

JOINT HOUSE-SENATE APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON NATURAL
RESOURCES AND BUSINESS REGULATION - MINUTES
February 11, 1983

The meeting was called to order by CHAIRMAN MANUEL at 8:15 a.m.
in Room 132 of the Capitol Building, Helena, Montana.

ROLL CALL: MANUEL, HEMSTAD, STOBIE, SMITH, BOYLAN, LANE - Present
None - Absent
Staff Present - DICK GILBERT, LFA; CAROLYN DOERING,
OBPP and PATTI SCOTT, SECRETARY

EXECUTIVE ACTION (Tape #52 Side A-001)

RECREATION AND PARKS

Funding

DICK GILBERT, LFA, explained that he, MS. DOERING, and DAVE MOTT from FWP had a meeting to clear up the differences in the funding. MR. GILBERT stated one of the major problems was the difference in allocation between the LFA and OBPP. If you were to add what was allocated to each program in all areas - Enforcement, Centralized Services, etc. - the net effect is about the same figure.

The Department has changed how they allocate the monies for funding from the different entities. MR. GILBERT stated the earmarked accounts have been maximized out. MR. MOTT explained that the Legislature has eliminated some licenses, therefore, there are less revenues coming in.

RON HOLLIDAY, Administrator for Recreation and Parks, was present to explain the reasoning used to determine revenue estimated for each of the programs. The revenue estimate for the 02415 Fishing Access Account is a little over \$1 million. The law allows the Department to use up to 25% for operations. Because of less revenues and some Federal money being discontinued, the decision was made to put 15% in operations, and ask for 85% for aquisition in the Long Range Building Program.

SENATOR SMITH stated the law was changed to allow 25% for operations so the Department would have enough money to take care of its Fishing Access sites. He does not feel the sites are adequately being taken care of now.

MR. HOLLIDAY stated the law is discretionary on the 25%, and states "up to 25%." The 02415 Account is not used solely for fishing access sites, as the 02131 Account is also for fishing access sites. This money is used to supplement 02415, or the 02415 may be used to supplement 02131, depending on how you look at it.

SENATOR SMITH asked for the total figure used for Fishing Access upkeep and maintenance, to see if these funds are being used for acquisition of more fishing sites, instead of keeping up the ones they have. The 1983 Appropriation was \$714,360. The carryover

was figured in to FY '84 and FY '85 and the account is maximized out by FY '85.

The FY '82 year end balance for 02415 is \$545,000. The Department wants to use 85% of this for Fishing Access Aquisition and 15% for maintenance. DICK GILBERT stated if the Committee used the \$500,000 estimated revenue figure, and used the maximum allowed by law - 25% - for operations, you could use \$125,000 in this Division for operations, instead of 15% which the Department is requesting.

02415 Fishing Access Account

SENATOR SMITH MOVED TO APPROVE \$125,000 IN FY '84 AND FY '85 IN THE 02415 FISHING ACCESS ACCOUNT. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

02409 General License Account (Tape #53 Side A-227)

CAROLYN DOERING stated that all the accounts have been maximized out except for this account. This account is the only one where there is any flexibility. She stated the LFA and herself went through all the accounts to be sure no money was sitting idle someplace.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE MOVED TO USE \$950,000 FY '84 and \$ 930,000 FY '85. SENATOR SMITH MADE A SUBSTITUTE MOTION TO ACCEPT THE OBPP FIGURES OF \$831,093 FY '84 and \$798,702 FY '85. MOTION PASSED WITH REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE VOTING NO.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE believes more of the License Fees should be used in Parks maintenance, in order to cut the General Fund contribution. CHAIRMAN MANUEL felt it was unwise to use the License Fees for this. SENATOR SMITH opposed using License Fees, and felt that the public should pick up that cost. SENATOR SMITH does not want to see License Fees relied upon so much in this program.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE MADE ANOTHER MOTION TO RECONSIDER THE \$900,000. MOTION FAILED WITH ONLY REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE VOTING YES.

