

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
March 11, 1983

The Appropriations Committee met at 8:05 a.m. on March 11, 1983, in Room 104, with Chairman Francis Bardanouve presiding. Representative John Shontz was absent. All other members were present. Dick Gilbert, Legislative Fiscal Analyst, was also present. The budgets for the Departments of AGRICULTURE; STATE LANDS; FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS, and COMMERCE were heard. No EXECUTIVE ACTION was taken.

(Tape 7: Track 1:0000)

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE:

Agency Summary:

Representative Rex MANUEL, Chairman of the Natural Resources Subcommittee, presented the recommended budget which is outlined on page C12 of Exhibit 1. Keith KELLY, Acting Director of the Department of Agriculture, represented the department.

Centralized Services:

Representative MANUEL presented the proposed budget for this division which is outlined on page C13 of Exhibit 1.

There was a loss of federal dollars which were supplanted by General Fund monies. Representative BARDANOUE thought there may be some federal funds coming available. Mr. KELLY did not know of any such funds. Representative BARDANOUE thought the committee could put language in the bill that would allow the Department to use federal funds if they become available.

The Deputy Director position was deleted by the subcommittee. Mr. KELLY addressed the need for the Deputy Director. He presented the committee with a summary sheet that would explain special issues that need to be addressed (Exhibit 2). Representative WALDRON asked Mr. Kelly if the Deputy Director position was more important to the Department than any other position. Mr. KELLY responded that the Deputy Director position is the highest priority.

Representative BENGTON questioned Mr. Kelly's authority because he has not yet been confirmed by the Senate. Mr. KELLY responded that as Acting Director, he has all of the authority of the Director.

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Rural Development:

Representative MANUEL presented the proposed budget for this division which is outlined on page C14 of Exhibit 1.

Hail Insurance:

Representative MANUEL presented the proposed budget for this division which is outlined on page C15 of Exhibit 1.

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Crop and Livestock:

Representative MANUEL presented the proposed budget for this division which is outlined on page C16 of Exhibit 1.

Marketing and Transportation:

Representative MANUEL presented the proposed budget for this division which is outlined on page C17 of Exhibit 1.

Mr. KELLY said they would like to include authorization to spend \$13,000 per year from Wheat Research and Marketing should this funding become available. Representative MANUEL said the committee could take up this issue when doing Executive Action on this budget.

Wheat Research and Marketing:

Representative MANUEL presented the proposed budget for this division which is outlined on page C18 of Exhibit 1.

Environmental Management:

Representative MANUEL presented the proposed budget for this division which is outlined on page C19 of Exhibit 1.

General Fund monies were used to supplant the loss of some federal funding. There was some discussion regarding pending legislation that would change the role of the Earmarked Revenue for this area.

Mr. KELLY addressed the need for an entomologist which is outlined on page 1 of Exhibit 2.

Plant Industry:

Representative MANUEL presented the proposed budget for this division which is outlined on page C20 of Exhibit 1.

Mr. KELLY explained that the public wanted more services. The Department would request at least 1 additional inspector to keep the Department informed of pending bankruptcy problems. This request is outlined on page 1 of Exhibit 2.

Proponents:

Terry MURPHY, president of the Montana Farmers Union, supported adequate funding for the Department of Agriculture and for the entomologist position.

Jo BRUNNER, representative of Women Involved in Farm Economics, supported the Department of Agriculture's budget, the entomologist, and the Deputy Director for the Department.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE LANDS:

Representative MANUEL presented the proposed budget for this division which is outlined on page C21 of Exhibit 1. Dennis

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Hemmer, Acting Director of the Department of State Lands, represented the Department.

Central Management:

Representative MANUEL presented the proposed budget for this division which is outlined on page C22 of Exhibit 1.

There was some discussion regarding the airpool. Mr. HEMMER noted that much of the airpool is used for fighting forest fires with aircraft.

Representative BARDANOUE questioned the need for offices for the field employees. Mr. HEMMER responded that, at present, these employees are operating from their homes and there are legal problems with that procedure.

Mr. HEMMER addressed the request for a data processing FTE. The Department has studied the data processing system for a year-and-a-half and found it would pay for itself. This request would be for a systems analyst who understands computers. The remainder of the request would be to contract for the use of the Department of Administration computer.

Reclamation:

Representative MANUEL presented the proposed budget for this division which is outlined on pages C23 and C24 of Exhibit 1.

Mr. HEMMER explained the mine reclamation project. Coal mines have top priority because this funding comes out of coal tax money. However, the Governor can designate a mine to be a safety hazard which would put that mine higher on the priority list.

Mr. HEMMER explained the reclassification of 24 positions and addressed the legal services need of the Department. The Department has seen an increase in law suits and presently has a lawyer reviewing Department documents to prevent law suits which would save the Department litigation costs. The Department would like the committee to fund the lawyer with 80% federal funding and 20% from other funds.

Land Administration:

Representative MANUEL presented the proposed budget for this division which is outlined on page C25 of Exhibit 1.

Resource Development:

Representative MANUEL presented the proposed budget for this division which is outlined on page C26 of Exhibit 1.

Forestry:

Representative MANUEL presented the proposed budget for this division which is outlined on pages C27 and C28 of Exhibit 1.

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Mr. HEMMER addressed the 2 FTEs from the clerical staff deleted by the Governor's Council on Management recommendation. He admitted that there was confusion regarding the duties of these two positions but he stated that there was not a duplication of effort as was implied by the council. Mr. HEMMER told the committee that there could be a serious problem if these two FTEs were deleted.

Mr. HEMMER addressed a problem that has arisen with contracting with the U.S. Forest Service for fire protection. The Forest Service will increase the assessment from 16¢ per acre to the full 66¢ per acre. This increased payment will be billed on July 1. The Forest Service agreed not to increase the assessment if the state would agree to phase in a program to protect as much federal land as the Forest Service protects state and private land. Therefore, the Department of State Lands will need additional funding for protecting additional federal land.

There was a good deal of discussion regarding alternatives to this proposal. Representative STOBIE noted that there would be some benefits to the state if they protect their own land. One of these benefits relates to employing more Montanans. The Forest Service has to employ people from all over the country by law and, if the state took over its own fire protection, they could hire Montanans to fill these positions.

Mr. HEMMER suggested increasing assessments to private landowners for fire protection. The committee discussed this alternative in detail.

Mr. HEMMER addressed the need for a mechanic for the county cooperative agreement. Representative STOBIE suggested using the mechanics training program at Swan River Youth Forest Camp. Mr. HEMMER explained that the equipment used by the Forestry Division is specialized and probably could not be repaired by the training program. Dick SANDMAN, of the Forestry Division in Missoula, showed the committee pictures of this specialized equipment and reiterated Mr. Hemmer's statement that this kind of equipment cannot be repaired by the Swan River Youth Forest Camp mechanics training program.

Steve MEYER, representing the Montana Association of Conservation Districts, outlined a program for range burning that expired in November of 1982. He brought this issue before the committee for its consideration. Mr. HEMMER said the cost for this burning is \$35,000 per 5,000 acres. He suggested charging fees to ranchers for this service.

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DEPARTMENT OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS:

Representative MANUEL presented the proposed budget for this Department which is outlined on pages C29 and C30 of Exhibit 1.

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Jim FLYNN, Director of the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks, represented the Department.

Centralized Services:

Representative MANUEL presented the proposed budget for this division which is outlined on pages C31 and C32 of Exhibit 1.

Mr. FLYNN explained the reorganization and the reasons for it. He then outlined the Department's request for a purchasing coordinator. Representative BARDANOUE asked if the Department would consider trading one of their FTEs for the purchasing coordinator. Mr. FLYNN responded that they would consider a trade.

Ecological Services:

Representative MANUEL presented the proposed budget for this division which is outlined on page C33 of Exhibit 1.

Mr. FLYNN addressed the Department's request for 1 FTE and \$28,000 per year for the Elkhorn wildlife coordinator. This FTE would be shared with the U.S. Forest Service for a pilot program established to enhance resources in the Elkhorn mountains.

Proponents:

Bob GIBSON, supervisor of the Helena National Forest, supported this requested position because, he felt, it is a good example of federal/state cooperation.

Mark MELOY, representing the Elkhorn Citizens' Organization, voiced his support.

Representative BARDANOUE felt this was a good program and it would protect the state's interest in this area.

Fisheries:

Representative MANUEL presented the proposed budget for this division which is outlined on page C34 of Exhibit 1.

There was some discussion regarding fish hatcheries, especially the hatchery in Miles City.

Mr. FLYNN addressed the need for the 310 law, or the Streambank Preservation Act. This is a beneficial program but additional funding is needed to assist the Conservation Districts.

Proponents:

Steve MEYER, representing the Montana Association of Soil Conservation Districts, explained the program and voiced his support for funding this project.

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Law Enforcement:

Representative MANUEL presented the proposed budget for this division which is outlined on pages C35 and C36 of Exhibit 1.

Mr. FLYNN explained the retroactive pay for wardens. The committee discussed this issue in great detail. The pay upgrade mandated by a Board of Personnel Appeals decision and must be paid regardless of the committee's decision to fund it.

The committee discussed the per diem funding for the Outfitters and Guides Advisory Council.

Representative MANUEL explained that all of the modifications for these budgets are reflected in one document (Exhibit 3).

Wildlife:

Representative MANUEL presented the proposed budget for this division which is outlined on page C37 of Exhibit 1.

Recreation and Parks:

Representative MANUEL presented the proposed budget for this division which is outlined on pages C38 and C39 of Exhibit 1.

Opponents:

Clint GRIMES, representing Montana Janitorial and Maintenance Contractors' Association, submitted a letter to the committee outlining the reasons he feels the capitol grounds maintenance should be contracted (Exhibit 4).

Ron HOLLIDAY, Administrator of the Parks Division, explained that the Department would like to establish 1.09 contracted FTEs as Department personnel because contracting for this kind of work is illegal. This action would just move 1.09 FTEs from Contracted Services to Personal Services.

Conservation and Education:

Representative MANUEL presented the proposed budget for this division which is outlined on page C40 of Exhibit 1.

Mr. FLYNN explained that Montana Outdoors only generates 60% of its cost. The other 40% comes from license fees. Mr. FLYNN suggested raising subscription costs.

Administration:

Representative MANUEL presented the proposed budget for this division which is outlined on pages C41 and C42 of Exhibit 1..

There was some discussion regarding water rights.

Proponents:

Jennifer Cody, representing the Western Montana Fish and Game Association, presented the committee with a letter from the Association (Exhibit 5) and voiced her strong support for more acquisition of game ranges.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE:

Representative MANUEL presented the proposed budget for this department which is outlined on pages C52 through C54 of Exhibit 1. Representing the Department was Gary Buchanan, Director.

Business Licensing and Regulation:

Representative MANUEL presented the proposed budget for this division which is outlined on page C55 of Exhibit 1.

Milk Control Bureau:

Representative MANUEL presented the proposed budget for this division which is outlined on page C56 of Exhibit 1.

Weights and Measures:

Representative MANUEL presented the proposed budget for this division which is outlined on page C57 of Exhibit 1.

The fees assessed by this division cover 70% of the General Fund portion.

Professional and Occupational Licensing:

Representative MANUEL presented the proposed budget for this division which is outlined on pages C58 and C59 of Exhibit 1.

Financial Division:

Representative MANUEL presented the proposed budget for this division which is outlined on page C60 of Exhibit 1.

Fees charged for services by this division revert back to the General Fund.

Aeronautics:

Representative MANUEL presented the proposed budget for this division which is outlined on page C61 of Exhibit 1.

Transportation Division:

Representative MANUEL presented the proposed budget for this division which is outlined on page C62 of Exhibit 1.

Rep. BARDANOUE questioned the method of supplanting lost federal funds by General Fund money. He felt consideration should be given to these programs, especially in this time of fiscal shortcomings.

Bill FOGERTY, Administrator for the Transportation Division, explained that this division was new in fiscal year 1982 and the expenses for fiscal year 1983 reflect a more accurate base.

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Business Assistance:

Representative MANUEL presented the proposed budget for this division which is outlined on page C63 of Exhibit 1.

Representative QUILICI asked if "Build Montana" funds could be used to supplant lost federal Economic Development funds. Mr. BUCHANAN said, if Build Montana is passed, some funds can be used for programs such as this.

There was some discussion regarding the reorganization of support services and economic and community development services. Mr. BUCHANAN addressed this reorganization and explained why it was done and what advantages the reorganization had.

The committee recessed at 12:00 noon until 7:30 p.m.



FRANCIS BARDANOUE
Chairman

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Agency: LivestockProgram: Rabies and Rodent Control

FY 1982

Actual

-----Fiscal 1984-----

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Personal Ser.
Operating Exp.
Equipment

\$ 50
84,637
-0-

\$ -0-
96,945
-0-

\$ -0-
95,030
-0-

\$ -0-
96,945
7,800

\$ -0-
102,184
-0-

\$ -0-
100,698
-0-

\$ -0-
102,184
-0-

Total Exp.

\$84,687
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\$95,030
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\$104,745
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\$102,184
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\$100,698
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\$102,184
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FUNDING:

General
Earmarked

\$69,688
14,999

\$81,945
15,000

\$80,030
15,000

\$ 89,745
15,000

\$ 87,184
15,000

\$ 85,698
15,000

\$ 87,184
15,000

Total Funding

\$84,687
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\$95,030
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The Rabies and Rodent Control Program is responsible for the surveillance and prevention of animal rabies throughout the state and the control of field rodents. The department contracts with the Department of Agriculture for field work in the control of rodents.

EXHIBIT 1
NATURAL RESOURCES
3/11/83
Full Committee

	FY 1982 Actual	-----Fiscal 1984-----		-----Fiscal 1985-----			
		Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee
FTE	92.74	101.24	93.74	90.74	101.24	93.74	90.74
Personal Ser.	\$1,748,044	\$2,280,230	\$2,117,358	\$2,052,606	\$2,278,388	\$2,114,156	\$2,050,947
Operating Exp.	738,660	1,003,621	687,520	726,804	968,541	722,082	765,021
Equipment	112,756	148,770	36,072	76,694	27,119	25,276	15,395
Non-Oper. Exp.	2,684,840	619,600	2,688,600	619,600	649,600	2,718,600	649,600
Total Exp.	\$5,248,300	\$4,052,221	\$5,529,500	\$3,475,704	\$3,923,648	\$5,580,114	\$3,480,963
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FUNDING:							
General	\$ 905,483	\$1,684,765	\$1,104,521	\$1,388,690	\$1,588,704	\$1,108,472	\$1,425,858
Earmarked	540,795	991,327	3,077,926	673,563	990,610	2,963,648	673,903
Fed. & Private	1,382,687	1,333,352	1,310,899	1,353,567	1,300,455	1,470,786	1,320,236
Revolving	14,962	42,777	36,204	59,884	43,879	37,208	60,966
Total Funding	\$5,248,300	\$4,052,221	\$5,529,500	\$3,475,704	\$3,923,648	\$5,580,114	\$3,480,963
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The Department of Agriculture is responsible for the collection and publication of statistics relating to the production and marketing of agricultural products; gathering and distribution of market information, and the enforcement of regulations pertaining to the production and marketing of food and fiber products.

The department consists of three divisions: Centralized Services, Environmental Management, and Plant Industry.

The subcommittee has approved the reduction of two FTE from the department, one assistant director position in the Centralized Services Division and one vacant position in the Plant Industry Division.

For the department the general fund has increased approximately 39 percent, or \$650,000, over the previous biennium. This increase is due primarily to the decline of federal Environmental Protection Agency funds. The lost federal funds are replaced with general funds.

Agency: AgricultureProgram: Centralized Services

	FY 1982 Actual	-----Fiscal 1984-----			-----Fiscal 1985-----		
		Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee
FTE	8.42	8.50	8.50	7.50	8.50	8.50	7.50
Personal Ser.	\$221,519	\$245,855	\$245,379	\$205,375	\$245,549	\$244,993	\$205,025
Operating Exp.	154,549	59,897	55,640	59,386	46,781	40,318	44,833
Equipment	12,669	2,634	2,466	2,634	1,043	1,043	1,043
Non-Operating Exp.	52,408	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Total Exp.	\$441,145	\$308,386	\$303,485	\$267,395	\$293,373	\$286,354	\$250,901
FUNDING:							
General	\$128,792	\$220,928	\$155,207	\$179,937	\$207,273	\$146,393	\$164,801
Earmarked	70,075	28,421	85,540	28,421	31,485	80,743	31,485
Fed. & Private	237,228	37,850	57,850	37,850	33,448	54,605	33,448
Revolving	-0-	21,187	4,888	21,187	21,167	4,613	21,167
Total Funding	\$441,145	\$308,386	\$303,485	\$267,395	\$293,373	\$286,354	\$250,901

The Centralized Services Division is responsible for accounting, payroll, purchasing, property control, personnel, and fiscal management for the department.

