

Fiscal Note

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 Title: INVASIVE SPECIES MANAGEMENT
 Sponsor: DUNBAR
 Requester: (S)Resources

Department: Department of Fish and Game
 Appropriation: Sport Fisheries
 Allocation: Sport Fisheries
 OMB Component Number: 464

Expenditures/Revenues

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below. (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2027 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2027 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates					
			FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031	FY 2032
OPERATING EXPENDITURES								
Personal Services	79.6		53.1	53.1	53.1	53.1	53.1	53.1
Travel								
Services	5.0		5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Commodities								
Capital Outlay								
Grants & Benefits								
Miscellaneous								
Total Operating	84.6	0.0	58.1	58.1	58.1	58.1	58.1	58.1

Fund Source (Operating Only)

1004 Gen Fund (UGF)	84.6		58.1	58.1	58.1	58.1	58.1	58.1
Total	84.6	0.0	58.1	58.1	58.1	58.1	58.1	58.1

Positions

Full-time								
Part-time	1.0		1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Temporary								

Change in Revenues

None								
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2026) cost: 0.0 *(separate supplemental appropriation required)*

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2027) cost: 0.0 *(separate capital appropriation required)*

Does the bill create or modify a new fund or account? Yes
(Supplemental/Capital/New Fund - discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS

Does the bill direct, or will the bill result in, regulation changes adopted by your agency? No
 If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version/comments:

Updated from SLA2025 to SLA2026 fiscal note template.

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FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

This legislation creates an Invasive Species Council (council) within the Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G or department) and a new account, the Invasive Species Response Fund, within the general fund. The council is created as an advisory body tasked with helping facilitate efforts by the ADF&G, Department of Natural Resources, Department of Transportation and Public Facilities, and other government entities operating in the state to manage invasive species. The council would be comprised of 11 members representing various stakeholder groups and the aforementioned state departments.

The council would be required to meet quarterly and members serve three-year terms without compensation, per diem, or other travel costs. The council would also be required to develop and submit to the Legislature bi-annually a five-year strategic plan to address aspects of invasive species management and an annual report on active invasive species, the effects of these species, and measures taken to manage them.

There will be costs to the department associated with this new advisory council. Funding for a part-time Fisheries Biologist 1 position would be needed for the department's invasive species program to support the council, facilitate implementation of the bill, and assist in drafting the bi-annual strategic plan and annual report. For purposes of this fiscal note, the department assumes one of the quarterly meetings would be held in person and the rest held virtually.

The personal services costs for the part-time Fisheries Biologist 1 position would be \$79.6 for nine months in the first year to assist in standing up the new advisory council and \$53.1 for six months in the outyears. Services costs include \$5.0 for meeting support, including venue fees, technology and equipment setup, and notices and outreach for public involvement.