

Natural Resources

SALMON AND WATER

Since 1991, the National Marine Fisheries Service and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service have added 15 populations of salmon and trout to the endangered species list, covering three-quarters of the state. In 1998, the Legislature began funding watershed-based planning and salmon recovery programs toward a state goal of restoring salmon populations to healthy, harvestable levels.

In the 2002-03 biennium, new funding is provided for salmon recovery and associated water resources projects and programs. The capital budget provides \$133.2 million and the operating budget provides \$66.4 million in funding for these salmon and water programs. Descriptions of significant new programs or enhancements are organized according to the Statewide Strategy to Recovery Salmon.

Regional Response

➤ **Salmon Recovery Grant Funding**

The capital budget provides \$54.6 million (\$27.6 million General Fund-Federal and \$27 million in state bonds) to the Salmon Recovery Funding (SRF) Board for grants for salmon restoration projects and activities. These funds will be allocated to the highest priority projects across the state to remove fish passage barriers, restore fish habitat, reduce water quality degradation, and support community-based restoration efforts. The operating budget provides \$358,000 in federal funds and 1.8 FTEs for administration of the SRF Board.

➤ **Watershed-Based Planning**

The Salmon Recovery Act of 1998 and the Watershed Planning Act of 1998 established separate watershed-based planning programs. The operating budget provides \$4.5 million from the general fund for the Department of Fish and Wildlife to continue to provide grants and technical assistance to lead entities that recommend salmon habitat improvement and restoration projects for funding by the Salmon Recovery Funding Board. The budget also provides \$3.1 million from the Water Quality Account and 3.5 FTEs to the Department of Ecology to make grants for watershed assessments and to provide technical assistance to local watershed planning groups. The budget also provides \$1 million from the Water Quality Account to the Department of Fish and Wildlife for grants to watershed groups that develop regional salmon recovery plans.

➤ **Limiting Factors Analysis**

The operating budget provides \$1.6 million from the Water Quality Account for the Conservation Commission to complete the remaining limiting factors analyses that support lead entity decisions.

Science and Monitoring

➤ **Statewide Monitoring Strategy**

The operating budget provides \$1.5 million (\$500,000 each from the general fund, Water Quality Account, and State Toxics Control Account) to the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation to coordinate natural resources agencies in developing a monitoring strategy that can be used to evaluate the effectiveness of salmon recovery efforts.

➤ **Salmon Science and Monitoring**

The Department of Fish and Wildlife conducts salmon-related inventory, monitoring and basic science research. The operating budget provides \$1.5 million from the general fund for the salmonid stock inventory and smolt production monitoring.

➤ **Enhanced Stream Flow Monitoring**

The operating budget provides \$1.6 million (\$500,000 from the general fund, \$564,000 from the Drought Preparedness Account, and \$549,000 from the Water Quality Account) and 2.0 FTEs for the Department of Ecology to provide equipment and training for local entities to monitor stream flows in additional basins where low stream flows may create critical limitations for trout and salmon.

➤ **Water Rights Data**

The operating budget provides \$847,000 from the Water Quality Account and 2.0 FTEs to the Department of Ecology to begin converting water rights information to a geographic-based system. Initial funding is provided to support analysis and decision-making by Ecology; future funding will enable the public to access the information.

Habitat

Agriculture

➤ **Salmon Recovery Pesticide Strategy**

The operating budget provides \$830,000 from the State Toxics Control Account and 4.5 FTEs for the Department of Agriculture to implement a pesticide monitoring strategy program intended to enable the state, the federal Environmental Protection Agency, and citizens following state law to be exempt from the prohibition on “take” under the Endangered Species Act (ESA).

➤ **Agriculture-Fish-Water Negotiations**

Farmers, environmental groups, and federal and state agencies are negotiating agricultural practices that will protect salmon and their habitat and ensure a viable agricultural industry. The operating budget provides \$500,000 from the Water Quality Account for the Conservation Commission to support the Agriculture, Fish, and Water negotiations and make grants to stakeholders to enable their continued participation in the negotiations.

➤ **Lower Skykomish Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP)**

The operating budget provides \$250,000 from the general fund for the Department of Fish and Wildlife to make a grant to the Lower Skykomish Habitat Conservation Group to develop a salmon habitat conservation plan for the lower Skykomish River. If approved by the federal agencies implementing the ESA, the HCP would be among the first with a focus on agricultural practices.

Forestry

➤ **Forest Practice Regulation and Small Landowner Riparian Easements**

The state Forest Practices Board has revised forest practice rules to protect salmon and water in accordance with Chapter 4, Laws of 1999, 1st sp.s., (ESHB 2091 – Forest Practices). The operating budget provides \$13 million (\$2.5 million from the general fund, \$625,000 from the Salmon Recovery Account, \$2.9 million from the Water Quality Account, and \$7 million in federal funds) and 11.1 FTEs to the Department of Natural Resources to implement the Forests and Fish Agreement. The capital budget provides \$2.2 million in state bonds to purchase riparian easements from small timber owners to mitigate the economic impact of the rules.

➤ **Trust Land Road Improvements**

The operating budget provides \$3.8 million in trust management funds and 20.2 FTEs for the Department of Natural Resources to upgrade roads on trust lands to meet the requirements of the Forests and Fish Agreement. Poorly designed or constructed forest roads pose a threat to fish and water resources.

Land Use

➤ **Growth Management Updates**

The operating budget provides \$3 million from the general fund to the Department of Community, Trade, and Economic Development to make grants to local government to help pay the costs to update local critical area ordinances.

Stormwater

➤ **Sharing Costs to Manage Stormwater**

The operating budget provides \$1 million from the State Toxics Control Account and 1.0 FTE for the Department of Ecology to assist local governments with implementation of the new Environmental Protection Agency Phase II Stormwater requirements.

Water Resources

➤ **Water Rights Purchase and Irrigation Efficiencies**

Irrigation activities may pose threats to fish through improper water withdrawals from surface and ground waters and wasting water through poorly functioning irrigation facilities. The capital budget provides the following funding for the Department of Ecology: \$3.4 million from state bonds for water measuring devices and gauges; \$9 million (\$4 million from Referendum 38 bonds and \$5 million from the Water Quality Account) to make grants for water irrigation efficiencies through which conserved water will be placed in the trust water rights program; and \$7 million (\$1 million from state bonds and \$6 million in federal funds) to purchase or lease water rights.

➤ **Water Rights Changes**

The operating budget provides \$3 million each from the general fund and the Water Quality Account and 27.0 FTEs to the Department of Ecology to implement Chapter 237, Laws of 2001 (ESHB 1832 – Water Resource Management) and to process applications for changes and transfers of existing water rights.

➤ **Drought Response**

In March 2001, the Governor declared a drought emergency. The operating budget provides \$5 million (\$564,000 from the Emergency Water Projects Account and \$4.4 million from the Drought Preparedness Account) and 7.0 FTEs for the Department of Ecology to purchase and lease water in response to low instream flows due to the drought and to expedite processing of water right change and transfer applications.

➤ **Instream Flows**

The operating budget provides \$600,000 from the Water Quality Account to the Department of Ecology to set instream flows in basins not subject to planning under the Watershed Planning Act.

Fish Passage

➤ **Fish Screen Compliance**

The Department of Fish and Wildlife is provided \$600,000 in the operating budget for cooperative compliance programs for fish passage and \$5 million (\$1.5 million from state bonds and \$3.5 million in federal funds) in the capital budget to install fish screens and fish ways.

Harvest

➤ **Salmon License Buy-back**

Continuing the implementation of the U.S.-Canada salmon treaty, the state provides a 25 percent match to federal funds appropriated for commercial salmon fishing license buyback. The operating budget provides \$1.3 million from the general fund to match \$5 million in federal funds.

Hatcheries

- **Fish and Wildlife Facility Retrofit and Enhancement**
Improperly designed hatcheries, fish blockages, and failing road systems on the Department of Fish and Wildlife lands pose threats to ESA-listed salmon and trout species and may violate water quality standards. The capital budget provides \$5.8 million from various state funds and \$24.3 million in federal funds to the Department to bring its lands and facilities into compliance with the ESA and the Clean Water Act.
- **Hatchery ESA Strategy**
The operating budget provides \$500,000 from the general fund to the Department of Fish and Wildlife to continue implementation of a hatchery Endangered Species Act Program to evaluate and correct those hatchery programs that may jeopardize recovery of natural salmon stocks.