The FTE level has been reduced in both fiscal 1984 and fiscal 1985 due to the elimination of the department's assistant director. This staff reduction has reduced the general fund \$40,680 in fiscal 1984 and \$40,524 in fiscal 1985.

In the past, the Centralized Services Division has provided for the administration of the Federal Environmental Protection Agency grant program. The indirect cost monies allowed under the grant have been utilized to supplant general fund. The EPA grant has been significantly reduced in the 1985 biennium. To continue the Centralized Services Program at current level this budget reflects general fund replacement of approximately \$23,000 in fiscal 1984 and \$28,000 in fiscal 1985. This accounts for the 23 percent increase in general fund in the 1985 biennium over the 1983 biennium.

	FY 1982 Actual	-----Fiscal 1984-----		-----Fiscal 1985-----			
		Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee
FTE	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25
Personal Ser.	\$28,950						
Operating Exp.	6,708	\$32,335	\$32,364	\$32,335	\$32,376	\$32,316	\$32,376
Equipment	-0-	9,345	8,670	9,310	10,235	9,358	10,065
Non-Oper. Exp.	63,454	600	100	200	-0-	-0-	-0-
		10,600	10,600	10,600	10,600	10,600	10,600
Total Exp.	\$99,112	\$52,880	\$51,734	\$52,445	\$53,211	\$52,274	\$53,041
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FUNDING:							
Fed. & Private	\$35,658	\$52,880	\$51,734	\$52,445	\$53,211	\$52,274	\$53,041
Total Funding	\$99,112	\$52,880	\$51,734	\$52,445	\$53,211	\$52,274	\$53,041
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The Rural Development Program is responsible for administering loans for agribusiness and livestock. The program is totally funded from federal rural rehabilitation funds.

Each year of the 1985 biennium includes \$10,600 of United States Department of Agriculture grant money to be awarded to students participating in the Future Farmers of America Program and for educational programs.

Agency: AgricultureProgram: Hail Insurance

	FY 1982 Actual	-----Fiscal 1984-----		-----Fiscal 1985-----			
		Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee
FTE	6.05		6.05		5.05	6.05	6.05
Personal Ser.	\$ 94,451				\$ 85,607	\$108,309	\$108,594
Operating Exp.	45,576	\$ 85,620	\$108,467	\$108,752	53,991	47,349	51,894
Equipment	1,807	50,835	44,956	49,337	-0-	-0-	-0-
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Total Exp.	\$141,834	\$136,455	\$153,423	\$158,089	\$139,598	\$155,658	\$160,488
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FUNDING:							
General	\$ 1,650	\$ 1,583	\$ 1,670	\$ -0-	\$ 1,608	\$ 1,680	\$ -0-
Fed. & Private	140,184	134,872	151,753	158,089	137,990	153,978	160,488
Total Funding	\$141,834	\$136,455	\$153,423	\$158,089	\$139,598	\$155,658	\$160,488
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The Hail Insurance Program is responsible for administration of Montana's hail insurance laws and for offering crop insurance and protection against crop loss due to hail. The program is totally funded by participating farmers and ranchers.

One FTE eliminated in the Executive Budget was restored by the subcommittee. The department requested the position be restored in exchange for the general fund being removed from the budget. The general fund previously paid a portion of the administrator's salary. General fund eliminated was approximately \$3,400 for the 1985 biennium.

	FY 1982 Actual	-----Fiscal 1984-----			-----Fiscal 1985-----		
		Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee
FTE	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	
Personal Ser.	\$63,619	\$74,467	\$74,179	\$74,387	\$74,073	\$74,073	
Operating Exp.	4,526	16,562	11,061	17,648	17,125	17,648	
Total Exp.	\$68,145	\$91,029	\$85,240	\$92,035	\$91,198	\$91,721	
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FUNDING:							
General	\$51,145	\$81,029	\$60,505	\$82,035	\$66,463	\$66,986	
Fed. & Private	17,000	10,000	24,735	10,000	24,735	24,735	
Total Funding	\$68,145	\$91,029	\$85,240	\$92,035	\$91,198	\$91,721	
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The Crop and Livestock Program collects, summarizes, analyzes, prints, and distributes agricultural statistics on a state and county basis relating to the production and marketing of crops, livestock, and other agricultural products.

In fiscal year 1984 the subcommittee approved \$5,000 of general fund to print the Livestock Statistical Bulletin. The bulletin is currently published on a biennial basis.

The general fund increase of 5 percent over the previous biennium is due primarily to the increased appropriation for annual printing of the bulletins.

In addition to the general fund, this program is funded with \$10,000 each year from the federal government for postage to mail out the bi-weekly Crop and Livestock Reporter. This program also has budgeted \$14,735 each year in wheat research funds for various statistics relating to Montana wheat and grain.

Agency: Agriculture

Program: Marketing and Transportation

FY 1982 Actual	-----Fiscal 1984-----			-----Fiscal 1985-----		
	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee
FTE	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Personal Ser.	\$22,464	\$25,290	\$25,290	\$25,315	\$25,123	\$25,315
Operating Exp.	<u>16,861</u>	<u>5,763</u>	<u>5,687</u>	<u>6,453</u>	<u>5,803</u>	<u>6,192</u>
Total Exp.	<u>\$39,325</u>	<u>\$31,053</u>	<u>\$30,977</u>	<u>\$31,768</u>	<u>\$30,926</u>	<u>\$31,507</u>
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FUNDING:						
General	\$28,130	\$31,053	\$30,977	\$31,768	\$30,926	\$31,507
Fed. & Private	<u>11,195</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>
Total Funding	<u>\$39,325</u>	<u>\$31,053</u>	<u>\$30,977</u>	<u>\$31,768</u>	<u>\$30,926</u>	<u>\$31,507</u>
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The Marketing and Transportation Program is responsible for providing technical assistance to Montana firms requesting market assistance for agricultural products. The program also provides information from all grain elevators regarding wheat and barley destinations and the means of transportation used.

The Marketing and Transportation Program previously received funding from the Wheat Research and Marketing Committee. Those funds have not been requested for fiscal 1984-1985.

The general fund increased 7 percent over the previous biennium. As this is the only fund source for this program the increase is consistent with normal inflation adjustments.

Agency: Agriculture

Program: Wheat Research and Marketing

	FY 1982 Actual	-----Fiscal 1984-----		-----Fiscal 1985-----	
		Executive	Current Level	Executive	Current Level
FTE	3.12	3.12	3.12	3.12	3.12
Personal Ser.	\$ 97,104	\$ 86,318	\$ 83,238	\$ 86,160	\$ 83,116
Operating Exp.	96,401	116,971	115,522	128,289	126,148
Equipment	587	5,000	3,500	-0-	1,500
Non-Oper. Exp.	372,949	609,000	609,000	639,000	639,000
Total Exp.	\$567,041	\$817,289	\$811,260	\$853,449	\$849,764
FUNDING:					
Fed. & Private	\$567,041	\$817,289	\$811,260	\$853,449	\$849,764
Total Funding	\$567,041	\$817,289	\$811,260	\$853,449	\$849,764

The Wheat Research and Marketing Program is responsible for promoting the development of markets for Montana wheat and barley and research into all phases of wheat and barley production. This program is entirely funded by participating grain producers.

The 1985 biennium includes \$609,000 in fiscal 1984 and \$639,000 in fiscal 1985 for grants to various organizations for research purposes. These projects include educating the public on the use and application of chemicals on wheat and barley, foreign market promotion, and the development of new and better wheat and barley varieties. Funding for these grants is from the wheat research and marketing earmarked account.

Agency: Agriculture

Program: Environmental Management

	FY 1982 Actual	-----Fiscal 1984-----		-----Fiscal 1985-----			
		Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee
FTE	30.60	37.76	30.26	30.26	37.76	30.26	30.26
Personal Ser.	\$612,871	\$ 838,609	\$ 691,371	\$ 693,462	\$ 837,104	\$ 690,340	\$ 692,210
Operating Exp.	276,042	398,368	288,823	290,967	468,935	308,436	311,113
Equipment	38,739	113,376	20,496	59,600	18,900	8,381	-0-
Total Exp.	\$927,652	\$1,350,353	\$1,000,690	\$1,044,029	\$1,324,939	\$1,007,157	\$1,003,323
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FUNDING:							
General	\$279,641	\$ 691,505	\$ 435,686	\$ 678,548	\$ 711,743	\$ 436,394	\$ 704,676
Earmarked	100,727	396,689	119,650	103,322	419,121	119,829	104,572
Fed. & Private	547,284	262,159	445,354	262,159	194,075	450,934	194,075
Total Funding	\$927,652	\$1,350,353	\$1,000,690	\$1,044,029	\$1,324,939	\$1,007,157	\$1,003,323
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The Environmental Management Program is responsible for the certification of pesticides, the licensing of pesticide applicators, the enforcement of pesticide regulations, rodent control, and the operation of the Chemical Analytical Laboratory. This program also includes the Integrated Pest Management Program approved by the 1981 Legislature.

The Environmental Management Program is funded partially from a federal Environmental Protection Agency grant which supplies pesticide enforcement and certification monies. This grant has been reduced by approximately \$275,000 in fiscal 1984 and \$340,000 in fiscal 1985 from the fiscal 1982 level of funding. The subcommittee approved the replacement of lost federal funding with general funding for the 1985 biennium. Due to this replacement, the general fund has increased 94 percent the past biennium.

	FY 1982 Actual	-----Fiscal 1984-----		-----Fiscal 1985-----			
		Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee
FTE	38.56	40.56	39.56	37.56	40.56	39.56	37.56
Personal Ser.	\$607,066	\$ 891,736	\$ 857,200	\$ 826,895	\$ 891,890	\$ 855,886	\$ 827,194
Operating Exp.	137,997	345,880	157,424	183,584	236,209	167,545	194,987
Equipment	58,954	27,160	9,510	9,260	7,176	14,352	14,352
Total Exp.	\$804,017	\$1,264,776	\$1,024,134	\$1,019,739	\$1,135,275	\$1,037,783	\$1,036,533
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FUNDING:							
General	\$416,125	\$ 658,667	\$ 420,869	\$ 438,222	\$ 554,277	\$ 426,616	\$ 457,888
Earmarked	369,994	566,217	603,265	541,820	540,004	611,167	537,846
Fed. & Private	2,936	1,000	-0-	1,000	1,000	-0-	1,000
Revolving	14,962	38,892	-0-	38,697	39,994	-0-	39,799
Total Funding	\$804,017	\$1,264,776	\$1,024,134	\$1,019,739	\$1,135,275	\$1,037,783	\$1,036,533
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The Plant Industry Division is responsible for the enforcement of regulatory laws controlling the marketing, production, and manufacturing of agricultural commodities and manufacturing of agricultural commodities distributed within or exported from Montana. It also provides vegetable, fruit, and nursery stock inspection.

In the 1985 biennium, the division has been reduced two FTE. (One FTE was added in fiscal 1983 to implement the provisions of HB-617, the Alfalfa Seed Program).

One modification was approved by the subcommittee. This modified was to use earmarked feed and fertilizer funds to replace federal Food and Drug Administration funding for inspection of medicated feeds. The cost of this modification is \$10,965 in fiscal 1984 and \$12,077 in fiscal 1985.

The general fund for this program has increased 6 percent over the past biennium. Operating expenses are increased 30 percent over the previous biennium due to the addition of the Alfalfa-Leafcutter Bee Program. In fiscal 1982 the bee program was not implemented until mid-way through the year. This program is supported through tax assessments on bees.

Agency: Department of State Lands

Program: Agency Summary

	FY 1982 Actual	-----Fiscal 1984-----			-----Fiscal 1985-----		
		Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee
FTE	255.01	257.71	249.71	255.71	257.71	249.71	255.71
Personal Ser.	\$ 5,117,513	\$ 5,869,313	\$ 5,582,105	\$ 5,813,557	\$ 5,865,430	\$ 5,573,892	\$ 5,809,833
Operating Exp.	6,193,673	10,013,980	9,492,678	9,896,418	10,219,491	9,686,535	10,098,986
Equipment	572,165	929,210	504,538	899,450	648,872	460,638	613,748
Non-Oper. Exp.	504,840	756,750	546,951	746,750	753,750	564,464	743,750
Total Exp.	<u>\$12,388,191</u>	<u>\$17,567,253</u>	<u>\$16,126,272</u>	<u>\$17,356,175</u>	<u>\$17,487,543</u>	<u>\$16,285,529</u>	<u>\$17,266,317</u>
FUNDING:							
General	\$4,961,982	\$5,268,372	\$4,732,674	\$5,163,358	\$5,462,247	\$4,758,940	\$5,340,018
Earmarked	4,933,969	3,277,359	2,757,478	3,224,328	3,315,402	2,821,354	3,269,676
Fed. & Private	2,492,240	8,933,572	8,484,653	8,880,539	8,619,834	8,546,689	8,566,563
Revolving	-0-	87,950	151,467	87,950	90,060	158,546	90,060
Total Funding	<u>\$12,388,191</u>	<u>\$17,567,253</u>	<u>\$16,126,272</u>	<u>\$17,356,175</u>	<u>\$17,487,543</u>	<u>\$16,285,529</u>	<u>\$17,266,317</u>

The Department of State Lands is responsible for administering the lands granted to the state for support of state educational institutions and to administer Montana's reclamation laws.

The Department consists of five divisions: Central Management, Reclamation, Land Administration, Resource Development, and Forestry. The department is under the direction of the State Board of Land Commissioners. The board has the authority to direct, control, lease, and sell school lands. The board is comprised of the following elected officials: the Governor, Secretary of State, Attorney General, Superintendent of Public Instruction, and the State Auditor.

Agency: Department of State Lands

Program: Central Management

FY 1982 Actual	-----Fiscal 1984-----			-----Fiscal 1985-----		
	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee
FTE	28.50	18.00	18.00	19.00	18.00	18.00
Personal Ser.	\$ 590,479	\$ 455,399	\$ 458,464	\$ 492,571	\$ 455,236	\$ 457,461
Operating Exp.	2,824,316	263,028	299,174	388,304	254,038	278,080
Equipment	1,981	11,435	11,435	1,374	-0-	-0-
Non-Oper. Exp.	235,000	255,000	255,000	255,000	255,000	255,000
Total Exp.	\$3,651,776	\$ 984,862	\$1,024,073	\$1,137,249	\$ 964,274	\$ 990,541
FUNDING:						
General	\$ 817,088	\$ 833,395	\$ 841,123	\$ 926,271	\$ 805,728	\$ 805,481
Fed. & Private	530	-0-	95,000	120,918	-0-	95,000
Revolving	2,834,708	151,467	87,950	90,060	158,546	90,060
Total Funding	\$3,651,776	\$ 984,862	\$1,024,073	\$1,137,249	\$ 964,274	\$ 990,541

The Central Management Program provides administrative support for the department including payroll, personnel, purchasing, legal, and the air operation. In the current biennium, 7.5 FTE in the Environmental Impact Team have been transferred to the Reclamation Program. In addition 5 FTE were transferred to the Land Administration Program as part of a department reorganization plan to improve management. Two FTE were added to Central Management program, both from the Forestry Division.

Also reflected in this budget are the costs associated with the airpool. The department has proposed that all divisions rent the aircraft for a set hourly rate. However, in this arrangement the general fund will pay the fixed costs of the air operations such as pilot costs, hanger rent, engine repair and replacement, and insurance. The hourly rate would only cover the operating costs attributable to federal projects. The general fund cost of the air operation is approximately \$40,000 per year. If all costs associated with the airpool, rather than just operating costs, were paid through a revolving fund each fund would pay its share for the fixed costs.

Comparing the 1983 and 1985 bienniums, the general fund increases less than 1 percent, or \$6,112.

Agency: Department of State Lands

Program: Reclamation

	FY 1982 Actual	-----Fiscal 1984-----		-----Fiscal 1985-----			
		Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee
FTE	29.50	43.00	37.00	42.00	43.00	37.00	42.00
Personal Ser.	\$ 609,285	\$1,084,698	\$ 900,377	\$1,058,548	\$1,082,014	\$ 898,637	\$1,055,930
Operating Exp.	664,676	7,071,081	6,938,133	7,047,699	7,134,130	6,996,221	7,110,735
Non-Oper. Exp.	180,273	-0-	202,553	-0-	-0-	214,705	-0-
Equipment	41,114	344,260	23,562	343,434	9,405	25,059	9,405
Total Exp.	\$1,495,348	\$8,500,039	\$8,064,625	\$8,449,681	\$8,225,549	\$8,134,622	\$8,176,070
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FUNDING:							
Earmarked	\$3,303,415	\$ 945,318	\$ 622,419	\$ 923,142	\$ 965,733	\$ 643,228	\$ 943,607
Fed. & Private	1,026,620	7,554,721	7,239,653	7,526,539	7,259,816	7,276,689	7,232,463
Total Funding	\$1,495,348	\$8,500,039	\$8,064,625	\$8,449,681	\$8,225,549	\$8,134,622	\$8,176,070
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The Reclamation Division is responsible for the regulation of all mining-related disturbances in the state. This responsibility includes approving reclamation plans before any mining operations begin. This division receives its funding from federal and earmarked funds.

