mountain, Dogwater Creek, Ragged Mountain,  
207 Mount Pennell, Mount Hillers, Bullfrog Creek, and Long Canyon, according to the region map  
208 entitled "Henry Mountains" linked at the webpage entitled "Citizen's Proposal for Wilderness  
209 in Utah" at <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage existed on  
210 February 17, 2011;

211 (viii) in Iron County: Needle Mountains, Steamboat Mountain, Broken Ridge, Paradise  
212 Mountains, Crook Canyon, Hamlin, North Peaks, Mount Escalante, and Antelope Ridge,  
213 according to the region map entitled "Great Basin South" linked in the webpage entitled  
214 "Citizen's Proposal for Wilderness in Utah" at  
215 <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage existed on February 17,  
216 2011;

217 (ix) in Juab County: Deep Creek Mountains, Essex Canyon, Kern Mountains, Wild  
218 Horse Pass, Disappointment Hills, Granite Mountain, Middle Mountains, Tule Valley, Fish  
219 Springs Ridge, Thomas Range, Drum Mountains, Dugway Mountains, Keg Mountains West,  
220 Keg Mountains East, Lion Peak, and Rockwell Little Sahara, according to the region map  
221 entitled "Great Basin Central" linked in the webpage entitled "Citizen's Proposal for  
222 Wilderness in Utah" at <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage  
223 existed on February 17, 2011;

224 (x) in Kane County:

225 (A) Willis Creek North, Willis Creek, Kodachrome Badlands, Mud Springs Canyon,



226 Carcass Canyon, Scorpion, Bryce Boot, Paria-Hackberry Canyons, Fiftymile Canyon,  
227 Hurricane Wash, Upper Kanab Creek, Timber Mountain, Nephi Point, Paradise Canyon,  
228 Wahweap Burning Hills, Fiftymile Bench, Forty Mile Gulch, Sooner Bench 1, 2, & 3, Rock  
229 Cove, Warm Bench, Andalex Not, Vermillion Cliffs, Ladder Canyon, The Cockscomb, Nipple  
230 Bench, Moquith Mountain, Bunting Point, Glass Eye Canyon, and Pine Hollow, according to  
231 the region map entitled "Grand Staircase Escalante" linked at the webpage entitled "Citizen's  
232 Proposal for Wilderness in Utah" at <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the  
233 webpage existed on February 17, 2011; and

234 (B) Orderville Canyon, Jolley Gulch, and Parunuweap Canyon, according to the region  
235 map entitled "Zion/Mohave" linked at the webpage entitled "Citizen's Proposal for Wilderness  
236 in Utah" at <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage existed on  
237 February 17, 2011;

238 (xi) in Millard County: Kern Mountains, Wild Horse Pass, Disappointment Hills,  
239 Granite Mountain, Middle Mountains, Tule Valley, Swasey Mountain, Little Drum Mountains  
240 North, Little Drum Mountains South, Drum Mountains, Snake Valley, Coyote Knoll, Howell  
241 Peak, Tule Valley South, Ledger Canyon, Chalk Knolls, Orr Ridge, Notch View, Bullgrass  
242 Knoll, Notch Peak, Barn Hills, Cricket Mountains, Burbank Pass, Middle Burbank Hills, King  
243 Top, Barn Hills, Red Tops, Middle Burbank Hills, Juniper, Painted Rock Mountain, Black  
244 Hills, Tunnel Springs, Red Canyon, Sand Ridge, Little Sage Valley, Cat Canyon, Headlight  
245 Mountain, Black Hills, Mountain Range Home North, Tweedy Wash, North Wah Wah  
246 Mountains, Jackson Wash, and San Francisco Mountains, according to the region map entitled  
247 "Great Basin Central" linked in the webpage entitled "Citizen's Proposal for Wilderness in  
248 Utah" at <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage existed on  
249 February 17, 2011;