Hydropower

- **Hydropower Re-licensing**
The operating budget provides \$389,000 from the general fund and 2.8 FTEs for the Department of Fish and Wildlife to represent the state's fish and wildlife interests in the hydroelectric power project re-licensing process by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

CLEANING-UP TOXIC CONTAMINATION

- **Clean Sites Initiative**
The operating budget provides \$9.3 million from the State Toxics Control Account for the Department of Ecology to clean up sites contaminated by toxic chemicals that present a serious threat to human health and the environment.
- **Persistent Bioaccumulative Toxics Strategy**
Persistent, bioaccumulative toxic chemicals (PBTs) have been linked to a wide range of toxic effects in fish, wildlife, and humans. The operating budget provides \$800,000 from the State Toxics Control Account and 2.3 FTEs to the Department of Ecology to conduct baseline monitoring and develop chemical-specific action plans to reduce PBTs in the environment.
- **Area-Wide Contamination**
The operating budget provides \$1.2 million from the State Toxics Control Account for the Department of Ecology to develop a strategy to address emergent area-wide soil contamination problems including arsenic contamination in Everett and Tacoma and arsenic-contaminated orchards in eastern Washington.

OTHER NATURAL RESOURCES CHANGES

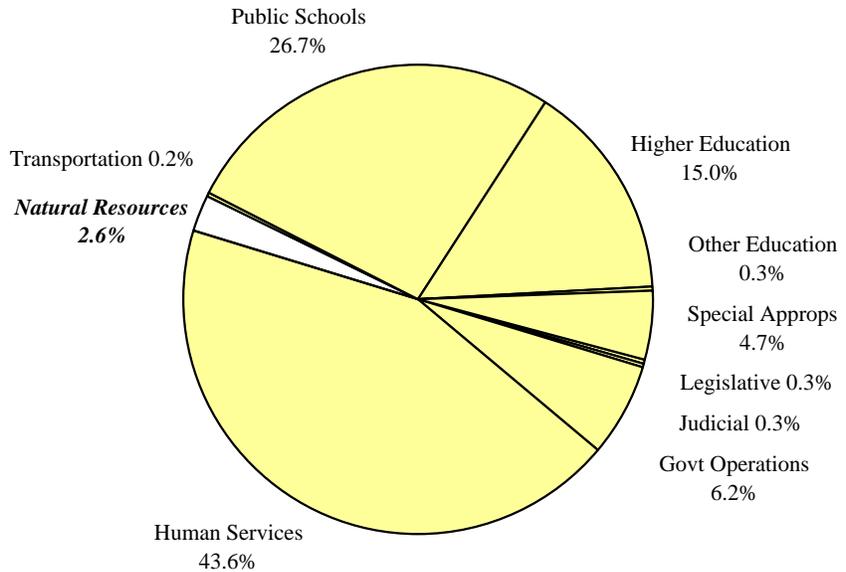
- **Enhanced Fire Protection**
A century of forest management that emphasized aggressive suppression of all fires has contributed to a pattern of frequent, catastrophic fires. In addition, increasing residential development in rural forested areas increases the frequency of fires in the wild land-urban interface and makes fire suppression more expensive. With an additional \$9.8 million from the general fund and 24 FTEs in the operating budget, the Department of Natural Resources fire protection program will add staff, increase training, and purchase additional equipment.
- **Trust Land Management Activities**
The operating budget provides \$4.2 million from trust management funds and 35.0 FTEs to the Department of Natural Resources to enhance silvicultural activities, improve the product sales system, and add timber sales staff.

- **State Parks Maintenance Backlog**
The operating budget provides \$4 million from the general fund and 7.5 FTEs to preserve and maintain the state park system, with an emphasis on projects that protect health and safety.
- **State Parks Management and Visitor Safety**
The operating budget provides \$1.7 million from the general fund and 9.0 FTEs to the State Parks and Recreation Commission to staff recent Park acquisitions and to hire additional rangers to focus on park personnel and visitor safety.
- **Abandoned Orchards**
The operating budget provides \$450,000 from the State Toxics Control Account and \$450,000 from non-appropriated funds for the Department of Agriculture to reimburse county horticulture pest and disease boards for the costs of addressing problems from abandoned orchards. Failure to control pests in abandoned orchards threatens adjacent operating farms.
- **Agriculture Marketing**
The operating budget provides \$850,000 from the general fund and 1.5 FTEs to the Department of Agriculture to promote Washington agricultural products, develop a small farm direct marketing program, and to reduce trade barriers. These funds will be matched by industry contributions and federal grants.
- **Public Use and Natural Area Stewardship**
The operating budget provides \$925,000 from each of the general fund and the Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account to the Department of Natural Resources to maintain recreational access to state trust lands open for public use, maintain natural area preserves and natural resources conservation areas, and, where appropriate, enhance public access to natural areas.
- **Agricultural Fairs and Youth Shows**
Chapter 16, Laws of 2001, 2nd sp.s. (ESSB 5237 – Fair Fund), makes annual transfers of \$2 million from the general fund to the Fair Fund, thereby creating a stable funding source for the more than 70 agricultural fairs and youth shows.
- **Spartina Eradication**
The operating budget provides \$1.4 million from the Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account for the Department of Agriculture to begin a spartina eradication program in Puget Sound and in Willapa Bay.
- **Preventing Oil Spills**
The operating budget provides \$1.7 million from the general fund to the Department of Ecology to establish a charter safety tug service that includes the placement of a rescue tug at Neah Bay for at least 200 days during fiscal year 2002. Under the charter safety tug service, the Department authorizes the U.S. Coast Guard to dispatch tug services throughout the state when weather or other conditions increase the risk of an oil spill. The budget also provides \$280,000 from the oil spill prevention account for the Department to study the feasibility of a tracking system using transponders and advanced radar technology and to access vessel incident reporting information from the federal government.

2001-03 Washington State Operating Budget Total Budgeted Funds

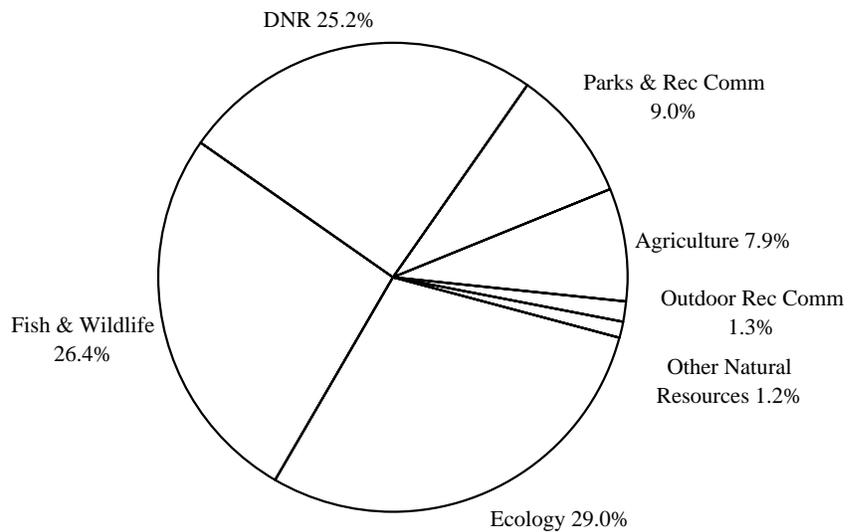
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Legislative	139,285
Judicial	141,697
Governmental Operations	2,707,559
Human Services	18,911,595
Natural Resources	1,123,648
Transportation	104,494
Public Schools	11,571,857
Higher Education	6,502,726
Other Education	116,415
Special Appropriations	2,036,571
Statewide Total	43,355,847



Washington State

Dept of Ecology	326,336
Dept of Fish & Wildlife	296,637
Dept of Natural Resources	283,216
Parks & Recreation Comm	100,639
Dept of Agriculture	89,062
Outdoor Recreation	14,235
Other Natural Resources	13,523
Natural Resources	1,123,648

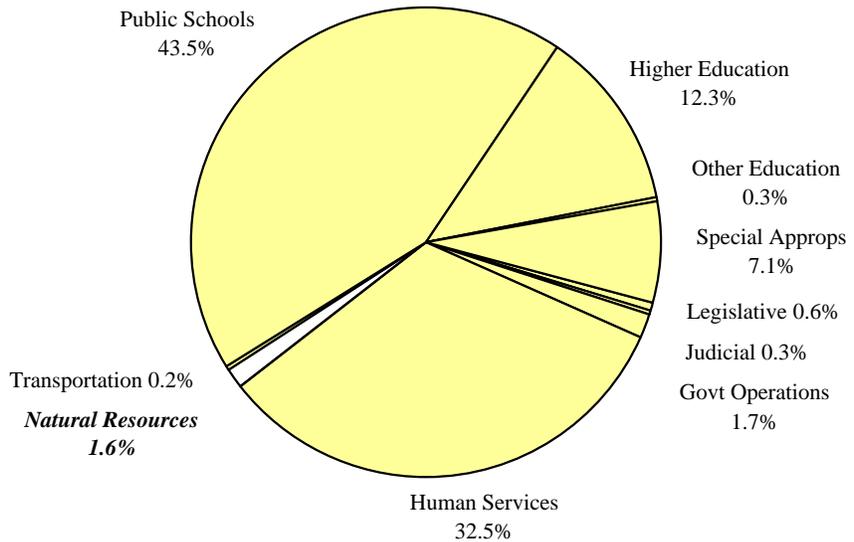


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2001-03 Washington State Operating Budget General Fund-State