This budget reflects the transfer of the Environmental Impact Team (7.5 FTE) from the Central Management Program to the Reclamation Division. This addition is not reflected in fiscal 1982.

Modifications included in the 1985 biennium include four FTE positions for abandoned mine inspection.

During the biennium the department expects to receive \$10.2 million in federal funds to reclaim abandoned mine sites in Montana.

The positions would include two inspectors and two clerical staff. The cost of these FTE would be \$104,391 in fiscal 1984 and \$85,182 in fiscal 1985. All positions would be federally funded.

Reclamation Division (Cont.)

Also included in this budget is one FTE biologist which was previously contracting to work with the EIS team. As a result of adding the position, contracted services has been reduced by a corresponding amount. The cost of the biologist is \$22,176 in fiscal 1984 and \$22,126 in fiscal 1985. Funding for this position is entirely industry EIS monies.

Fiscal year 1984 includes \$300,000 in equipment for the purchase of a helicopter. The helicopter will be utilized in the appraisal of limited access leases, aerial photographic record-keeping, and supplementary fire suppression. The department currently utilizes two helicopters and three fixed wing aircraft.

Reclassification of 24 positions has resulted in an increase of approximately \$50,000 in personal services in each year of the biennium. These reclassifications are included in this budget.

Agency: State LandsProgram: Land Administration

	FY 1982 Actual	-----Fiscal 1984-----			-----Fiscal 1985-----		
		Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee
FTE	9.62	14.62	14.62	14.62	14.62	14.62	14.62
Personal Ser.	\$189,348	\$306,811	\$312,395	\$312,395	\$306,106	\$311,703	\$311,703
Operating Exp.	47,257	89,175	55,958	73,963	87,970	59,074	71,084
Equipment	17,091	8,312	14,312	8,312	13,750	584	10,000
Total Exp.	\$253,696	\$404,298	\$382,665	\$394,670	\$407,826	\$371,361	\$392,787
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FUNDING:							
General	\$193,437	\$317,789	\$292,834	\$308,161	\$320,388	\$284,295	\$305,349
Earmarked	60,259	86,509	89,831	86,509	87,438	87,066	87,438
Total Funding	\$253,696	\$404,298	\$382,665	\$394,670	\$407,826	\$371,361	\$392,787
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The Land Administration Program is responsible for the leasing of state surface and mineral resources including type of use, amount of rental payment, and receipts from collections.

This budget reflects the transfer of 5.0 FTE from the Central Management Program. The Land Administration Program is now responsible for the recording and issuing of surface and mineral leases on 6.1 million acres of trust lands. The increase in general fund is due to this transfer.

~~Reclassifications in positions has resulted in an increase of \$13,856 in personal services in each year of the biennium. These reclassifications are included in this budget.~~

General fund increases 8.1 percent, or \$46,381, over the past biennium after adjusting for the transfer from the Central Management Program.

	FY 1982 Actual	-----Fiscal 1984-----			-----Fiscal 1985-----		
		Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee
FTE	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	
Personal Ser.	\$152,995	\$156,902	\$157,978	\$156,902	\$157,744	\$156,560	
Operating Exp.	167,073	92,350	83,299	92,350	88,852	98,191	
Equipment	1,144	1,055	7,000	-0-	-0-	-0-	
Non-Oper. Exp.	79,567	458,750	89,398	458,750	94,759	458,750	
Total Exp.	\$400,779	\$709,057	\$337,675	\$708,002	\$341,355	\$713,501	
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FUNDING:							
Earmarked	\$400,779	\$709,057	\$337,675	\$708,002	\$341,355	\$713,501	
Total Funding	\$400,779	\$709,057	\$337,675	\$708,002	\$341,355	\$713,501	
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The Resource Development Program is a state land investment program which is responsible for deriving the highest and best use of state lands for the support of the School Trust. The 7 FTE are responsible for developing projects on state lands.

The subcommittee has approved \$458,750 in each year of the 1985 biennium for capital expansion projects or, if necessary, this money could be utilized to pay fees for the adjudication of the department's 8,000 water right claims. As a second priority, the subcommittee directed that these funds be spent for projects originally requested by the department. These projects include stock water projects, rangeland renovations, timber stand improvements, and saline seep projects. The department is also looking into commercial projects that could potentially bring in large revenues to the Trust (i.e. golf courses).

Funding for the Resource Development Program is derived from not more than 2.5 percent of the income from lands managed. The percentage is established by the Board of Land Commissioners.

Agency: State LandsProgram: Forestry

	FY 1982 Actual	-----Fiscal 1984-----		-----Fiscal 1985-----		
		Executive	Current Level	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee
FTE	178.09	174.09	173.09	174.09	173.09	174.09
Personal Ser.	\$3,575,406	\$3,827,248	\$3,755,956	\$3,827,248	\$3,750,572	\$3,828,179
Operating Exp.	2,490,351	2,358,232	2,152,260	2,383,232	2,288,350	2,540,896
Equipment	510,835	561,269	448,229	536,209	434,995	594,343
Non-Oper. Exp.	10,000	43,000	-0-	33,000	-0-	30,000
Total Exp.	\$6,586,592	\$6,789,749	\$6,356,445	\$6,779,749	\$6,473,917	\$6,993,418
FUNDING:						
General	\$3,951,457	\$3,994,274	\$3,606,445	\$4,014,074	\$3,668,917	\$4,229,188
Earmarked	1,169,516	1,536,475	1,505,000	1,506,675	1,535,000	1,525,130
Fed. & Private	1,465,619	1,259,000	1,245,000	1,259,000	1,270,000	1,239,100
Total Funding	\$6,586,592	\$6,789,749	\$6,356,445	\$6,779,749	\$6,473,917	\$6,993,418

The Forestry Division is responsible for managing the State School Trust Land that is classified as forest. The division supervises fire suppression, timber sales, brush removal, and replanting.

For the 1985 biennium, 2 FTE clerical positions have been eliminated from the General Services Bureau as was recommended by the Governor's Council on Management. Also, 2 FTE, 1 pilot and 1 management analyst, have been transferred from the Forestry Division to the Central Management Division.

In fiscal 1984 the subcommittee approved \$33,000 for non-operating capital repairs relating to the Swan River Youth Forest Camp, a water line to the central area complex, and remodeling at the fire dispatch office in Helena. In fiscal 1985 the subcommittee approved \$30,000 for the replacement of a heating system in the Southwestern Land Office Building in Missoula and construction at the Swan River Youth Forest Camp.

The general fund increases 11.5 percent, or \$849,939, over the past biennium. This budget includes \$685,929 in fiscal 1984 and \$683,370 in fiscal 1985 from the resource indemnity trust fund interest. Other funds include Clark McNary federal funds, approximately \$2,150,000 for the biennium, and cooperative forest management funds, approximately \$350,000 for the biennium.

The operating expenses for the division reflect the following increase in the fiscal 1982 base:

1. \$17,984 in general funding to contract for specialized services to appraise forest land values for the purpose of setting commercial lease rates on state forest land.
2. \$24,000 in general funding to contract professional janitorial services for the Missoula office complex to offset the loss of work-study availability which was previously used to provide service.
3. \$25,332 in general funding for the maintenance of state-owned tankers and purchase of additional firefighting tankers assigned to counties participating in the Cooperative Fire Program. Nine new counties were added in fiscal 1981.

Agency: Fish, Wildlife, and Parks

Program: Agency Summary

	FY 1982 Actual	-----Fiscal 1984-----			-----Fiscal 1985-----		
		Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee
FTE	481.93	466.92	443.13	456.97	466.92	443.13	456.97
Personal Ser.	\$10,200,754	\$11,780,105	\$11,171,832	\$11,640,129	\$11,799,491	\$11,155,874	\$11,653,062
Operating Exp.	5,890,562	7,033,289	5,905,878	6,514,679	7,460,827	6,246,487	6,866,299
Equipment	809,574	1,161,371	511,038	1,102,674	905,881	462,870	795,232
Non-Oper. Exp.	1,375,386	2,127,523	1,507,988	2,108,523	2,127,523	1,507,988	2,108,523
Total Exp.	\$18,276,276	\$22,102,288	\$19,096,736	\$21,366,005	\$22,293,722	\$19,373,219	\$21,423,116
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FUNDING:							
General	\$ 627,832	\$ 801,749	\$ 687,164	\$ 631,258	\$ 839,209	\$ 693,193	\$ 665,191
Earmarked	9,925,107	14,872,873	11,332,943	14,384,481	15,112,501	11,420,095	14,542,308
Fed. & Private	6,303,681	4,504,937	5,375,977	4,481,613	4,529,696	5,466,369	4,504,398
Revolving	1,419,656	1,922,729	1,700,652	1,868,653	1,812,316	1,793,562	1,711,219
Total Funding	\$18,276,276	\$22,102,288	\$19,096,736	\$21,366,005	\$22,293,722	\$19,373,219	\$21,423,116
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The Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks is responsible for the preservation and enhancement of all forms of Montana's wildlife, wildlife habitat, and the natural and cultural resources of aesthetic, scenic, historic, scientific, and archaeological significance.

The department consists of seven divisions: Centralized Services, Ecological Services, Fisheries, Law Enforcement, Game Management, Recreation and Parks, and Conservation Education. The department also has a separate unit for Administration which includes the director, associate director, and deputy director. Seven regional supervisors, formerly in the administration unit, have been transferred to the Centralized Services Division. The print shop and mail room activities were transferred from the Conservation Education Division to Centralized Services. Three FTE were moved in this transfer.

Funding for the department is primarily from the sale of hunting and fishing license fees. Based on current license charges, the department expects to receive approximately \$11,420,000 each year of the 1985 biennium. Additionally, the department receives a significant amount of federal funding from the Dingell-Johnson (D-J), Pittman-Robertson (P-R) programs. The source of these funds is a tax on sports, hunting, and fishing equipment. The department also receives funds from the Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund for outdoor recreation area acquisition and development. The Parks Division includes \$1,030,535 in spending authority for the Land and Water Conservation Funds.

The department is estimating a substantial reduction in the D-J and P-R funds for the 1985 biennium. Total D-J and P-R funds expected for the 1985 biennium are \$4,470,000, approximately \$1,894,000 less in the 1985 biennium than it received in the 1983 biennium. This decrease will impact the Ecological, Fisheries, and Wildlife Divisions. These divisions and Centralized Services will reflect these reductions with a greater proportion of license fee funding.

Comparing bienniums and based upon the subcommittee's recommended appropriations, the department will experience a 3 percent decline in general fund, 36 percent increase in earmarked funds, and 24 percent decline in federal funds.

Agency: Fish, Wildlife, and Parks

Program: Centralized Services

	FY 1982 Actual	-----Fiscal 1984-----			-----Fiscal 1985-----		
		Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee
FTE	62.16	43.66	41.66	42.66	43.66	41.66	42.66
Personal Ser.	\$1,215,754	\$ 950,735	\$ 899,201	\$ 928,622	\$ 954,596	\$ 901,228	\$ 930,582
Operating Exp.	1,535,216	1,741,837	1,620,675	1,740,626	1,826,472	1,676,222	1,825,188
Equipment	375,111	688,109	301,974	645,000	535,109	279,395	505,000
Non-Oper. Exp.	160,000	920,000	920,000	920,000	920,000	920,000	920,000
Total Exp.	\$3,286,081	\$4,300,681	\$3,741,850	\$4,234,248	\$4,236,177	\$3,776,845	\$4,180,770
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FUNDING:							
Earmarked	\$1,779,508	\$1,616,367	\$1,280,860	\$1,641,367	\$1,642,372	\$1,208,338	\$1,727,372
Fed. & Private	288,606	873,092	849,768	849,768	875,931	850,633	850,633
Revolving	1,217,967	1,811,222	1,611,222	1,743,113	1,717,874	1,717,874	1,602,765
Total Funding	\$3,286,081	\$4,300,681	\$3,741,850	\$4,234,248	\$4,236,177	\$3,776,845	\$4,180,770
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The Centralized Services Division is responsible for budgeting, property accounting, personnel, payroll, word processing, and licensing. This program includes the department motor vehicle pool and equipment warehouse.

During the current biennium the department transferred the seven regional coordinators and staff to the Administration Division. The department also transferred 3 FTE associated with the mail room, office supply and copy machine functions from the Conservation Education Program to this division. Funding for these functions remains general license dollars.

One additional FTE programmer analyst is included in this division for the 1985 biennium. Programming services have previously been obtained by the department in a contract basis at a cost of \$48,600 per year. The position could be hired for \$29,421 in fiscal 1984 and \$29,354 in fiscal 1985. The subcommittee approved this position and reduced contract services by \$48,600.

Fiscal 1984 includes one aircraft costing \$200,000. The aircraft will be utilized for both field operations and transportation of department personnel. The department will trade-in a 20-year-old aircraft to offset the purchase price of the new aircraft. The new aircraft will be purchased from the equipment revolving fund.

In the 1985 biennium \$920,000 is budgeted for nonoperating expenses in both fiscal 1984 and fiscal 1985. Of that amount, \$600,000 each year is for the purpose of providing expenditure authority for federal and private funds that would normally require budget amendments. The department anticipates contracts will approximate \$600,000 each year. (The 1981 Legislature provided \$500,000 per year for this purpose.) The remainder of the amount, \$320,000 each year, is commission paid to license dealers for each license sold.

Agency: Fish, Wildlife, and Parks

Program: Ecological Services

	FY 1982 Actual	-----Fiscal 1984-----		-----Fiscal 1985-----			
		Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee
FTE	29.19	26.09	21.01	21.01	26.09	21.01	21.07
Personal Ser.	\$622,628	\$700,711	\$568,755	\$572,160	\$701,103	\$567,915	\$571,200
Operating Exp.	283,070	223,409	201,210	206,851	237,157	213,571	220,659
Equipment	24,281	15,757	12,266	12,266	16,430	10,800	10,800
Non-Oper. Exp.	4,132	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Total Exp.	\$934,111	\$939,877	\$782,231	\$791,277	\$954,690	\$792,286	\$802,659
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FUNDING:							
Earmarked	\$340,927	\$704,443	\$417,538	\$555,843	\$719,256	\$423,408	\$567,225
Fed. & Private	593,184	235,434	364,693	235,434	235,434	368,878	235,434
Total Funding	\$934,111	\$939,877	\$782,231	\$791,277	\$954,690	\$792,286	\$802,659
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The Ecological Services Division is responsible for habitat protection for fish and wildlife and the collection of data on the impacts of development.

Due to an anticipated decline in federal funding from the Pittman-Robertson and Dingell-Johnson Act, this division has increased its contribution from earmarked revenues to maintain current level. The Ecological Division spent \$310,364 in fiscal 1982. For the 1985 biennium, the division will be allocated \$235,434 in each year.

FY 1982 Actual	-----Fiscal 1984-----			-----Fiscal 1985-----		
	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee
FTE	108.03	86.91	81.15	86.01	86.91	81.15
Personal Ser.						
Operating Exp.	\$2,024,434	\$2,102,551	\$1,978,318	\$2,083,372	\$2,105,281	\$1,975,436
Equipment	747,388	785,613	682,390	812,492	844,578	732,338
Non-Oper. Exp.	145,238	142,385	34,000	91,685	86,170	15,000
	10,000	16,000	16,000	16,000	16,000	16,000
Total Exp.	\$2,927,060	\$3,046,549	\$2,710,708	\$3,003,549	\$3,052,029	\$2,738,774
FUNDING:						
Earmarked	\$1,456,437	\$2,525,275	\$1,683,694	\$2,482,275	\$2,510,825	\$1,701,096
Fed. & Private	1,470,623	521,274	1,027,014	521,274	541,204	1,037,678
Total Funding	\$2,927,060	\$3,046,549	\$2,710,708	\$3,003,549	\$3,052,029	\$2,738,774

The Fisheries Division is responsible for preserving Montana's fishery resources.

The drop in FTE from fiscal 1982 is associated with FTE added by budget amendments. Not all the FTE were funded since federal dollars did not materialize.