DICK GILBERT clarified that it doesn't matter if the Committee chooses to go with the LFA or OBPP in these funding accounts, as long as they are consistent throughout the rest of the Department in dealing with these accounts. By following the OBPP all the way through will maximize out these accounts, and the same is true if the LFA recommendations are followed.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE MOVED TO ACCEPT THE OBPP FIGURES IN ALL OF THE REMAINING FUNDING ACCOUNTS, AND TO ALSO INCLUDE THE TRANSFER FROM ADMINISTRATION OF \$111,507. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

MR. GILBERT pointed out that some adjustment will be made to decrease the General Fund contribution because the Committee voted to contribute 25% of Fishing Access fees to this program, instead of just 15%.

Vacancy Savings for Recreation and Parks Division

REPRESENTATIVE HEMSTAD MOVED 3%. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

CENTRALIZED SERVICES (Tape #52 Side A-480)

Equipment

The Committee had questioned the appropriated level in FY '83. MR. GILBERT stated it was \$396,000 FY '83 and \$375,000 FY '82 for a total appropriation of \$771,000. The FY '84-'85 request is for \$1,023,000. The LFA allowed \$581,369.

MR. FLYNN stated the main difference is in vehicles. His policy is to replace vehicles at 85,000 miles. There are 44 vehicles requested in FY '84, and 43 in FY '85. MR. FLYNN stated he has gone through the vehicles in detail. When these vehicles start to get over 85,000 miles, their reliability goes down and their maintenance goes up. Many times his people are in the wilderness, and must have reliable vehicles. There is also a new snow groomer for West Yellowstone, and a replacement snow groomer. This cuts out two snow groomers and seven vehicles, and funds at current level plus inflation. MR. FLYNN supplied EXHIBIT A as a detailed list of the replacement vehicles

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE MOVED TO APPROVE \$420,000 PER YEAR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

SENATOR SMITH asked if the Federal Funds did not come in, and the Department did not get all of the requested fee increases, what would happen. MR. FLYNN said there would have to be some cut-backs, but he did not know where.

LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION (Tape #52 Side B-0010)

Travel

DICK GILBERT stated that for the Department to travel 1.6 million miles, which was current level for FY '83, it would take \$614,190 FY '84 and \$646,106 FY '85. This includes the additional miles for the Conservation Officer Program and is based on \$.27 a mile.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE MOVED TO ADOPT \$614,190 FY '84 and \$646,106 FY '85 TO DRIVE THE 1.6 MILLION MILES. MOTION PASSED WITH CHAIRMAN MANUEL VOTING NO. CHAIRMAN MANUEL felt the Department should be authorized the full request of 1.8 million miles. The rest of the Committee felt that by more conserving, riding together, and

cutting unnecessary travel, the Department can make do. The Committee also encouraged more fuel efficient vehicles.

MR. FLYNN stated this is going to be difficult, as he has been going through the "belt-tightening" process, and felt he must have the 1.8 million miles to do the job properly.

Upgrades of Game Wardens (Tape #52 Side B-110)

The upgrades represent about a 10% increase, and approximately \$2,461 per person each year. These upgrades are a direct result of the upgrades granted to the Highway Patrol, and is a "ripple effect." About 65 wardens are involved. MR. FLYNN stated the law has now been changed so there cannot be "across the board," class-action upgrades anymore. They must now be requested on an individual basis.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE MOVED, RELUCTANTLY, TO APPROVE THE UPGRADES. MOTION PASSED WITH SENATOR SMITH VOTING NO. The Committee feels they have no choice in this matter.

SENATOR BOYLAN MOVED TO REQUEST THE FULL APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE TO DRAFT A BILL TO DEAL WITH UPGRADES, SO THE LEGISLATURE MAY HAVE SOME CONTROL OVER THEM. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The Committee objects to the position the Legislature is in, in having to approve upgrades, because they are backed into a corner.

FEE INCREASES (Tape #52 Side B-313)

There was a lengthy discussion over the loss of Federal Funds and whether current license fees could fund the loss. REPRESENTATIVE HEMSTAD felt if the current level programs could not be funded with the current license fees, then this Committee should go back and cut programs. MS. DOERING clarified that current level and the loss of Federal Funds is currently covered by current fees.

SENATOR SMITH asked for a commitment for the Director whether those current license fees will cover the present operations, without any new buildings or modifications. MR. FLYNN stated the Department would be able to operate at current level even with the loss of Federal monies.