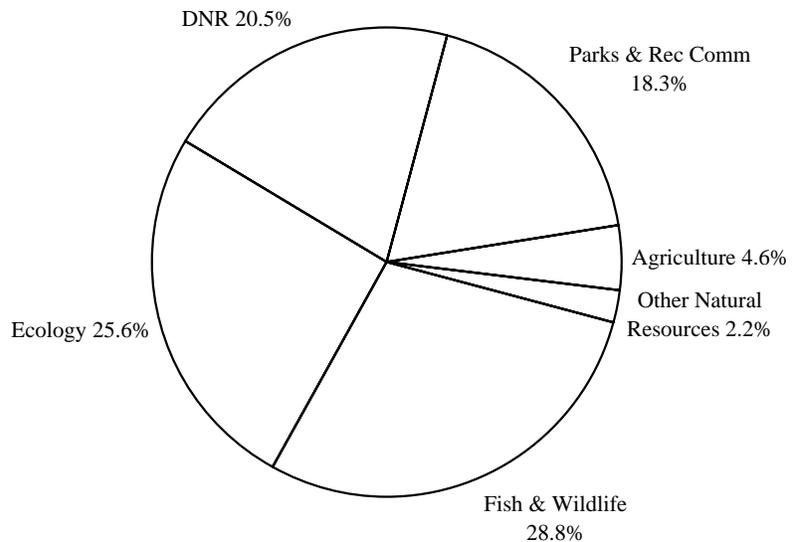
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Legislative	133,124
Judicial	71,679
Governmental Operations	392,304
Human Services	7,415,303
<i>Natural Resources</i>	<i>355,477</i>
Transportation	40,722
Public Schools	9,903,086
Higher Education	2,800,460
Other Education	59,988
Special Appropriations	1,611,095
Statewide Total	22,783,238



Washington State

Dept of Fish & Wildlife	102,362
Dept of Ecology	91,114
Dept of Natural Resources	72,975
Parks & Recreation Comm	65,164
Dept of Agriculture	16,189
Other Natural Resources	7,673
<i>Natural Resources</i>	<i>355,477</i>



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Columbia River Gorge Commission

(Dollars in Thousands)

	GF-S	Other	Total
1999-01 Expenditure Authority	697	657	1,354
2001-03 Maintenance Level	711	672	1,383
Policy Changes			
1. Match Oregon Current Service Level	5	4	9
2. Agency Legal Services	73	73	146
Total 2001-03 Biennium	789	749	1,538
Fiscal Year 2002 Total	398	378	776
Fiscal Year 2003 Total	391	371	762

Comments:

1. **Match Oregon Current Service Level** - Funding is provided to match Oregon's proposed level of funding for the Columbia River Gorge Commission. The Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Act requires that Oregon and Washington fund the Commission equally. (General Fund-State, General Fund-Local)

2. **Agency Legal Services** - Funding is provided for increased Attorneys General costs for the Columbia River Gorge Commission. (General Fund-State, General Fund-Local)

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(Dollars in Thousands)

	GF-S	Other	Total
1999-01 Expenditure Authority	78,687	200,298	278,985
2001 Supplemental *	0	-118	-118
Total 1999-01 Biennium	78,687	200,180	278,867
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2001-03 Maintenance Level	86,104	203,893	289,997
Policy Changes			
1. Methamphetamine Lab Cleanup	0	1,939	1,939
2. Inflation Rate Exception	0	128	128
3. Eliminate Air Emission Hot-Lines	-230	0	-230
4. Reduction to Match Revenue	0	-141	-141
5. Preventing Oil Spills	1,700	280	1,980
6. Access Waste Information	0	431	431
7. Eliminate Air Permit Help to Locals	-226	0	-226
8. Network Infrastructure	0	323	323
9. Bioaccumulative Toxics Strategy	0	800	800
10. Assess Hazardous Waste Liability	0	500	500
11. Area-Wide Contamination	0	1,200	1,200
12. Reduce Toxics Studies	-148	0	-148
13. Consolidating Lab Accreditation	202	0	202
14. The Clean Sites Initiative	0	9,365	9,365
15. Aquatic Weeds Grants	0	450	450
16. Waste Reduction Efforts	0	200	200
17. Reduce Lab Accreditation Activities	-54	0	-54
18. Water Law Compliance	1,148	0	1,148
19. Reducing Hazardous Waste Generation	0	200	200
20. Superfund Cleanup Match	0	2,000	2,000
21. Pine Hollow EIS	0	325	325
22. General Inflation	-1,450	-1,347	-2,797
23. Enhanced Stream Flow Monitoring	500	1,113	1,613
24. Sharing Costs to Manage Stormwater	0	1,000	1,000
25. Reforming Water Law	250	0	250
26. Water Right Change Decisions	3,000	3,000	6,000
27. Drought Response	0	5,000	5,000
28. Water Rights Data	0	847	847
29. Salmon Recovery Account Adjustment	0	-1,148	-1,148
30. Instream Flows	0	600	600
31. Environmental Excellence Program	0	484	484
32. Support Local Watershed Planning	0	3,114	3,114
33. Water Resources Attorney Support	318	0	318
34. Nuclear Waste Attorney Support	0	382	382
35. Support Watershed Cooperatives	0	200	200
36. Latah Creek Flood Control	0	84	84
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Total 2001-03 Biennium	91,114	235,222	326,336
Fiscal Year 2002 Total	46,633	117,977	164,610
Fiscal Year 2003 Total	44,481	117,245	161,726

Comments:

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| <p>1. Methamphetamine Lab Cleanup - Funding is provided for six additional staff in FY 2002 and ten staff in FY 2003 to address methamphetamine lab cleanups. (Public Safety Education Account, State Toxics Control Account)</p> | <p>3. Eliminate Air Emission Hot-Lines - Funding is reduced for the statewide Vehicle Emission Check Information Line. The information line will be replaced with local toll-free information lines operated out of regional offices.</p> |
| <p>2. Inflation Rate Exception - Funding is provided for increased costs for janitorial, landscaping, and security contracts for agency facilities to maintain current levels of service. (State Toxics Control Account, various other funds)</p> | <p>4. Reduction to Match Revenue - Appropriation authority is reduced for the Air Operating Permit Account to a level that can be supported by estimated revenue for the 2001-03 biennium. This account funds the permitting and oversight</p> |

