



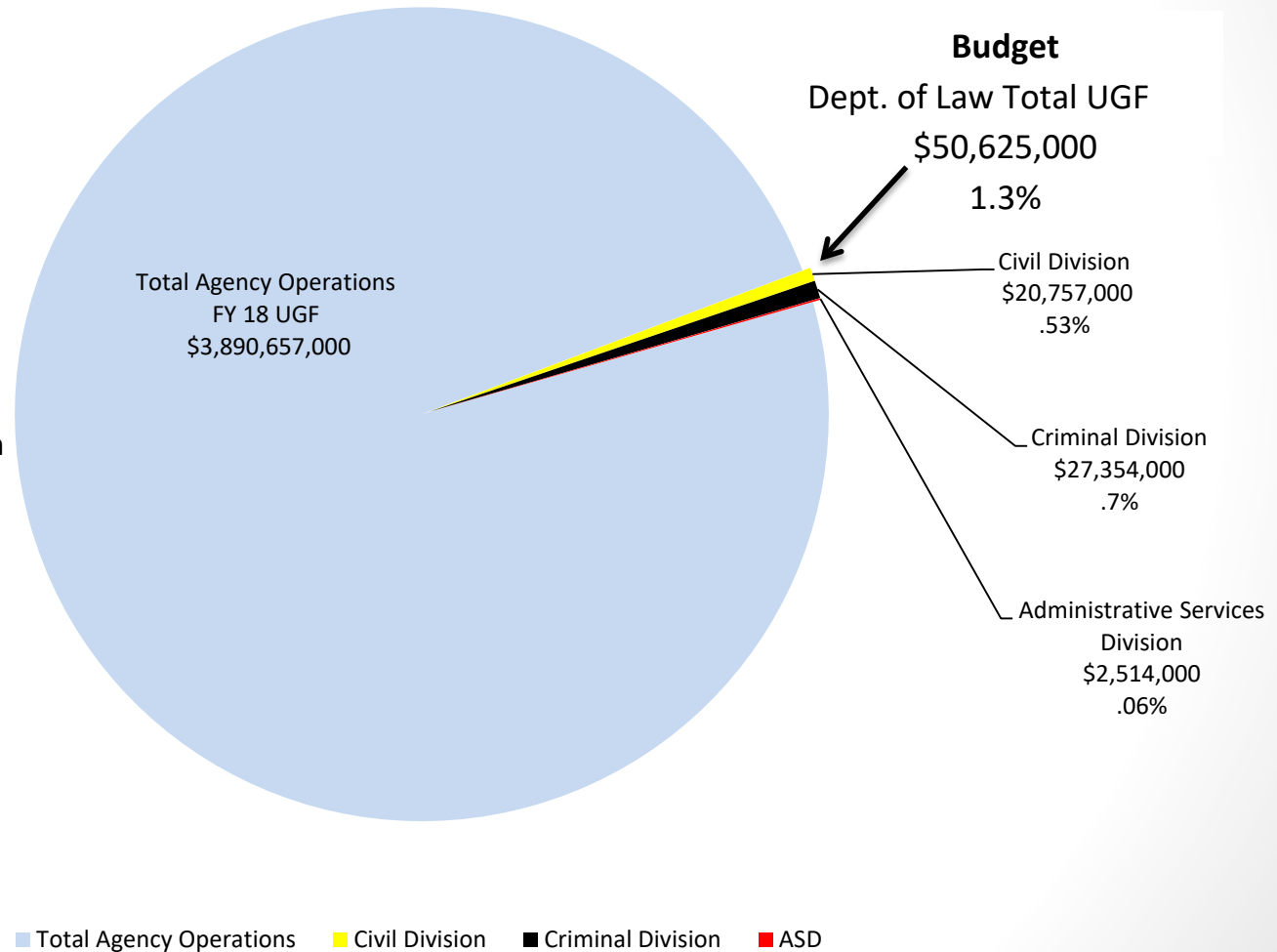
# **Department of Law FY19 Civil Division**

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# Civil Division

## Duties

- Defend the Alaska and U.S. Constitutions
- Represent the state in all civil actions
- Bring, prosecute, and defend all necessary actions for the collection of revenue
- Administer state legal services



