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Senator Curtis S. Bramble proposes the following substitute bill:

### UTAH LAKE AND GREAT SALT LAKE STUDY

#### AMENDMENTS

2024 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Curtis S. Bramble**

House Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

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#### LONG TITLE

##### General Description:

This bill addresses the study of Utah Lake.

##### Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ requires the Division of Forestry, Fire, and State Lands (division) to conduct a study meeting certain requirements;

~~{~~ → requires the division to develop an implementation plan;

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- ▶ requires reporting;
  - ▶ provides a sunset date; and
  - ▶ makes technical changes.

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### Money Appropriated in this Bill:

This bill appropriates in fiscal year 2024:

- ▶ to Department of Natural Resources - Forestry, Fire, and State Lands - Project Management as a one-time appropriation:
  - from the General Fund, One-time, \$1,500,000
- ▶ to Transfers to Unrestricted Funds - General Fund as a one-time appropriation:
  - from Nonlapsing Balances, \$1,500,000

### Other Special Clauses:

None

### Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

**63I-1-265**, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2020, Chapter 154

ENACTS:

**65A-10-5**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

Section 1. Section **63I-1-265** is amended to read:

**63I-1-265. Repeal dates: Title 65A.**

(1) Section 65A-8-306, which creates the Heritage Trees Advisory Committee, is repealed July 1, 2026.

(2) Section 65A-10-5, related to a Utah Lake study, is repealed July 1, 2027.

Section 2. Section **65A-10-5** is enacted to read:

**65A-10-5. Utah Lake study~~{-- Implementation plan}~~.**

(1) The division shall conduct a study to determine how to enhance the following benefits associated with Utah Lake in a manner consistent with the division's management authority over sovereign lands under Section 65A-10-1:

(a) ~~{restoring}~~improving the clarity and quality of the water in Utah Lake;

(b) conserving water resources in and around Utah Lake;

~~{~~ (c) preserving the water storage and water supply functions of Utah Lake;

~~}~~ (d) removing invasive plant and animal species, including phragmites and carp, from Utah Lake;

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~~(f)d~~ restoring and improving littoral zone and other plant communities in and around Utah Lake;

~~(ff)e~~ restoring and conserving native fish and other aquatic species in Utah Lake, including Bonneville cutthroat trout and June Sucker;

~~(fg)f~~ increasing the suitability of Utah Lake and its surrounding areas for shore birds, waterfowl, and other avian species;

~~(h)~~ improving navigability of Utah Lake;

~~(fi)g~~ maximizing, enhancing, and ensuring recreational access and opportunities on Utah Lake;

~~(j)~~ preserving current water rights related to water associated with Utah Lake;

~~(k)h~~ otherwise improving the use of Utah Lake for residents and visitors;

~~(fi)i~~ substantially accommodating an existing use on land in or around Utah Lake;  
and

~~(m)i~~ providing any other benefits identified by the division.

(2) To begin the study, the division shall review available information, literature, and data concerning ~~restoring~~ improving Utah Lake, and assess the scientific, technical, measurement, and other informational needs for determining methods to ~~restore~~ enhance Utah Lake.

(3) (a) After complying with Subsection (2), the division shall study the needs identified under Subsection (2) that help to inform and improve discussions about Utah Lake and the ~~restoration~~ enhancement of Utah Lake.

(b) As part of the study under this Subsection (3), the division shall ~~address~~:

(i) respect the need to preserve water rights and interests related to water collection, storage, or delivery and projects for water collection, storage, or delivery associated with Utah Lake; and

(ii) consult with the state engineer to identify conditions associated with Utah Lake that may affect the state's ability to ~~improve water supply delivered~~ deliver water from Utah Lake to the Great Salt Lake under an approved instream flow change application described in Subsection 73-3-30(2).

(4) The division ~~may~~ shall consult with other state agencies and a wide range of stakeholders with diverse interests to assist the division in conducting the study under this

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~~section and developing the implementation plan described in Subsection (6).~~

(5) The division shall complete the study under this section by no later than November 1, 2025.

~~{ (6) The division shall adopt an implementation plan to implement the findings of the study by no later than July 1, 2026.~~

~~{~~ ~~(7)~~ ~~(a)~~ (6) The division shall report the findings of the study and a proposed plan to implement the findings to the Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment Interim Committee by no later than the November 2025 interim meeting of that committee.

~~{(b) 7} ~~{The division shall report the implementation plan to the Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment Interim Committee by no later than the August 2026 interim meeting of that committee}~~ This section may not be interpreted to override, supersede, or modify any water right within the state, or the role and authority of the state engineer.~~

### Section 3. **FY 2024 Appropriation.**

The following sums of money are appropriated for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2024. These are additions to amounts previously appropriated for fiscal year 2024.

#### Subsection 3(a). **Operating and Capital Budgets.**

Under the terms and conditions of Title 63J, Chapter 1, Budgetary Procedures Act, the Legislature appropriates the following sums of money from the funds or accounts indicated for the use and support of the government of the state of Utah.

ITEM 1 To Department of Natural Resources - Forestry, Fire, and State Lands

From General Fund, One-time \$1,500,000

Schedule of Programs:

Project Management \$1,500,000

Under the terms of Section 63J-1-603, the Legislature intends that the \$1,500,000 one-time General Fund appropriation provided by this item for the studying of Utah Lake does not lapse at the close of FY 2024.

#### Subsection 3(b). **Transfers to Unrestricted Funds.**

The Legislature authorizes the State Division of Finance to transfer the following amounts to the unrestricted General Fund, Income Tax Fund, or Uniform School Fund, as indicated, from the restricted funds or accounts indicated. Expenditures and outlays from the