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- of air emissions within the state. (Air Operating Permit Account)
5. **Preventing Oil Spills** - Funding is provided for the Department to establish charter safety tug services, a feasibility study for a tracking system using transponders and advanced radar technologies, and updating the Marine Information System. (Oil Spill Prevention Account)
 6. **Access Waste Information** - Funding is provided for Internet technology and support to enhance public access to environmental data via the Internet. Additional solid and hazardous waste related information will be placed on the Internet and reporting and mapping options will be developed, including the delivery of information on a geographic basis. (State Toxics Control Account)
 7. **Eliminate Air Permit Help to Locals** - Funding is eliminated for pre-application permit assistance to other state and local air permitting agencies. Air Quality Program staff will continue to provide assistance in situations where the Department of Ecology (DOE) has direct permitting responsibility.
 8. **Network Infrastructure** - Funding is provided to increase agency-wide telecommunication line capacity and to upgrade the northwest regional office computer system cabling to allow for more efficient communication. (State Toxics Control Account, various other funds)
 9. **Bioaccumulative Toxics Strategy** - Funding is provided to implement a strategy to eliminate releases and reduce the existence of persistent, bioaccumulative toxic chemicals (PBTs). Baseline monitoring will be conducted and chemical specific action plans will be developed to reduce PBTs in the environment. One time funding of \$54,000 is included for the Department of Health (DOH) for their participation in developing this strategy. (State Toxics Control Account)
 10. **Assess Hazardous Waste Liability** - One-time funding is provided to assess the limits of current statutes and regulations governing hazardous waste facilities, including financial assurances to ensure that bankruptcy or other unexpected site closures do not leave an unmet cleanup liability. (State Toxics Control Account)
 11. **Area-Wide Contamination** - One-time funding is provided to develop a strategy to address emergent area-wide soil contamination problems arising from arsenic and other toxic chemicals. The strategy will include a public involvement process, an assessment of the geographical locations of contamination and hot spots, and initiation of pilot clean-up projects. (State Toxics Control Account)
 12. **Reduce Toxics Studies** - Funding is reduced for toxic chemical studies currently conducted to assist in addressing contamination problems, identifying regulatory strategies, and developing water cleanup plans. The number of toxics studies completed by the Department of Ecology is reduced from 20 to 17 per year.
 13. **Consolidating Lab Accreditation** - DOE, in cooperation with DOH and client laboratories, has determined the DOH Drinking Water Laboratory Certification program should be combined with the DOE Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program. This will provide a one-stop validation agency for client labs and will reduce costs as a result of more efficient operations. Increased costs to DOE will be offset by corresponding reductions in the DOH budget.
 14. **The Clean Sites Initiative** - One-time funding is provided to clean up sites contaminated by toxic chemicals that present a serious threat to human health and the environment. Any funds recovered from parties responsible for contamination will be reimbursed into the State Toxics Control Account. (State Toxics Control Account)
 15. **Aquatic Weeds Grants** - Funding is provided to support previous grant awards and to maximize the amount of new grants that can be awarded to local governments in the 2001-03 biennium. (Freshwater Aquatic Weeds Account)
 16. **Waste Reduction Efforts** - One-time funding is provided for an assessment of the current toxic pollution prevention and dangerous waste programs. DOE will work with stakeholder focus groups to evaluate the performance of existing programs and assess waste generating activities to identify improvements in waste reduction. (State Toxics Control Account)
 17. **Reduce Lab Accreditation Activities** - Funding is reduced for DOE's Environmental Assessment Program, reducing the number of audits conducted for accredited laboratories.
 18. **Water Law Compliance** - Ongoing funding is provided for water law compliance, originally funded in the 1999-01 biennium from the Salmon Recovery Account. Funding supports technical assistance and enforcement efforts for water quantity and non-point water quality.
 19. **Reducing Hazardous Waste Generation** - One-time funding is provided for additional hazardous waste management technical assistance and pollution prevention activities including assisting 60 businesses in developing pollution prevention plans, implementing pollution prevention measures, and integrating best management practices into business operations. (Hazardous Waste Assistance Account)
 20. **Superfund Cleanup Match** - One-time funding is provided for the state match for federal Superfund cleanup costs. The federal Superfund law requires states to pay 10 percent of all remedial action costs and all operation and maintenance costs at federally funded cleanup sites. (State Toxics Control Account)

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21. **Pine Hollow EIS** - Funding is provided to complete the Pine Hollow Environmental Impact Statement initiated in the 1999-01 biennium. (State Drought Preparedness Account)
 22. **General Inflation** - Agencies are required to find sufficient efficiencies in their operations to cover the cost of inflation in the goods, services, and supplies needed for performance of their mission. (General Fund-State, various other funds)
 23. **Enhanced Stream Flow Monitoring** - Funding is provided for enhanced stream flow gauging and monitoring in five critical basins. Of this amount, \$500,000 is provided for local governments to hire stream gauging staff, \$700,000 to purchase the equipment, and \$400,000 in technical assistance to develop gauging plans, install and maintain gauges, and provide data management services including real-time data transmission, and web-based data access. (Drought Preparedness Account, Water Quality Account)
 24. **Sharing Costs to Manage Stormwater** - Funding is provided for the Department to update stormwater manuals, write new stormwater permits, and provide technical assistance to local governments to implement new stormwater requirements under the Environmental Protection Agency Phase II Stormwater requirements. (State Toxics Control Account)
 25. **Reforming Water Law** - Funding is provided for FY 2002 to continue the strategy to update water law.
 26. **Water Right Change Decisions** - Funding is provided to implement Chapter 237, Laws of 2001 (ESHB 1832 - Water Resources Management), and process applications for changes or transfers of existing water rights. (Water Quality Account)
 27. **Drought Response** - Funding is provided to purchase or lease water in response to low stream flows due to the drought. Of the total amount of funding, \$564,000 is provided for staff to implement a drought response strategy and operate a drought emergency center. Staff will process drought related water rights changes in 15 days. (State Drought Preparedness Account, Emergency Water Reserve Account State)
 28. **Water Rights Data** - Funding is provided to replace the water rights information system with a system designed to provide geographic information used by watershed planning groups, county conservancy boards, cities, state agencies, businesses, individuals, and Ecology staff. The new system will be accessible within Ecology by the end of the 2001-03 biennium and will provide the basis for accessing information via the Internet, which is dependent on future funding. (Water Quality Account)
 29. **Salmon Recovery Account Adjustment** - Funding is removed for activities supported by the Salmon Recovery Account funded in the 1999-01 biennium from one-time revenue sources. (Salmon Recovery Account)
 30. **Instream Flows** - Funding is provided for the Department to set instream flows in six critical basins currently not planning under the Watershed Planning Act. (Water Quality Account)
 31. **Environmental Excellence Program** - Funding is provided for the Department to implement projects with sponsors participating in the Environmental Excellence Program. (Environmental Excellence Account)
 32. **Support Local Watershed Planning** - Funding is provided to implement Chapter 237, Laws of 2001 (ESHB 1832 - Water Resources Management). Of the total funding, \$2.1 million is provided for grants for targeted watershed assessments to provide information to local planning units. In addition, funding is provided to develop a State Environmental Policy Act template to streamline environmental review and plan implementation. The departments of Ecology and Fish and Wildlife will also provide technical assistance in hydrogeology, fish biology, streamflows, and water rights. Finally, a panel will be created to develop long-term options to fund watershed plan implementation. (Water Quality Account)
 33. **Water Resources Attorney Support** - Funding is provided for additional support from the Attorney General's office associated with water resources litigation.
 34. **Nuclear Waste Attorney Support** - Funding is provided for additional attorney support to enforce the Hanford Tri-Party Agreement among the state, the Environmental Protection Agency, and the U.S. Department of Energy. (State Toxics Control Account)
 35. **Support Watershed Cooperatives** - Funding is provided for a statewide coordinator position for cooperative watershed groups not planning under Chapter 90.82 RCW. (Water Quality Account)
 36. **Latah Creek Flood Control** - Funding is provided for the Latah Creek feeder bank stabilization project. (Flood Control Assistance Account)
- * Please see the 2001 Supplemental Operating Budget Section for additional information.

Governor's Vetoes:

The Governor vetoed the following sections of Chapter 7, Laws of 2001, 2nd sp.s., Partial Veto (ESSB 6153): Section 302(15) which provided funding for a conservation district to remove culverts from Rocky Ford Creek; Section 302(16) which provided funding to the State Conservation

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Commission for the Washington Watershed, Science, and Technology Program; and Section 302(17) which provided funding for a conservation district to conduct a pilot project to evaluate water quality programs.

State Parks and Recreation Commission

(Dollars in Thousands)

	GF-S	Other	Total
1999-01 Expenditure Authority	55,749	33,611	89,360
2001 Supplemental *	32	108	140
Total 1999-01 Biennium	55,781	33,719	89,500
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2001-03 Maintenance Level	59,720	33,508	93,228
Policy Changes			
1. General Inflation	-273	-175	-448
2. Maintenance Backlog	4,000	0	4,000
3. Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center	325	0	325
4. Parks Management	700	0	700
5. Ranger & Visitor Safety	1,000	0	1,000
6. Forest Road Inventory	200	0	200
7. Internet Materials and Permits	0	166	166
8. Native American Artifacts	100	0	100
9. Silver Lake Visitor Center	0	432	432
10. Winter Recreation - Snowmobile	0	1,000	1,000
11. Water Trails Enhancements	0	10	10
12. Boating Safety & Education	0	534	534
13. Cama Beach Operating Reduction	-440	0	-440
14. Assistance/Planning Reductions	-168	0	-168
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Total 2001-03 Biennium	65,164	35,475	100,639
Fiscal Year 2002 Total	32,298	16,993	49,291
Fiscal Year 2003 Total	32,866	18,482	51,348

