Budget Unit Brief



Groundwater Protection Fund -- Waste Reduction Assistance

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 Waste Reduction and Assistance appropriation funds the administration of Pollution Prevention Services. This program provides free, confidential, nonregulatory assistance to facility operators. Assistance includes consultation and facility-wide assessments regarding energy use, water use, wastewater generation treatment needs, and solid and hazardous waste minimization.

Funding History

Since 2000, the General Assembly has appropriated a total of \$193,000 for Waste Reduction and Assistance.

Related Statutes

lowa Code chapter <u>455E</u> <u>567</u> lowa Administrative Code chapter <u>22</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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