

DIVISION OF WILDLIFE CONSERVATION – FY17

Expenditure Report - AS 16.05.130 (d) – Fish & Game Fund

Core Services

The Division of Wildlife Conservation is responsible for the management of Alaska's wildlife resources. The primary goals of the division are to: (1) protect, maintain, and enhance the wildlife resources of Alaska; and (2) provide for their greatest use by the people, consistent with the sustained yield principle, for the well being of the people and the economy of the state. The division engages in species management and research to achieve its goals, as well as delivering public services such as wildlife education and hunter education.

Division management programs include survey and inventory, regulatory, and enhancement projects for big game, small game, furbearer, waterfowl and nongame species. Enhancement projects improve wildlife populations to provide for increased opportunities for public use. Biological information, harvest data, and recommendations are presented to assist the Board of Game in making allocation decisions through the regulatory process. Recommendations are also presented to the Federal Subsistence Board to encourage a cooperative and consistent approach between state and federal resource allocation.

The division's biological research program focuses on collecting data with direct management application and provides technical assistance to other agencies and the public. The division continues to develop programs in non-game species research, school and community wildlife education, and wildlife-based economic development.

FY17 Expenditures from the Fish & Game Fund

Expenditures for the Division from the Fish & Game Fund (F&GF) were reported in the Wildlife Conservation operating appropriation and from four ongoing CIP appropriations. Expenditures from the F&GF comprised approximately 23.4% of division operating expenditures during FY17.

Dates included with the Report and Data Disclaimer

Figures summarized in this report reflect expenditures from the F&GF incurred during Chart of Account year 2017 – beginning July 1, 2016 and ending June 30, 2017.

An accounting code structure in IRIS is used by division staff to document spending. Account codes are attributed to a species. This project coding structure forms the basis for completing this report.

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Operating Budget Appropriation: WILDLIFE CONSERVATION

FY17 Expenditures from the Fish & Game Fund by Project Category

Project Species	Total Expended
5000 - General Wildlife	\$ 3,338.7
5001 - Moose	\$ 910.8
5002 - Deer	\$ 112.0
5003 - Caribou	\$ 660.1
5004 - Brown Bear	\$ 260.9
5006 - Sheep	\$ 132.2
5007 - Furbearer	\$ 104.8
5009 - Plains Bison	\$ 37.8
5010 - Wood Bison	\$ 59.4
5011 - Waterfowl	\$ 131.2
5012 - Mountain Goat	\$ 77.5
5013 - Elk	\$ 14.4
5014 - Wolf	\$ 141.0
5016 - Muskox	\$ 64.9
5017 - Black Bear	\$ 64.4
5035 - Small Game	\$ 83.9
5100 - Coordination	\$ 857.3
5110 - Biometrics	\$ 165.8
5120 - Data Mgmt/Prog.	\$ 69.8
5130 - GIS	\$ 116.6
5200 - Public Services	\$ 1,108.2
5310 - Hunter Education	\$ 95.7
5350 - Shooting Ranges	\$ 875.4
5400 - Special Areas	\$ 216.0
5500 - Habitat	\$ 17.8
	9,716.7

(figures stated in thousands)

Notes on Project Categories:

General Wildlife

- Operating expenses for 22 area/regional offices (facility, phone, utilities, supplies, vehicles, aircraft, boats, snow machines, four-wheelers).
- Ketchikan, Petersburg, Sitka, Douglas, Juneau, Cordova, Glennallen, Soldotna, Homer, Palmer, Anchorage, Kodiak, King Salmon, Dillingham, Tok, Delta Junction, Fort Yukon, Fairbanks, Galena, McGrath, Bethel, Nome, Kotzebue, Barrow.
- Regional staff performing supervision, accounting and planning support.
- Interagency Coordination with federal land partners.
- Funding for unit within ADFG Administrative Services that

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administers the sale and accounting of hunting and fishing licenses to the public.

Public Services

- Information centers offering face-to-face contact with the public relating to hunting and general wildlife inquiries.
- Area office staff assisting the public.
- Wildlife education services.

Hunter Services

- Coordinate volunteer instructors to provide hunter education classes statewide.
- Conduct hunter education classes in South-central region.
- Public outreach through mobile shooting sports education.
- Operation of three shooting range facilities

Regulations / Board of Game

- Staff time to review regulatory proposals from the public and participate with regional advisory committees (RACs).

Bison

Black Bear

Brown Bear

Caribou

Deer

Elk

Furbearer

Moose

Mountain Goat

Musk ox

Sheep

Wolf

Small Game

Waterfowl

- Field work by area biologists and technician staff within 26 Game Management Units.
- Population monitoring through censuses, composition counts, etc.
- Focused species research. Collect information related to specific ecological questions or concerns.
- Moose Research Center, Kenai.

Notes on the sources of revenue:

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- Sales of hunting licenses and big game tags to residents and non-residents.
- Drawing permit application fees

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Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) Appropriations

Each project listed in the following table represents a unique legislative appropriation to the Division of Wildlife Conservation. Expenditures noted in the table include those made only during Fiscal Year 2016 from the Fish & Game Fund. Projects are listed in order by year of original appropriation.

FY17 Expenditures by CIP Project

CIP Project	SLA	Total Expended
Shooting Range Deferred Maintenance	2015	7.0
Storage Structures for Hunter Ed & Shooting Ranges	2014	87.2
WC Equipment Replacement/Upgrades	2013	83.0
Juneau Indoor Shooting Range	1998	0
	Total	222.0

(figures stated in thousands)

Notes on CIP Appropriations from the Fish & Game Fund:

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| Shooting Range Deferred Maintenance | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• \$500,000 appropriated 2015, 75% Federal, 25% F&GF• Provide needed maintenance to shooting range facilities such as panting, roofing, and flooring |
| Storage Facilities for Hunter Education and Shooting Ranges | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• \$800,000 appropriated 2014, 75% Federal, 25% F&GF• Provide funding to construct storage unit buildings on department land adjacent to the Rabbit Creek Shooting Park (Anchorage) and the Fairbanks Indoor Shooting Range. |
| Field Equipment Wildlife/Photocensus | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• \$950,000 appropriated 2013, 75% Federal, 25% F&GF• Provide funding to replace aerial Photocensus capabilities (cameras and software) for the population monitoring of caribou herds. |
| Juneau Indoor Rifle Range | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• \$1,500,000 appropriated 1998.• Supplemental funding from City & Borough of Juneau, \$125,000• Construct Juneau Indoor Shooting Range facility finished 2004.• 2005 onward - balance of funding used for major repairs of the Juneau Indoor Shooting Range facility. |