

Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G)

**Division of Subsistence
FY2026 Budget Overview**



**House Finance Subcommittee
February 20, 2025**

Commissioner Doug Vincent-Lang

Division of Subsistence



Subsistence Research Mission

Scientifically gather, quantify, evaluate, and report information about customary and traditional uses of Alaska's fish and wildlife resources

Core Services

- Compile and analyze existing data and conduct research to gather information on the role of hunting and fishing by Alaskans for customary and traditional uses
- Disseminate current subsistence use information to the public, agencies and organizations, and fisheries and wildlife management divisions
- Make recommendations to the Board of Fisheries and the Board of Game regarding regulatory action affecting subsistence hunting and fishing
- Assist the Board of Fisheries, the Board of Game, and the Joint Board of Fisheries and Game to evaluate customary and traditional uses of Alaska's fish and wildlife resources and amounts reasonably necessary for subsistence uses (ANS) of those resources
- Collaborate with fisheries and wildlife managers in preparing management plans to ensure information on customary and traditional uses of fish and wildlife as well as the needs of subsistence users are incorporated

Division of Subsistence



Major Activities

- ✦ Collection of subsistence use information
- ✦ Participation in the Board process

Structure




- ✦ Houses two management regions
 - Southern and Northern
- ✦ Houses one statewide program manager overseeing research activities





Subsistence Research & Monitoring



2024 Accomplishments

-  Gathered data and reported information on customary and traditional uses, including research focused on understanding the implications of declining salmon runs for subsistence users
-  Provided input to the Board of Fisheries and Game on regulatory proposals, including emergency petitions, board generated proposals, and proposed changes to nonsubsistence area boundaries
-  Provided data and analysis to various other bodies including the Federal Subsistence Board, North Pacific Fishery Management Council, International Pacific Halibut Commission, Alaska Migratory Bird Co-Management Council, Kuskokwim Salmon Management Working Group, Yukon River Panel, Western Arctic Caribou Herd Working Group, and the Alaska Salmon Research Task Force

Current & Upcoming Projects

-  44 current projects
-  21 projects are coming to completion in 2025



FY2026 Expenditures/Allocations

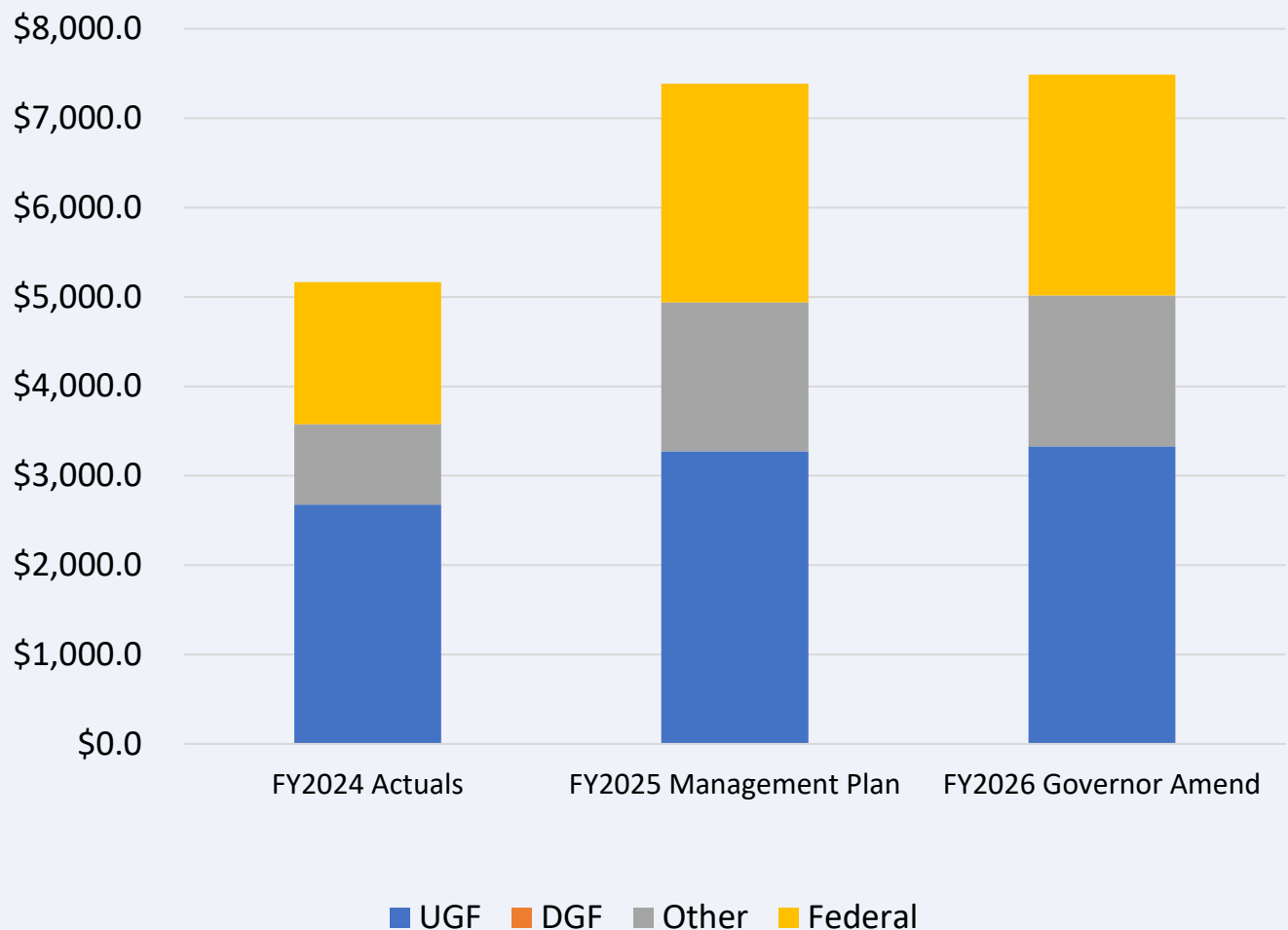
(all \$ in thousands)