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. General Inflation - Agencies are required to find sufficient efficiencies in their operations to cover the cost of inflation in the goods, services, and supplies needed for performance of their mission. (General Fund-State, various other funds) 2. Maintenance Backlog - Funding is provided to preserve and maintain the state park system. The State Parks and Recreation Commission shall prioritize projects to address critical maintenance projects that protect public health and safety. 3. Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center - Funding is provided to staff the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center at Fort Canby in anticipation of the bicentennial celebration of the Lewis and Clark expedition. 4. Parks Management - Funding is provided for parks management activities including protection of resource damage, an interpretive assistant, additional weed control, operation of the sewage treatment plant at Seaquest State Park, and operation of the Hyak Lodge Environmental Learning Center. 5. Ranger & Visitor Safety - Funding is provided for additional rangers to reduce single-ranger patrols and for response agreements with local law enforcement and emergency 911 dispatch centers. 6. Forest Road Inventory - Funding is provided to evaluate, survey, and map all forest roads on state parks lands to | <p>determine future actions needed to protect salmon and water quality.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7. Internet Materials and Permits - Funding is provided to develop a system to make permits and other materials available to citizens over the Internet. (Parks Renewal and Stewardship Account, Winter Recreation Program Account, Snowmobile Account) 8. Native American Artifacts - Pursuant to federal law, the State Parks and Recreation Commission began work to inventory and catalogue its collection of Native American artifacts and human remains in the 1999-01 biennium. Additional funding is provided to conduct consultations with Native American tribal representatives and to construct appropriate storage for artifacts and remains. 9. Silver Lake Visitor Center - Funding is provided for staffing and operation of the Mt. St. Helens Visitor Center at Silver Lake. (Parks Renewal and Stewardship Account) 10. Winter Recreation - Snowmobile - Funding is provided to open new snow parks, increase the parking lot size of snow parks, increase grooming of trails, and fund additional parking lot snow removal. Funds for services are derived from snowmobile registrations and a portion of the gasoline tax. (Snowmobile Account-State) |
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11. **Water Trails Enhancements** - Funding is provided for improvements for facilities maintained by the Water Trails program. (Water Trails Program Account-State)
12. **Boating Safety & Education** - Additional federal funding is provided for law enforcement training and equipment and to increase the frequency of boater education messages. (General Fund-Federal)
13. **Cama Beach Operating Reduction** - Funding is reduced for implementation of historic building maintenance and park management services at the new Cama Beach State Park. The park is expected to open in September 2002. Four staff positions will not be hired until the 2003-05 biennium.
14. **Assistance/Planning Reductions** - Funding is eliminated for a position coordinating requests to use state parks facilities by special recreation groups and a part-time position for park construction and planning.

NOTE: Amounts shown here reflect only the omnibus appropriations act. The remainder of the State Parks and Recreation Commission's budget is shown in the Transportation Budget Section of this document.

* Please see the 2001 Supplemental Operating Budget Section for additional information.

Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation

(Dollars in Thousands)

	GF-S	Other	Total
1999-01 Expenditure Authority	275	6,351	6,626
2001-03 Maintenance Level	291	3,262	3,553
Policy Changes			
1. General Inflation	-3	-12	-15
2. Programmatic Adjustments	0	-6	-6
3. Outdoor Recreation Resource Plan	0	445	445
4. Maury Is. Conservation Initiative	0	200	200
5. Statewide Monitoring Strategy	500	1,000	1,500
6. Salmon Technical Panel	0	200	200
7. Forests and Fish Agreement Rules	0	8,000	8,000
8. SRFB Administration	0	358	358
Total 2001-03 Biennium	788	13,447	14,235
Fiscal Year 2002 Total	393	6,737	7,130
Fiscal Year 2003 Total	395	6,710	7,105

Comments:

1. **General Inflation** - Agencies are required to find sufficient efficiencies in their operations to cover the cost of inflation in the goods, services, and supplies needed for performance of their mission. (General Fund-State, various other funds)
2. **Programmatic Adjustments** - Funding is reduced for operating expenses for the Firearms Range Account and Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities Program Account. This reduction aligns available revenue and operating expenses with the statutory requirements for these two accounts. (Firearms Range Account-State, Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities Program Account-State)
3. **Outdoor Recreation Resource Plan** - One-time funds are provided to update the Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan and to meet federal requirements. The current statewide plan expires December 2001 and the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation (IAC) is required develop a statewide strategic plan for the acquisition, renovation, and development of recreational resources and the conservation of open space. (Recreation Resources Account-State, Recreation Resources Account-Federal)
4. **Maury Is. Conservation Initiative** - Funding is provided for the IAC to make a grant to the Cascade Land Conservancy (CLC) to develop and implement a conservation initiative for Maury Island. The CLC will provide appraisal services, develop a financial plan for public/private land acquisition, and conduct negotiations among purchasers and willing sellers. (Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account)
5. **Statewide Monitoring Strategy** - Funding is provided to implement Chapter 298, Laws of 2001 (SSB 5637 - Watershed Health and Monitoring). The IAC and the Salmon Recovery Funding Board will lead other state agencies in developing a statewide approach to salmon recovery adaptive management and monitoring. A coordinated and comprehensive statewide adaptive management and monitoring strategy is needed to meet the needs of the Statewide Strategy to Recover Salmon. (General Fund-State, Water Quality Account, State Toxics Control Account)
6. **Salmon Technical Panel** - Funding is provided for the Salmon Recovery Funding Board salmon technical panel to assist lead entities with project identification, evaluation, and prioritization. (Water Quality Account-State)
7. **Forests and Fish Agreement Rules** - Funding is provided for the Salmon Recovery Funding Board to pass through to the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Fish and Wildlife to implement the Forests and Fish Agreement. Specific work will include completion of databases for streams and lakes, wetlands and forest roads, a new forest practices application system, and adaptive management activities. (General Fund-Federal)
8. **SRFB Administration** - Funding is provided for administrative support for the Salmon Recovery Funding Board (SRFB). (General Fund-Federal)

Environmental Hearings Office

(Dollars in Thousands)

	GF-S	Other	Total
1999-01 Expenditure Authority	1,612	0	1,612
2001-03 Maintenance Level	1,703	0	1,703
Policy Changes			
1. General Inflation	-10	0	-10
Total 2001-03 Biennium	1,693	0	1,693
Fiscal Year 2002 Total	846	0	846
Fiscal Year 2003 Total	847	0	847

Comments:

1. **General Inflation** - Agencies are required to find sufficient efficiencies in their operations to cover the cost of inflation in the goods, services, and supplies needed for performance of their mission.

State Conservation Commission

(Dollars in Thousands)

	GF-S	Other	Total
1999-01 Expenditure Authority	5,264	4,062	9,326
2001-03 Maintenance Level	4,301	3,893	8,194
Policy Changes			
1. Conservation District Manual	20	9	29
2. Statewide Habitat Limiting Factors	0	1,601	1,601
3. Administrative Manager	82	76	158
4. Engineering Grants	0	900	900
5. Audit Costs	0	128	128
6. Salmon Recovery Account Adjustment	0	-3,368	-3,368
7. AFW Negotiations	0	500	500
Total 2001-03 Biennium	4,403	3,739	8,142
Fiscal Year 2002 Total	2,207	1,995	4,202
Fiscal Year 2003 Total	2,196	1,744	3,940

Comments:

1. **Conservation District Manual** - One-time funding is provided to update the Conservation District Procedure Manual. The manual is used by conservation districts and contains at least 20 sections that will be revised based on changes in policies and regulations, changes in state or federal law, and changes in the structure of agencies and organizations. (General Fund-State, Water Quality Account-State)
2. **Statewide Habitat Limiting Factors** - Funding is provided to continue identifying limiting factors for salmon and trout. (Water Quality Account)
3. **Administrative Manager** - Funding is provided for an administrative position for the Commission to prepare and manage its operating and capital budgets and provide financial planning assistance to its grants program. (General Fund-State, Water Quality Account-State)
4. **Engineering Grants** - Funding is provided for conservation district grants to hire engineers to design salmon recovery and other projects that benefit salmon. (Water Quality Account)
5. **Audit Costs** - Funding for audits of conservation districts is moved from the capital budget to the operating budget. (Water Quality Account-State)
6. **Salmon Recovery Account Adjustment** - Funding is removed for activities supported by the Salmon Recovery Account funded in the 1999-01 biennium from one-time revenue sources. (Salmon Recovery Account)
7. **AFW Negotiations** - Funding is provided to support the Agriculture, Fish, and Water (AFW) negotiations and provide grants to various stakeholder groups to participate in the negotiations. (Water Quality Account)

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(Dollars in Thousands)

