

NATURAL RESOURCES

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Summary: FY 2009-10 House Subcommittee Recommendation

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	FY 2008-09 YTD	FY 2009-10 Executive	FY 2009-10 House	FY 2009-10 Senate	FY 2009-10 Enacted	Difference: House From FY 2008-09 YTD
	FY 2008-09 YTD					Amount
						%
IDG/IDT	\$3,802,200	\$3,802,200	\$3,802,200			0 0
Federal	53,802,100	54,763,700	54,763,700			961,600 1.8
Local	0	0	0			0 0
Private	4,745,000	5,381,100	5,381,100			636,100 13.4
Restricted	222,103,600	226,823,900	217,859,700			(4,243,900) (1.9)
GF/GP	10,464,800	17,217,600	17,292,600			6,827,800 65.2
Gross	\$294,917,700	\$301,988,500	\$299,099,300			\$4,181,600 1.4
FTEs	2,173.9	2,267.9	2,208.9			35.0 1.6

Note: FY 2008-09 figures reflect supplementals, transfers, and Executive Order (EO) actions through March 31, 2009.

Overview

The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) manages, conserves, and protects Michigan's resources. Programs include forest management, land and minerals management, wildlife and fisheries management, conservation law enforcement, and state parks and forest campgrounds.

Major Budget Issues

- Programs transferred from the Dept. of History, Arts and Libraries: \$10,014,100
- Game and Fish Protection Fund programs reduced to reflect reduced revenue: (\$8,964,200)
- Federal grant increase for trail development: \$1,800,000
- Snowmobile trail easement purchases: \$700,000
- Capital Outlay: Parks, Forestry, Waterways: \$850,400 increase; Gross: \$15,043,400
- State Park Motor Vehicle Permit Increase (no increase in appropriation)
- Cormorant Population Control: \$75,000, GF/GP
- Rebase funded full time positions: Reduced Exec. Rec. by 59.0 FTE

<u>Major Budget Changes From FY 2008-09 YTD Appropriations</u>	<u>FY 2008-09 YTD</u>	<u>House Change From YTD</u>
1. Historic and Museum Programs: Transferred from DHAL		
Several programs are transferred from the Department of History, Arts and Libraries:		
Mackinac Island State Park	\$3.4 million	FTE 94.0
State Museum.....	\$3.2 million	Gross \$10,014,100
Museum Stores.....	\$0.5 million	Private 112,600
Heritage Publications.....	\$1.0 million	Restricted 3,281,700
Freedom Trail.....	\$0.2 million	GF/GP \$6,619,800
Lighthouse Programs.....	\$0.2 million	
Thunder Bay Underwater Preserve	\$0.2 million	
Mann House.....	\$0.1 million	
State Rent (BOC).....	\$0.9 million	
Information Technology	\$0.4 million	

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2. Game and Fish Protection Fund Supported Programs: Reduced	Gross	\$64,513,700	(\$8,964,200)
Several programs reduced to reflect expected revenue shortfalls in the Game and Fish Protection Fund-General Purpose:	Restricted	64,513,700	(8,964,200)
Administrative Units (Various)	\$955,000		
Land and Facilities.....	\$400,000		
Wildlife Management.....	\$1,700,000		
Fish Production.....	\$700,000		
Fisheries Resource Management.....	\$2,200,000		
Forestry: Coop. Resource Programs	\$220,700		
Forest Management Initiatives.....	\$38,500		
Law Enforcement.....	\$2,550,000		
Inland Fisheries Grants.....	\$200,000		
3. National Recreational Trails Grants	Gross	\$2,150,000	\$1,800,000
The Michigan share for this grant program for trail development and maintenance is increased. Funds are awarded through a competitive application process.	Private	50,000	0
	Federal	2,100,000	1,800,000
4. State Parks Funding: Park Endowment Fund Increase	Gross	\$44,654,200	\$1,000,000
Funding from the State Parks Endowment Fund is increased to make up for deficient revenues from motor vehicle permits and other user fees.	Federal	120,300	0
	Private	363,900	0
	Restricted	44,170,000	1,000,000
5. State Forest Management	Gross	\$15,423,900	\$750,000
Revenue increases, generated during FY 2007-08 through timber harvest activities, are added to the forest management program.	Federal	922,600	0
	Private	822,800	0
	Restricted	13,678,500	750,000
6. Snowmobile Trail Easements	Gross	\$0	\$700,000
Funding, realized through the recently approved fee increase, will be used to purchase or lease easements to lengthen or create snowmobile trails.	Restricted	0	700,000
7. Capital Outlay	Gross	\$14,193,000	\$850,400
Proposed funding for FY2009-10 would support state park, forestry, and waterways construction and infrastructure maintenance projects. State Park Endowment Fund support replaces Park Improvement revenue (\$2,000,000).	Federal	1,293,000	685,400
	Private	1,500,000	500,000
	Restricted	11,400,000	(335,000)
8. Economic Adjustments	Gross		\$4,150,100
Provides an adjustment to cover the cost of the 1% salary increase to be provided in FY 2009-10.	Federal	528,800	
	Private	23,500	
	Restricted	3,393,100	
	GF/GP	\$204,700	