	FY2024 Actuals	FY2025 Management Plan	FY2026 Governor Amend	FY2025 to FY2026 Difference
Personal Services	\$3,969.1	\$5,071.1	\$5,252.6	\$181.5
Travel	\$374.1	\$577.1	\$597.1	\$20.0
Services	\$685.6	\$1,553.9	\$1,553.9	-
Commodities	\$136.6	\$180.7	\$180.7	-
Capital Outlay	-	\$5.0	\$5.0	-
Total	\$5,165.2	\$7,387.8	\$7,589.3	\$201.5

FY2026 Operating Budget Comparison

(all \$ in thousands)





	FY2024 Actuals	FY2025 Management Plan	FY2026 Governor Amend	FY2025 to FY2026 Difference
UGF	\$2,675.3	\$3,273.0	\$3,329.6	\$56.6
DGF	-	-	-	-
Other	\$900.0	\$1,667.9	\$1,787.5	\$119.6
Federal	\$1,589.9	\$2,446.9	\$2,472.2	\$25.3
Total	\$5,165.2	\$7,387.8	\$7,589.3	\$201.5

FY2026 Fund Source Breakdown

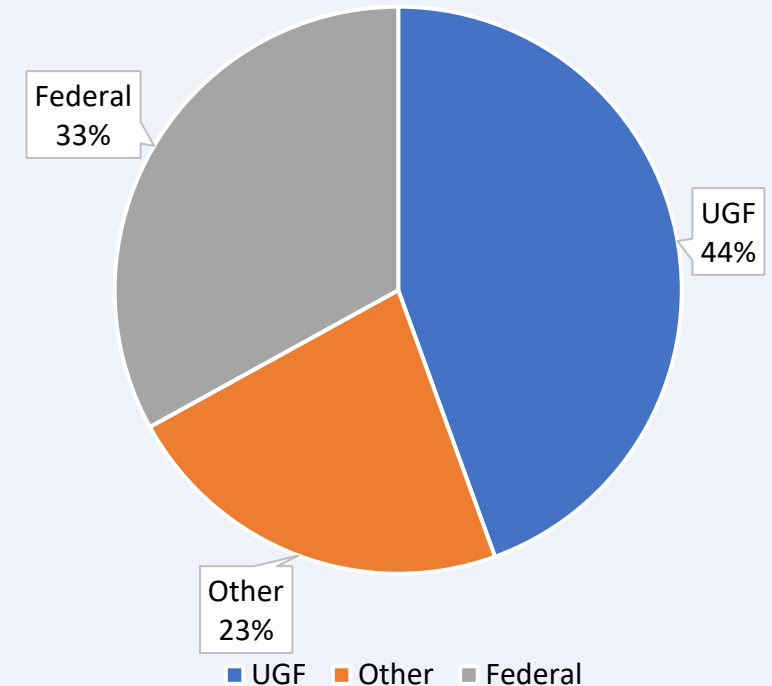
(all \$ in thousands)



	FY2024 Actuals	FY2025 Management Plan	FY2026 Governor Amend	FY2025 to FY2026 Difference
Federal	\$1,589.9	\$2,446.9	\$2,472.2	\$25.3
General Fund	\$2,675.3	\$3,273.0	\$3,329.6	\$56.6
Interagency Receipts	\$608.3	\$904.2	\$914.2	\$10.0
CIP Receipts	\$180.4.0	\$456.9	\$462.9	\$6.0
SDPR	\$111.3	\$306.8	\$410.4	\$103.6
Totals	\$5,165.2	\$7,387.8	\$7,589.3	\$201.5

-  Capital Improvement Projects (CIP)
-  Statutory Designated Program Receipts (SDPR)

