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Representative Keven J. Stratton proposes the following substitute bill:

### JOINT RESOLUTION ON THE FORMATION OF PUBLIC LAND MANAGEMENT PLANS

2019 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Keven J. Stratton**

Senate Sponsor: David P. Hinkins

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#### LONG TITLE

~~{Committee Note:~~

~~—————The Commission for the Stewardship of Public Lands recommended this bill.~~

~~—————Legislative Vote: 6 voting for 1 voting against 1 absent~~

~~{General Description:~~

This joint resolution expresses support for a process of forming land use plans for certain federally ~~{controlled}~~managed public lands in the state.

#### Highlighted Provisions:

This resolution:

- ▶ affirms the state's commitment to its public lands;
- ▶ asserts that the state should form legislatively approved land use plans for federally

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~~{controlled}~~managed public lands in the state to better ensure that the land management reflects state and local interests;

- ▶ recognizes the Commission for the Stewardship of Public Lands as the appropriate legislative entity to oversee the formation of the land use plans;
- ▶ identifies certain areas of federally ~~{controlled}~~managed public lands that are of heightened concern to the state; and
- ▶ supports the Commission for the Stewardship of Public Lands issuing a request for proposals to hire a consultant to form land use plans for federally

~~{controlled}~~managed public lands that are of heightened concern to submit to the Legislature for its approval.

### Special Clauses:

None

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*Be it resolved by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

WHEREAS, the state of Utah is a premier public lands state and is committed to remaining a public lands state;

WHEREAS, Utah's public lands provide unique opportunities for outdoor recreation including skiing, camping, hunting, fishing, biking, rock climbing, and spelunking in addition to economic opportunities like responsible timber harvesting, mineral development, wind and solar energy development, and livestock grazing;

WHEREAS, the federal government controls more than 66% of all land in the state of Utah;

WHEREAS, the ~~{federal government has managed Utah's}~~current condition of a significant portion of the federally ~~{controlled}~~managed public lands ~~{without meaningful state or local consultation or input}~~;

~~WHEREAS, the federal government's failure to meaningfully consider state or local input has resulted in mismanagement and}~~in the state has jeopardized Utah communities, forests, wildlife, economies, recreational opportunities, water quality, and air quality;

WHEREAS, the ~~{mismanagement}~~management of federally ~~{controlled}~~managed public lands in the state has infringed upon and undermined the jurisdiction and duties of the state of Utah to protect the health, safety, and welfare of its citizens;

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WHEREAS, there are certain areas of federally ~~controlled~~managed public lands that are of heightened concern to the state, including the Bears Ears National Monument, the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument, certain areas in Emery County, and certain areas of the central Wasatch Range;

WHEREAS, the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) requires the Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) to form land use plans for federally ~~controlled~~managed public lands;

WHEREAS, the Secretary's land use plans must be "consistent with State and local plans to the maximum extent [the Secretary] finds consistent with Federal law and the purposes of [FLPMA].";

WHEREAS, the state of Utah has not formed legislatively approved land use plans for the state's federally ~~controlled~~managed public lands;

WHEREAS, the state is committed to improving the way public lands are managed in the state;

WHEREAS, in 2018, the Legislature adopted a statewide resource management plan that addresses natural resources on federally ~~controlled~~managed public lands and was the result of significant public input and a collaborative effort between the state and each of Utah's 29 counties;

WHEREAS, the Utah Public Land Management Act, enacted in 2016, and the Utah Wilderness Act, enacted in 2014, provide a legislative framework for caring for Utah's public lands;

WHEREAS, local jurisdictions have done significant work regarding the management of federally ~~controlled~~managed public lands based on extensive public input;

WHEREAS, the state of Utah, not the federal government, is in the best position to form land use plans that ensure appropriate conservation, secure public access, encourage multiple use, grow the economy, and sustain proper land management;

WHEREAS, forming land use plans for federally ~~controlled~~managed public lands will give the state greater and more appropriate control over the land use plans used to manage federally ~~controlled~~managed public lands in the state;

WHEREAS, in 2014 the Utah Legislature established the Commission for the Stewardship of Public Lands, in part, to make recommendations regarding the state's sovereign

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right to protect the health, safety, and welfare of its citizens as it relates to public lands; and

WHEREAS, the Commission for the Stewardship of Public Lands has the ~~{expertise}~~responsibility to oversee the formation of land use plans for federally ~~{controlled}~~managed public lands in the state:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah recognizes the importance of the state forming legislatively approved land use plans for federally ~~{controlled}~~managed public lands in the state, especially those of heightened concern.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the land use plans draw upon and integrate work already completed in the area of public land management, including the efforts of local jurisdictions, the statewide resource management plan, and existing state law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature supports the Commission for the Stewardship of Public Lands issuing a request for proposals to hire a consultant to form land use plans for federally ~~{controlled}~~managed public lands that are of heightened concern to submit to the Legislature for its approval.