

90 (d) conduct a review in 2002 and each year thereafter to determine progress statewide  
 91 on accomplishing the purposes of this chapter, and give a report of each review to the Political  
 92 Subdivisions Interim Committee of the Legislature by November 30 of the year of the review;

93 (e) administer the program as provided in this chapter;

94 (f) assist as many local entities as possible, at their request, to identify principles of  
 95 growth that the local entity may consider implementing to help achieve the highest possible  
 96 quality of growth for that entity;

97 (g) fulfill other responsibilities imposed on the commission by the Legislature; and

98 (h) fulfill all other duties imposed on the commission by this chapter.

99 (2) The commission may sell, lease, or otherwise dispose of equipment or personal  
 100 property belonging to the program, the proceeds from which shall return to the fund.

101 (3) The commission may not exercise any regulatory authority. The commission may  
 102 make rules, in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, to  
 103 designate a nationally recognized entity ~~H→ [that establishes standards and accredits]~~

103a to accredit ←H an entity to

104 ~~H→ [operate] act ←H as H→ [a] an accredited ←H land trust H→ entity ←H .~~

105 (4) In carrying out the commission's powers and duties under this chapter, the  
 106 commission shall adopt ranking criteria that is substantially similar to the ranking criteria used  
 107 by the Agriculture Conservation Easement Program and Agriculture Land Easement as  
 108 determined by the Natural Resources Conservation Service under the United States Department  
 109 of Agriculture.

110 Section 3. Section **11-38-302** is amended to read:

111 **11-38-302. Use of money in program -- Criteria -- Administration.**

112 (1) Subject to Subsection (2), the commission may authorize the use of money in the  
 113 program, by grant, to:

114 (a) a local entity;

115 (b) the Department of Natural Resources created under Section 79-2-201;

116 (c) the Department of Agriculture and Food created under Section 4-2-102; or

117 (d) a charitable organization that qualifies as being tax exempt under Section 501(c)(3),  
 118 Internal Revenue Code.

119 (2) (a) The money in the program shall be used for preserving or restoring open land  
 120 and agricultural land.