MR. FLYNN wanted it to be very clear to the Committee that the loss of Federal Funds does have a direct relation to the need for Fee Increases, and he did not want any misunderstandings that he communicated something else. The Fee Increases are directly related to the Long Range Building Requests and the Modifications.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBIE MOVED THAT THE LICENSE FEES BE USED IN OPERATIONS TO REPLACE THE LOST FEDERAL DOLLARS IN CURRENT LEVEL. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. (Tape #52 Side B-582)

MODIFICATIONS

The Committee then moved on the Modifications, which are included with these minutes.

The meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

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REX MANUEL, Chairman

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 sited 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_p 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_p 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_p 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_p 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_p 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_p 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, 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 wild-life 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.)

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DEPARTMENT OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS
VEHICLE REPLACEMENT/BUDGET PROJECTION - FY'84

Exhibit A
2-11-83

		<u>LTD Miles</u> <u>June 82</u>	<u>Average</u> <u>Yearly Use</u>	<u>Mileage</u> <u>End of FY'84</u>	<u>Assigned</u> <u>Division</u>
78	Dodge 4x4 Pickup	68075	17019	102113	Enforcement
77	Ford 4x4 Pickup	68636	13727	96090	Wildlife
78	Dodge 4x4 Pickup	64148	16037	96222	Administration
77	Dodge 4x4 Pickup	66101	13220	92541	Fisheries
76	GMC 4x4 Pickup	67031	11172	89375	Fisheries
78	Dodge 4x4 Pickup	66440	16610	99660	Enforcement
77	GMC 4x4 Pickup	72716	14543	101802	Wildlife
77	Dodge 4x4 Pickup	63128	12626	88380	Wildlife
77	Dodge 4x4 Pickup	66821	13364	93549	Wildlife
79	Ford 4x4 Pickup	61950	20650	103250	Enforcement
77	Dodge 4x4 Pickup	64140	12828	89796	Parks
77	Ford 4x4 Pickup	67110	13422	93954	Fisheries
77	Dodge 4x4 Pickup	66055	13211	92477	Fisheries
77	Dodge 4x4 Pickup	60693	12139	84971	Enforcement
78	Ford 4x4 Pickup	65452	16363	98178	Enforcement
76	Ford Van	55778	16000	87778	Parks
80	Ford 4x4 Pickup	53301	26651	106603	Enforcement
79	Dodge 4x4 Pickup	51131	17044	85219	Enforcement
78	Ford 4x4 Pickup	64267	16067	96401	Enforcement
79	Ford 4x4 Pickup	67740	22580	112900	Enforcement
80	Dodge 4x4 Pickup	44345	22173	88691	Enforcement
79	Ford 4x4 Pickup	54432	18144	90720	Enforcement
79	Ford 4x4 Pickup	56305	18768	93841	Enforcement
77	Dodge 4x4 Pickup	64399	12880	90159	Wildlife
79	Dodge 4x4 Pickup	55383	18461	92305	Parks
79	GMC 4x4 Pickup	53575	17858	89291	Enforcement
75	Dodge 2WD Pickup	68356	9765	87886	Fisheries
76	Ford 2WD Pickup	67321	11220	89761	Parks
77	Dodge 4x4 Pickup	64171	12834	89839	Wildlife
78	Dodge 4x4 Pickup	102049	25512	153073	Wildlife (King)
76	GMC 2WD Pickup	69555	11593	92741	Parks
75	Dodge 2WD Pickup	76942	10991	98924	Fisheries
78	Ford 4x4 Pickup	68859	17215	103289	Enforcement
75	Ford 1 Ton Truck	71905	10272	92449	Parks
78	Dodge 4x4 Pickup	56988	14247	85482	Ecological
78	Ford 4x4 Pickup	77900	19475	116850	Enforcement
80	Dodge 4x4 Pickup	43705	21853	87411	Enforcement
78	Dodge 4x4 Pickup	60497	15124	90745	Enforcement
79	Ford 4x4 Pickup	51624	17208	86040	Fisheries
78	Ford 4x4 Pickup	66862	16716	100294	Enforcement
79	Ford 4x4 Pickup	53834	17945	89724	Enforcement
79	Jeep 4x4 Pickup	57598	19199	95996	Enforcement
79	Dodge 4x4 Pickup	54986	18329	91644	Wildlife
80	Chevy Luv 4x4	42983	21492	85967	Ecological

