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Both boat registration and title fees go into the boat receipts fund, so they aren't treated separately for fund transfers. A maximum of \$300.0 is transferred from DOA to the DNR boating safety programs annually. A maximum of \$196.9 is transferred to DCCED (for the Alaska Marine Safety Education Association). After those transfers, the remainder is appropriated to the derelict vessel prevention program fund, which was \$27.6 in FY20.

The attached allocation summary shows the historical budgeted receipt authority for boat receipts (all the authority in the Parks Management and Access allocation is for boating safety.) This is authority, so the agency cannot spend this full amount if their actual receipts come in lower.

The table below is a history of boat fees collected and distributed from DOA. In FY20, the 'Remaining for disbursement' line was the amount transferred to the derelict vessels fund. The 'Other Appropriation' in FY18 was for a DOT capital project, and in FY19 was DMV authorization for spending.

Boat Fee Type	BOAT FEES COLLECTED (dollars)							
	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21 Projected	FY22 Projected
Boat Registration	573,103.00	560,444.00	525,648.00	506,445.00	523,025.00	504,721.00	417,070.00	481,605.33
Boat Title	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,768.00	19,782.00	26,120.00	18,890.00
Boat Total Collected	573,103.00	560,444.00	525,648.00	506,445.00	533,793.00	524,503.00	443,190.00	500,495.33
Disbursed - DNR (up to \$300,000)	-300,000.00	-300,000.00	-292,623.00	-300,000.00	-291,638.00	-300,000.00	-267,572.95	-300,000.00
Disbursed - DCCED (up to \$196,900)	-196,900.00	-196,900.00	-192,058.00	-196,900.00	-191,412.00	-196,900.00	-175,617.05	-196,900.00
Other Appropriation			-40,967.00		-39,975.00		0.00	
Remaining after Disbursement	76,203.00	63,544.00	0.00	9,545.00	10,768.00	27,603.00	0.00	3,595.33

From the attached fund source report provides details on boat receipts:

Although there is a 50/50 match requirement for federal grants, the source of state funds used to provide matching funds for the four required program components outlined below is not limited to boat registration receipts. Primary annual state matching funds include:

Approximately \$300,000 in boat registration receipts spent by Department of Natural Resources, Approximately \$196,000 in boat registration receipts granted through the Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development to the Alaska Marine Safety Education Association (AMSEA) for marine safety and first aid training, Approximately \$300,000 in Division of Motor Vehicle program receipts to cover costs of registering boats, Approximately \$65,000 of unrestricted general funds spent by the Department of Public Safety for marine search and rescue actions, and State funded capital expenditures for boat access projects administered by DNR's Design and Construction section.