

**JORDAN RIVER RECREATION AREA AMENDMENTS**

2022 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill addresses Jordan River improvement projects.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ modifies the size of the Jordan River Recreation Area or zone;
- ▶ addresses grants; and
- ▶ makes technical changes.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

This bill appropriates in fiscal year 2023:

- ▶ to Department of Natural Resources -- Division of Forestry, Fire, and State Lands, as an ongoing appropriation:
  - from the General Fund, \$190,000.

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

AMENDS:

**65A-2-8**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2020, Chapter 157

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

Section 1. Section **65A-2-8** is amended to read:

**65A-2-8. Jordan River improvement projects.**

(1) As used in this section:

(a) "Commission" means the Jordan River Commission created by interlocal agreement.

(b) "Zone" means the Jordan River Recreation Area, the area 250 yards on each side of the Jordan River from the edge of the river between SR-201 and [~~4800~~] 5400 South.

(2) The division, subject to applicable federal, state, and local laws and ordinances and Subsections (3) and (4), may:

(a) expend money for the following purposes:

(i) enhancing safety, recreation, and conservation in the zone;

(ii) capital improvements within the zone, including:

(A) lighting along the Jordan River and within the zone;

(B) completing construction of a paved pathway on both sides of the Jordan River within the zone;

(C) building a boat launch, picnic pavilion, bench, restroom, or other amenity within the zone; and

(D) supporting Tracy Aviary, a nature area, bike or boat rental concessionaire, or other partnerships to enhance recreation in the zone;

(iii) funding programs to clean the zone, remove invasive species, and restore riparian habitat;

(iv) hiring or contracting for personnel to perform tasks as directed by the commission;

(v) partnering or contracting with an urban ranger or conservation corp operated by a state institution of higher education or similar service-oriented organizations or programs:

(A) to provide trail, river, and parkway maintenance, invasive species removal and revegetation, emergency care, and environmental education for the area 250 yards on each side

56 of the Jordan River from the edge of the river for the entire length of the river; and

57 (B) to report to the appropriate public official all health, safety, or law enforcement  
58 concerns that the organization encounters, as directed by the commission; and

59 (vi) partnering or contracting with local law enforcement or a certified peace officer to  
60 provide patrol, security, and law enforcement for the area 250 yards on each side of the Jordan  
61 River from the edge of the river for the entire length of the river; and

62 (b) purchase, lease, sell, or dispose of property or an easement within the zone to  
63 achieve the goals in Subsection (2)(a).

64 (3) (a) Before engaging in any activity described in Subsections (2)(a)(i) through  
65 (2)(a)(iii) or Subsection (2)(b), the division shall receive the approval of:

66 (i) the commission;

67 (ii) any relevant governmental entity that owns or is responsible for the maintenance of  
68 real property within the zone, including Salt Lake County Flood Control; and

69 (iii) the relevant municipality within the zone.

70 (b) Before engaging in any activity described in Subsections (2)(a)(iv) through  
71 (2)(a)(vi), the division shall:

72 (i) receive the approval of the commission; and

73 (ii) consult with:

74 (A) any relevant governmental entity that owns or is responsible for the maintenance of  
75 real property within the zone; and

76 (B) the relevant municipality within the zone.

77 (4) (a) The programs described in this section may only be implemented as  
78 appropriations from the Legislature allow.

79 (b) (i) Money appropriated to programs in this section [~~are~~] is managed by the division  
80 in accordance with this section[:] and may include the division dispersing money through  
81 issuing grants.

82 (ii) The division shall:

83 (A) before December 31, 2022, issue a five-year grant to a zoo, aviary, nature center, or

84 other educational program located within the zone; and

85 (B) renew the grant described in Subsection (4)(b)(ii)(A) every five years.

86 (c) Money that the Legislature appropriates to programs described in this section [are]  
87 is nonlapsing in accordance with Section 63J-1-602.2.

88 Section 2. **Appropriation.**

89 The following sums of money are appropriated for the fiscal year beginning July 1,  
90 2022, and ending June 30, 2023. These are additions to amounts previously appropriated for  
91 fiscal year 2023. Under the terms and conditions of Title 63J, Chapter 1, Budgetary Procedures  
92 Act, the Legislature appropriates the following sums of money from the funds or accounts  
93 indicated for the use and support of the government of the state of Utah.

94 ITEM 1

95 To Department of Natural Resources -- Division of Forestry, Fire, and State Lands

96 From General Fund \$190,000

97 Schedule of Programs:

98 Project management \$190,000

99 The Legislature intends that the appropriation under this item fund a grant described in  
100 Subsection 65A-2-8(4)(b)(ii). An appropriation under this item is nonlapsing.