

ADF&G Division of Subsistence 2011 Update



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Fish wheels at Chitina, 2010.

Division History

- 1978 creation by statute AS 16.05.090
 - Duties (7) are found in AS 16.05.094.
- 1980 federal passage of ANILCA.
 - Rural residents given priority.
 - 1989 Alaska Supreme Court ruled this a violation of Alaska Constitution.
- AS 16.05.258 Subsistence use and allocation of fish and game.
 - 1986 passage.
 - 1992 passage.



Division Mission

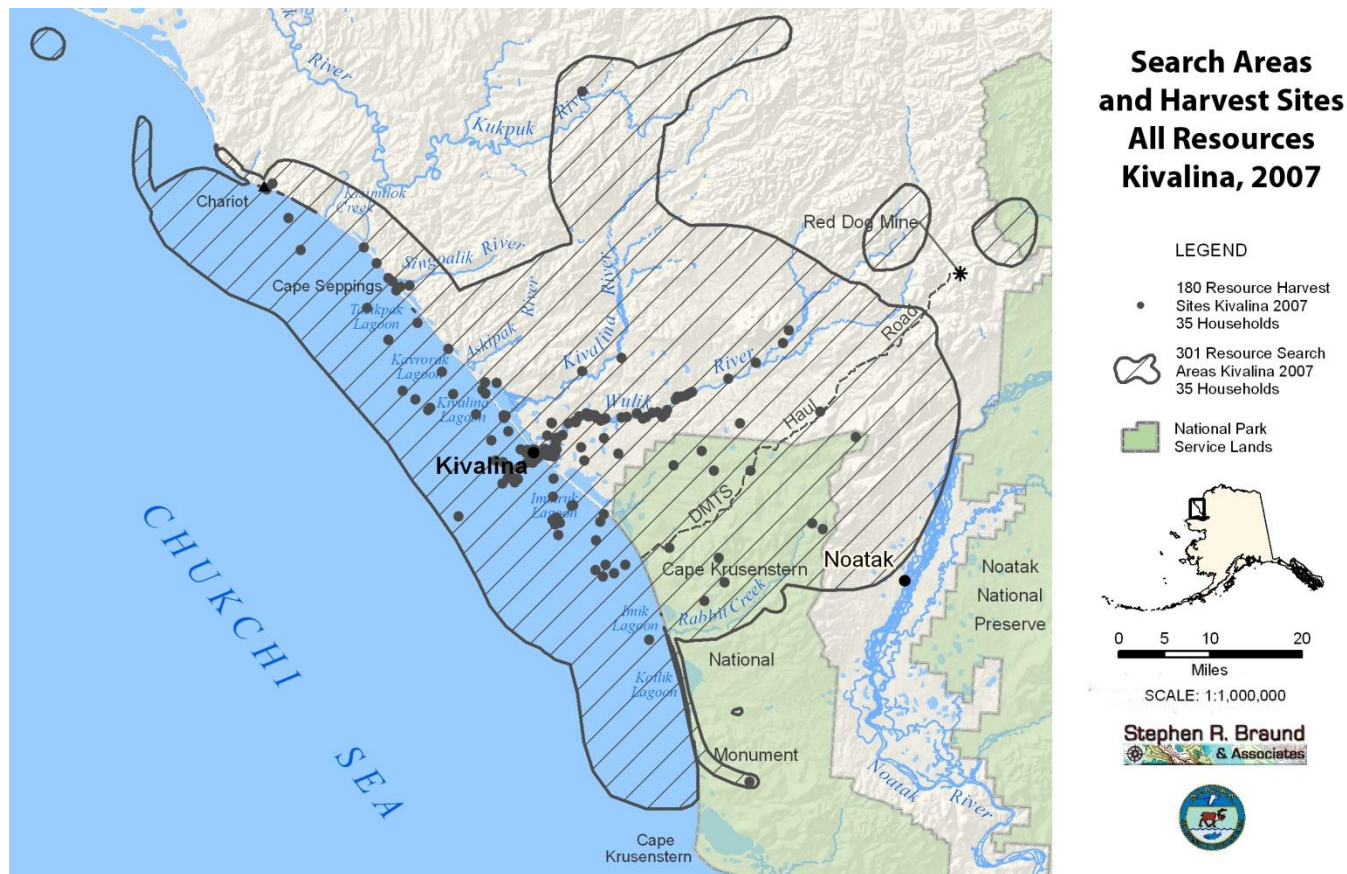
- To scientifically quantify, evaluate, and report information about customary and traditional uses of Alaska's fish and wildlife resources.
 - Systematic human dimensions research:
 - Systematic data collection methods, data analysis, and reporting.
 - High ethical standards :
 - Tribal consultation policies,
 - Extensive community involvement,
 - Confidentiality.



