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# Stamping for The Future

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## Background

Wyoming State Trust Lands (STL) are mostly used for the extraction of natural resources. We are looking into the idea of adding a recreation permit or license to access STL's to not only help conservation efforts and funds for the beneficiaries

## Thesis

States like Montana and Arizona have a conservation stamp or rec. permit to allow access to STL's. This would be important and needed to implement into Wyoming because it would allow for revenue to still be generated off the lands without causing harm to the environment.

## Methods

- Literature Review and Assessment
- Institutionalized research
- Semi-structured interviews

## Revenue Gained

- Montana, 2.3 million
  - 1.7 million going to schools/beneficiaries
  - Over 604,000 people purchased one.

Bill 521 from 2023 is the foundation for our proposal

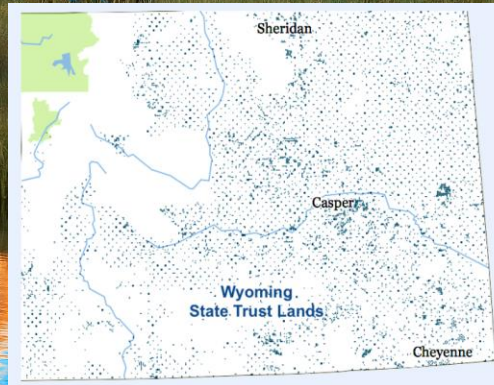
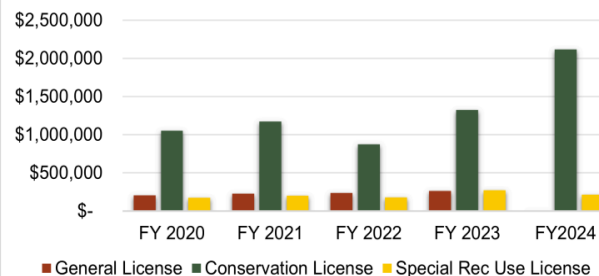


Figure 3  
Recreational Use Revenues



## Analysis/Results

- Montana has the most applicable model for Wyoming
- Some form of this license has been in place for over 20 years allowing Montana to adjust the bill overtime
- Stacked leases would be beneficial and allow for multiple land uses

## Conclusion

- If Wyoming were to implement a New conservation license into practice it would not be immediate, but a long-term goal.
- Enforcement will be a higher concern for Wyoming.
- Overall, this concept for WY could have some larger benefits to not only STL's but conservation and the beneficiaries

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