
BUDGET UNIT BRIEF – FY 2024

Fiscal Services Division

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Department of Natural Resources Operations

Purpose and History

The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is a broad-based agency that enforces over 100 chapters of the Iowa Code related to natural resources and environmental protection. The Department was created in 1986 and is managed by the Director, an official appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Iowa Senate. Beginning in FY 2003, the Agriculture and Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee appropriates moneys to the DNR for operations. This gives the Department flexibility when funding is reduced.

Funding

Funding to the Natural Resources Operations includes appropriations from the General Fund, the Environment First Fund, the Fish and Game Protection Fund, and the Groundwater Protection Fund. The Department receives federal funds, collects fees, and receives other revenue. Major expenditures include personnel services, State aid to landowners for various projects, capital projects, contract and professional services, and State vehicle operations.

Related Statutes and Administrative Rules

Iowa Code chapters [455A](#), [455B](#), [455C](#), [455D](#), [455E](#), [455F](#), [455G](#), [455H](#), [455I](#), [455J](#), [455K](#), [456](#), [456A](#), [456B](#), [457A](#), [457B](#), [458A](#), [459](#), [459A](#), [459B](#), [460](#), [461](#), [461A](#), [461B](#), [461C](#), [462A](#), [462B](#), [463B](#), [463C](#), [464A](#), [464B](#), [465A](#), [465B](#), [465C](#), [466](#), [466B](#), [481A](#), [481B](#), [481C](#), [482](#), [483A](#), [484A](#), [484B](#), and [484C](#)
Iowa Administrative Code [561](#), [567](#), [571](#), [575](#), [591](#)

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