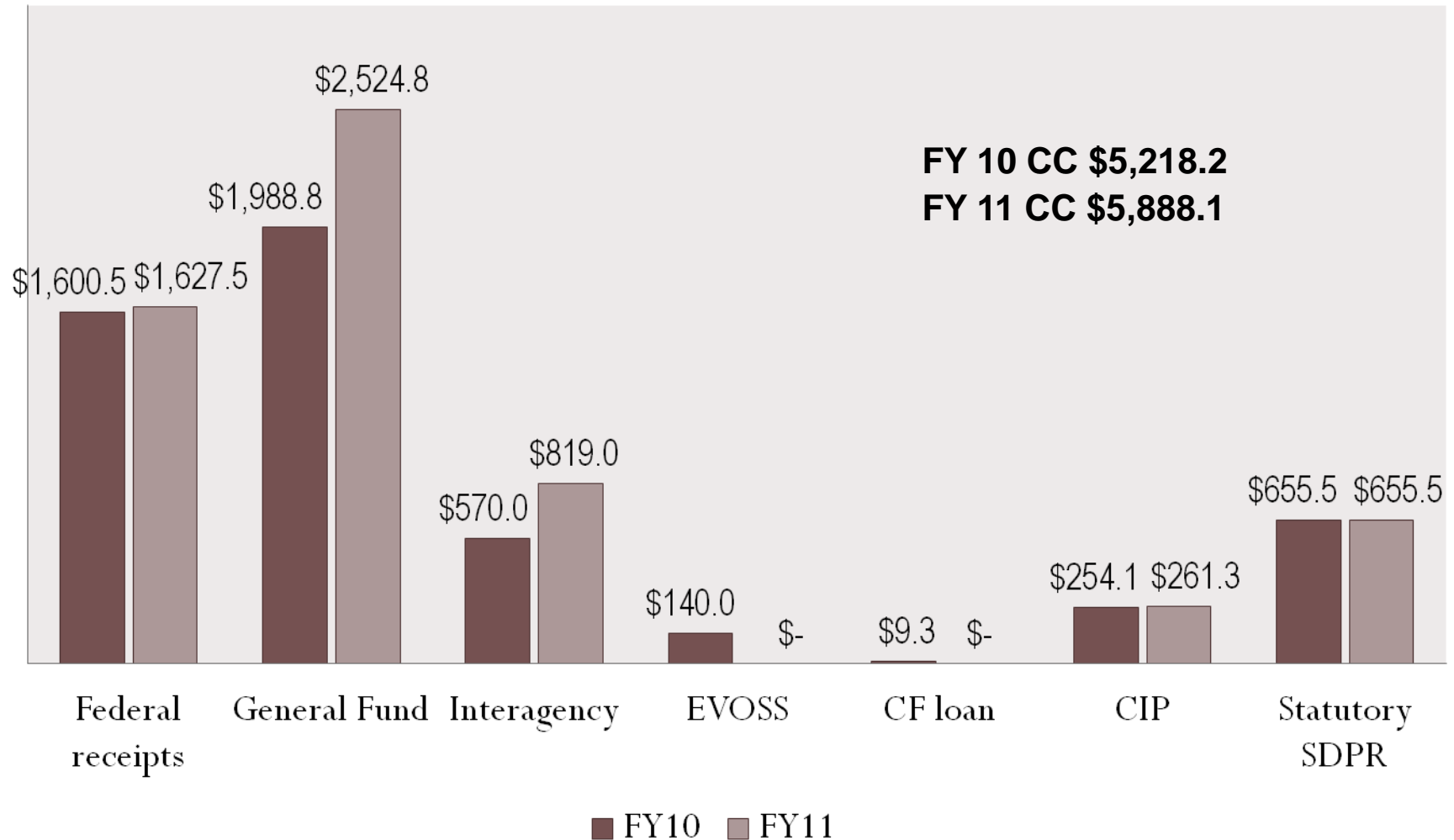
Getting a fish trap ready, Holy Cross, 2004.

