Iowa Fish and Game Protection Fund

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Trust Fund

Iowa Constitution

Fish and wildlife protection funds. SEC.9. All revenue derived from state license fees for hunting, fishing, and trapping, and all state funds appropriated for, and federal or private funds received by the state for, the regulation or advancement of hunting, fishing, or trapping, or the protection, propagation, restoration, management, or harvest of fish or wildlife, shall be used exclusively for the performance and administration of activities related to those purposes. Added 1996, Amendment [44]

843,754   YES   88%
110,436    NO    12%
## Trust Fund Sources

### FY 2011

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<th>Source</th>
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<td>Hunting and Fishing License Fees</td>
<td>$24,192,973</td>
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<td>Balance forward</td>
<td>$17,362,884</td>
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<td>Federal Aid</td>
<td>$16,063,081</td>
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<td>Fish and Wildlife Habitat Stamps</td>
<td>$ 4,184,595</td>
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<td>Boat Registration Fees</td>
<td>$ 899,714</td>
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<td>ATV and Snowmobile Fees</td>
<td>$ 200,000</td>
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<td>Miscellaneous</td>
<td>$ 4,078,123</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$ 66,981,370</strong></td>
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Boat Registration Funds

A Significant Source of Focused Funding in the Trust Fund

• Derived from all boat registrations
• On a 3-year cycle
• Used for recreational boating safety and to control the spread of Aquatic Invasive Species
Trust Fund Operations

• Funds for operations are appropriated by the legislature each year

• Include all expenses for day-to-day activities
  – Supplies, vehicles, overhead costs, salaries and benefits, equipment, and travel

• FY12 Trust Fund operations appropriation is $38,793,154
Trust Fund Operations

The remaining balance is appropriated for:

- Capital projects and
- Contingencies
  - New radios for Law Enforcement
  - Salary increase for FY 2012

**Normally do not spend entire balance**
Trust Fund Operations

- **Balance Forward**: $17,363,000 (26%)
- **Wildlife**: $15,063,000 (23%)
- **Law Enforcement**: $12,134,000 (18%)
- **Fisheries**: $10,672,000 (16%)
- **Capital Projects**: $10,392,000 (15%)
- **Administration**: $1,059,000 (2%)

*Source: Iowa DNR Natural Resources*
Expenditures for infrastructure projects

- Dikes, levies, roads, buildings, land easements and acquisitions, FEMA repair projects, and minor repairs or small projects

FY11 capitals expenditure was $10,392,096
Wildlife Bureau

Public Land Management

• Actively manage 463 public wildlife areas—356,752 acres
• Protection and enhancement of habitats for all wildlife including threatened and endangered species
• Maintenance and development of infrastructure to provide outdoor recreation opportunities
Wildlife Bureau

Research

• Population Evaluation – surveys, inventories, monitoring
• Wildlife Science – increase baseline knowledge & solve management problems
• Season Setting, Game Management, Wildlife Restorations/Introductions
• Wildlife Disease Monitoring – CWD, TB, EHD, Avian Influenza
Wildlife Bureau

Landowner Technical Assistance

• Deliver Federal Farm Bill Program benefits to Iowa landowners

• Develop & implement habitat cost-share programs

• Delivery of Iowa Habitat and Access Program – providing hunters private land

• Depredation Biologists
Law Enforcement Bureau

Special Investigations Unit

Cases Opened
2009  15 cases
2010  19 cases
2011  34 cases (through September)

- Illegal Selling of Fish & Game
- Overbagging Waterfowl
- Illegal Hunting
- Selling Protected Reptiles
- Unlawful Turtle Operation
- Pet Store Research
- Residency Issues
- Unlawful Ginseng Activities
- Shoot and Leave Game
Law Enforcement Bureau

Boating Safety

42 Boat accident investigations by officers
3,155 Boater education hours by officers
32,053 Navigation enforcement hours by officers
47 BWI arrests
Law Enforcement Bureau

Outdoor Education Programs
The Fisheries Bureau

Improve fishing and recreational opportunities

• Actively manage nearly 300,000 acres of water
• Research to solve sport fishing related problems
• Stock high quality fish in areas without sufficient natural reproduction
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Fishing Clinics

DNR staff and partners have provided introductory local fishing clinics/events to almost 34,000 participants
The Fisheries Bureau

Fish Iowa!

• We have trained almost 3,100 educators and youth leaders since 1990
• Trained educators work with an estimated 188,000 participants each year
Urban Trout Stocking Program

Goal is to provide trout fishing to urban residents, recruit new anglers and educate anglers about Iowa trout fishing opportunities.
How are we doing?

1995 – about 55% of our youth fished or hunted in Iowa
- Iowa ranked 8th in the nation

How are we doing?

2005 – about 50% of our youth fished or hunted in Iowa
- Iowa ranked 4th in the nation
Trust Fund

FY 2012
FY 2013
FY 2014
FY 2015

Revenues
Expenses
Balance

FY10 FY11 FY12 FY13 FY14 FY15 FY16

$0 $10,000,000 $20,000,000 $30,000,000 $40,000,000 $50,000,000 $60,000,000
The Cost of Doing Business
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