



31st Alaska State Legislature  
House Finance Budget Subcommittee  
Department of Fish & Game  
FY20 Operating Budget

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**SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS**

The House Finance Budget Subcommittee for the Department of Fish and Game held five meetings with the department during the review of the FY20 budget request.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

The House Finance Budget Subcommittee for the Department of Fish and Game recommends that the House Finance Committee accept the Department Fish and Game's FY20 budget with the following amendment recommendations:

The numbers-only budget with amendment recommendations totals (dollars are in thousands):

**Fund Source:**

Unrestricted General Funds (UGF)	\$52,603.4
Designated General Funds (DGF)	\$14,186.2
Other Funds	\$66,892.5
Federal Funds	\$67,780.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$201,462.8</b>

The Unrestricted General Fund difference from FY15 Management Plan to the FY20 House Subcommittee recommended budget is a reduction of \$26,784.4, a decrease of 33.7 percent.

The Unrestricted General Fund difference from FY20 Adjusted Base to the FY20 House Subcommittee Recommended budget is an increase of \$1,026.2, an increase of 2.0 percent.

**Positions:**

Permanent Full-time	832
Permanent Part-time	615
Temporary	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>1453</b>

## **GOVERNOR'S AMENDED BUDGET PROPOSALS**

The Governor submitted 29 budget action items. The House Finance Subcommittee accepted 10 of them. The House Finance Subcommittee rejected 19 of them.

The items the House Finance Subcommittee accepted are:

- 4 items removing the now depleted Charter Fishing Revolving Loan Fund as a fund source from the Division of Commercial Fisheries for various management assessments and surveys (\$997.0)
- 1 item removing the now depleted Charter Fishing Revolving Loan Fund as a fund source from the Division of Sport Fisheries for the saltwater logbook program (\$150.0)
- 1 item adding \$800.0 SDPR for the Bristol Bay Science Research Institute Watershed Projects
- 1 item restoring CFEC receipt authority
- 1 item replacing uncollectable I/A receipt authority with CIP receipt authority in the Division of Wildlife
- 1 item eliminating an Admin Officer II in Statewide Support Services
- 1 item adding \$29.4 UGF for OIT salary adjustments billed to the Department of Fish and Game

The items the House Finance Subcommittee rejected are:

- 6 items reducing travel across all fund sources by 50% in the Division of Commercial Fisheries
- 10 items reducing travel across all fund sources by 50% in all other divisions
- 1 item eliminating Special Areas Management
- 1 item transferring a director-level PCN and associated funding from the Division of Habitat to OMB
- 1 item transferring a director-level PCN and associated funding from the Division of Subsistence Research to OMB

## **SUBCOMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

The following House Finance Subcommittee budget amendments are submitted to the House Finance Committee for consideration:

- 1) An amendment removing the following wordage: At the discretion of the Office of Management and Budget, funding may be transferred between all appropriations in the Department.
- 2) Add \$557.8 UGF to the Division of Commercial Fisheries allocated to the following regions:
  - a. Southeast Region Fisheries Management – add \$257.8 UGF
  - b. Arctic-Yukon-Kuskokwim Region Fisheries Management – add \$300.0 UGF
- 3) Add \$350.0 Fish & Game Fund to Sport Fisheries for the saltwater logbook program

- 4) Add \$439.2 UGF to the Division of Commercial Fisheries allocated to the following regions:
  - a. Central Region Fisheries Management – add \$239.2
  - b. Westward Region Fisheries Management – add \$200.0
- 5) Intent language stating that it is the intent of the legislature that the Department of Fish and Game retain the State Subsistence Research Division Director PCN (11-0400) and the Habitat Division Director (11-6001) and that these PCNs and associated funding not be used outside of those allocations.
- 6) Remove \$12.7 I/A receipts from the travel line of the Commissioner's Office in the division of Statewide Support Services
- 7) Remove \$0.5 Fed Receipts, \$0.2 UGF, and \$4.5 I/A Receipts from the travel line of Administrative Services in the Division of Statewide Support Services
- 8) Remove \$4.3 EVOS Civil Fund from the travel line of EVOS Trustees Council in the Division of Statewide Support Services
- 9) Add \$800.0 Fish & Game Fund to use as match for Pittman-Robertson Funds

#### **ATTACHED REPORTS**

The House Finance Budget Subcommittee for the Department of Fish and Game adopts the attached reports:

- 1) Budget Action Worksheet
- 2) Wordage Report
- 3) Operating Budget Transaction Compare between 20GovAmdTOT and House Sub
- 4) Operating Budget Transaction Compare between 20AdjBase and Hose Sub
- 5) Multi-year Agency Totals

Respectfully submitted,



Representative Dan Ortiz, Chair

House Finance Budget Subcommittee for the Department of Fish and Game