	GF-S	Other	Total
1999-01 Expenditure Authority	87,183	188,809	275,992
2001 Supplemental *	645	26,165	26,810
Total 1999-01 Biennium	87,828	214,974	302,802
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2001-03 Maintenance Level	94,602	187,801	282,403
Policy Changes			
1. General Inflation	-764	-1,319	-2,083
2. Wildlife Conservation and Education	0	1,000	1,000
3. Salmonid Stock Inventory	400	0	400
4. Smolt Production Monitoring	1,100	0	1,100
5. Implement Forests & Fish Agreement	776	0	776
6. Forest Roads Management Plan	265	0	265
7. Hydropower Relicensing	389	0	389
8. Lead Entity Core Operations	3,250	0	3,250
9. Local Technical Assistance	1,200	0	1,200
10. Hatchery ESA Strategy	500	0	500
11. Pacific Salmon Treaty State Match	1,300	5,000	6,300
12. Hatchery Operations	0	7,050	7,050
13. Non-Game Wildlife Program	0	360	360
14. Recreational Site Enhancements	0	124	124
15. Salmon Recovery Account Adjustment	0	-7,219	-7,219
16. Fish Screen Compliance	600	0	600
17. Regional Salmon Recovery Planning	0	1,000	1,000
18. Federal Funding Adjustment	0	-2,050	-2,050
19. Information Systems Strategic Plan	0	851	851
20. Geographic Information System	0	373	373
21. Wildlife Area Operations	0	48	48
22. Recover Endangered Wildlife Species	0	204	204
23. Problem Bear and Cougar Management	0	250	250
24. Vehicle and Vessel Replacement	0	125	125
25. Resident and Marine Fish Management	450	450	900
26. Youth Sport Fishing Program	0	156	156
27. Enhance Web-Based Communication	0	75	75
28. Point-of-Sale Data Analysis	0	80	80
29. Core Salmon Recovery Activities	1,000	150	1,150
30. Fence Maintenance	0	206	206
31. Puget Sound Crab Pot Tags	0	160	160
32. Attorney Support for ESA Compliance	88	59	147
33. Oyster Reserve Lands	-60	135	75
34. WildWatchCam	0	25	25
35. Lake Management District Assessment	15	0	15
36. Lower Skykomish HCP	250	0	250
37. Samish Hatchery Restoration	636	0	636
38. Business Services Reduction	-1,114	0	-1,114
39. Technical Assistance Reductions	-568	0	-568
40. Fish, Hatchery and Land Stewardship	-1,318	0	-1,318
41. Program Services Reductions	-635	0	-635
42. Programmatic Adjustments	0	-819	-819
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Total 2001-03 Biennium	102,362	194,275	296,637
Fiscal Year 2002 Total	51,600	95,043	146,643
Fiscal Year 2003 Total	50,762	99,232	149,994

Comments:

1. **General Inflation** - Agencies are required to find sufficient efficiencies in their operations to cover the cost of inflation in the goods, services, and supplies needed for performance of their mission. (General Fund-State, various other funds)
2. **Wildlife Conservation and Education** - Funding is provided to enhance wildlife conservation and education programs. The types of work to be undertaken include species inventorying, priority habitat and species mapping,

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- expansion of watchable wildlife programs, and public education. (General Fund-Federal)
3. **Salmonid Stock Inventory** - Funding is provided to continue the Salmonid Stock Inventory to identify and monitor the status of Washington's salmonid fish stocks.
 4. **Smolt Production Monitoring** - Ongoing funding is provided to conduct smolt monitoring to continue assessing the productivity of juvenile salmonids as a measure of the health of stream systems and to measure the success of salmon recovery efforts.
 5. **Implement Forests & Fish Agreement** - Ongoing funding is provided for five biologists to continue statewide coordination and implementation of the forests and fish rules; integration of portions of the Hydraulic Code into the forest practices rules to provide permit streamlining; and sharing the responsibility of developing and implementing the required Forests and Fish Agreement monitoring and adaptive management program.
 6. **Forest Roads Management Plan** - Funding is provided for a statewide road plan and a Geographic Information Systems database for forest roads on departmental lands. The Department of Fish and Wildlife has over 725 miles of forest roads on state wildlife areas. Under the Forests and Fish Agreement, a road management plan must be completed within five years for all timberlands to address issues such as fish passage, sedimentation, and erosion.
 7. **Hydropower Relicensing** - Funding is provided for staff to represent the state's fish and wildlife interests in the hydroelectric project relicensing process by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.
 8. **Lead Entity Core Operations** - Funding is provided for grants to local lead entities. The groups solicit habitat improvement and restoration projects, develop habitat project lists, and recommend development and maintenance of habitat work schedules. The Department will continue to provide basic grants to the estimated 26 lead entities that will operate in the 2001-03 biennium.
 9. **Local Technical Assistance** - Ongoing funding is provided for the Department of Fish and Wildlife's Watershed Steward Team to provide technical assistance for engineering and design, and fish and habitat science to project sponsors, lead entities, landowners, local governments, regional fisheries enhancement groups, and others involved in local salmon recovery projects.
 10. **Hatchery ESA Strategy** - Funding is provided to continue implementation of a hatchery Endangered Species Act (ESA) program.
 11. **Pacific Salmon Treaty State Match** - Funding is provided to match federal funds to implement license buyback provisions of the United States - Canada salmon treaty. (General Fund-State, General Fund-Federal)
 12. **Hatchery Operations** - Funding is provided to support hatchery operations at facilities supported by agreements with public utility districts. (General Fund-Private/Local)
 13. **Non-Game Wildlife Program** - Funding is provided for administrative costs of the non-game wildlife program at the Department. Revenues from personalized license plate sales will be used to support both program and administrative costs of the non-game program. (Wildlife Fund-State)
 14. **Recreational Site Enhancements** - Funding is provided to improve sanitation and maintenance of public recreation access sites statewide. (Wildlife Fund-State)
 15. **Salmon Recovery Account Adjustment** - Funding is removed for activities supported by the Salmon Recovery Account funded in the 1999-01 biennium from one-time revenue sources. (Salmon Recovery Account)
 16. **Fish Screen Compliance** - Funding is provided to implement four cooperative fish screen compliance programs, two in Western Washington and two in Eastern Washington. The cooperative compliance program will conduct fish screen, fish way, and fish passage barrier assessments and correction plans for landowners seeking cooperative compliance agreements with the Department.
 17. **Regional Salmon Recovery Planning** - Funding is provided for grants to lead entities or watershed planning units that agree to coordinate the development of comprehensive local and regional salmon recovery plans. Annual grants may be up to \$125,000. (Water Quality Account-State)
 18. **Federal Funding Adjustment** - Federal funding is decreased due to declining federal funding from Dingell-Johnson funds.
 19. **Information Systems Strategic Plan** - Funding is provided to continue implementation of the Information Systems Strategic plan including a personal computer leasing program, migration to Microsoft Office suite software, modernizing agency file server and network infrastructure, and standardizing data administration. The general fund portion of this project may seek one-time funding from the combined technology pool appropriated separately. (Wildlife Account-State)
 20. **Geographic Information System** - Funding is provided for updating the Department's Geographic Information System (GIS) data to more current software. The Department must ensure that the new data management system is consistent with other state natural resource systems and develop protocols for sharing data. The general fund portion of this project may seek one-time funding from the combined technology pool appropriated separately. (Wildlife Account-State)
 21. **Wildlife Area Operations** - Funding is provided for operating impacts associated with habitat acquisitions

