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FINAL FISCAL NOTE

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Bill Topic: STATE PARKS IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATION

- Summary of Fiscal Impact:
- State Revenue
- TABOR Refund
- State Expenditure
- Local Government
- State Transfer
- Statutory Public Entity

The bill provides \$1.0 million to the Department of Natural Resources for infrastructure projects at the new Fishers Peak State Park. It increases expenditures in DNR and reduces expenditures in OIT by an equivalent amount, resulting in no net change in state expenditures.

Appropriation Summary: For FY 2020-21, the bill appropriates \$1.0 million to the Department of Natural Resources and reduces appropriations by \$1.0 million in the Office of Information Technology.

Fiscal Note Status: The fiscal note reflects the enacted bill.

Table 1
State Fiscal Impacts Under SB 20-003

Table with 4 columns: Category, Sub-category, FY 2020-21, and FY 2021-22. Rows include Revenue, Expenditures (General Fund, Capital Construction Fund, Total), Transfers (General Fund, Capital Construction Fund, Total), and TABOR Refund.

Summary of Legislation

The bill transfers \$1.0 million from the General Fund to the Capital Construction Fund and appropriates it to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). The appropriation is for infrastructure development projects, including cultural and natural resource studies, at the new Fishers Peak State Park. The Parks and Wildlife Commission must submit a report to the General Assembly detailing state park funding needs and shortfalls by December 1, 2021.

The bill decreases General Fund appropriations for applications administration in the Office of Information Technology (OIT) by \$1.0 million.

State Revenue

The bill may increase state cash fund revenue from gifts, grants, and donations. The bill directs DNR to seek, accept, and expend any gifts, grants, or donations to develop and improve Fishers Peak State Park. However, no sources of gifts, grants, or donations have been identified at this time. Gifts, grants, and donations are exempt from TABOR revenue limits.

State Transfers

The bill transfers \$1.0 million from the General Fund to the Capital Construction Fund in FY 2020-21.

State Expenditures

The bill increases cash fund expenditures and decreases General Fund expenditures by \$1.0 million each in FY 2020-21, resulting in no net change in total state expenditures.

- *Department of Natural Resources.* Expenditures in the DNR will increase by \$1.0 million from the Capital Construction Fund. For any project initiated in FY 2020-21, the appropriation is available for up to three years. This fiscal note assumes that future staffing needs and operating costs for the Fishers Peak State Park will be addressed through the annual budget process.
- *Office of Information Technology.* Expenditures in OIT for applications administration will decrease by \$1.0 million from the General Fund.

Effective Date

The bill was signed into law by the Governor and took effect on June 29, 2020.

State Appropriations

For FY 2020-21, the bill appropriates \$1.0 million to the Departments of Natural Resources from the Capital Construction Fund, and reduces General Fund appropriations in the Office of Information Technology by \$1.0 million.

State and Local Government Contacts

Natural Resources