Division Core Services

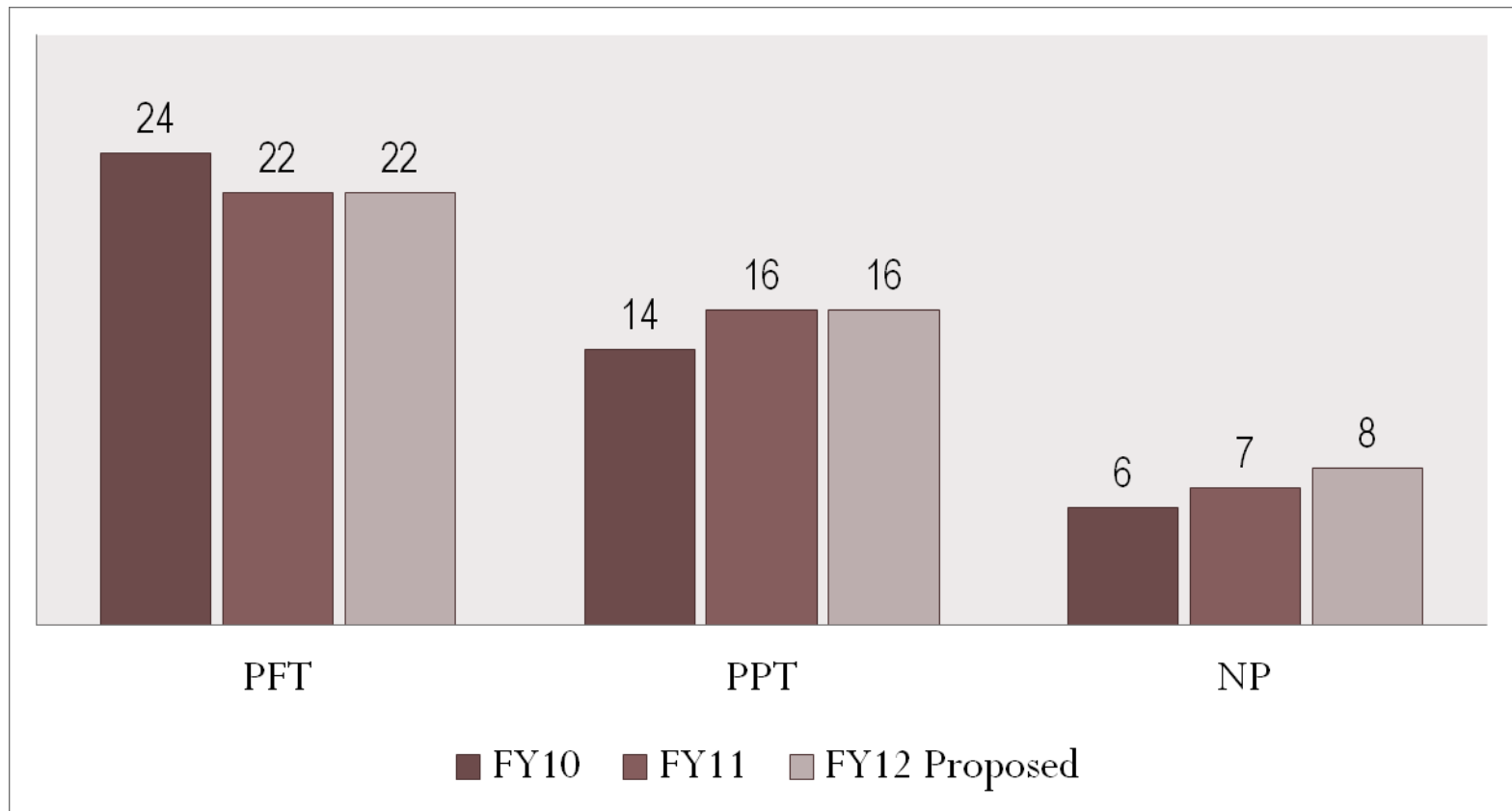
- Research and publish.
- Provide information for implementing the Alaska subsistence law.



FY10 and FY 11 Authority



Division Staffing Levels



- Office locations in Juneau, Anchorage, Fairbanks, Dillingham, Bethel, Kotzebue.

