## Budget Unit Brief



## **Groundwater Protection Fund -- Landfill Alternatives**

## **Purpose and History**

The 1987 General Assembly created the Groundwater Protection Fund (GWPF) for the purpose of protecting state groundwater. The GWPF is administered by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). Since 2000, the General Assembly has appropriated from the GWPF to the DNR for administrative support of Groundwater Protection Act programs. The Landfill Alternatives appropriation supports the administration of the <u>Solid Waste Alternatives Program</u> that provides grants to local governments, public and private groups, businesses, and individuals for education, market development projects, and utilization of best practices to reduce landfilled waste.

## **Funding History**

Since 2000, the General Assembly has appropriated a total of \$619,000 for the Landfill Alternatives.

Related Statutes lowa Code chapter <u>455E</u> <u>567</u> lowa Administrative Code chapter <u>209</u>

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**More Information** 

1987 Groundwater Protection Strategy: http://www.iowadnr.gov/Portals/idnr/uploads/water/wse/ground1987.pdf

Iowa General Assembly: https://www.legis.iowa.gov/

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