In the 1985 biennium 4.86 additional FTE have been approved by the subcommittee. In fiscal 1982 the state assumed jurisdiction over the Bighorn River. To manage the fishery on the Bighorn River, 1.41 FTE including one biologist and .41 FTE shocking crew are added to this division. The cost of the 1.41 FTE is \$44,464 in fiscal 1984 and \$44,952 in fiscal 1985. Also added to this division is 3.45 FTE to maintain the federal fish hatchery at Miles City. The Fish and Wildlife Service plans to close the hatchery, which would jeopardize the only source of warm water fish production for eastern Montana. The cost of this modification is \$200,851 in fiscal 1984 and \$155,950 in fiscal 1984. The fiscal 1984 total includes \$50,000 to contract with an engineering firm to estimate costs to fix or move the hatchery.

The Fisheries Division is partially funded with federal money from the Dingell-Johnson Act. The department is anticipating a decline in these revenues for the 1985 biennium. The shortfall in federal funding has been offset with earmarked revenues. In fiscal 1982 this division spent \$677,218 in federal funds. For the 1985 biennium, this division is budgeted \$521,274 in fiscal 1984 and \$541,204 in fiscal 1985 from Dingell-Johnson Act.

Agency: Fish, Wildlife, and Parks

Program: Law Enforcement

	FY 1982 Actual	-----Fiscal 1984-----			-----Fiscal 1985-----		
		Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee
FTE	89.00	91.33	89.00	90.33	91.33	89.00	90.33
Personal Ser.	\$2,304,818	\$2,724,017	\$2,616,448	\$2,802,839	\$2,727,792	\$2,612,966	\$2,803,035
Operating Exp.	808,256	1,093,915	864,573	1,005,780	1,161,468	916,163	1,063,867
Equipment	92,449	94,788	50,900	161,900	81,870	53,300	100,300
Total Exp.	\$3,205,523	\$3,912,720	\$3,531,921	\$3,970,519	\$3,971,130	\$3,582,429	\$3,967,202
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FUNDING:							
Earmarked	\$3,145,002	\$3,846,102	\$3,464,138	\$3,903,901	\$3,903,686	\$3,510,579	\$3,899,758
Fed. & Private	60,521	66,618	67,783	66,618	67,444	71,850	67,444
Total Funding	\$3,205,523	\$3,912,720	\$3,531,921	\$3,970,519	\$3,971,130	\$3,582,429	\$3,967,202
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Language:

Included in the appropriation of Earmarked funds is \$37,893 in fiscal 1984 and \$38,562 in fiscal 1985 for a game warden in the Colstrip area. These funds are subject to the approval of a grant from the Coal Board.

Comments:

The Law Enforcement Division is responsible for enforcing state and federal laws protecting fish and wildlife and their habitat. The division also is responsible for the regulation and field enforcement in hunting, boating, and snowmobiling.

The subcommittee approved the addition of one FTE game warden for the Colstrip area. The subcommittee specified that funding for this position is contingent upon approval of a grant by the Coal Board. The cost of this FTE with associated operating expenses is \$37,893 in fiscal 1984 and \$38,562 in fiscal 1985. In the past the Coal Board has rejected this proposal.

Personal services includes \$250,000 per year for warden retirement. Separate legislation is pending (HB 892) which if passed would allow the wardens \$600,000 a year in retroactive pay.

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Also approved by the subcommittee is .33 FTE and operating support for the work done by the lab for the Enforcement Division. The division requested this modification due to the increasing need for the use of the facility in identification of meat, blood, hair, and carcass parts. The cost of this modification is \$13,413 in fiscal 1984 and \$13,627 in fiscal 1985. General license dollars will fund this modification.

The Law Enforcement Division is partially funded with Pittman-Robertson and Dingell-Johnson funds. In fiscal 1982 the Enforcement Division spent \$60,527 in federal funds. This division is budgeted \$66,618 in fiscal 1984 and \$67,444 in fiscal 1985.

Other modifications included in the division's budget are:

1. High-band radios--\$111,000 in fiscal 1984 and \$47,000 in fiscal 1985;
2. Increase funding for the Game Depredation Program--to relieve game damage on private land--\$39,122 in fiscal 1984 and \$41,671 in fiscal 1985; and
3. Per diem for the Outfitter Council--\$6,400 each year.

These modified requests would all be funded with general license monies.

Agency: Fish, Wildlife, and Parks

Program: Wildlife

	FY 1982 Actual	-----Fiscal 1984-----			-----Fiscal 1985-----		
		Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee
FTE	84.19	82.58	82.08	82.08	82.58	82.08	82.08
Personal Ser.	\$1,920,101	\$2,196,115	\$2,175,799	\$2,180,548	\$2,199,272	\$2,172,638	\$2,183,720
Operating Exp.	1,278,138	1,644,429	1,299,061	1,305,061	1,746,740	1,372,817	1,378,817
Equipment	88,864	86,083	60,134	70,134	79,430	62,925	62,925
Non-Oper. Exp.	64,642	80,988	61,988	61,988	80,988	61,988	61,988
Total Exp.	\$3,351,745	\$4,007,615	\$3,596,982	\$3,617,731	\$4,106,430	\$3,670,368	\$3,687,450
FUNDING:							
Earmarked	\$ 998,654	\$2,407,615	\$1,339,853	\$2,017,731	\$2,506,430	\$1,365,418	\$2,087,450
Fed. & Private	2,353,091	1,600,000	2,257,129	1,600,000	1,600,000	2,394,950	1,600,000
Total Funding	\$3,351,745	\$4,007,615	\$3,596,982	\$3,617,731	\$4,106,430	\$3,670,368	\$3,687,450

The Wildlife Division is responsible for the protection and enhancement of wildlife and wildlife habitat in the state. The division provides the department with survey, inventory, and research information of the state's wildlife resources.

Non-operating expenditures in the 1985 biennium include:

	FY 1984	FY 1985
Jonkel Grant to UM for Grizzly Bear Research	\$25,000	\$25,000
Student Stipend for research projects	36,988	36,988
Total	\$61,988	\$61,988

Funding for grants is split between general license funds and federal funds.

The Wildlife Division is partially funded with federal money from the Pittman-Robertson Act. In the 1985 biennium, the federal funds are expected to decline. This decline will substantially increase the amount of general license dollars necessary to maintain this division at current level. In fiscal 1982 the Wildlife Division spent \$2,153,476 of Pittman-Robertson funds. For the 1985 biennium, the Wildlife Division is budgeted to spend \$1,600,000 each year.

FTE	FY 1982 Actual	-----Fiscal 1984-----			-----Fiscal 1985-----		
		Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee
	80.36	88.35	80.73	87.13	88.35	80.73	87.13
Personal Ser.	\$1,326,935	\$1,754,329	\$1,597,250	\$1,724,415	\$1,757,575	\$1,594,913	\$1,727,723
Operating Exp.	711,846	879,469	764,915	821,475	926,118	817,180	877,156
Equipment	54,277	112,912	50,000	69,520	93,752	41,100	41,100
Non-Oper. Exp.	1,031,612	1,030,535	1,030,000	1,030,535	1,030,535	1,030,000	1,030,535
Total Exp.	\$3,124,670	\$3,777,245	\$3,442,164	\$3,645,945	\$3,807,980	\$3,483,193	\$3,676,514
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FUNDING:							
General	\$ 627,832	\$ 801,749	\$ 687,164	\$ 631,258	\$ 839,209	\$ 693,193	\$ 665,191
Earmarked	1,351,499	1,833,454	1,725,000	1,858,612	1,843,794	1,760,000	1,872,334
Fed. & Private	1,145,339	1,030,535	1,030,000	1,030,535	1,030,535	1,030,000	1,030,535
Revolving	-0-	111,507	-0-	125,540	94,442	-0-	108,454
Total Funding	\$3,124,670	\$3,777,245	\$3,442,164	\$3,645,945	\$3,807,980	\$3,483,193	\$3,676,514
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The Recreation and Parks Division is responsible for the operation and maintenance of the State Park System. This division is also responsible for the conservation of scenic, historic, archaeological, scientific, and recreational resources of the state.

The subcommittee has approved the addition of 4.5 FTE Capitol Complex grounds maintenance crew for the 1985 biennium. Grounds maintenance for the Capitol Complex has been a function carried out by private contract through the Department of Administration. The cost of the grounds maintenance crew is \$125,540 for fiscal 1984 and \$108,454 in fiscal 1985. Private contracts in the past have covered grounds maintenance for approximately \$113,000 per year.

Included in the 1985 biennium is 1 FTE to implement a land disposal program. This FTE would be responsible for administering a program which would trade lands administered by the department that no longer provide justifiable public benefit for areas with high recreational potential. This position would be funded with general license funds and cost \$24,288 in fiscal 1984 and \$24,233 in fiscal 1985.

The general fund decreases 3.3 percent, or \$44,948, in the 1985 biennium compared to the past biennium.

The subcommittee approved 1.09 FTE for the Parks Division to provide maintenance to the park system. The 1.09 FTE will be funded 7/8 general fund and 1/8 coal tax. These employees have been under a personal services contract.

Approval was also given to allow the department to ~~contract consultant services~~ to develop a recreational and maintenance program on the Bighorn River which is under the state's jurisdiction. The cost is \$13,483 in fiscal 1984 and \$14,292 in fiscal 1985. General license funds will support this effort.

Budgeted in each fiscal year is \$1,030,535 of Federal Land and Water Conservation funds. These funds are utilized for outdoor recreation area acquisition and development and are shown as non-operating expense. If the federal funds do not materialize, the department will not use this authority.

	FY 1982 Actual	-----Fiscal 1984-----			-----Fiscal 1985-----		
		Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee
FTE	21.00	18.50	18.00	18.25	18.50	18.00	18.25
Personal Ser.	\$537,000	\$540,864	\$536,023	\$537,390	\$541,887	\$535,381	\$538,457
Operating Exp.	422,030	382,500	320,167	320,940	409,636	340,572	344,121
Equipment	29,354	9,882	1,764	9,882	1,665	350	350
Total Exp.	\$988,384	\$933,246	\$857,954	\$868,212	\$953,188	\$876,303	\$882,928
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FUNDING:							
Earmarked	\$686,775	\$857,339	\$651,834	\$792,305	\$877,341	\$665,923	\$807,081
Fed. & Private	100,020	75,907	206,120	75,907	75,847	210,380	75,847
Revolving	201,589	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Total Funding	\$988,384	\$933,246	\$857,954	\$868,212	\$953,188	\$876,303	\$882,928
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The Conservation Education Division is responsible for the public relations functions of the department including film production and publication of the "Montana Outdoor" magazine. This division formerly included the mail distribution, printing, and office supply procurement functions for the department. These latter functions, along with 3 FTE, have been transferred to the Centralized Service Division.

In addition to the current level, the subcommittee has approved .25 FTE for the Orphaned Animal Program. This program was not funded in fiscal 1982-1983. The cost of this program is \$4,193 in fiscal 1984 and \$4,221 in fiscal 1985, and will be funded with general license dollars.

Agency: Fish, Wildlife, and Parks Program: Administration

FY 1982 Actual	-----Fiscal 1984-----			-----Fiscal 1985-----		
	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee
FTE	7.00	29.50	29.50	29.50	29.50	29.50
Personal Ser.	\$249,084	\$ 810,783	\$ 810,783	\$ 811,985	\$ 811,985	\$ 811,985
Operating Exp.	104,618	282,117	301,454	308,658	265,261	318,939
Equipment	-0-	11,455	42,287	11,455	10,787	42,287
Non-Oper. Exp.	105,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000
Total Exp.	\$458,702	\$1,184,355	\$1,243,524	\$1,212,098	\$1,168,033	\$1,253,211
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FUNDING:						
Earmarked	\$358,702	\$1,082,278	\$1,132,447	\$1,108,797	\$1,064,732	\$1,149,910
Fed. & Private	100,000	102,077	102,077	103,301	103,301	103,301
Total Funding	\$458,702	\$1,184,355	\$1,243,524	\$1,212,098	\$1,168,033	\$1,253,211
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The Administration Division provides management supervision to the department. The seven regional coordinators and employees have been transferred from the Centralized Services Division to this division.

For the 1985 biennium, one lawyer is included to analyze and defend the department's water rights and responsibilities. This position will be added on a contract base. The cost of the lawyer is approximately \$30,000 each year. No FTE is added.

Also included in each year of the 1985 biennium is \$51,500 for data processing capability. The system would include the purchase of:

3 microcomputers for regional offices	\$41,000
word processing for Montana Outdoors	7,650
land inventory system	15,000
microcomputer for fish hatchery	4,550
wildlife data base	25,000

Administration (Cont.)

The budget for the administration division includes \$12,375 for the 1985 biennium to purchase uniforms for Helena employees.

All modifications in this division will be funded with general license funds.

Non-operating expenses for administration include \$80,000 each year of the biennium for a grant to the Department of Livestock for the control of various predators. Funding for this grant is from general license funds.

Agency: Department of Commerce

Program: Agency Summary

	FY 1982 Actual	-----Fiscal 1984-----			-----Fiscal 1985-----		
		Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee
FTE	166.56	179.88	164.10	175.88	179.38	164.10	175.38
Personal Ser.	\$ 3,495,983	\$ 4,590,888	\$ 4,195,066	\$ 4,480,280	\$ 4,588,637	\$ 4,189,902	\$ 4,479,154
Operating Exp.	2,940,092	4,165,653	3,288,112	2,497,268	4,409,971	3,466,436	2,555,706
Equipment	105,843	153,424	85,264	154,615	79,516	37,606	81,088
Non-Oper. Exp.	6,123,403	50,401,353	25,915,717	29,577,851	52,434,472	28,249,357	29,688,107
Total Exp.	\$12,665,321	\$59,311,318	\$33,484,159	\$36,710,014	\$61,512,596	\$35,943,301	\$36,804,055
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FUNDING:							
General	\$ 2,489,507	\$ 6,025,329	\$ 2,649,508	\$ 3,355,738	\$ 6,109,969	\$ 2,710,887	\$ 3,408,817
Earmarked	-0-	35,922,780	-0-	-0-	38,022,164	-0-	-0-
Fed. & Private	10,175,814	15,811,851	30,834,651	33,354,276	15,817,720	33,232,414	33,395,238
Revolving	-0-	1,551,358	-0-	-0-	1,562,743	-0-	-0-
Total Funding	\$12,665,321	\$59,311,318	\$33,484,159	\$36,710,014	\$61,512,596	\$35,943,301	\$36,804,055
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The Department of Commerce is responsible for the promotion of commerce-related activities in Montana through a wide variety of programs.

The Department of Commerce consists of:

1. Division of Business and Professional Licensing
 - a. Business Licensing & Regulation - Program Support
 - b. Milk Control Bureau
 - c. Weights and Measures Bureau
 - d. Professional and Occupational Licensing Boards
2. Financial Division
3. Aeronautics Division
4. Transportation Division
5. Business Assistance
6. Montana Promotion
7. Housing Division
8. Community Assistance
 - a. State Community Assistance
 - b. Community Development Block Grant
 - c. Coal Board & Hard Rock Mining
9. Economic and Community Development Division Support
 - a. Data Center (new)
10. Indian Affairs Coordinator
11. Director's Office
12. Centralized Services Division
13. Legal Services Division (new)

Additions to the department include the data center, which was formerly in the Department of Administration. The data center exists as part of a federal/state cooperative program which disseminates population and economic data to state agencies and other public entities. The cost of the data center is \$312,000 for the biennium (general fund). The data center is combined with the economic development support unit.

Also new to the department is the legal services division. This division was established by merging all current level attorneys from other programs with the Consumer Affairs Bureau. The division now includes four lawyers, one administrative officer, and one compliance officer. A legal secretary has been approved by the subcommittee for the 1985 biennium. Funding for the legal division is now partially general fund, for the consumer affairs portion, and revolving for the legal services portion.

The department has also implemented an indirect cost allocation plan to fund the Director's Office, Centralized Services, and a portion of the Legal Division. Each program is now assessed a charge based on personal service and estimated dollar per hour legal charges. This indirect cost is included in each program budget.

Legislation is currently pending (HB 639) which would transfer two programs from the Department of Administration to the Department of Commerce. Local Government Services and the Accounting and Management Programs would be shifted to Commerce. This shift would increase general fund in the Department of Commerce \$4,045,926 for the 1985 biennium.

Agency: Department of Commerce

Program: Business Licensing and Regulation
Program Support

	FY 1982 Actual	Executive	Fiscal 1984 Current Level	Subcommittee	Executive	Fiscal 1985 Current Level	Subcommittee
FTE	3.00	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30
Personal Ser.	\$ 84,859	\$66,329	\$65,956	\$66,329	\$ 79,097	\$65,865	\$ 79,097
Operating Exp.	197,618	23,321	18,089	20,504	24,958	18,486	22,638
Equipment	4,038	89	89	89	89	89	89
Total Exp.	\$286,515	\$89,739	\$84,134	\$86,922	\$104,144	\$84,440	\$101,824
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FUNDING:							
General	\$144,588	\$20,187	\$18,341	\$19,992	\$ 30,448	\$18,408	\$ 34,894
Earmarked	141,927	69,552	65,793	66,930	73,696	66,032	66,930
Total Funding	\$286,515	\$89,739	\$84,134	\$86,922	\$104,144	\$84,440	\$101,824
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In fiscal 1985, \$13,000 of general funds can be spent only for the retirement of this program's director.