250 (xii) in Piute County: Kingston Ridge, Rocky Ford, and Phonolite Hill, according to  
251 the region map entitled "Great Basin South" linked in the webpage entitled "Citizen's Proposal  
252 for Wilderness in Utah" at <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage  
253 existed on February 17, 2011;

254 (xiii) in San Juan County:

255 (A) Horseshoe Point, Deadhorse Cliffs, Gooseneck, Demon's Playground, Hatch  
256 Canyon, Lockhart Basin, Indian Creek, Hart's Point, Butler Wash, Bridger Jack Mesa, and Shay  
257 Mountain, according to the region map entitled "Canyonlands Basin" linked in the webpage  
258 entitled "Citizen's Proposal for Wilderness in Utah" at  
259 <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage existed on February 17,  
260 2011;

261 (B) Dark Canyon, Copper Point, Fortknocker Canyon, White Canyon, The Needle, Red  
262 Rock Plateau, Upper Red Canyon, and Tuwa Canyon, according to the region map entitled  
263 "Glen Canyon," which is available by clicking the link entitled "Dirty Devil" at the webpage  
264 entitled "Citizen's Proposal for Wilderness in Utah" at  
265 <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage existed on February 17,  
266 2011;

267 (C) Hunters Canyon, Behind the Rocks, Mill Creek, and Coyote Wash, according to  
268 the region map entitled "Moab/La Sal" linked at the webpage entitled "Citizen's Proposal for  
269 Wilderness in Utah" at <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage  
270 existed on February 17, 2011; and

271 (D) Hammond Canyon, Allen Canyon, Mancos Jim Butte, Arch Canyon, Monument  
272 Canyon, Tin Cup Mesa, Cross Canyon, Nokai Dome, Grand Gulch, Fish and Owl Creek  
273 Canyons, Comb Ridge, Road Canyon, The Tabernacle, Lime Creek, San Juan River, and  
274 Valley of the Gods, according to the region map entitled "San Juan" linked at the webpage  
275 entitled "Citizen's Proposal for Wilderness in Utah" at  
276 <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage existed on February 17,  
277 2011;

278 (xiv) in Sevier County: Rock Canyon, Mussentuchit Badland, Limestone Cliffs, and  
279 Jones' Bench, according to the region map entitled "San Rafael Swell" linked at the webpage  
280 entitled "Citizen's Proposal for Wilderness in Utah" at  
281 <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage existed on February 17,

282 2011;

283 (xv) in Tooele County:

284 (A) Silver Island Mountains, Crater Island East, Grassy Mountains North, Grassy  
285 Mountains South, Stansbury Island, Cedar Mountains North, Cedar Mountains Central, Cedar  
286 Mountains South, North Stansbury Mountains, Oquirrh Mountains, and Big Hollow, according  
287 to the region map entitled "Great Basin North" linked in the webpage entitled "Citizen's  
288 Proposal for Wilderness in Utah" at <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the  
289 webpage existed on February 17, 2011, excluding the areas that Congress designated as  
290 wilderness under the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006; and

291 (B) Ochre Mountain, Deep Creek Mountains, Dugway Mountains, Indian Peaks, and  
292 Lion Peak, according to the region map entitled "Great Basin Central" linked in the webpage  
293 entitled "Citizen's Proposal for Wilderness in Utah" at  
294 <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage existed on February 17,  
295 2011;

296 (xvi) in Uintah County:

297 (A) White River, Lower Bitter Creek, Sunday School Canyon, Dragon Canyon, Wolf  
298 Point, Winter Ridge, Seep Canyon, Bitter Creek, Hideout Canyon, Sweetwater Canyon, and  
299 Hell's Hole, according to the region map entitled "Book Cliffs" linked in the webpage entitled  
300 "Citizen's Proposal for Wilderness in Utah" at  
301 <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage existed on February 17,  
302 2011; and

