

**CITY OF LARAMIE, WYOMING  
RESOLUTION 2023-63**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE  
WYOMING WATER DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (WWDC) FOR LEVEL III  
CONSTRUCTION GRANT AND LOAN FUNDING FOR THE DOWLIN DIVERSION  
REHABILITATION AND FISH PASSAGE PROJECT**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Laramie, Wyoming (herein after referred to as "City") adopted the Monolith Ranch Committee Management and Long-Term Goals and Objectives, Resolution 2017-56; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Goals and Objectives included the preservation and protection of the Laramie River and protecting riparian/wetland areas and irrigated meadows while continuing current ranching activities to realize a revenue return to the City; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Dowlin Diversion structure on the Laramie River is nearing its useful service life and in poor condition and it is necessary to rehabilitate the diversion dam and intake structure to meet the City's long-term goals of water transfer; and,

**WHEREAS**, in 2016, the Upper Laramie Watershed Study listed the Dowlin Diversion Dam as a complete barrier to fish passage on the Laramie River; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Wyoming Game and Fish Department (WGFD) ranked the Dowlin Diversion as one of two structures on the river of highest concern for impeding fish passage; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City of Laramie values partnership opportunities with other entities; and,

**WHEREAS**, in partnership with the Wyoming Water Development Commission, the City of Laramie has completed a Level II Study of the Dowlin Diversion structure and identified a preferred alternative for replacing structure that will facilitate ease and safety of use, as well as provide fish passage during most flow rates; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Level II study has been accepted as complete by the City Council on July 18, 2023; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF LARAMIE, WYOMING, DOES HEREBY:**

**Section 1.** Authorize the submission of an application for Level III Construction funding in an amount up to \$2,359,000.00, with a request that the WWDC allocate 50% as a Grant and 50% as a Loan; and,

**Section 2.** Authorizes the City Manager to act as signatory for the project and to support the ongoing work of staff to identify prospective potential funding partners in an effort to secure additional grants as necessary to fund the project to completion.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED the 15th day of August 2023.



Brian Harrington  
Brian Harrington  
Mayor and President of the City Council

ATTEST:

Nancy Bartholomew  
Nancy Bartholomew, CMC  
City Clerk

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

STATE OF WYOMING     )  
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COUNTY OF ALBANY    )

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by Brian Harrington and Nancy Bartholomew, the Mayor and City Clerk of the City of Laramie, Wyoming, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2023.

Witness my hand and official seal.

Nancy A. Oakland-Potter  
Notary Public

My Commission expires: May 29, 2028.

NANCY A. OAKLAND-POTTER  
Notary Public - State of Wyoming  
Commission ID # 161479  
My Commission Expires  
May 29, 2028