The Business Licensing and Regulation Support Program is responsible for providing administrative and management assistance to the Milk Control Bureau, the Professional and Occupational Licensing Bureau, and the Weights and Measures Bureau.

Fiscal 1985 includes approximately \$13,000 for the retirement of this program's director. If the director chooses not to retire, the money will not be spent.

	FY 1982 Actual	-----Fiscal 1984-----		-----Fiscal 1985-----			
		Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee
FTE	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
Personal Ser.	\$152,781	\$179,687	\$179,206	\$179,206	\$179,294	\$178,946	\$178,946
Operating Exp.	51,401	86,163	77,016	80,903	91,011	79,981	83,566
Equipment	-0-	1,608	108	108	1,608	108	108
Total Exp.	\$204,182	\$267,458	\$256,330	\$260,217	\$271,913	\$259,035	\$262,620
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FUNDING:							
Earmarked	\$204,182	\$267,458	\$256,330	\$260,217	\$271,913	\$259,035	\$262,620
Total Funding	\$204,182	\$267,458	\$256,330	\$260,217	\$271,913	\$259,035	\$262,620
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The Milk Control Bureau is responsible for regulating the production, transportation, processing, storage, distribution, and sale of milk.

The expenses of this program rise as administration changes for the director's office, centralized services, and legal services add \$20,000 in fiscal 1984 and \$19,000 in fiscal 1985. Previously these costs were included in the Centralized Services Program.

Agency: Department of Commerce

Program: Weights and Measures Bureau

	FY 1982 Actual	-----Fiscal 1984-----		-----Fiscal 1985-----			
		Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee
FTE	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	
Personal Ser.	\$246,916	\$283,384	\$278,875	\$283,384	\$282,788	\$278,474	\$282,788
Operating Exp.	89,828	151,987	129,988	139,306	157,985	135,017	141,558
Equipment	38,555	21,382	7,392	20,382	13,410	5,660	13,410
Total Exp.	\$375,299	\$456,753	\$416,255	\$443,072	\$454,183	\$420,051	\$437,756
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FUNDING:							
General	\$375,299	\$456,753	\$416,255	\$443,072	\$454,183	\$420,051	\$437,756
Total Funding	\$375,299	\$456,753	\$416,255	\$443,072	\$454,183	\$420,051	\$437,756
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The Weights and Measures Bureau is responsible for testing all weighing and measuring devices used in Montana commerce. This bureau is also responsible for quality control of petroleum products.

The major factor leading to the increase in operating expenses is administration charges for the director's office, centralized services, and legal services. These items add \$30,928 in fiscal 1984 and \$30,551 in fiscal 1985. Previously these items were budgeted separately.

FY 1982 Actual	-----Fiscal 1984-----		-----Fiscal 1985-----	
	Executive	Subcommittee	Executive	Subcommittee
FTE	34.92	34.74	34.74	34.74
Personal Ser.	\$ 619,913	\$ 769,961	\$ 768,359	\$ 776,634
Operating Exp.	524,214	774,518	820,134	914,646
Equipment	20,689	4,660	2,660	2,660
Non-Oper. Exp.	196,245	228,203	245,461	246,216
Total Exp.	\$1,361,061	\$1,777,342	\$1,836,614	\$1,940,156
FUNDING:				
Earmarked	\$1,361,061	\$1,777,342	\$1,836,614	\$1,940,156
Total Exp.	\$1,361,061	\$1,777,342	\$1,836,614	\$1,940,156

The Professional and Occupational Licensing Bureau is responsible for the administrative and clerical services required by the 27 professional licensing boards. Services are provided to the boards listed on the following page.

The POL Bureau includes an additional .92 FTE. Total cost for the additional FTE is \$39,957 in fiscal 1984 and \$41,304 in fiscal 1985. The FTE are distributed in the following boards:

Architects	.08 FTE
Dentistry	.15 FTE
Hearing Aid Dispensers	.06 FTE
Morticians	.08 FTE
Physical Therapy Examiners	.05 FTE
Water Well Contractors	.50 FTE
	<u>.92 Total Additional FTE</u>

Professional and Occupational Licensing Program

	Actual Fiscal 1982	Appropriated Fiscal 1983	Adjusted Fiscal 1984	Adjusted Fiscal 1985
Administration	\$ 109,931	\$ 117,694	\$ 173,971	\$ 182,121
Architects	29,861	26,444	40,447	42,059
Barbers	15,220	24,850	20,217	20,820
Chiropractors	11,515	14,536	14,804	15,418
Cosmetologists	84,534	112,489	118,649	122,294
Dentists	32,112	35,138	48,174	50,256
Electrical Board	56,297	69,146	67,604	69,240
Hearing Aid Dispensers	3,410	5,761	4,807	4,956
Horse Racing	184,051	240,697	278,657	289,282
Medical Examiners	75,143	85,016	116,003	120,631
Morticians	10,237	15,454	13,748	14,154
Nursing	137,369	157,425	183,387	189,789
Nursing Home Administration	10,959	20,929	15,644	15,931
Optometrists	10,552	13,525	17,649	18,360
Pharmacists	74,902	95,503	102,452	104,433
Plumbers	50,296	71,118	67,044	66,306
Professional Engineers &				
Land Surveyors	86,850	110,081	89,202	92,265
Public Accountants	96,966	121,813	125,933	130,656
Real Estate	209,756	296,071	258,025	264,547
Veterinarians	17,294	21,239	25,182	25,928
Water Well Contractors	8,676	20,797	26,644	27,185
Psychologists	9,130	13,241	13,135	13,699
Sanitarians	3,850	5,200	3,291	3,424
Private Investigators	3,158	4,482	4,998	5,123
Landscape Architects	6,115	7,593	6,412	6,700
Speech Pathologist & Audio	7,516	8,250	12,229	12,771
Radiologic Technology	8,159	9,954	17,724	18,495
Physical Therapist	7,202	5,380	12,767	13,313
Total Program	\$1,361,061	\$1,735,459	\$1,878,769	\$1,940,156

	FY 1982 Actual	-----Fiscal 1984-----			-----Fiscal 1985-----		
		Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee
FTE	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	
Personal Ser.	\$427,473	\$496,886	\$494,060	\$495,654	\$493,332	\$494,741	
Operating Exp.	120,636	210,849	192,039	189,436	196,233	191,850	
Equipment	1,370	2,010	2,010	2,010	910	910	
Total Exp.	\$549,479	\$709,745	\$688,109	\$687,100	\$690,475	\$687,501	
FUNDING:							
General	\$549,479	\$ -0-	\$688,109	\$687,100	\$690,475	\$687,501	
Earmarked	-0-	709,745	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	
Total Funding	\$549,479	\$709,745	\$688,109	\$687,100	\$690,475	\$687,501	

The major factor leading to the increase in operating expenses is administration changes for the director's office, centralized services, and legal services. These items add \$34,000 in fiscal 1984 and \$52,500 in fiscal 1985. Previously these items were budgeted separately.

The general fund appropriation increases 16 percent in the 1985 biennium.

The Financial Division is responsible for the examination of state banks, credit unions, and savings and loan associations. The division examined or contracted for the examination of 110 of these institutions in fiscal 1982.

Legislation is pending to increase the license and examination fees to make this division self-supporting. In fiscal 1982 the fees, which are currently paid into the general fund, provided 60 percent of this division's support. The subcommittee has approved this division be continued to be funded through the general fund.

Agency: Department of CommerceProgram: Aeronautics Division

	FY 1982 Actual	-----Fiscal 1984-----		-----Fiscal 1985-----			
		Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee
FTE	13.34	12.84	12.34	12.84	12.84	12.34	12.84
Personal Ser.	\$277,134	\$ 331,537	\$323,943	\$331,537	\$330,808	\$323,547	\$330,808
Operating Exp.	293,373	319,180	296,927	308,385	342,873	315,886	328,043
Equipment	22,237	84,366	28,400	84,366	45,400	3,400	45,400
Non-Oper. Exp.	217,948	275,000	62,000	73,000	275,000	62,000	73,000
Total Exp.	\$810,692	\$1,010,083	\$711,270	\$797,288	\$994,081	\$704,833	\$777,251
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FUNDING:							
Earmarked	\$624,791	\$ 924,690	\$617,418	\$711,895	\$903,565	\$607,929	\$686,735
Fed. & Private	105,146	-0-	-0-	-0-	90,516	96,904	-0-
Revolving	80,755	85,393	93,852	85,393	-0-	-0-	90,516
Total Exp.	\$810,692	\$1,010,083	\$711,270	\$797,288	\$994,081	\$704,833	\$777,251
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The Aeronautics Division provides technical and financial assistance to local airports, maintains state-owned airports, including the West Yellowstone Airport. The division is funded by a one-cent per gallon tax on aviation fuel, license and registration fees, and income from the state-owned airports.

The Aeronautics Division budget includes \$73,000 each year in grants for airport development and planning.

One half-time (.50 FTE) clerical position has been eliminated in compliance with a recommendation from the Governor's Council on Management. Major equipment purchases include various safety related items - \$20,000 per year, communication aids - \$10,000 per year, radio beacons - \$12,000, and airway beacon facility - \$25,000.

FY 1982 Actual	-----Fiscal 1984-----			-----Fiscal 1985-----		
	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee
FTE	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
Personal Ser.	\$ 336,941	\$ 454,656	\$ 454,656	\$ 451,849	\$ 453,992	\$ 453,992
Operating Exp.	226,921	214,614	242,596	278,142	225,075	254,461
Equipment	2,685	1,861	9,422	489	489	489
Non-Oper. Exp.	654,427	3,056,000	3,056,000	3,056,000	3,056,000	3,056,000
Total Exp.	\$1,220,974	\$3,727,131	\$3,762,674	\$3,786,480	\$3,735,556	\$3,764,942
FUNDING:						
General	\$ 237,370	\$ 318,470	\$ 355,874	\$ 428,480	\$ 320,237	\$ 350,112
Earmarked	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000
Fed. & Private	908,604	3,333,661	3,331,800	3,283,000	3,340,319	3,339,830
Total Funding	\$1,220,974	\$3,727,131	\$3,762,674	\$3,786,480	\$3,735,556	\$3,764,942

The Transportation Division is responsible for technical, financial and legal assistance to transportation users, providers, and local governments. The division consists of the Litigation and Analysis Bureau and the Planning and Assistance Bureau.

The 25 percent biennial increase in general fund in the Transportation Division is due primarily to the replacement of federal funding. In the 1985 biennium the division will receive less urban mass transportation administration funds. In fiscal 1984 and fiscal 1985 the general fund will replace approximately \$50,000 per year in lost federal funding.

Included in this budget are federal construction grant funds of \$2.4 million in fiscal 1984. Federal grants totaling \$520,640 in fiscal 1984 and \$520,640 in fiscal 1985 are included for transit assistance to small cities and rural areas.

This division also will administer \$75,000 from the state gas tax to assist in the operation of local public transportation system. This support is prescribed by Section 7-14-102, MCA, to provide funds to cities and urban transportation districts of the state.

Agency: Department of Commerce

Program: Business Assistance

	FY 1982 Actual	Executive	Fiscal 1984 Current Level	Subcommittee	Executive	Fiscal 1985 Current Level	Subcommittee
FTE	6.00	4.33	4.33	4.33	4.33	4.33	4.33
Personal Ser.	\$162,152	\$126,742	\$126,701	\$126,742	\$126,465	\$126,511	\$126,465
Operating Exp.	124,181	180,889	67,916	125,064	192,478	71,640	92,740
Equipment	144	114	114	114	114	114	114
Total Exp.	\$286,477	\$307,745	\$194,731	\$251,920	\$319,057	\$198,265	\$219,319
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FUNDING:							
General	\$146,502	\$307,745	\$105,155	\$221,920	\$319,057	\$107,063	\$219,319
Fed. & Private	139,975	-0-	89,576	30,000	-0-	91,202	-0-
Total Exp.	\$286,477	\$307,745	\$194,731	\$251,920	\$319,057	\$198,265	\$219,319
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The Business Assistance Program provides technical assistance to new and existing businesses including specific assistance to businesses that have products with potential for international markets. This program includes the Licensing Coordination Center which assists business in complying with state license requirements.

The general fund increase of 32 percent, or \$100,000 over the 1983 biennium, is due to the replacement of lost federal Economic Development funds. In fiscal 1984, \$30,000 of federal funding will be carried over from the previous fiscal year. Except for this carry-over, the program will be entirely general funded in the 1985 biennium.

FTE employees change as follows:

6.00	FY 1982 Level
- 1.00	To Economic Development
- 1.50	Travel Promotion
+ 1.33	From Housing
4.33	FY 1984 Level

FY 1982		-----Fiscal 1984-----		-----Fiscal 1985-----			
	Actual	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee	Executive	Current Level	Subcommittee
FTE	7.50	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Personal Ser.	\$133,256	\$216,419	\$211,267	\$ 214,630	\$215,980	\$210,958	\$ 214,254
Operating Exp.	563,714	686,896	655,158	1,016,023	731,759	696,357	1,059,542
Equipment	760	129	129	129	129	129	129
Total Exp.	\$697,730	\$903,444	\$866,554	\$1,230,782	\$947,868	\$907,444	\$1,273,925
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FUNDING:							
General	\$613,517	\$892,773	\$666,554	\$ 880,782	\$936,557	\$707,444	\$ 923,925
Fed. & Private	84,213	10,671	200,000	350,000	11,311	200,000	350,000
Total Exp.	\$697,730	\$903,444	\$866,554	\$1,230,782	\$947,868	\$907,444	\$1,273,925
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Montana Promotion promotes Montana for both its tourism qualities and as a location for new businesses.

General fund for the Montana Promotion Program increases approximately 34 percent on a biennial basis. This increase is due primarily to the replacement of private contributions with general fund. The department requested and the subcommittee approved, that the current level operations of this program be totally general funded, and that all private revenues raised be included in this budget for the "Build Montana" Program. The department anticipates raising \$350,000 each year from private sources. This amount has been included for each year of the biennium, but does not contribute to the current level operation.

MARCH 10, 1983

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

I. Deputy Director

The need was recognized prior to Director McOmber's tenure. He attempted to operate without a deputy and came back with a request for a deputy director. The committee recognized and concurred with the need. The Governor's Council concurs. The sub-committee initially recognized and concurred when they passed a motion to retain the Deputy Director.

Appendix I

Modified

1. Entomologist

Fee increases are generating \$187,628 to enable the Department's response to public demand for entomologist support to pest and chemical problems.

Approximate cost \$60,500
Net increase to General Fund \$127,128

Appendix II

2. Field Examiners

Recent elevator bankruptcy issues have forced the department to re-evaluate its position on bonding requirements. It is generally recognized that the slow agricultural economy, high interest rates, and the move to sub-terminals could provoke financial problems for rural elevators. Problems result from economically uncompetitive rural elevators, inadequate record keeping, possible diversion of funds, future market speculation and delayed price contracts, which all contribute to the bankruptcy of grain merchandisers. The department needs to implement an examination program on all public warehouses that will enable them to detect and predict financial problems and review surety bond levels for adequate protection of producers holding warehouse receipts for stored grain.

Two vacant positions have been eliminated in the division's current level budget to offset the requested FTE.

Cost: FY 84 - \$66,702 FY 85 - \$60,015

Proposed legislation will increase revenue by \$54,864 for biennium.

Appendix III

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3. Bulletin

Projected biennial bulletin is approximately \$8,000. Cost to produce annual bulletin approximately \$10,000.

There is an increasingly large demand for current agricultural statistics from all general public sectors. \$2,000 is very small amount to provide current statistics to the general public.

4. Chemist

Public demand more and more service evaluating potential and actual environmental impacts. One small example was the recent PCB spill at State Surplus Property Bureau. All activity was dropped to accommodate PCB testing to evaluate impact on human health and facilities; thereby creating backlog of day to day laboratory demands. - \$19,107 - General Fund - \$19,108 Earmarked Fund
Appendix IV

5. Lab Update

Allows for equipment needed to keep lab operating at an efficient level in today's realm of chemical application versus our physical environment. - \$24,781 General Fund - \$23,394 Earmarked Fund
Appendix V

SUMMARY

GENERAL FUND EXPENSES	GENERAL FUND REVENUE
- Entomologist \$ 60,500	- Pesticide Fees \$187,628
- Field Examiners 126,717	- Grain Fees 54,864
- Bulletin 2,000	
- Chemist 19,107	
- Lab Update 24,781	
\$ 233,105	\$242,492

NET INCREASE GENERAL FUND 1985 BIENNIAL - \$9,387

January 18, 1983

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE - DIRECTORS OFFICE

Agriculture is the most important industry in the State of Montana and is charged with the duties of encouraging and promoting the interests of agriculture and all other allied industries. The Governor's Council on Management summarized the duties of the department as defined in MCA 80-1-102 as follows:

"The mission of this department is to promote Montana's agricultural interests while managing related licensing, registration and inspection programs."