303 (B) Lower Flaming Gorge, Crouse Canyon Stone Bridge Draw, Diamond Mountain,  
304 Wild Mountain, Split Mountain Benches, Vivas Cake Hill, Split Mountain Benches South,  
305 Beach Draw, Stuntz Draw, Moonshine Draw, Bourdette Draw, and Bull Canyon, according to  
306 the region map entitled "Dinosaur" linked in the webpage entitled "Citizen's Proposal for  
307 Wilderness in Utah" at <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage  
308 existed on February 17, 2011;

309 (xvii) in Washington County: Cougar Canyon, Docs Pass, Slaughter Creek, Butcher

310 Knife Canyon, Square Top, Scarecrow Creek, Beaver Dam Wash, Beaver Dam Mountains  
311 North, Beaver Dam Mountains South, Joshua Tree, Beaver Dam Wilderness Expansion, Red  
312 Mountain, Cottonwood Canyon, Taylor Canyon, LaVerkin Creek, Beartrap Canyon, Deep  
313 Creek, Black Ridge, Red Butte, Kolob Creek, Goose Creek, Dry Creek, Zion National Park  
314 Adjacents, Crater Hill, The Watchman, and Canaan Mountain, according to the region map  
315 entitled "Zion/Mohave" linked at the webpage entitled "Citizen's Proposal for Wilderness in  
316 Utah" at <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage existed on  
317 February 17, 2011, excluding the areas that Congress designated as wilderness and  
318 conservation areas under the Omnibus Public Lands Management Act of 2009; and

319 (xviii) in Wayne County:

320 (A) Sweetwater Reef, Upper Horseshoe Canyon, and Labyrinth Canyon, according to  
321 the region map entitled "Canyonlands Basin" linked in the webpage entitled "Citizen's Proposal  
322 for Wilderness in Utah" at <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage  
323 existed on February 17, 2011;

324 (B) Flat Tops and Dirty Devil, according to the region map entitled "Glen Canyon,"  
325 which is available by clicking the link entitled "Dirty Devil" at the webpage entitled "Citizen's  
326 Proposal for Wilderness in Utah" at <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the  
327 webpage existed on February 17, 2011;

328 (C) Fremont Gorge, Pleasant Creek Bench, Notom Bench, Mount Ellen, and Bull  
329 Mountain, according to the region map entitled "Henry Mountains" linked at the webpage  
330 entitled "Citizen's Proposal for Wilderness in Utah" at  
331 <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage existed on February 17,  
332 2011; and

333 (D) Capital Reef Adjacents, Muddy Creek, Wild Horse Mesa, North Blue Flats, Red  
334 Desert, and Factory Butte, according to the region map entitled "San Rafael Swell" linked at  
335 the webpage entitled "Citizen's Proposal for Wilderness in Utah" at  
336 <http://www.protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage existed on February 17,  
337 2011.

338 (b) "Subject lands" also includes all BLM and Forest Service lands in the state that are  
339 not Wilderness Area or Wilderness Study Areas;

340 (c) "Subject lands" does not include the following lands that are the subject of  
341 consideration for a possible federal lands bill and should be managed according to the 2008  
342 Price BLM Field Office Resource Management Plan until a federal lands bill provides  
343 otherwise:

344 (i) Turtle Canyon and Desolation Canyon according to the region map entitled "Book  
345 Cliffs" linked in the webpage entitled "Citizen's Proposal for Wilderness in Utah" at  
346 <http://protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage existed on February 17, 2011;

347 (ii) Labyrinth Canyon, Duma Point, and Horseshoe Point, according to the region map  
348 entitled "Canyonlands Basin" linked in the webpage entitled "Citizen's Proposal for Wilderness  
349 in Utah" at <http://protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage existed on February  
350 17, 2011; and

351 (iii) Devil's Canyon, Sid's Mountain, Mexican Mountain, San Rafael Reef, Hondu  
352 Country, Cedar Mountain, and Wild Horse, according to the region map entitled "San Rafael  
353 Swell" linked at the webpage entitled "Citizen's Proposal for Wilderness in Utah" at  
354 <http://protectwildutah.org/proposal/index.html> as the webpage existed on February 17, 2011.

