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June 30, 2025

SUBJECT: West Traverse Sentinel Landscape Report

The Honorable Spencer J. Cox Governor of the State of Utah 350 State St #200 Salt Lake City, UT 84114

Dear Governor Cox:

The Utah National Guard (UTNG) and West Traverse Sentinel Landscape (WTSL) Committee are pleased to present this report of fiscal year (FY) 2024 activities in accordance with UCA 39-10-104 (5).

FY 2024: We completed acquisition/easements on three (3) separate parcels totaling 139.8 acres of Priority One properties totaling \$8,013,482.09. The WTSL share was \$2,060,703.10 for a share of 25% with matching funds coming from the federal government and landowners.

FY 2025: The following transactions are ones we are currently working and plan to close prior to the end of FY 2025

West Traverse Sentinel Landscape Pending 2025 Transactions				
	Transaction Expected Funding			
Acres	Location	Total	WTSL	WTSL Share
55	South Border Priority Area 1	\$ 5,200,000	\$ 1,900,000	36%
68	South Border Priority Area 1	\$ 1,323,660	\$ 600,000	45%
	Easement Transfer to Utah Open Lands	Monitoring/ Stewardship Fees	\$ 75,000	
73.5	Herriman North Border, Priority Area 1	\$ 2,137,600	\$ 750,000	35%
196.5		\$ 8,661,260	\$ 3,325,000	38%

The WTSL Committee has identified 11,314 acres for participation in the program. Since 2015, 4,709.8 acres have been protected by easement or Fee Simple Purchase. Over \$39 million in federal funds have been invested. The WTSL was recently approved for a Regional Conservation Partnership Program with the NRCS. This partnership will bring an additional \$5 million in matching funds over the next five years.

In 2025, The WTSL will also utilize other encroachment efforts as outlined in Utah H.B 265 to protect the properties from any further development. Baseline studies and annual monitoring will be secured on all parcels the state has provided funding for.

We express our sincere appreciation for your support. This program is essential to ensure the long-term training capability at Camp Williams for the Utah National Guard.

Sincerely,

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