The size of the department does not regulate the importance and impact of agricultural issues that face the department. This was drastically illustrated when the news industry rates top news stories of the year to include such issues as Endrin, PCB, and Coast Trading.

The Governor's Council on Management recognized the management needs of the Department and recommend operational changes to increase utilization of the Deputy Director in internal operations. The department concurs with their assessment.

As of this date 5.75 man months of extra time were provided by the directors office and the centralized services administrator.

	<u>Compensatory Time</u>		<u>Vacation Time*</u>		<u>Total</u>
	Hours	Dollar Value	Hours Lost	Dollar Value	Dollar Value
Director	227.3	\$ 5,347	137.5	\$ 3,062	\$ 8,409
Deputy	274.5	4,574	92.7	1,545	6,119
Cen Services Administrator	<u>211.5</u>	<u>2,865</u>	<u>54.0</u>	<u>731</u>	<u>3,596</u>
TOTAL	713.3	\$12,786	284.2	\$ 5,338	\$18,124

* Time that will be lost as of this date.

July 1, 1981 to December 31, 1982, the Director and Deputy Director travel claims show that the Directors office has been called on to attend, participate in, and represent the department, the general public, and Montana agriculture, eighty seven times, requiring travel and attendance incorporated in 161 days. On an annual basis, 41% of one persons time is required to participate in this activity. Although much of the travel time is spent after hours, this has a direct impact on the administrative time available to the Director and makes his dependence on the Deputy Director critical.

The departments thanks is extended to retiring Director Gordon McOmber as he contributed 455.59 hours of vacation time during his tenure at the department for which he will never be paid monetarily.

March 10, 1983

Department of Agriculture

1) Entomologist

Adequate staff is required to provide direct service to producers, homemakers, counties and general public on special pest and chemical problems.

A simple example of activities include a request for assistance when a pest or chemical problem is received.

- 1.) Study developed through proper evaluation techniques.
- 2.) Field design, layout study, data collection and analyze data.
- 3.) Develop recommendations to Department, EPA or chemical company.
- 4.) Results of study may modify use of chemical, may cancel or make new product available to growers.
 - a) Efficacy testing could provide improved control measures.
 - b) Possibility of obtaining special exemption to achieve control if other methods are not available.

Demands relative to pests and chemicals increase -

Option - Cannot meet demands.

Staff member as of 2/18 will lose 37 days annual leave and comp time this fiscal year as he cannot utilize time before April 1. He has lost 60 days total time annual leave and comp time in the last 5 years.

Increased fees under proposed legislation will generate \$187,628 in 1985 Biennium -

Salaries and Benefits for this position	\$41,186
Operations	<u>19,314</u>
	\$60,500

Fees will still generate revenue to general fund as well as meet expenses for entomologist.

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2. FIELD EXAMINERS

Recent bankruptcy issues such as those caused by Coast Trading Company have forced the department to re-evaluate its current position in relationship to the protection of farmers who store or market grain in Montana. It is generally recognized across the nation that high interest rates, slow economy and changing transportation modes are having an impact on or are provoking financial problems for many grain companies. Problem areas such as poor management, inadequate record-keeping possible diversion of funds, future market speculation and delayed price contracts all contribute to factors that may lead to bankruptcy situations.

Montana public warehouses and grain dealers facilities in Montana have a storage capacity of approximately 55 million bushels. There are approximately 360 licensed facilities in Montana that support a grain industry grossing over 770 million in 1982. The above 770 million does not include commerce in agricultural seed, mustard/oil seed crops or dry beans.

Examiner Functions

1. Bonding - Cross check to verify correct bushel capacity/verification bond amount.
2. Examination--(Records/facility) Routine scheduled visitation specific format; standardized with CCC warehouse examiners. Deal with complaints on deferred contracts.
3. Warehouse Receipts - Establish uniform warehouse receipt system; strengthen credibility of warehouse receipt.
4. License Required - Annual check for warehouse license, commodity buyer license.
 - Routine check for posting of placards for storage charges, official grade information, prohibiting delivery of toxic substances.
 - Occasional check for Public Warehouse license, Grain Dealer/ Trucker, Track Buyer, Agent/Commission, Seed Warehouseman, Seed Buyer, Seed Dealer, Mustard Dealer and Bean Warehouse Licenses.
5. Assist in examining Seed cleaning equipment, possible feed tonnage collections, possible fertilizer tonnage collection.
6. Commodity Buyer - Establish uniform procedure to monitor truckers Cooperate with G.V.W.

PROPOSED EXPENSE

- \$126,717

Proposed legislation will increase revenue by \$54,864 for biennium.

March 10, 1983

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

4. Chemist

The chemist is funded $\frac{1}{2}$ general fund and $\frac{1}{2}$ earmarked.

The Chemist will be utilized to help with samples received year round to expedite analysis in response to citizens complaints, ie: damages, potential damages to agriculture, health and environment to determine if there is a problem.

A projected increase of 1,000 samples a year in view of increase in agricultural/environmental awareness and concern.

March 10, 1983

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

5. Lab Update

The purpose of the Lab update is to meet current program needs and the increase demands for service, and provides a system to support the pesticide portion of workload.

The volume of samples being received increases each year and the need for more automated equipment is essential to push samples through the system at an increased rate and the necessary supply type money to purchase glassware, etc. to provide for analysis.

JOINT HOUSE-SENATE APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE
ON NATURAL RESOURCES
February 11, 1983
Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks
MODIFICATIONS

APPROVED

1. P68 Aircraft
Revolving Fund FY84 \$200,000 FTE 0
Centralized Services
(Tape #53a, Side A-001)

The Department seeks funds to buy a new aircraft adequate for both field operations and transportation of Department personnel. They will trade in a 20-year-old aircraft to help finance the purchase. Trade-in value - \$30,000. MR. FLYNN testified they had researched three types of aircraft, and this was best for their needs. REPRESENTATIVE HEMSTAD asked why this was the only twin-engine they had looked at. MR. FLYNN responded that normally twin-engine costs are much more expensive. However, in the course of research, they came across this one, which was within costs.

This plane is cheaper per hour to operate, has twin engines, good for questionable and night flying (patrolling for spot light poaching), has a shorter landing and take-off requirement, has a "bubble-nose" for visibility, seats five besides the pilot. It costs \$80/hour to operate, which is the same cost to operate their present 20-year-old plane - without counting depreciation.

MR. FLYNN stated the primary use of the plane will be to plant fish in the mountain lakes.

Cost savings vs. charter is \$80/hour compared to \$180/hour on average for charter.

Ninety percent of the components come from America, but it is designed and assembled in Italy.

SENATOR BOYLAN MOVED TO APPROVE THE AIRCRAFT. MOTION PASSED WITH SENATOR SMITH VOTING NO. This aircraft will be funded from operations money in the Revolving Account and will cut down on Contracted Services. However, SENATOR SMITH felt that even though it can be paid for in current level, it all comes from license fees, and every year the Legislature has to keep raising their fees to keep up with operations.

TIE VOTE - NO RECOMMENDATION

2. Purchasing Coordinator
Federal Funds FY84 \$23,234 FY85 \$25,298 FTE 1
Centralized Services
(Tape #53a, Side A-097)

This is to be funded with "overhead functions" from the Federal and Contracted Services money. The Department requests a coordinator to analyze requests for purchasing, researching proper quantities to purchase, and reviewing the cost effectiveness of equipment acquisitions. During FY 82, the Department spent \$2.6 million on supplies, materials, repair, maintenance, and equipment. MR. FLYNN stated that if they could effect a 1% cost-savings with more efficient controls, this would result in a net savings. DAVE MOTT testified that even though they go through the Central Purchasing Division, they do not have anyone to research competitive prices, especially on large items for parks, such as fencing, latrines, and cattle guards.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE MOVED NOT TO APPROVE THIS MODIFICATION. REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE, REPRESENTATIVE HEMSTAD AND SENATOR SMITH VOTED YES. CHAIRMAN MANUEL, SENATOR LANE, AND SENATOR BOYLAN VOTED NO. MOTION FAILED BECAUSE OF A TIE VOTE. SENATOR BOYLAN felt that because the equipment purchased by the Department is so extensive, the need a coordinator, REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE

felt that out of 400 employees, someone on staff should be able to do this.

APPROVED

3. Program Analyst
License Fund FY84 \$29,421 FY85 \$29,354 FTE 1
Centralized Services
(Tape #53a, Side A-197)

In the past, the Department has contracted with the Department of Administration for \$48,600 per year. The Department could hire an analyst for approximately \$30,000 per year. The current level budget has been reduced based on this modification. If the FTE is not approved, then \$48,600 must be restored to the budget to provide adequate funds to contract with Administration. If approved, it would be a cost savings of about \$18,000 per year.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE MOVED TO APPROVE THE MODIFICATION FOR THE PROGRAM ANALYST. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

NOT APPROVED

4. Training and EEO
License Fund FY84 \$12,000 FY85 \$12,000 FTE 0
Centralized Services
(Tape #53a, Side A-219)

The Governor's Council on Management was critical of the Department in that they do not spend enough time on training supervisors in Personnel Management. This type of program is needed to ensure that the Department is in compliance with EEO and Affirmative Action Guidelines, and to improve management skills.

The Council has also recommended reviewing and updating job descriptions, implementing a Performance Appraisal System and to monitor its use, and to develop a formal program of instruction based on training needs.

REPRESENTATIVE HEMSTAD pointed out that the State follows an Affirmative Action Program, and asked how FWP fits into this. MR. FLYNN stated that the Department of Administration administers the Plan, and ranked FWP the lowest in State government for compliance with that Plan. The training requested is not strictly for EEO, but all phases of personnel management.

REPRESENTATIVE HEMSTAD stated that this type of training on EEO and Affirmative Action could be done in a very short period, by people from Administration, and should not require extra dollars.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE MOVED TO DENY THIS MODIFICATION. MOTION PASSED WITH SENATOR LANE AND CHAIRMAN MANUEL VOTING NO.

NOT APPROVED

5. Core Staff Financing
License Fund FY84 \$100,683 FY85 \$100,461 FTE 3.92
(Tape #53a, Side A-282)

Prior to the 1979 Session, the Department was experiencing problems with having to contract with biologists for certain projects for a period of time, then having to let the biologist go. The Department would then get another project, and have to start all over again in finding an available biologist, orienting him, and only to have the biologist again leave when the project was done.

The 1979 Session began "Core-Staff Financing." There was authorized a certain number of FTE's at specified dollar level to fund those biologists to do Department projects, in between contract projects. This allows the Department to have increased research capabilities, as well as keeping knowledgeable professionals on staff when the contracts do come up.

Five FTE's were originally authorized. Because the Department did not use all of the FTE's, they were cut back to 1.08 FTE's. MR. FLYNN asked the Committee to authorize the five FTE's and the \$100,000 per year so these professionals would be available. These people are to fill-in between contracts.

SENATOR SMITH asked what if there are no contracts. MR. FLYNN stated they would not hire any new FTE's if the contracts did not come in.

The funds are to cover the staff until contract monies arrive. When they are not on contracts, they would be funded by License Fees.

CHAIRMAN MANUEL noted that the "Core-Staff" has saved the Department a lot of money.

SENATOR SMITH clarified that if there were no contracts, the Department would be authorized to spend \$100,000 each year.

REPRESENTATIVE HEMSTAD MOVED TO DENY THIS MODIFICATION. MOTION PASSED WITH CHAIRMAN MANUEL AND SENATOR LANE VOTING NO.

- TIE VOTE - NO RECOMMENDATION
6. Elkhorn Wildlife
Coordinator
License Fund FY84 \$28,044 FY85 \$27,982 FTE 1
Wildlife Division
(Tape #53a, Side A-446)

The Department requests to continue a position established through Budget Amendment. The Coordinator supervises development and management of the wildlife monitoring studies being done by the U. S. Forest Service and the Department in the Elkhorn Mountains. MR. FLYNN stated this is a pilot program for the nation. It is a cooperative venture with the Forest Service. The Forest Service was paying 75%, the Department 25%. The Forest Service has now stated they intend to go 50%-50%.

It is the hope of the U.S. Forest Service and the Department that this unique kind of a program be utilized to answer future questions of "wilderness vs. non-wilderness."

MR. FLYNN emphasized that this is a one-of-a-kind program. The request includes the State's share of the total program, including salary, travel, equipment, etc.

SENATOR LANE MOVED THAT THIS MODIFICATION BE APPROVED. SENATOR LANE, SENATOR BOYLAN, AND CHAIRMAN MANUEL VOTED YES. REPRESENTATIVES STOBIE AND HEMSTAD VOTED NO, AND SENATOR SMITH VOTED NO. MOTION FAILED BECAUSE OF A TIE VOTE. The three voting yes felt MR. FLYNN had justified the program and it had merit. The three who voted no did not want to assume another program started by the Federal government.

APPROVED

7. Bighorn River
License Fund FY84-\$44,464 FY85-\$44,952. FTE 1.41
Fisheries Division
(Tape #53a, Side A-593)

MR. FLYNN stated that the Bighorn River is new since last Session. The State regained jurisdiction in 1981 due to a U.S. Supreme Court decision. MR. FLYNN stated the river is a priority because it was unattended by the State for six years during the dispute with the Crow Indians. He said it has a reputation as the best brown trout stream in the nation. Mr. FLYNN has been advised by the attorney who represented the State in the court battle that the State could lose the river if it is not managed in a prudent and responsible manner.

The request includes a biologist, who will be spending about 80% of his time on the river, one person for creel census, and .41 FTE to aid in stocking. (The original request was for 2.41 FTE and \$58,394 in FY 84; \$58,882 in FY 85.)

MR. FLYNN stated he has dropped 80 FTE's the past three years. He does not have the flexibility to use people from other areas. He needs new FTE's for the Bighorn project.

The administration of the river will come out of the Billings office.

SENATOR SMITH MOVED TO APPROVE 1.41 FTE IN THIS MODIFICATION AND THAT THE FIGURES BE ADJUSTED TO REFLECT THIS. MOTION PASSED WITH REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE AND REPRESENTATIVE HEMSTAD VOTING NO.

TIE VOTE - NO RECOMMENDATION

8. Hydrologist
License Fund FY84 \$10,000 FY85 \$12,500 FTE 0
Fisheries Division
(Tape #53a, Side B-030)

The Department requested to contract with MSU for a Hydrologist to provide expertise on projects to improve conditions for fish, game, and the landowners. This help is also needed to continue work on the Streambed Preservation Project.

Reduced Federal Funding in the Soil Conservation Service will greatly reduce engineering assistance to landowners. MR. FLYNN stated the caseload is increasing.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE MOVED TO DENY THIS MODIFICATION. REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE, REPRESENTATIVE HEMSTAD, AND SENATOR SMITH VOTED YES. CHAIRMAN MANUEL, SENATOR BOYLAN, AND SENATOR LANE VOTED NO. MOTION FAILED BECAUSE OF A TIE VOTE. REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE felt the SCS should continue this. He did not feel the State could assume it.

APPROVED

9. Warm Water Fish
Needs
License Fund FY84 \$201,035 FY85 \$156,035 FTE 3.45
Fisheries Division
(Tape #53a, Side B-071)

The Fish and Wildlife Service plans to close the hatchery in Miles City. This would deplete the sole source of warm water fish production in eastern Montana. MR. FLYNN is asking for funds to keep the hatchery operating until they can get a study to decide what to do with it. MR. FLYNN stated that the buildings are in fairly good shape, but that the ponds and

water are bad. They will probably have to run a pipeline from the Yellowstone River to the hatchery.

Included in the FY 84 request is \$50,000 to contract with an engineering firm to estimate costs to renovate the hatchery at Miles City, or to build a new hatchery at Fort Peck.

The original request asked for 2.1 FTE in Miles City and .35 for a spawning crew. 1.5 FTE was for a biologist to study Fort Peck habitat and food problem.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE asked why one of the biologists in Glasgow couldn't study Fort Peck. MR. FLYNN stated there are three biologists there, but he would have to take them from their regular duties and reassign them. Then their regular duties would be left undone.

MR. FLYNN stated he currently has only one biologist in the Miles City Region, who must handle a very large area. He needs the 2.1 extra FTE's, a Hatchery Manager and Hatchery Worker, in the Miles City Hatchery to deal with the problems there.

CHAIRMAN MANUEL stated that at the Fee Increase Hearing, the general feeling was that the Miles City Hatchery is a priority.