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**DEPARTMENT OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS
VEHICLE REPLACEMENT/BUDGET PROJECTION - FY'85**

		<u>LTD Miles</u> <u>June 82</u>	<u>Average</u> <u>Yearly Use</u>	<u>Projected</u> <u>Mileage</u> <u>End of FY'85</u>	<u>Assigned</u> <u>Division</u>
79	Ford 4x4 Pickup	50071	16690	100141	Wildlife
80	Ford 4x4 Pickup	39080	19540	97700	Enforcement
80	Ford 4x4 Pickup	35275	17638	88189	Enforcement
80	Chevrolet Luv 4x4	35356	17678	88390	Enforcement
76	Dodge Station Wagon	57110	9518	85664	Wildlife
79	Ford 4x4 Pickup	50859	16953	101718	Enforcement
78	Ford 4x4 Pickup	48360	12090	84630	Fisheries
80	Ford 4x4 Pickup	34360	17180	85900	Enforcement
78	Dodge 4x4 Pickup	56539	14135	98944	Wildlife
80	Ford 4x4 Pickup	36876	18438	92190	Enforcement
79	Dodge Sedan	41999	14000	83999	Enforcement
75	Dodge 2WD Pickup	63531	9076	90759	Fisheries
69	Dodge Flat Bd Truck	68742	5288	84606	Fisheries
77	Dodge Sedan	59621	11924	95393	Fisheries
79	Ford 4x4 Pickup	49775	16592	99551	Enforcement
79	Ford 4x4 Pickup	49803	16601	99606	Enforcement
76	Dodge 1 T Stk Truck	51275	8546	76913	Wildlife
76	Dodge 4x4 Pickup	57397	9566	86095	Fisheries
78	Dodge 4x4 Pickup	48968	12242	85694	Fisheries
78	Dodge 4x4 Pickup	48636	12159	85113	Fisheries
80	Dodge 4x4 Pickup	36115	18058	90289	Enforcement
79	Dodge 4x4 Pickup	43508	14503	87017	Wildlife
78	Ford 4x4 Pickup	48854	12214	85496	Fisheries
80	Dodge 4x4 Pickup	38686	19343	96715	Enforcement
77	Ford 4x4 Fish Truck	68976	4598	82770	Fisheries
80	Ford 4x4 Pickup	34878	17439	87195	Enforcement
80	GMC 4x4 Pickup	39220	19610	98050	Enforcement
80	Ford 4x4 Pickup	34810	17405	87025	Enforcement
66	I-H 3T Truck w/ Hoist	96947	6059	115124	Parks
77	GMC 4x4 Pickup	56777	11355	90842	Parks
77	Dodge 4x4 Pickup	58761	11752	94017	Wildlife
80	Ford 4x4 Pickup	41993	20997	104984	Enforcement
78	Dodge 4x4 Pickup	53042	13261	92825	Wildlife
76	GMC 2WD Pickup	63406	10568	95110	Parks
78	GMC Suburban 4x4	52380	13095	91665	Enforcement
77	Dodge 2WD Van	54307	10861	86890	Fisheries
75	Ford Sedan	64475	9211	92108	Conservation Education
77	GMC 4x4 Pickup	54082	10816	86530	Fisheries
78	Ford 4x4 Pickup	55431	13858	97005	Enforcement
78	Ford 2WD Pickup	54508	13627	95389	Wildlife
78	Plymouth Sedan	51318	12830	89808	Ecological
78	Ford 4x4 Pickup	53039	13260	92819	Fisheries
78	Dodge 4x4 Pickup	56350	14088	98614	Wildlife

DIVISION SUMMARY

Ecological Services	1
Fisheries	12
Enforcement	17
Wildlife	9
Parks	3
Conservation Education	1
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Exhibit B

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MT Cooperative
Wildlife Research Unit
at U. M.

by Cooperative Agreement

FW + P
\$26,000
Stipend
Program

U.S. Fish
+ Wildlife
\$80,000
2 scientists
Vehicles
Travel

University
\$21,000
Secretari
supplies
19,000
offices
\$40,000
+
3 TA's

Program
Modification
Request
\$38,000/year

\$146,000 From above budgets
334,000 Outside grants + contracts
480,000 — past year

MSU

Parallel programs