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- authorized by the Legislature during the 1999-01 biennium. (Wildlife Account-State)
22. **Recover Endangered Wildlife Species** - Funding is provided for scientific review, collection, and analysis of data to determine the status of wildlife species for wildlife and game species management. The Department will complete additional research, develop recovery plans, and initiate recovery actions for endangered and threatened wildlife species, including western pond turtles, pygmy rabbits, caribou, and Columbia white-tailed deer. (Wildlife Account-State)
 23. **Problem Bear and Cougar Management** - Funding is provided for a biologist and veterinarian services to address problem bear and cougar management. (Wildlife Account-State)
 24. **Vehicle and Vessel Replacement** - Funding is provided for the Department to replace vehicles and vessels that have exceeded replacement schedule requirements. (Wildlife Account-State)
 25. **Resident and Marine Fish Management** - Funding is provided to offset a decrease in federal funding for many core marine and resident fish management and stock assessment activities. The state general fund will be used to support fish management activities including biological sampling, fishery monitoring, and stock status. (General Fund-State, Wildlife Account-State)
 26. **Youth Sport Fishing Program** - Funding is provided for a youth fishing coordinator to develop partnerships with local communities, and to identify, develop, fund, and promote youth fishing events and opportunities. Event coordination and promotion services will be contracted to a private consultant. (Wildlife Account-State)
 27. **Enhance Web-Based Communication** - Funding is provided for a contract to enhance web-based communication to improve internal services and productivity by increasing access to recreational opportunity information, regulatory changes, scientific data, document libraries, and technical assistance for agency employees. The general fund portion of this project may seek one-time funding from the combined technology pool appropriated separately. (Wildlife Account-State)
 28. **Point-of-Sale Data Analysis** - Funding is provided for a private contractor to develop reports from data gathered using the new automated point-of-sale system. These reports will provide information to manage recreational opportunities and license sale revenues. (Wildlife Account-State)
 29. **Core Salmon Recovery Activities** - Funding is provided to replace decreases in federal funding levels for core salmonid recovery activities including monitoring and biological sampling, smolt trapping, and fishery planning. (General Fund-State, Wildlife Account-State)
 30. **Fence Maintenance** - Funding for fence maintenance operations is transferred from the capital budget to the operating budget. (Wildlife Account-State)
 31. **Puget Sound Crab Pot Tags** - Funding is provided to implement Chapter 234, Laws of 2001 (SSB 6110 - Puget Sound Crab Pot Buoy). The Department shall purchase buoy tags to ensure that coastal crab pot limits are followed. (Puget Sound Crab Pot Buoy Tag Account-Non-Appropriated)
 32. **Attorney Support for ESA Compliance** - Funding is provided for increased legal assistance from the Attorney General's Office for compliance with the requirements of the Endangered Species Act. (General Fund-State, Wildlife Fund-State)
 33. **Oyster Reserve Lands** - Funding is provided to implement Chapter 273, Laws of 2001 (E2SHB 1658 - State Oyster Reserve Lands). The Oyster Reserve Land Account will fund the Department's management of the oyster reserve lands in Puget Sound and Willapa Bay and the shellfish-on-site sewage grant program administered by the Puget Sound Action Team. (General Fund-State, Oyster Reserve Land Account-State)
 34. **WildWatchCam** - Funding is provided for the WildWatchCam program to provide Internet transmission of live views of wildlife in their habitats, including seals, bats, and bald eagles. (Wildlife Account-State)
 35. **Lake Management District Assessment** - Funding is provided for increased assessments of Department-managed property within lake management districts.
 36. **Lower Skykomish HCP** - Funding is provided for the Department's participation in the planning, scientific assessment, and development of a salmon habitat conservation plan (HCP) as proposed by the Lower Skykomish River Habitat Conservation Group.
 37. **Samish Hatchery Restoration** - Funding is provided for operation of the Samish hatchery facility.
 38. **Business Services Reduction** - Funding is reduced within the business services program by eliminating 6.4 staff positions from the Licenses and Financial Services Divisions, Director's Office, and Public Affairs Office. Additional savings will result from the elimination of Automated Financial Reporting System reports through the implementation of an automated license system and a reduction to the goods, services, and travel budget of the Fish and Wildlife Commission. A contract with the United States Department of Agriculture-Wildlife Services that provides assistance to landowners in alleviating livestock, crop, and property damage from wildlife disturbances will also be reduced. The elimination of the Poaching Hotline contract with the Washington State Patrol (WSP) will save money and improve service levels by routing all calls directly to the enforcement program during regular business

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hours. WSP will continue to handle poaching complaints after hours.

* Please see the 2001 Supplemental Operating Budget Section for additional information.

39. **Technical Assistance Reductions** - Funding is reduced for the Wetlands Technical Assistance program reducing participation in the Corps of Engineers Nationwide Permit Program, the Corps of Engineers Regional Permit Program, and the State Mitigation Banking Rule Technical Committee. One-half of a staff position from the Priority Habitats and Species and Growth Management Act programs will be eliminated resulting in fewer and more limited review of land use decisions affecting fish and wildlife resources in Benton, Kittitas, Franklin, and Yakima counties. One and one-half staff positions providing technical assistance to the Department of Ecology and the Environmental Protection Agency for Superfund and Toxic Control Act site cleanup will be eliminated. One-half of a staff position providing technical assistance to the rural landowner program will be eliminated resulting in delays for rural landowners to obtain assistance in converting marginal farmland to more productive recreational and wildlife habitat.
40. **Fish, Hatchery and Land Stewardship** - Funding is reduced due to the elimination of salmon production at the Fox Island Net Pens and reductions at the Wallace River Hatchery. Funding is also reduced for the operation of the Samish hatchery, but funding is restored in a separate item. Administrative support is also reduced for hatchery programs. A reduction to the Lake Washington sockeye salmon fishery monitoring and research program will eliminate diet and abundance estimates used for preseason run predictions. A reduction in oyster reserve management funding will result in less oyster seed being available for private shellfish growers. Lake management use of rotenone will be reduced 52 percent resulting in three fewer lakes in Eastern Washington being managed for high quality trout. The Washington Conservation Corps will reduce two full-time crews to two half-time crews, reducing stewardship and maintenance activities at statewide wildlife areas and public recreational access sites.
41. **Program Services Reductions** - Retirement vacancies expected at the beginning of the 2001-03 biennium will remain unfilled resulting in reductions to non-field enforcement program positions. Additional savings for the enforcement program will result in reducing equipment and goods and services. Two administrative positions will be eliminated from the fish program, resulting in reduced secretarial, customer service, visitor service, and employee support to each program.
42. **Programmatic Adjustments** - Funding is reduced to adjust appropriation authority with estimated revenues. (Recreational Fisheries Enhancement Account-State, Eastern Washington Pheasant Enhancement Account-State, Regional Fisheries Enhancement Account-Non-Appropriated, Off Road Vehicle Account-State)

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(Dollars in Thousands)

	GF-S	Other	Total
1999-01 Expenditure Authority	54,315	196,152	250,467
2001 Supplemental *	5,143	3,823	8,966
Total 1999-01 Biennium	59,458	199,975	259,433
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2001-03 Maintenance Level	58,029	200,265	258,294
Policy Changes			
1. General Inflation	-99	-458	-557
2. Attorney General Support	130	410	540
3. Forest Nursery Investments	0	350	350
4. Stabilize Fire Protection Funding	4,400	-4,400	0
5. Stabilize Fire Protection - Fees	0	641	641
6. Public Use	375	375	750
7. Salmon Recovery Account Adjustment	0	-3,459	-3,459
8. Trust Land Management Activities	0	4,223	4,223
9. Mgmt Funding for Ag Trust Lands	1,790	0	1,790
10. Trust Land Forest Road Improvements	0	3,800	3,800
11. Forest and Fish Implementation	2,500	3,525	6,025
12. Surface Mine Reclamation Program	0	828	828
13. Dredged Material Management	0	266	266
14. Aquatic Lands Asset Management	0	1,000	1,000
15. Cherry Point Ecological Evaluation	0	300	300
16. Implementing Legislative Fire Study	5,400	0	5,400
17. Continued Control of Spruce Budworm	0	246	246
18. Sustain Natural Areas Stewardship	550	550	1,100
19. Forest Legacy Support	300	0	300
20. Outdoor Burning Program Reduction	0	-157	-157
21. Program/Administration Efficiencies	-400	0	-400
22. Off Road Vehicle Program Reduction	0	-164	-164
23. Management of Marine Reserves	0	100	100
24. Lake Whatcom Roads Decommissioning	0	2,000	2,000
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Total 2001-03 Biennium	72,975	210,241	283,216
Fiscal Year 2002 Total	36,709	103,875	140,584
Fiscal Year 2003 Total	36,266	106,366	142,632

Comments:

1. **General Inflation** - Agencies are required to find sufficient efficiencies in their operations to cover the cost of inflation in the goods, services, and supplies needed for performance of their mission. (General Fund-State, various other funds)
2. **Attorney General Support** - Funding is provided to support increased legal services from the Office of the Attorney General relating to upland and aquatic property issues including trespass, rights-of-way applications, real property transactions, implementing the incidental take permit, and assistance with pending forest practice litigation. (General Fund-State, various other funds)
3. **Forest Nursery Investments** - One-time funding is provided for forest nursery investments to maintain the reforestation information management system, construct an additional greenhouse to culture nursery stock, and to convert water-cooled compressors to air-cooled compressors. (State Forest Nursery Revolving Account)
4. **Stabilize Fire Protection Funding** - Funding is provided to offset insufficient revenues to the Forest Fire Protection Assessment Account to cover ongoing fire prevention activities in the 2001-03 biennium. The General Fund-State account will be used to help offset the shortfall. (General Fund-State, Forest Fire Protection Assessment Account-Non-Appropriated)
5. **Stabilize Fire Protection - Fees** - Funding is provided to implement Chapter 279, Laws of 2001 (SHB 2104 - Forest Fire Protection). Landowners are currently assessed a fee to pay for fire protection from the Department of Natural Resources, and the bill increases assessments from 22 cents to 25 cents per acre. Funding is provided to develop and administer a database with which the Department will calculate the assessments for owners of multiple parcels thereby reducing refunds. Additional expenditures for the fire protection assessment of trust land are authorized. (Forest Fire Protection Assessment Account-Non-Appropriated)