REPRESENTATIVE HEMSTAD MOVED TO ACCEPT TWO FTE. SENATOR SMITH MADE A SUBSTITUTE MOTION TO ACCEPT 3.45 FTE. THIS DELETES THE .5 FTE BIOLOGIST AT FORT PECK, LEAVING THEM WITH ONE FTE BIOLOGIST AT FORT PECK, 2.1 FTE PLUS .35 SPAWNING CREW IN MILES CITY. THIS ALSO INCLUDES THE ENGINEERING STUDY, MAINTAINING MILES CITY, AND STUDYING FORT PECK. MOTION PASSED WITH REPRESENTATIVES HEMSTAD AND STOBIE VOTING NO.

- NOT APPROVED
10. Bighorn River
License Fund FY84 \$8,544 FY85 \$8,841 FTE 0
Enforcement Division
(Tape #53a, Side B-277)

This is for the increased travel costs associated with the management responsibilities of the Bighorn River.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE stated this Committee had increased the Department's travel budget already. MR. FLYNN stated the increase was based on the 1981 miles. The Department did not assume jurisdiction of the river until late 1981, and asked the Committee to consider this.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE MOVED THAT THIS MODIFICATION BE DENIED. MOTION PASSED WITH SENATOR LANE VOTING NO. SENATOR SMITH WAS EXCUSED.

- APPROVED
11. Forensic Lab
License Fund FY84 \$13,413 FY85 \$13,627 FTE .33
Enforcement Division
(Tape #53a, Side B-316)

This request is for operating support to help fund the work done by the lab for the Enforcement Division. The Division has

increasing need for the use of this facility to fulfill the enforcement functions in the identification of meat, blood, carcass parts and hair.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE MOVED TO APPROVE. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

APPROVED FTE - NOT FUNDING

12. Colstrip Warden
License Fund FY84 \$-0- FY85 \$-0- FTE 1
Enforcement Division
(Tape #53a, Side B-343)

MR. FLYNN stated he has had an ongoing problem in this area. For three years, he has tried, unsuccessfully, to get the Coal Board to help finance a warden. The workload has been increasing because of the energy development bringing the increased population. The monies requested would totally finance a warden, including vehicle, sidearms, etc. FY 84 \$37,893; FY 85 \$38,562.

REPRESENTATIVE HEMSTAD stated this problem is directly related to the increase in population, and it should be the responsibility of the Coal Board. MR. FLYNN agreed, and stated he has been trying.

SENATOR BOYLAN MOVED TO ACCEPT THE ONE FTE ONLY, WITH NO FUNDING. IT IS THIS COMMITTEE'S INTENT TO WRITE A LETTER TO THE COAL BOARD ASKING THEM TO ASSUME THEIR RESPONSIBILITY AND FUND THIS POSITION. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

APPROVED

13. Game Depredation
License Fund FY84 \$39,122 FY85 \$41,671 FTE 0
Enforcement Division
(Tape #53a, Side B-406)

The expanded program of landowner relations dictates the need for increased funding to help relieve game damage on private lands. The current level budget is approximately \$65,000 per year. The money is used primarily to buy materials and supplies, such as fence to keep elk out. Ranchers and farmers stated at the Fee Increase Hearing they need more resources to keep elk and deer off their property.

CHAIRMAN MANUEL stated at the Hearing, this was a subject, and that there should be more done about this problem.

REPRESENTATIVE HEMSTAD stated landowners are going to continue to look to Fish, Wildlife, and Parks to solve all of their problems, when they should be taking care of things themselves.

MR. FLYNN stated the main problem is the mild winter, which makes many new babies. When the landowner has a problem, the Department provides the materials, and the rancher fixes it.

MR. FLYNN stated game depredation is a problem, and the Department attempts to deal with it through increased permits, transferring some animals, and working with the landowners. This request is only to increase the present program to take care of inflationary costs on the building materials and meet the demands they have been experiencing the past two years with the increased numbers.

MR. FLYNN feels it is a valid expenditure, and one the Department has been doing for thirty years.

SENATOR BOYLAN MOVED TO DENY THE REQUEST. SENATOR LANE MADE A SUBSTITUTE MOTION TO APPROVE THE REQUEST. MOTION PASSED WITH SENATOR BOYLAN AND REPRESENTATIVE HEMSTAD VOTING NO.

NOT APPROVED

14. Mobile Check Station
License Fund FY84 \$38,961 FY85 \$39,292 FTE 1
Enforcement Division
(Tape #53a, Side B-569)

An aggregate position and travel costs are requested to provide a means of curtailing illegal hunting activities. This position would be used to hire a mobile crew to travel throughout the State for a six-week period. Since the limit was established on out-of-state hunters, illegal activities have increased. MR. FLYNN stated they would contract with law enforcement types, and perhaps some retired wardens. He feels it is a good concept.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE MOVED TO DENY. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

NOT APPROVED

15. Reward System
License Fund FY84 \$10,862 FY85 \$11,439 FTE 0
Enforcement Division
(Tape #53a, Side B-577)

This system would be similar to Crimestoppers. Concerned citizens could report violations and receive a reward. A warden's district is such that many serious violations can go undetected without public participation. Reward monies would be established through public contributions and administered by a civic board of directors. The Department is requesting funding for administrative costs only. A Department employee will act as an advisor to the board.

MR. FLYNN stated there is a bill in this Session to authorize the program.

REPRESENTATIVE HEMSTAD stated that her program in Cascade County is through donations, and not public monies.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE MOVED THAT THE MODIFICATION BE DENIED. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

NOT APPROVED

16. Grizzly Relocation
License Fund FY84 \$37,167 FY85 \$17,073 FTE 0
Enforcement Division
(Tape #53a, Side B-630)

MR. FLYNN stated that the Grizzly is becoming an endangered species. When a Grizzly does become a problem, FWP ends up killing it or transferring it. Lack of funds to deal with this in the past has made it difficult to transfer the animal because of the high cost.

The high cost in FY 84 is to purchase equipment to transfer the animal to British Columbia.

REPRESENTATIVE HEMSTAD MOVED TO DENY THE GRIZZLY RELOCATION MODIFICATION. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

APPROVED

17. High Band Radios
License Funds FY84 \$111,000 FY85 \$47,000 -0- FTE
Enforcement Division
(Tape #53_b Side A-001)

The Enforcement Division currently utilizes low band radios for communications with sheriffs' offices, city police, highway patrol, and livestock enforcement personnel. There is presently a move by many state and local government agencies to convert low band radios to high band communications network. This requires FWP to replace its low band radios. County and municipal governments have already converted 57% of their equipment and 26% of the State conversion is complete. It is estimated that all agencies will be converted within the biennium.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE MOVED TO APPROVE. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
The Committee felt it was a necessity to keep in touch with other law enforcement personnel.

APPROVED

18. Outfitter Council
Per Diem
Outfitter License Fees: FY84-\$6,400 FY85-\$6,400 -0- FTE
Enforcement Division
(Tape #53_b Side A-011)

In a sunset audit completed by the Office of the Legislative Auditor on the Outfitter's Advisory Council, it was recommended that the Department pay travel costs for Council members. It is estimated the Council will meet seven times per year at a cost of \$913 per meeting.

SENATOR SMITH MOVED TO APPROVE THE MODIFICATION. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

APPROVED

19. Reward Program
Donations: FY84-\$30,000 FY85-\$30,000 -0- FTE
(Tape #53_b Side A-034)

This request is for authorization to spend reward monies, should the Reward Program House Bill be accepted.

REPRESENTATIVE HEMSTAD MOVED TO APPROVE. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

NOT APPROVED

20. Student Stipend
License Fund: FY84-\$19,000 FY85-\$19,000 -0- FTE
Wildlife Division
(Tape #53_b Side A-049)

Due to a reduction of State and Federal funds for the University System, the Department must provide financial support for graduate student studies of Department-sponsored wildlife projects. They now sponsor two students. This request is to sponsor two more students.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE asked why they sponsor a scholarship. MR. FLYNN stated it is not a scholarship program. At both Universities in Montana, there are wildlife programs. The graduate students can conduct some of the research the Department needs done, under supervision, and at a much cheaper cost. So it is meeting the needs of the students and the Department.

MR. FLYNN cited some examples of the eagle depredation on sheep, and coyotee impact on sheep.

JEANNA MARIE SOUNGHEY from the Associated Students of the University of Montana testified in support of the Department. She stated that \$26,000 the State contributes helps generate over \$300,000 a year in grants.

REPRESENTATIVE HEMSTAD asked if by adding two more students to the program, would this increase the grants. MS. SOUNGHEY stated she understood it was matching grant money, so it would. MR. FLYNN stated there was no increased revenue to the Department, but savings realized in less costly research.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE clarified that the Department does currently sponsor two students, one at each University, and to deny this modification would not affect the current program.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE MOVED TO DENY THE MODIFICATION.
MOTION PASSED WITH CHAIRMAN MANUEL AND SENATOR BOYLAN
VOTING NO.

SENATOR SMITH noted that the priority is to try and keep current level programs going.

NOT APPROVED

21. Increased Field Surveys

License Fund: FY84-\$138,257 FY85-\$144,806 .50 FTE
Wildlife Division
(Tape #53, Side A-160)

This request will fund additional travel and aerial surveys for a study designed to allow maximum hunter utilization of high deer and antelope populations through permits and increased hunting quotas. The study would also help minimize agricultural damage caused by big game animals on private lands.

MR. FLYNN explained that when these big game animal populations peak, the Department receives a lot of pressure from landowners to liberalize the season to get these numbers down. They normally take these counts about every three years. As they start to liberalize these seasons, MR. FLYNN feel it is extremely important to take more counts, in order to insure the numbers of these animals are not decreased too much.

This request is to enhance their management of the big game species. The Department had this problem in the 1960's and ended up with a serious shortage in the deer population. It took many years to correct the problem.

SENATOR SMITH stated that in his area, they are counted once a year.

CHAIRMAN MANUEL asked if the wardens didn't have a handle on this. MR. FLYNN stated to some extent, yes.

SENATOR SMITH MOVED TO DENY THE REQUEST. MOTION PASSED
UNANIMOUSLY.

APPROVED

22. Disposal of Lands

License Fund: FY84-\$24,288 FY85-\$24,233 1.0 FTE
Parks/Rec. Division
(Tape #53_b Side A-226)

The Department needs 1 FTE to implement an effective disposal program. Lands administered by the Department that no longer provide justifiable public benefit would be traded for areas with high recreational potential. MR. FLYNN stated every time they can sell one of these unuseable pieces of property, the money goes to the Trust Fund, and the interest can be used for operations and maintenance. Since last Session, they have disposed of one piece of property, and have three others ready to go. However, at this rate, MR. FLYNN feels they cannot get much done over the next few years. This is why he wants one person skilled in this area to step up this process.

SENATOR SMITH asked why the people already in the field dealing with purchases of land, also be the ones to take care of this disposal. MR. FLYNN stated this is a problem he's got, that the results of disposing are taking entirely too long.

SENATOR SMITH asked how much land there is to dispose of. MR. FLYNN said in this first go-around, there are four parcels that have been identified. As soon as these are taken care of, the same process will start again, hopefully at a much faster pace.

(Tape #54 Side_b 067-103)

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE MOVED TO ACCEPT THIS MODIFICATION WITH THE STIPULATION THAT THE DEPARTMENT REPORT BACK NEXT SESSION IN WRITING ON THE PROGRESS MADE, WITH SUCH STATISTICS AS HOW MUCH LAND WAS SOLD, AND FOR HOW MUCH. IT IS ALSO THIS COMMITTEE'S INTENT THAT THIS FUNDING BE LIMITED TO THE BIENNIUM AND BE CONSIDERED AGAIN AS A MODIFICATION. MOTION PASSED WITH SENATOR SMITH VOTING NO.

NOT APPROVED

23. Solicit Gifts - Parks

1/3 License Fund: FY84-\$35,833 FY85-\$24,948 -0- FTE
1/3 General Fund
1/3 Coal Tax
Parks, Rec. Division
(Tape #53_b Side A-297)

MR. FLYNN stated this funding would implement an intensive program to solicit gifts of land and money from in-state and out-of-state corporations and private citizens. This is one way to enhance the State Park System.

SENATOR SMITH stated with the amount of money coming into the Department through Coal Tax and License Fees, he cannot see any justification for this request.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE MOVED TO DENY THIS REQUEST. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

APPROVED

24. Improved Site Maintenance

7/8 General Fund
1/8 Coal Tax
Parks/Rec. Division
(Tape #53_b Side A-326)

This was a transfer from Contracted Services to Current Level - no increase in the Budget.

MR. FLYNN stated that 1.09 FTE are current level contracted services. The Department of Administration and the Labor Department stated that since FWP knows it will be needing this service every year, they must make it an FTE, instead of a contracted service. This FTE must also be provided all of the appropriate benefits. So 1.09 FTE is a transfer current level, but not an increase.

This request originally was for 3.06 FTE, FY84 \$59,193 and FY85 \$60,739.

1.97 is a new FTE and will be used in providing maintenance required due to the expanded use of a growing park system.

REPRESENTATIVE HEMSTAD asked how long the 1.09 had been working under contract, and how is this related to the Professor that has been working under contract at MSU for ten years. MR. FLYNN stated the 1.09 has been under contract for a number of years. CAROLYN DOERING, OBPP, stated the difference is that the 1.09 is under direct supervision of the Department and the Professor is not, and they are treated differently.

SENATOR SMITH asked if Contracted Services had been adjusted. CAROLYN DOERING said no, it had not.

SENATOR SMITH asked how much money is allowed for maintenance in purchases of parks in the Long Range Building Program. CHAIRMAN MANUEL, who is Chairman of the Long Range Building Committee, stated that the Department is asking for \$525,000 for operations and \$393,000 for development.

SENATOR SMITH asked if there is any duplication of those monies with the request in this modification. MR. FLYNN stated no, there was no duplication, as Long Range Building is for those parks that will be purchased, and this request is for what they have now.

SENATOR SMITH asked how the \$525,000 would be spent. MR. FLYNN stated it would be used to maintain the State Parks purchased with the Coal Tax money. 1/8 of the money in this modification would also be to take care of those parks purchased with Coal Tax. The other 7/8 would be for those parks purchased with General Fund monies.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE MOVED TO DENY BECAUSE THE 1.09 IS ALREADY IN CURRENT LEVEL, AND 7/8 IS GENERAL FUND.

REPRESENTATIVE HEMSTAD MADE A SUBSTITUTE MOTION TO ALLOW 1.09 FTE AND THAT 1.09 BE SUBTRACTED FROM CONTRACTED SERVICES.

MOTION PASSED WITH SENATOR LANE VOTING NO. This would give the Department that one employee who has already been working there anyway out of the same funding.

APPROVED

25. Bighorn River

License Fund: FY84-\$13,483 FY85-\$14,292 -0- FTE
Parks/Rec. Division
(Tape #53, Side A-455)

MR. FLYNN stated this money would be for contracted services to maintain the recreational areas on the Bighorn River, which is now under the State's jurisdiction. It will be used to hire someone to clean-up around the fishing access sites, and to monitor for vandalism, etc.

REPRESENTATIVE HEMSTAD asked what was being done now. MR. FLYNN said not much. Since FWP got the area back, they are starting to get pressure to clean it up, put fences back up, clean up the latrines, etc.

SENATOR LANE MOVED TO ACCEPT THIS MODIFICATION. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

DELAYED ACTION

26. Engineer & Aide

Funding Varies: FY84-\$36,000 FY85-\$36,000 1.5 FTE
Parks/Rec. Division
(Tape #53b Side A-544)

The Governor's Council on Management recommended the Department prepare legislation to change the consulting requirement on construction projects from \$25,000 to \$100,000. This change will result in an increase in the number of projects the Department performs the engineering and architectural requirements on. Implementation of this recommendation will require an additional engineer and a part-time clerk. They request the addition of \$36,000 and 1.5 FTE to FY84 and FY85 in the Parks Division budget. The funding for these individuals would vary depending upon the project they were working on.

The Council and the Department estimate that approximately \$78,000 in professional consulting fees will be saved yearly. This results in a net cost savings to the Department of approximately \$42,000 annually.

MR. FLYNN stated that this expenditure is contingent on a Senate Bill legally changing the \$25,000 requirement.

MR. FLYNN stated that the savings realized would go back into the project.

DAVE MOTT clarified that when a project is bid, the engineering costs come right off the top. The remaining dollars are for the project. When the Department estimates a project at \$100,000 and the engineering costs end up at \$10,000, there is \$90,000 left for the project. MR. FLYNN stated these costs do not come out of this base budget, but out of the Long Range Building.

MR. FLYNN stated that by having this Engineer on staff, it would save on engineering costs. This savings could be realized by not bidding so much for the project, or using the extra money to put back into the project.

