

Wyoming Reclamation and Restoration Center Annual Report W.S. 21-16-1603

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W.S. 21-16-1603 requires an annual report to the Education and Appropriations Committees related to this account.

Only \$3,100 remains in the Reclamation and Restoration Challenge Account, leaving it essentially inactive. Given this low balance, the fund has fulfilled its intended purpose, and upon the reversion of this small amount which UW will undertake immediately, the account will be closed and the intent and direction of W.S. 21-16-1601 et seq. fulfilled.

That said, the broader mission of the Wyoming Reclamation and Restoration Center continues. We have transitioned support to other endowed funds, which now sustain ongoing work through the IMAGINE initiative. In this way, the concept and impact of the WRRC live on—supporting education, outreach, and research in reclamation and restoration ecology, while ensuring Wyoming's natural resources are managed responsibly for the future.