



**EXECUTIVE AGENCY**  
**FISCAL NOTE**

AGENCY'S ESTIMATES

Date Prepared: February 4, 2025

Agency Submitting: Department of Wildlife

<b>Items of Revenue or Expense, or Both</b>	<b>Fiscal Year 2024-25</b>	<b>Fiscal Year 2025-26</b>	<b>Fiscal Year 2026-27</b>	<b>Effect on Future Biennia</b>
Personnel Services (Budget Account 4466 Category 01) (Expense)		\$123,056	\$125,893	\$248,949
Out-of-State Travel (Budget Account 4466 Category 02) (Expense)		\$3,400	\$3,400	\$6,800
In-State Travel (Budget Account 4466 Category 03) (Expense)		\$6,000	\$6,000	\$12,000
Operatin (Budget Account 4466 Category 04) (Expense)		\$84	\$84	\$168
Equipment (Budget Account 4466 Category 05) (Expense)		\$86,114		
Operating Supplies (Budget Account 4466 Category 12) (Expense)		\$2,500	\$2,500	\$5,000
Information Services (Budget Account 4466 Category 26) (Expense)		\$706	\$683	\$1,389
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$221,860</b>	<b>\$138,560</b>	<b>\$274,306</b>

Explanation

(Use Additional Sheets of Attachments, if required)

The agency has reviewed BDR 45-229 and has determined that there would be fiscal impact to the agency. The BDR would provide management authority to the Nevada Department of Wildlife for non-pest, terrestrial invertebrate Species of Greatest Conservation Need as designated by the Nevada State Wildlife Action Plan (SWAP). There is a large amount of diversity in the types of terrestrial invertebrates that occur in Nevada, including ants, butterflies, bees, and beetles. Currently, the Department and its partners have identified 66 species within the SWAP, the majority of which are bees and butterflies. Managing these species requires specialized knowledge and expertise, which the Department currently lacks. In addition, the Department's Biodiversity Division is the smallest division within the Department, yet has the largest responsibility for wildlife that are not hunted or fished, and therefore lacks the capacity to adequately conserve and manage an additional 66 species. A dedicated Wildlife Staff Specialist position would be required to work with other state and federal partners to implement conservation actions identified within the SWAP, including increasing knowledge of the distribution and status of these species, restoring habitats these species rely upon, and establishing a rare invertebrate program, to coordinate management activities and increase outreach and education on Nevada's insects. Funding for this position is requested from the General Fund. The Biodiversity Division is partially funded by Federal State Wildlife and Wildlife Restoration Grants. These funding sources are limited and annually variable, and currently does not provide adequate funding for all the species the Division is responsible for managing. Invertebrate management and conservation are ineligible grant expenses for other sources of federal grants the Department receives. Therefore, General Fund support is required.

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**GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF FINANCE COMMENTS**

The agency's response appears reasonable.

Date Friday, January 31, 2025

Name Tiffany Greenameyer  
 Title Director

2025-2027 Biennium (FY26-27)

Budget Account: 4466 WILDLIFE - BIODIVERSITY DIVISION

WILDLIFE STAFF SPECIALIST

Item No Description		Fiscal Year 2025- 2026	Fiscal Year 2026- 2027	Effect on Future Biennia
<b>ECONOMIC GROWTH &amp; BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT</b>				
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>				
<b>01 PERSONNEL SERVICES</b>				
5100	SALARIES	87,571	91,496	179,067
5200	WORKERS COMPENSATION	2,714	1,346	4,060
5300	RETIREMENT	16,857	17,613	34,470
5400	PERSONNEL ASSESSMENT	355	355	710
5500	GROUP INSURANCE	11,892	11,316	23,208
5700	PAYROLL ASSESSMENT	107	107	214
5750	RETIRED EMPLOYEES GROUP INSURANCE	2,268	2,287	4,555
5800	UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	22	46	68
5840	MEDICARE	1,270	1,327	2,597
<b>TOTAL FOR CATEGORY 01</b>		<b>123,056</b>	<b>125,893</b>	<b>248,949</b>
<b>02 OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL</b>				
6000	TRAVEL	3,400	3,400	6,800
<b>TOTAL FOR CATEGORY 02</b>		<b>3,400</b>	<b>3,400</b>	<b>6,800</b>
<b>03 IN-STATE TRAVEL</b>				
6000	TRAVEL	6,000	6,000	12,000
<b>TOTAL FOR CATEGORY 03</b>		<b>6,000</b>	<b>6,000</b>	<b>12,000</b>
<b>04 OPERATING</b>				
7050	EMPLOYEE BOND INSURANCE	3	3	6
7054	AG TORT CLAIM ASSESSMENT	81	81	162
<b>TOTAL FOR CATEGORY 04</b>		<b>84</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>168</b>
<b>05 EQUIPMENT</b>				
7460	EQUIPMENT PURCHASES < \$1,000	2,230	0	0
7771	COMPUTER SOFTWARE <\$5,000 - A	505	0	0
8241	NEW FURNISHINGS <\$5,000 - A	3,957	0	0
8250	NEW MAJOR EQUIPMENT >\$5,000	4,495	0	0
8310	PICK-UPS, VANS - NEW	73,041	0	0
8371	COMPUTER HARDWARE <\$5,000 - A	1,886	0	0
<b>TOTAL FOR CATEGORY 05</b>		<b>86,114</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

<b>12</b>	<b>INVERTEBRATE</b>				
	7020	OPERATING SUPPLIES	2,500	2,500	5,000
		<b>TOTAL FOR CATEGORY 12</b>	<b>2,500</b>	<b>2,500</b>	<b>5,000</b>
<b>26</b>	<b>INFORMATION SERVICES</b>				
	7554	EITS INFRASTRUCTURE ASSESSMENT	557	534	1,091
	7556	EITS SECURITY ASSESSMENT	149	149	298
		<b>TOTAL FOR CATEGORY 26</b>	<b>706</b>	<b>683</b>	<b>1,389</b>
		<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR DECISION UNIT</b>	<b>221,860</b>	<b>138,560</b>	<b>274,306</b>