355 [~~(20)~~] (21) "Uintah Basin Energy Zone" means BLM, Forest Service, and SITLA lands  
356 situated in the following townships in Daggett, Duchesne, and Uintah counties, as more fully  
357 illustrated in the map prepared by the Uintah County GIS Department in February 2012 entitled  
358 "Uintah Basin Utah Energy Zone":

359 (a) in Daggett County, Township 3N Range 17 E, Township 3N Range 18E, Township  
360 3N Range 19E, Township 3N Range 20E, Township 3N Range 22E, Township 3N Range 23E,  
361 Township 3N Range 24E, Township 3N Range 25E, Township 2N Range 17E, Township 2N  
362 Range 18E, Township 2N Range 19E, Township 2N Range 20E, Township 2N Range 21E, and  
363 Township 2S Range 25E;

364 (b) in Duchesne County, Township 3N Range 4W, Township 3N Range 3W, Township  
365 3N Range 2W, Township 3N Range 1W, Township 2N Range 6W, Township 2N Range 5W,

366 Township 2N Range 4W, Township 2N Range 3W, Township 2N Range 1W, Township 1N  
367 Range 9W, Township 1N Range 8W, Township 1N Range 7W, Township 1N Range 6W,  
368 Township 1S Range 9W, Township 1S Range 8W, Township 4S Range 9W, Township 4S  
369 Range 3W, Township 4S Range 2W, Township 4S Range 1W, Township 8S Range 15E,  
370 Township 8S Range 16E, Township 8S Range 17E, Township 5S Range 9W, Township 5S  
371 Range 3W, Township 9S Range 15E, Township 9S Range 16E, Township 9S Range 17E,  
372 Township 6S Range 9W, Township 6S Range 8W, Township 6S Range 7W, Township 6S  
373 Range 6W, Township 6S Range 5W, Township 6S Range 3W, Township 10S Range 15E,  
374 Township 10S Range 16E, Township 10S Range 17E, Township 7S Range 9W, Township 7S  
375 Range 8W, Township 7S Range 7W, Township 7S Range 6W, Township 7S Range 5W,  
376 Township 7S Range 4W, Township 10S Range 11E, Township 10S Range 12E, Township 10S  
377 Range 13E, Township 10S Range 14E, Township 10S Range 15E, Township 10S Range 16E,  
378 Township 10S Range 17E, Township 11S Range 10E, Township 11S Range 11E, Township  
379 11S Range 12E, Township 11S Range 13E, Township 11S Range 14E, Township 11S Range  
380 15E, Township 11S Range 16E, and Township 11S Range 17E; and

381 (c) in Uintah County: Township 2S Range 18E, Township 2S Range 19E, Township  
382 2S Range 20E, Township 2S Range 21E, Township 2S Range 22E, Township 2S Range 23E,  
383 Township 2S Range 24E, Township 2N Range 1W, Township 2N Range 1E, Township 2N  
384 Range 2E, Township 3S Range 18E, Township 3S Range 19E, Township 3S Range 20E,  
385 Township 3S Range 21E, Township 3S Range 22E, Township 3S Range 23E, Township 3S  
386 Range 24E, Township 4S Range 19E, Township 4S Range 20E, Township 4S Range 21E,  
387 Township 4S Range 22E, Township 4S Range 23E, Township 4S Range 24E, Township 4S  
388 Range 25E, Township 5S Range 19E, Township 5S Range 20E, Township 5S Range 21E,  
389 Township 5S Range 22E, Township 5S Range 23E, Township 5S Range 24E, Township 5S  
390 Range 25E, Township 6S Range 19E, Township 6S Range 20E, Township 6S Range 21E,  
391 Township 6S Range 22E, Township 6S Range 23E, Township 6S Range 24E, Township 6S  
392 Range 25E, Township 7S Range 19E, Township 7S Range 20E, Township 7S Range 21E,  
393 Township 7S Range 22E, Township 7S Range 23E, Township 7S Range 24E, Township 7S