There was some confusion by the Committee on where the savings would be realized. If the Committee wanted to make an adjustment for the savings, should it come out of Contracted Services budget in Parks, or should it come out of the Long Range Building Program bidding process?

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE MOVED NOT TO FUND AND DELAY ACTION UNTIL IT CAN BE WORKED OUT WHERE THE SAVINGS WOULD BE MADE. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

MODIFICATION WITHDRAWN

27. Snow Removal - Grounds Maintenance

CAROLYN DOERING, OBPP, stated this program was transferred from Department of Administration. It has already been addressed in the original budget.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE MOVED THAT THIS NOT BE TREATED AS A MODIFICATION AS IT HAS ALREADY BEEN ADDRESSED. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. (CHAIRMAN MANUEL WAS EXCUSED AND SENATOR SMITH ASSUMED THE CHAIR.)

NOT APPROVED

28. Youth Educator

License Fund: FY84-\$6,498 FY85-\$6,577 .25 FTE
Cons. Ed. Division
(Tape #53_b, Side B-106)

The Division is requesting .25 FTE to provide educational programs and field trips to an additional 15 or 20 summer youth camps per year. So many camps request this service that the current youth educator cannot attend more than 50% of the camps requesting this, even with the help of the regional information officers. MR. FLYNN stated he usually hires a teacher who has the summers off.

REPRESENTATIVE HEMSTAD MOVED TO DENY THE REQUEST. MOTION PASSED WITH SENATOR LANE VOTING NO. (CHAIRMAN MANUEL WAS EXCUSED.)

NOT APPROVED

29. Increased Promotional Effort

License Fund: FY84-\$43,024 FY85-\$46,849 -0- FTE
Cons. Ed. Division
(Tape #53_b, Side B-173)

Studies indicate that the "Montana Outdoors" magazine needs increased promotional efforts to increase circulation and make the magazine more self-sufficient. Right now, there is a net loss. The magazine is only paying about 60% of its costs. The Governor's Council on Management has recommended increasing subscription rates, to sell artwork on a commission basis, and to conduct a promotional campaign to attract new subscribers.

MR. FLYNN stated that with this investment of \$43,000, he plans to get \$53,000 back. MR. FLYNN stated he is also raising the subscription rates within the next two months, and again next year.

MR. FLYNN stated the net loss in FY81 - \$113,798
FY82 - 105,755
FY83 - 124,633
FY84 - 98,416
FY85 - 91,208

MR. FLYNN stated that the FY84 and FY85 projections include this modification promotion and the subscription increases. But by 1985, the magazine will be carrying 75% of its costs.

SENATOR SMITH stated comments he hears is that the magazine should pay for itself or be discontinued. MR. FLYNN stated most the comments he hears is to keep it going. MR. FLYNN stated he is striving to make it self-sufficient.

SENATOR SMITH asked how many subscriptions are sold to Montanans. MR. FLYNN stated he did not have that information with him.

REPRESENTATIVE HEMSTAD felt that promotion should be left up to the Department of Commerce.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE MOVED TO DENY THIS REQUEST. MOTION PASSED WITH SENATOR LANE VOTING NO. (CHAIRMAN MANUEL WAS EXCUSED.)

APPROVED

30. Orphaned Animal Care

License Fund: FY84-\$4,193 FY85-\$4,221 .25 FTE
Cons. Ed. Division
(Tape #53_b Side B-257)

This will allow the Division to reinstate this program which was funded from the early 1950's through 1980. Due to budget constraints the program was not funded in FY82-83. Each year the public brings a number of young and injured wild animals/birds to the Department. With the addition of a .25 FTE and operating costs, Division staff could once again help orphaned and injured animals. The position is usually filled by a college student for the summer.

SENATOR SMITH asked what they are doing with the animals now. MR. FLYNN stated that unfortunately, they usually have to destroy the animal. This is hard to do with the public feeling.

REPRESENTATIVE HEMSTAD asked what the Department would be doing differently. MR. FLYNN said he would reinstate the program with compounds and cages, and feed the animals with scraps from the supermarkets.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE stated that in his area, orphaned animals have been cared for, and there is much public sentiment for this kind of a program.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE MOVED TO ACCEPT THIS PROGRAM. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. (CHAIRMAN MANUEL WAS EXCUSED.)

APPROVED - LINE ITEMED

31. Water Rights Adjudication Attorney

License Fund: FY84-\$30,000 FY85-\$30,000 -0- FTE
Administration
(Tape #53_b Side B-315)

MR. FLYNN stated that if the need arises, he would like to be able to contract with an outside attorney who specializes in Water Rights Adjudication. This is to analyze and protect the Department's water rights and responsibilities on behalf of the sportsmen.

MR. FLYNN anticipates he will be able to handle this in-house, but in case he runs into problems, would like the ability to go outside.

MR. FLYNN'S original request was for \$39,326 FY84 and \$41,685 FY85, which includes 500 hours plus \$4,500 consultant, and \$4,500 printing and miscellaneous costs.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE asked if this legal council would be competing with private landowners. MR. FLYNN stated that if the Department had a water right filed, and a private landowner also had one filed, it would be in conflict. However, the Department filed on behalf of all sportsmen, and not just the State.

MR. FLYNN stated there are over 300 water rights filed by the Department.

REPRESENTATIVE HEMSTAD asked why this isn't in Contracted Services. She pointed out the DNRC had over 400 claims and did not ask for a modification.

DICK GILBERT, LFA, asked why the two staff attorneys couldn't handle this. MR. FLYNN stated that he hoped they could, and it was his intention to use them, but in case they get into trouble in this specialized area, he would like the ability to go outside.

VICE-CHAIRMAN SMITH asked MR. FLYNN if he would object to line-iteming this money, and would accept a lesser amount. MR. FLYNN stated to line-item was fine, as he only intends to use the outside attorney if he cannot handle the problem in-house. He would also accept a lesser amount.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE MOVED TO ACCEPT \$30,000 FY84 and \$30,000 FY85, AND THAT THIS BE LINE-ITEMED. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. (CHAIRMAN MANUEL WAS EXCUSED.)

APPROVED

32. Data Processing

License Fund: FY84-\$51,500 FY85-\$51,500 -0- FTE
Administration
(Tape #53, Side B-473)

Included in FWP's original budget submitted to the Office of Budget and Program Planning was \$86,500 for computer equipment. OBPP withdrew the request until a data processing plan was developed by the Department. Since that time, FWP has authored a Data Processing Plan spanning the next five years and costing a total of \$155,000.

Over the current biennium, FWP is requesting \$103,000 be included and split evenly between FY84 and FY85. They propose to acquire the following data processing equipment:

Purchase microcomputers at 3 regional offices---\$41,000

- Microcomputers at regional offices would provide word processing reducing the effort to produce correspondence, federal and state reports, mass mailings, season settings, and everyday multidraft typing; process fisheries data such as thermographs, stream flow data, netting data, creel census data, fisherman log data, and fish hatchery data that is sent to a central location to be summarized with data from around the state. Microcomputers will be used to sell licenses left over after the drawings and damage hunt licenses; monitor vehicle mileage for better cost control; enforcement could monitor ticketed sportsmen; process data from traffic into parks; assist in processing fees collected from recreational areas; process data from wildlife check stations, count wildlife classifications, vegetation inventories, wildlife distribution, wing surveys, animal tagging and movement studies, waterfowl banding and recovery and wildlife harvest surveys. Overall the microcomputers would assist this agency in improving hunting and fishing opportunities for Montana sportsmen.

Word Processing for Montana Outdoors-----\$7,650

- Montana Outdoors at the present time has no word processing capabilities. This results in much difficulty in meeting publishing deadlines. Word processing would give them an efficient method to produce multidrafts of magazine articles.

Land Inventory System -----\$15,000

- Department of State Lands is implementing a centralized State Land System. Parks Division administers fishing access sites, game ranges and parks in our agency. FWP would utilize the State Lands System to monitor the liabilities, lease payments, facility inventory, annual visitation, parcel size, legal description and other management information. This computerized system would provide expedient and accurate information to improve overall management of State lands.

Microcomputer for Fish Hatchery-----\$4,550

- A microcomputer at a fish hatchery would enable them to determine the cost of rearing fish to a certain size. A microcomputer can also be used to monitor amounts of feed, water conditions, and other conditions to more efficiently raise fish. We request only one microcomputer at this time to test the results of such a project.

Wildlife Data Base-----\$25,000

- This would be a statewide wildlife habitat inventory system. FWP would be able to provide information by species to identify important wildlife habitat critical to the survival of individual species. This data base would be valuable for assisting various industries such as mining, oil and gas, timber, water development, etc. in identifying the impact of their projects on various wildlife species. This type of information has been frequently requested by these groups in the past and has not been available. This system was recommended by the Governor's Council on Management.

The Department would request the funds for computer acquisition be included in the Administration Division budget. A Department committee would be established to assure all purchases were made in accordance with our Data Processing Plan. Funding for the computer acquisition would vary depending upon the project involved.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE MOVED TO APPROVE THE DATA PROCESSING MODIFICATION. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. (CHAIRMAN MANUEL WAS EXCUSED.)

APPROVED

33. Uniforms

License Fund: FY84-\$9,625 FY85-\$2,750 -0- FTE
Administration
(Tape #53_b Side B-527)

The 1981 Legislature appropriated \$48,000 to FWP for uniforms for nonlaw enforcement personnel.

The Department spent the \$48,000 to acquire uniforms for its field-based employees. A complete uniform costs \$275.

Helena based personnel with field and public contact were not issued uniforms. If the Legislature feels it appropriate for these individuals to receive a uniform, it will require additional funds. At this time, FWP estimates 35 personnel are involved requiring an adjustment to the Administration Division budget of \$9,625 for FY84. The funds would come from the License Fund.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE MOVED TO APPROVE THE UNIFORMS. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. (CHAIRMAN MANUEL WAS EXCUSED.)

NOT APPROVED

34. Economic Study

License Fund: FY84-\$196,630 FY85-\$208,428 -0- FTE
Wildlife Division
(Tape #53_b Side B-535)

The Department is requesting to contract with the University or a private consultant in order to provide an indepth report on the economical side of Fish and Wildlife. When economics enters into a decision, the Department has no knowledge nor ability to determine the dollar values of Fish/Wildlife. The Federal government has done a similar study on a broad basis, as has the State of Wyoming. MR. FLYNN feels that in these times of dollar accountability, this information would be valuable, and benefit the public as well as the Department.

MR. FLYNN stated it is not possible to determine what the total hunting and fishing is worth in relation to the State's overall economic fiber.

MR. FLYNN hopes that if this kind of an effort can be accomplished, that it will then be kept up to date, so this kind of an overall effort will never have to be gone through again.

SENATOR SMITH asked MR. FLYNN if he has ever asked any wildlife groups what they think of spending License Funds on a project like this. MR. FLYNN stated that he has.

DICK GILBERT, LFA, asked about the possibility of using existing studies. MR. FLYNN stated they do use studies by the Forest Service for some things, but they use Federal guidelines, which put a low value on deer and elk. For example, a hunter-day in the forest is compared on a national level, so in other areas of the country, a much lower value is placed on wildlife.

MR. FLYNN stated he wants to contract with someone outside the Department in order to get more objective data. If the Department did it, they may tend to place higher values than what it should be, and not be as realistic.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE held faint hope that this kind of a study might someday be valuable. He added that it could be useful at some time, but with these tight economic times, it does not seem feasible.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE MOVED TO DENY THIS MODIFICATION. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. (CHAIRMAN MANUEL WAS EXCUSED.)

TO: House Committee on Appropriations
Francis Bardanouve, Chairman

FROM: Clint Grimes Representing
Montana Janitorial and Maintenance Contractors
Association

RE: Private Contracting of Grounds Maintenance
at the State Capitol Complex

Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks Budget

DATE: March 8, 1983

GROUND'S MAINTENANCE

In new budgets submitted by Fish, Wildlife and Parks, the responsibility for the Capitol grounds will be moved from the Department of Administration to Fish, Wildlife and Parks. We have no quarrel with this transfer.

In the FWP budget, this maintenance would be performed by 3.75 new FTE Fish, Wildlife and Parks personnel and in-house, not contracted as it is now. We object strongly to removing this work from private, contract bidding.

Private contractors employing between 8 and 15 full and part-time people over 5 to 6 month periods are currently contracting this work.

Our Association does believe that the current contracts are written in a way that causes excessive cost to the tax payer.

The current contractors are quite willing to negotiate with Fish, Wildlife and Parks to lower these contract costs.

This can be done by:

1. Eliminating broad requirements to replace all shrubs removed and substituting a per-shrub cost.
2. Excluding broad sprinkler maintenance responsibility and substituting per occurrence costs.
3. Eliminating yearly tree trimming responsibilities.

If these examples of cost saving changes were made in the existing private contracts, several thousand dollars could be saved.

Our Association seriously questions that Fish, Wildlife and Parks can do the required work with the employees and equipment they have budgeted at anything approaching the standards required in existing contracts.

We employ you to retain public bidding on these contracts. If the contracts are written sensibly and enforced sensibly, the costs can be cut without going to a higher but hidden cost with state employees.

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EXHIBIT 5
NATURAL RESOURCES
2/11/83



March 3, 1983

House Appropriations Committee
Capitol Station
Helena, MT 59620

Dear

Our club of approximately 300 members was very concerned with the cuts made by the House appropriations committee to the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks proposed appropriations. Following is a list of those items which the Department has proposed and our club thinks are very important to be funded:

1. FULL FUNDING FOR GAME RANGE ACQUISITION !!!!!!!!! SEE APPENDIX
2. Full funding for fixing up fishing access and big game management areas. The people who suffer most if repairs are not made are the adjacent landowners.
3. Financing to repair and/or replace hatcheries at Somers, Big Timber and Great Falls.
4. Financing to retain an Environmental Services section or its equivalent.
5. Funding for the Big Horn River area including Fisheries management, access sites and additional money for law enforcement mileage.
6. Funding for sufficient personnel to operate the warm water hatchery at Miles City. This rather antiquated facility takes a lot of man hours but is our only source for warm water production.
7. Money to combat game damage problems.
8. Mobile checking stations have proved very effective this last year. We would like to see this program expanded.
9. Seed money to finance the reward program. We are willing to work on getting some private money donated to this but feel we need a commitment from the legislature to start with and give the program credibility.
10. Money to continue wildlife research through the Wildlife Unit at U of M including student stipends and increased funding for survey work whether through the university or directly by the department. In the Bitterroot area we are particularly interested in seeing some work done on goat populations but this requires a number of man hours and would probably not be feasible under current program funding.
11. Funding for maintenance of the Parks. Montana wants to be a big time tourist attraction but really is chintzy in the amount of money and improvement the state is willing to put into our parks!

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12. Money to teach conservation at summer camps--kids who grow up with Bugs Bunny need to know how animals really act and what the capabilities of the land, the animals and the kids themselves are. This is a little bit of money well spent.
13. We suggest that the Montana Outdoors magazine be allotted \$20,00 to increase circulation on the understanding that the subscription price be raised to at least \$8.00. If the magazine and its content do not improve by the 1985 legislative session that the project be scrapped and left for private enterprise.
14. We propose that a long range building program be established with a means of funding, other than bonding, to replace structures (including headquarters buildings) which need rejuvenation or replacement. This would probably need an increase in the conservation license with the increase earmarked for capital improvement or a similar increase somewhere in the hunting license structure and/or park users fees.

We have no objections to items added or approved by the House Appropriations Committee.

We could very easily come up with additional appropriations for programs we would like to see expanded such as; more mileage for wardens. And establishment of a fund to make loans and allocations to localities for floating and fishing access sites, rifle ranges and general recreation areas.

In connection with our desire to have adequate funding for the above programs we have supported the license fee increases and will continue to do so.

Sincerely yours,

Don Aldrich
Legislative Committee Chm

Joe Rice
President

Western Montana Fish and Game Association

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Appendix 1

Re: Purchase of Big Game Winter Ranges

One of the biggest successes of game managers in Montana has been the re-vitalization of the elk herds. However, larger herds place a bigger demand on the resources available. Unfortunately a lot of the land suitable for winter forage and calving areas happen to be on private ground. Winter range is super critical to maintaining a herd.

Frequently this causes loss of hay or other degradation problems for ranchers. The most equitable approach to this problem is for sportsmen, through the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks, to purchase winter range properties. If the land is not managed for big game winter range then either the rancher continues to suffer or the elk population is threatened or a combination of the two occurs.

Acquisition and management of big game winter ranges has long been a priority of concerned sportsmen and our club in particular. Of course you do not buy anything without money and we urge the legislature to appropriate this money.

Federal money available on a matching basis is usually on a three to one basis and the entire loss would be significant if there were no appropriations for land purchases.