FY2026 Governor Amend

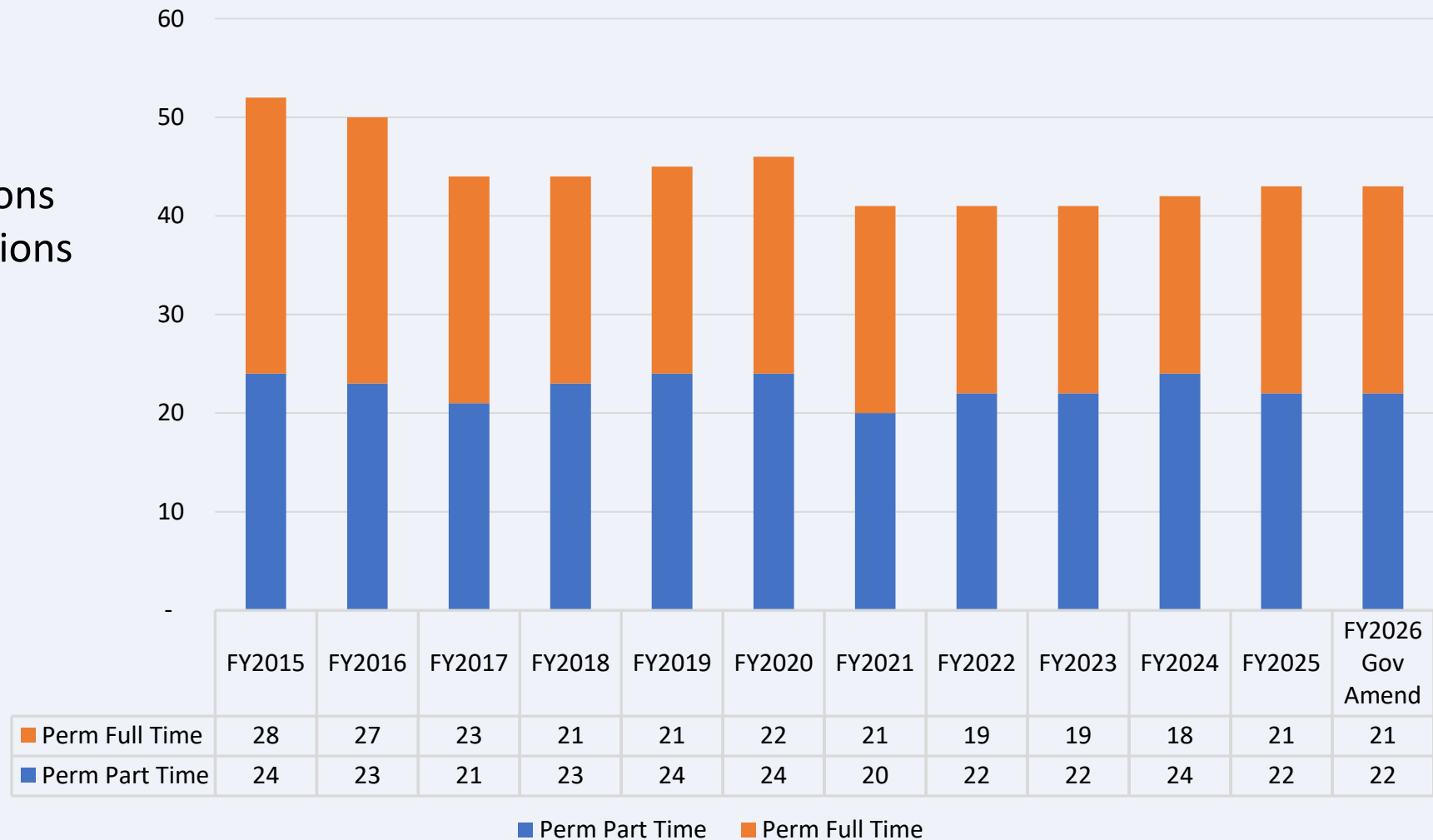


Budgeted Positions & History



FY2026 Governor's Budget

- 21 permanent full-time positions
- 22 permanent part-time positions



FY2026 Governor Amend Budget Change Highlights (all \$ in thousands)



State Subsistence Research

National Pacific Research Board Projects

Total Amount

\$ 100.0 Other 1108 Stat Desig

FY2025 Supplemental Budget

(all \$ in thousands)



State Subsistence Research

Hunting and Harvesting Pattern Research Projects in Prince William Sound

Total Amount

\$ 50.0 Other 1108 Stat Desig

Questions?



THANK YOU!

[Home Page, Alaska Department of Fish and Game \(adfg.alaska.gov\)](http://adfg.alaska.gov)

Contact Information



Doug Vincent-Lang, Commissioner
907-465-6141, doug.vincent-lang@alaska.gov

Bonnie Jensen, Administrative Services Director
907-465-3497, bonnie.jensen@alaska.gov