# **CIVIL DIVISION**

## **ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE BY SECTION**

Child Protection

Commercial & Fair Business

Environmental Law

Human Services

Information & Project Support

Labor & State Affairs

Legislation & Regulations

Natural Resources

Opinions, Appeals & Ethics

Special Litigation

Regulatory Affairs & Public

Advocacy

Torts & Workers' Compensation

Transportation

# Civil Division Budget

- 40% of the division's budget is from UGF
- 55% of the division's budget is paid from client agencies as inter-agency receipts (RSAs)
- 5% of the division's budget is from DGF

FY2019 Total: \$48,648.6

# Civil Division

## FY14 to FY18 Budget Comparisons

### UGF Budget Comparison (in thousands)

	FY14 Mgmt Plan	FY18 Mgmt Plan	% Change FY14 to FY18
Department Total	63,376.5	50,328.5	(20.6%)
Civil Division	30,024.9	20,460.8	(32.0%)

### Personal Services Comparison (PCNs)

	FY14 Mgmt Plan	FY18 Mgmt Plan	Change FY14 to FY18
Department Total	579	499	(80)
Civil Division	311 (includes three PT)	262	(49)

### Personal Services Comparison (Attorneys v. Support Staff)

	FY14 Mgmt Plan	FY18 Mgmt Plan	% Change FY14 to FY18
Attorneys	169 (includes two PT)	149	(20)
Support Staff	142 (includes one PT)	113	(29)

# Protecting Alaskans

- **Child Protection (24 attorneys)**
  - Provides advice and representation to the Office of Children's Services (OCS) in DHSS
- **Commercial and Fair Business (18 attorneys)**
  - Enforce consumer protection and antitrust laws in order to encourage economic activity
- **Human Services (11 attorneys)**
  - Provides advice and representation to the Department of Health & Social Services (DHSS)
- **Regulatory Affairs and Public Advocacy (4 attorneys)**
  - Represents the public interest before the FERC and the RCA in utility and pipeline carrier matters
- **Environmental Law (8 attorneys)**
  - Represents DEC in the enforcement of environmental laws , regulations and cost recovery
- **Labor and State Affairs (17 attorneys)**
  - Provides advice and representation to a variety of executive and quasi state agencies

# Protecting Fiscal Integrity

- Natural Resources (22 attorneys)
  - Represents state in tax and royalty matters and defends access to resources
- Labor and State Affairs (17 attorneys)
  - Represents state in many matters, including defending state's procurement process
- Torts and Workers' Compensation (16 attorneys)
  - Provides advice and defense to state agencies and employees in a variety of tort suits
- Regulatory Affairs and Public Advocacy (4 attorneys)
  - Represents the public interest before the FERC and the RCA in utility and pipeline carrier matters

## Affirmative Recoveries From Natural Resource Litigation Since 1982

Year	TOTAL	Oil and Gas tax	Royalty	CIT & Mining	Other	Tariffs	Atty's Fees & Costs
FY2017	283.7M	28,500	0	15,000	10,750	234.4M	831,969
FY2018	28.7M	28.7M	0	0	10,375	0	0
GRAND TOTAL Since 1982	<b>8.1B</b>	5.9B	1.3B	67.2M	32,250	869.2M	2.3M

**Defensive Recoveries Since FY 2016 = \$500M.**



**\$224,000,000.00+**  
**TAPS Settlement**

# Fostering Economic Development

- Transportation and Public Facilities (9 attorneys)
  - Represents DOT&PF on the construction and operation of public facilities
- Environmental Law (8 attorneys)
  - Represent DEC to ensure development occurs in an environmentally secure manner
- Natural Resources (22 attorneys)
  - Defends state sovereignty against federal over-reach
  - Represents the state's interests in natural resource management