394 Range 25E, Township 8S Range 17E, Township 8S Range 18E, Township 8S Range 19E,  
395 Township 8S Range 20E, Township 8S Range 21E, Township 8S Range 22E, Township 8S  
396 Range 23E, Township 8S Range 24E, Township 8S Range 25E, Township 9S Range 17E,  
397 Township 9S Range 18E, Township 9S Range 19E, Township 9S Range 20E, Township 9S  
398 Range 21E, Township 9S Range 22E, Township 9S Range 23E, Township 9S Range 24E,  
399 Township 9S Range 25E, Township 10S Range 17E, Township 10S Range 18E, Township 10S  
400 Range 19E, Township 10S Range 20E, Township 10S Range 21E, Township 10S Range 22E,  
401 Township 10S Range 23E, Township 10S Range 24E, Township 10S Range 25E, Township  
402 11S Range 17E, Township 11S Range 18E, Township 11S Range 19E, Township 11S Range  
403 20E, Township 11S Range 21E, Township 11S Range 22E, Township 11S Range 23E,  
404 Township 11S Range 24E, Township 11S Range 25E, Township 12S Range 20E, Township  
405 12S Range 21E, Township 12S Range 22E, Township 12S Range 23E, Township 12S Range  
406 24E, Township 12S Range 25E, Township 13S Range 20E, Township 13S Range 21E,  
407 Township 13S Range 22E, Township 13S Range 23E, Township 13S Range 24E, Township  
408 13S Range 25E, Township 13S Range 26 E, Township 14S Range 21E, Township 14S Range  
409 22E, Township 14S Range 23E, Township 14S Range 24E, Township 14S Range 25E, and  
410 Township 14S Range 26E.

411 ~~[(21)]~~ (22) "Wilderness" is as defined in 16 U.S.C. Sec. 1131.

412 ~~[(22)]~~ (23) "Wilderness area" means those BLM and Forest Service lands added to the  
413 National Wilderness Preservation System by an act of Congress.

414 ~~[(23)]~~ (24) "Wilderness Preservation System" means the Wilderness Preservation  
415 System established in 16 U.S.C. Sec. 1131 et seq.

416 ~~[(24)]~~ (25) "WSA" and "Wilderness Study Area" mean the BLM lands in Utah that  
417 were identified as having the necessary wilderness character and were classified as wilderness  
418 study areas during the BLM wilderness review conducted between 1976 and 1993 by authority  
419 of 43 U.S.C. Sec. 1782 and labeled as Wilderness Study Areas within the final report of the  
420 President of the United States to the United States Congress in 1993.

421 Section 2. Section **63J-8-105** is amended to read:

422 **63J-8-105. Maps available for public review.**

423 A printed copy of the maps referenced in Subsections 63J-8-102[~~(11)~~ and ~~(19)~~] (8),  
424 (20), and (21) shall be available for inspection by the public at the offices of the Utah  
425 Association of Counties.

426 Section 3. Section **63J-8-105.7** is enacted to read:

427 **63J-8-105.7. Green River Energy Zone established -- Findings -- Management and**  
428 **land use priorities.**

429 (1) There is established the Green River Energy Zone in Carbon and Emery Counties  
430 for the purpose of maximizing efficient and responsible development of energy and mineral  
431 resources.

432 (2) The land area and boundaries of the Green River Energy Zone are described in  
433 63J-8-102(8) and illustrated on the maps described in Section 63J-8-105.

