American Recovery and Reinvestment Act - State Fiscal Stabilization Fund

- Wyoming’s original application of July 2009 would have directed nearly all State Fiscal Stabilization Fund (SFSF) monies to K-12 education.

- October projections of the Consensus Revenue Estimating Group (CREG) demonstrated no shortfall for K-12, for the required time period.

SFSF Distributions

- Last week, USED approved Wyoming’s application for $57 million to be expended for institutions of higher education (UW and community colleges)

- UW’s share would include
  - $5.2 million to avoid tuition and certain fee increases, and to be expended for libraries, instructional excellence, etc.
  - $27 million to replace $22 million in state-funded major maintenance for FY11-12
Conditions and Requirements I

- No increase in tuition and academic fees (state and federal)
- No expenditure on student housing (state)
- Major maintenance replacement funds must comply with both federal and state definition for acceptable costs (state and federal)
- No restoration of “rainy day” funds (federal)
Conditions and Requirements II

- No new construction (federal)
- Must not use monies to increase endowment (federal)
- Not used for routine maintenance of systems, equipment, or facilities (federal)
- Must not be used for modernization, renovation or repair of
  - Stadiums or other facilities primarily used for athletic contests (federal) or
  - Facilities use for sectarian instruction or religious worship (federal)
Conditions and Requirements III

- No use for
  - Aquariums,
  - Zoos,
  - Casinos,
  - Golf courses, or
  - Swimming pools (all federal)
Conditions and Requirements IV

- Enhanced monthly and quarterly reporting (state and federal)
- Encouraged use of green building techniques (state and federal)
- Enhanced contractual requirements with vendors (state and federal)
- Reimbursed expenses, rather than advance payment (federal)
- Must not be used to pay down debt (state)
Timing:

- Major maintenance funding tentatively available beginning March 1, 2010 and must be obligated for state re-distribution purposes by June 30, 2011 and for federal purposes by September 30, 2011.

- General education expenditure funding tentatively available beginning July 1, 2010 and must be obligated for state re-distribution purposes by June 30, 2011 and for federal purposes by September 30, 2011.