# Sovereign Rights in Submerged Lands

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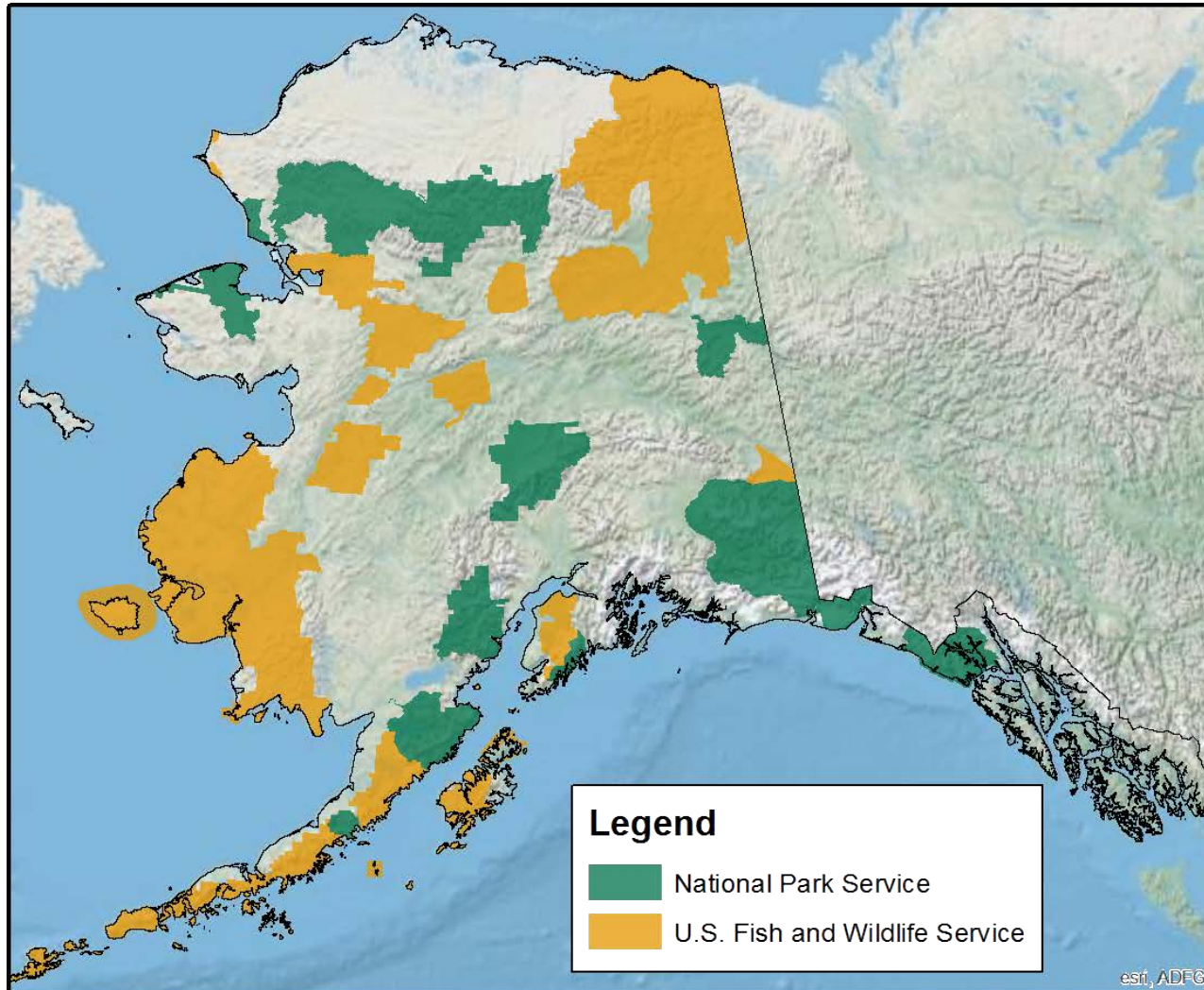
Mosquito Fork River



Knik River

# Wildlife Management on Federal Land

## National Park Areas and National Wildlife Refuges in Alaska



# Promoting Good Governance

- **Opinions, Appeals and Ethics (10 attorneys)**
  - Provides specialized legal services for appellate work, legal opinions and executive ethics
- **Special Litigation (5 attorneys)**
  - Provides litigation expertise to handle high-profile, expedited, or complicated litigation
- **Labor and State Affairs (17 attorneys)**
  - Provides legal assistance for the conduct of elections, employment, labor relations, civil rights, procurement, government finance, health care and retirement benefits programs, workers' compensation, OSHA, disaster management, homeland security, the court system, and municipal law matters.
- **Legislation / Regulations (3 attorneys)**
  - Assures that legislation and regulation based in executive policy are legally defensible
- **Information and Project Support (1 attorney)**
  - Focuses on the development and management of information disclosure policies

# Thank you

Any questions?