434 (3) The state finds that:

435 (a) the lands comprising the Green River Energy Zone contain abundant world-class  
436 deposits of energy and mineral resources, including oil, natural gas, oil shale, oil sands,  
437 gilsonite, coal, phosphate, gold, uranium, and copper, as well as areas with high wind and solar  
438 energy potential;

439 (b) for lands within the Carbon County portion of the Green River Energy Zone, the  
440 highest management priority is the responsible management, development, and extraction of  
441 existing energy and mineral resources in order to provide long-term domestic energy and  
442 supplies for Utah and the United States; and

443 (c) for lands within the Emery County portion of the Green River Energy Zone:

444 (i) the responsible management and development of existing energy and mineral  
445 resources in order to provide long-term domestic energy and supplies for Utah and the United  
446 States is a high management priority; and

447 (ii) the management priority described in Subsection (3)(c)(i) should be balanced with  
448 the following high management priorities:

449 (A) watershed health;



- 450           (B) water storage and water delivery systems;
- 451           (C) Emery County Heritage Sites;
- 452           (D) facilities and resources associated with the domestic livestock industry;
- 453           (E) wildlife and wildlife habitat; and
- 454           (F) recreation opportunities.
- 455           (4) The state supports:
- 456           (a) efficient and responsible full development of all existing energy and mineral
- 457 resources located within the Green River Energy Zone, including oil, oil shale, natural gas, oil
- 458 sands, gilsonite, coal, phosphate, gold, uranium, copper, solar, and wind resources; and
- 459           (b) a cooperative management approach by federal agencies, the state of Utah, and
- 460 local governments to achieve broadly supported management plans for the full development of
- 461 all energy and mineral resources within the Green River Energy Zone.
- 462           (5) The state requests that the federal agencies that administer lands within the Green
- 463 River Energy Zone:
- 464           (a) fully cooperate and coordinate with the state of Utah and with Carbon and Emery
- 465 Counties to develop, amend, and implement land and resource management plans and to
- 466 implement management decisions that are consistent with the purposes, goals, and policies
- 467 described in this section to the maximum extent allowed under federal law;
- 468           (b) expedite the processing, granting, and streamlining of mineral and energy leases
- 469 and applications to drill, extract, and otherwise develop all existing energy and mineral
- 470 resources located within the Green River Energy Zone, including oil, natural gas, oil shale, oil
- 471 sands, gilsonite, coal, phosphate, gold, uranium, copper, solar, and wind resources;
- 472           (c) allow continued maintenance and increased development of roads, power lines,
- 473 pipeline infrastructure, and other utilities necessary to achieve the goals, purposes, and policies
- 474 described in this section;
- 475           (d) refrain from any planning decisions and management actions that will undermine,
- 476 restrict, or diminish the goals, purposes, and policies for the Green River Energy Zone as stated
- 477 in this section; and

478 (e) refrain from implementing a policy that is contrary to the goals and purposes within  
479 this section.

480 (6) The state calls upon Congress to establish an intergovernmental standing  
481 commission, with membership consisting of representatives from the United States  
482 government, the state of Utah, and local governments to guide and control planning and  
483 management actions in the Green River Energy Zone in order to achieve and maintain the  
484 goals, purposes, and policies described in this section.

485 (7) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the state's grazing and livestock  
486 policies and plans on land within the Green River Energy Zone shall continue to be governed  
487 by Sections 63J-4-401 and 63J-8-104.

488 Section 4. **Effective date.**

489 If approved by two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, this bill takes effect  
490 upon approval by the governor, or the day following the constitutional time limit of Utah  
491 Constitution Article VII, Section 8, without the governor's signature, or in the case of a veto,  
492 the date of veto override.

493 Section 5. **Coordinating S.B. 277 with H.B. 382 -- Technical and merging**  
494 **amendments.**

495 If this S.B. 277 and H.B. 382, Escalante Region Grazing Zone, both pass and become  
496 law, the Legislature intends that the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel shall  
497 prepare the Utah Code database for publication as follows:

498 (1) change all cross references in Section 63J-8-105 to reflect the renumbering that  
499 resulted from merging Section 63J-8-102; and

500 (2) change the cross reference in Subsection 63J-8-105.7(2) from "63J-8-102(8)" to  
501 "63J-8-102(9)".