Major Boilerplate Changes From FY 2008-09

Sec. 205. State Hiring Freeze – DELETED

Imposes a state-wide hiring freeze in all departments, and provides process for approvals of position vacancies.

Sec. 207. Restricted Fund Revenue, Expenditures, and Fund Balances – REVISED

Requires report of revenue, spending, and estimated year-end balance for each restricted fund appropriated. House added requirement to recalculate the number of funded FTE positions on October 15, 2009.

Sec. 222. FTE Monthly Report – NEW

Requires a bi-monthly report of the number of department FTE positions by classification.

Sec. 223. Detailed Allotment Information – NEW

Requires report with detailed allotment detail by item of expense for each line item

Sec. 223 (Current Law) DNR Funding Workgroup – DELETED

States legislative intent to implement recommendations of the work group on department long term funding.

Major Boilerplate Changes From FY 2008-09

Sec. 226 (Current Law) *Muskrat Lake Water Control – DELETED*

Requires report on the status of permit applications and efforts to maintain water levels of Muskrat Lake in Clinton County.

Sec. 306. *Payments in Lieu of Taxes: Report to Department of Treasury – REVISED*

Directs DNR to provide billing information related to payments in lieu of taxes to Michigan Department of Treasury within 10 days of receipt.

Sec. 402. *Bovine TB Eradication Efforts – REVISED*

Requires semi-annual reports on enforcement actions taken to eradicate bovine TB, relevant scientific studies and the number of deer found to be infected.

Sec.603. (Current Law) *Fish Hatchery Operations – DELETED*

Requires that DNR operate six fish hatcheries.

Sec. 502. *State Park Campground Closures – REVISED*

Requires notice if DNR intends to reduce operations or reduce recreation opportunities at any state park or recreation area.

Sec. 703 (Current Law). *Defibrillators in State Parks – DELETED*

Directs DNR to maintain defibrillators placed in state parks.

Sec. 701. *Appropriation of Historical Program Revenue – NEW*

Revenue collected for document reproduction, conferences, workshops and training classes and related services are appropriated

Sec. 702. *Historic Preservation Grants: Work Project Status – NEW*

Provides work project status for federal grants awarded for historic programs.

Sec. 703 *Michigan Heritage Publication Fund – NEW*

Appropriates revenue collected for the Michigan Heritage Publication Fund.

Sec. 704. *Museum Store – NEW*

Exempts museum store from purchasing requirements specified in the Management and Budget Act.

Sec. 705. *Michigan Freedom Trail Commission – NEW*

Appropriations may be used for freedom trail commission expenses.

Sec. 706. *Sale of State Historical Museum Artifacts – NEW*

Allows sale of unsuitable artifacts. Sale proceeds may be used to purchase other items for the collection.

Sec. 803. *Timber Marking – REVISED*

Directs DNR, subject to forest certification process, to mark for harvest, 58,000 acres at an average rate of 12.5 to 15.0 cords per acre; be responsive to changes in regional markets for timber products; impact of timber harvest on wildlife habitat and recreation uses to be considered; requires quarterly report.

Sec. 902. *Island Lake Shooting Range Concession Contract – DELETED*

Requires public notice of the expiration date or adoption of amendments to the concession contract to operate the Island Lake Shooting Range.