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- Appropriated, Forest Development Account, Resource Management Cost Account)
6. **Public Use** - Funding is provided for maintenance of state lands open to public use. (General Fund-State, Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account)
 7. **Salmon Recovery Account Adjustment** - Funding is removed for activities supported by the Salmon Recovery Account funded in the 1999-01 biennium from one-time revenue sources. (Salmon Recovery Account)
 8. **Trust Land Management Activities** - Funding is provided for enhanced silviculture activities, improvements to the product sales system, and additional timber sales staff. (Forest Development Account, Resource Management Cost Account,)
 9. **Mgmt Funding for Ag Trust Lands** - Funding is provided for management expenses for agricultural trust lands. General Fund-State funds are appropriated to the Agricultural College Trust Management Fund to manage approximately 70,700 acres of Washington State University's Agricultural College Trust Lands.
 10. **Trust Land Forest Road Improvements** - Funding is provided to inventory state forest roads within five years and upgrade road systems in 15 years to meet the requirements of the new Forests and Fish Agreement. The work will include the evaluation, survey, and mapping of forest roads as well as improvements or abandonment of these roads. (Access Road Revolving Account, Forest Development Account)
 11. **Forest and Fish Implementation** - Funding is provided to continue implementation of the Forests and Fish Agreement. Specific work will include forest practices rule enforcement, completion of a ten-county small forest landowner data system, a road maintenance and abandonment plan, and desired future condition data systems, and cultural resources protection. (General Fund-State, Salmon Recovery Account, Water Quality Account)
 12. **Surface Mine Reclamation Program** - Funding is provided to implement Chapter 5, Laws of 2001, 1st sp.s. (EHB 1845 - Surface Mine Reclamation Fees). Increased funding will be used to provide technical assistance to surface mine operators. (Surface Mine Reclamation Account)
 13. **Dredged Material Management** - Funding is provided for managing dredged material disposal sites on state-owned aquatic lands (SOAL). The Department plans to increase disposal monitoring to address the construction of a new shipping terminal in Pierce County and new requirements under the federal Endangered Species Act. (Aquatic Lands Dredged Material Disposal Site)
 14. **Aquatic Lands Asset Management** - Funding is provided to improve management of SOAL. The Department will streamline the use authorization process for businesses operating on SOAL and issue decisions on 325 pending lease applications by June 30, 2002. The Department, in consultation with the Attorney General, shall develop a strategic program to resolve claims related to contaminated sediments on SOAL. (Resource Management Cost Account, Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account)
 15. **Cherry Point Ecological Evaluation** - Funding is provided to evaluate the Cherry Point herring stock and marine ecosystem. Results of these evaluations will provide the scientific basis to make management decisions concerning aquatic use requests. (Resource Management Cost Account)
 16. **Implementing Legislative Fire Study** - Funding is provided to implement provisions of a 1997 review of the Department of Natural Resources' fire program. Additional staff and equipment are provided to fully support 113 firefighter engines.
 17. **Continued Control of Spruce Budworm** - Funding is provided to control the Spruce budworm on federally-granted trust lands. (Resource Management Cost Account)
 18. **Sustain Natural Areas Stewardship** - Funding is provided to continue an enhancement in the 1999-01 biennium for operating and maintenance of state natural areas. Funding will continue education programs at Lake Louise, Chehalis River Surge Plain, Mima Mounds, Mount Si, and Tiger Mountain natural areas, regional volunteer programs, and regional weed teams. (General Fund-State, Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account)
 19. **Forest Legacy Support** - Funding is provided to support administrative costs of the Forest Legacy Program. New federal requirements will no longer allow federal funds to be used to support the cost of program administration.
 20. **Outdoor Burning Program Reduction** - Funding is decreased for the Outdoor Burning Program due to a projected revenue decrease and reallocation of administration costs. The Department will make the following changes to the program: 1) increase the minimum size fire that requires smoke management approval from 100 tons to 500 tons of fuel; and 2) increase the minimum fire size that requires a permit from 10 feet by 10 feet to 20 feet by 20 feet. (Air Pollution Control Account)
 21. **Program/Administration Efficiencies** - Funding is reduced for General Fund-State supported programs and administration. In implementing this reduction, the Department shall not reduce expenditures authorized in the 2001-03 biennium for fire protection, fire suppression, natural areas management, or forest practices activities.
 22. **Off Road Vehicle Program Reduction** - Due to a projected revenue decrease and increased operating costs, the Department anticipates closing approximately 11 campground sites where off road vehicle use occurs. (Off Road Vehicle Account)

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23. **Management of Marine Reserves** - Funding is provided for development and initial implementation of a statewide management plan for marine reserves. (Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account)
24. **Lake Whatcom Roads Decommissioning** - Funding is provided to decommission, maintain, and repair roads in the Lake Whatcom watershed. (Forest Development Account)

* Please see the 2001 Supplemental Operating Budget Section for additional information.

Governor's Vetoes:

The Governor vetoed Section 308(6) of Chapter 7, Laws of 2001, 2nd sp.s., Partial Veto (ESSB 6153), which restricted the use of funds appropriated from the Access Road Revolving Fund.

Department of Agriculture

(Dollars in Thousands)

	GF-S	Other	Total
1999-01 Expenditure Authority	15,392	66,447	81,839
2001-03 Maintenance Level	15,443	68,648	84,091
Policy Changes			
1. General Inflation	-104	-269	-373
2. Salmon Recovery Pesticide Strategy	0	1,130	1,130
3. Agricultural Marketing	700	700	1,400
4. Abandoned Orchards	0	900	900
5. Information Technology Coordinator	0	134	134
6. Spartina Eradication	0	1,480	1,480
7. Small Farm Direct Marketing	150	150	300
Total 2001-03 Biennium	16,189	72,873	89,062
Fiscal Year 2002 Total	8,165	36,238	44,403
Fiscal Year 2003 Total	8,024	36,635	44,659

Comments:

1. **General Inflation** - Agencies are required to find sufficient efficiencies in their operations to cover the cost of inflation in the goods, services, and supplies needed for performance of their mission. (General Fund-State, various other funds)
2. **Salmon Recovery Pesticide Strategy** - Funding is provided to establish a program to monitor pesticides in surface water, evaluate pesticide exposure on Endangered Species Act (ESA)-listed salmon, and implement actions needed to protect salmon. This analysis and implementation will support the state and Environmental Protection Agency's inclusion in future ESA 4(d) rule exceptions related to pesticide use and application practices. (Agriculture Local Account-Non-Appropriated, State Toxics Control Account)
3. **Agricultural Marketing** - Funding is provided to implement Chapter 324, Laws of 2001 (SHB 1891 - Marketing of Agriculture). State funds will be matched with agriculture industry funds to promote Washington agricultural products and address trade barriers. (General Fund-State, General Fund-Local)
4. **Abandoned Orchards** - Funding is provided to the Department to reimburse county horticultural pest and disease boards for the cost of pest control activities, including tree removal, on abandoned orchards. (State Toxics Control Account, Agricultural Local Account-Non-Appropriated)
5. **Information Technology Coordinator** - Funding is provided for the agency's digital government efforts, including coordination of on-line information and web-based services. (Agriculture Local Account-Non-Appropriated)
6. **Spartina Eradication** - Funding is provided to initiate a four-year plan to eradicate infestations of spartina in Puget Sound, Hood Canal, and Grays Harbor and begins the reduction in Spartina infestations in Willapa Bay,

eradicating 25 percent of the 4,000-plus acres of spartina in Willapa Bay in the first two years. (Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account-State)

7. **Small Farm Direct Marketing** - A small farm and direct marketing program is established to support small farms in complying with federal, state, and local regulations, facilitating access to food processing centers, and assisting with grant funding requests. (General Fund-State, General Fund-Federal)

NOTE: Amounts shown here reflect only the omnibus appropriations act. The remainder of the Department of Agriculture's budget is shown in the Transportation Budget Section of this document.

Washington Pollution Liability Insurance Program

(Dollars in Thousands)

	GF-S	Other	Total
1999-01 Expenditure Authority	0	2,094	2,094
2001-03 Maintenance Level	0	2,167	2,167
Policy Changes			
1. General Inflation	0	-17	-17
Total 2001-03 Biennium	0	2,150	2,150
Fiscal Year 2002 Total	0	1,065	1,065
Fiscal Year 2003 Total	0	1,085	1,085

Comments:

1. **General Inflation** - Agencies are required to find sufficient efficiencies in their operations to cover the cost of inflation in the goods, services, and supplies needed for performance of their mission. (Pollution Liability Insurance Program Trust Account, Heating Oil Pollution Liability Trust Account)