Research Update



A successful moose hunt, Chalkyitsik, Alaska, 2009.

Target: conduct a minimum 5 studies in at least 3 of 6 regions at a 5-year average.

- In FY10, 15 community surveys were completed, below the target of 26 communities (5-yr avg) due to ongoing multi-year research; this target has been met 3 of the past 5 years.
- Targets were exceeded in 2 of 6 regions, below overall target.

Publishing Update

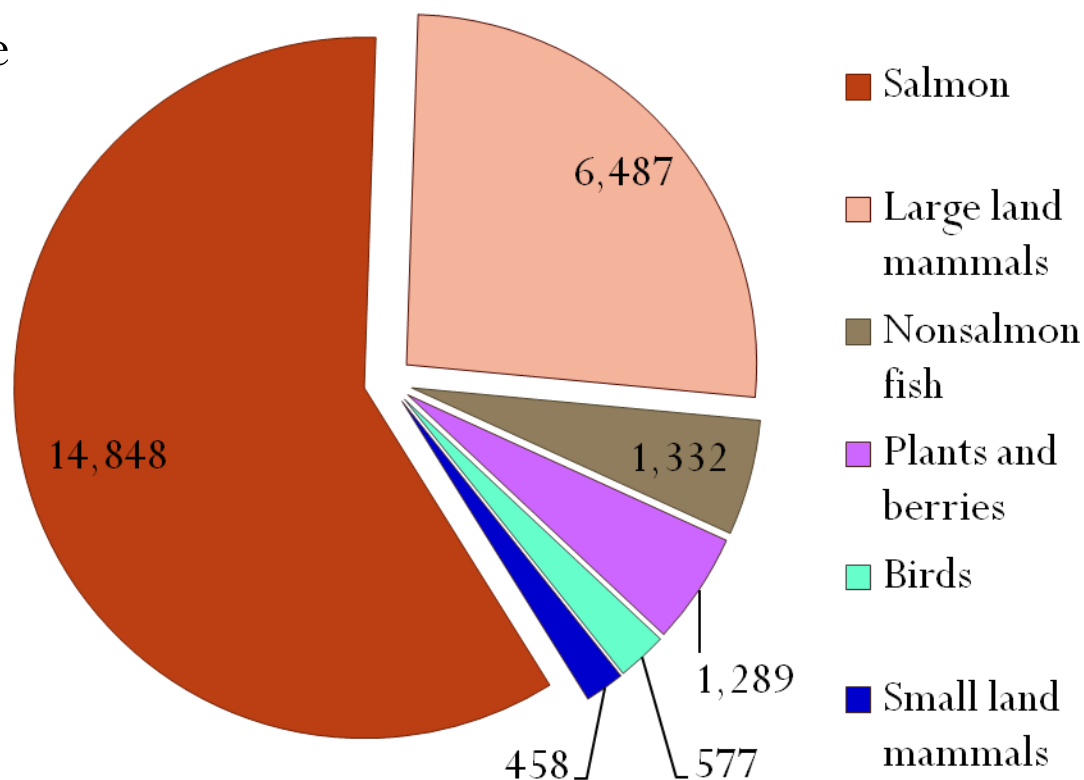


- In FY10, the division completed and released 30 new technical reports and materials for the general public.

Division's Technical Papers are posted to the Division website and sent to the Alaska State Library and to the ARLIS Library.

Publishing Update

- Community Subsistence Information System (CSIS) database.
- www.subsistence.adfg.state.ak.us/CSIS.
- 64 communities updated in FY10.



Wild resources, pounds harvested,
Lime Village, 2007.

Regulatory Support FY10

- 252 Board of Fisheries and Board of Game proposals reviewed for impacts to customary and traditional uses.
- 31 management plans – fisheries and wildlife – were informed with information about customary and traditional uses.
- All meetings of the Alaska Board of Fish (8) and Alaska Board of Game (4) attended.
- 13 Special Publications, deliberation materials, and oral reports developed for these processes.



Northern pike freeze-drying in Emmonak, 2009.

Key Accomplishments

- Yukon River Chinook Salmon Disaster Research.
- Index Community Program Development.
- Reopened Subsistence Division's Bethel Field Office.

Local surveyors attend
orientation session,
Kiana, 2003.



Thank You



Berry picking near Nondalton,
2008.