

Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G)

Division of Commercial Fisheries

FY2026 Budget Overview

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Division of Commercial Fisheries

Manage subsistence, commercial, & personal use fisheries

- In the interest of the economy and general well being of the citizens of the state
- Consistent with the sustained yield principle
- Subject to allocations through public regulatory processes

Core Services

- Ensure the conservation of natural stocks of fish, shellfish and aquatic plants based on scientifically sound assessments

Division Budget Structure

- Four regional management components
- One statewide management component
- Two new components for operations and maintenance



Commercial Fisheries Components

- Southeast Region Fisheries Mgmt.
- Central Region Fisheries Mgmt.
- Arctic Yukon Kuskokwim Region Fisheries Mgmt.
- Westward Region Fisheries Mgmt.
- Statewide Region Fisheries Mgmt.
- *Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission (CFEC)*
- Comm Fish Facility Operations and Maintenance State Owned
- Comm Fish Facility Operations and Maintenance Non-State Owned

FY2026 Governor's Operating Budget Overview

Total by Component



Southeast Region Fisheries Management

- ~\$20.9 million

Central Region Fisheries Management

- ~\$13 million

Arctic-Yukon-Kuskokwim (AYK) Region Fisheries Management

- ~\$12.4 million

Westward Region Fisheries Management

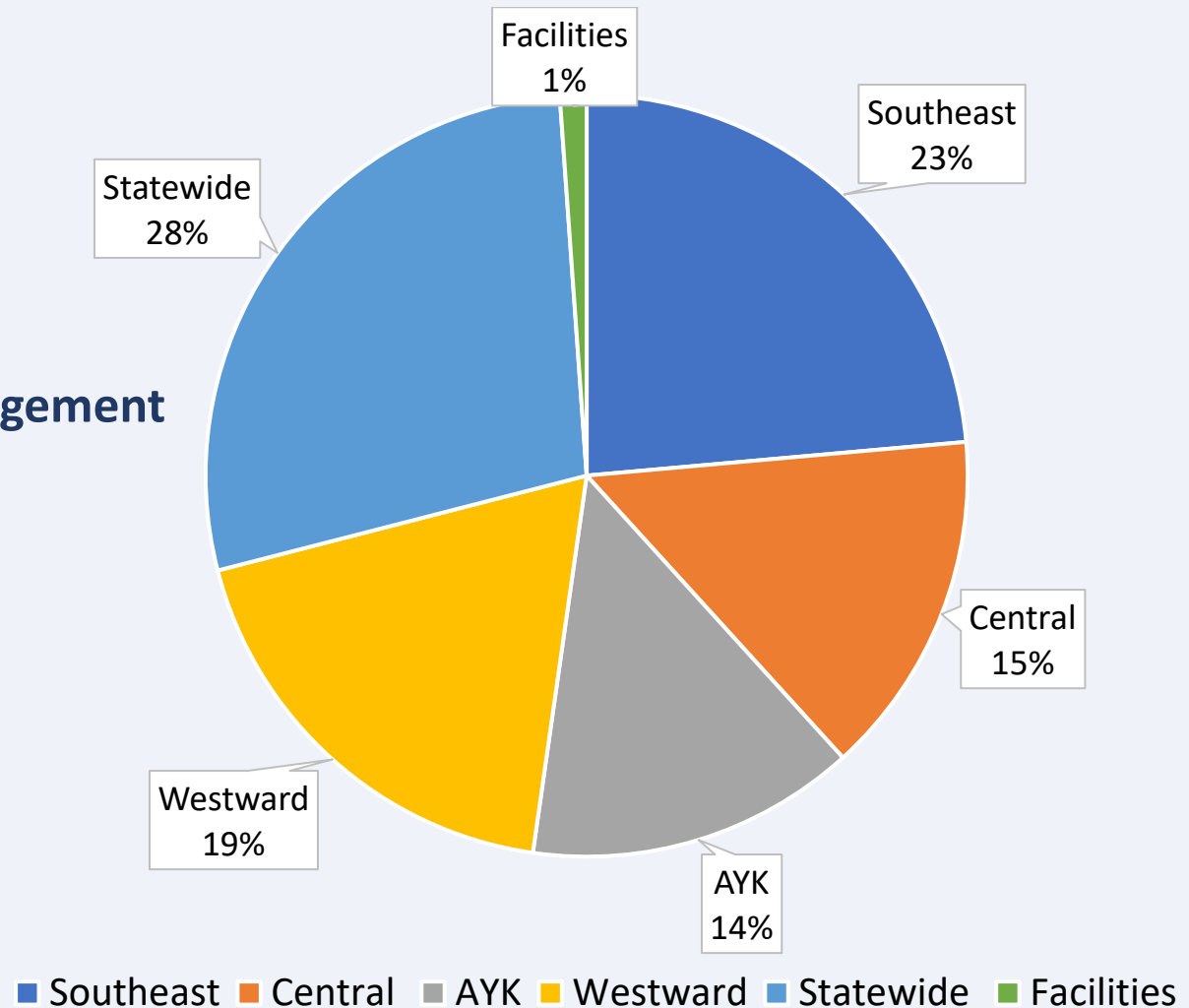
- ~\$16.6 million

Statewide Fisheries Management

- ~\$24.7 million

Combined Facilities Totals

- ~\$1 million



FY2026 Expenditures/Allocations

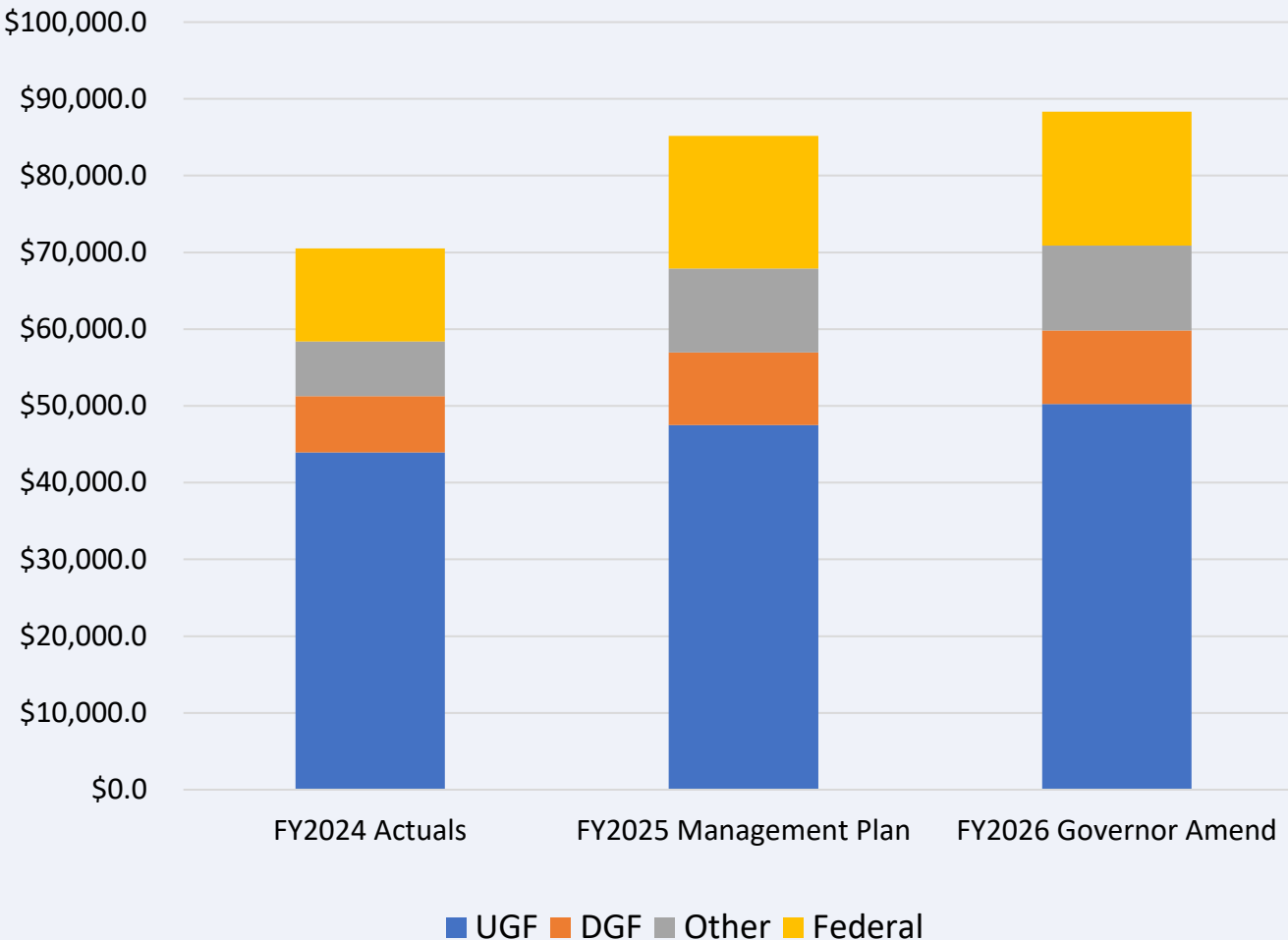
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	FY2024 Actuals	FY2025 Management Plan	FY2026 Governor Amend	FY2025 to FY2026 Difference
Personal Services	\$ 53,277.5	\$ 58,706.4	\$ 60,491.3	\$ 1,784.9
Travel	\$ 1,141.1	\$ 2,151.3	\$ 2,151.3	\$ -
Services	\$ 10,174.8	\$ 18,814.3	\$ 20,102.8	\$ 1,288.5
Commodities	\$ 4,667.6	\$ 4,725.7	\$ 4,865.7	\$ 140.0
Capital Outlay	\$ 1,267.2	\$ 760.6	\$ 910.6	\$ 150.0
Total	\$ 70,528.2	\$ 85,158.3	\$ 88,521.7	\$ 3,363.4

FY2026 Operating Budget Comparison

(all \$ in thousands)



	FY2024 Actuals	FY2025 Management Plan	FY2026 Governor Amend	FY2025 to FY2026 Difference
UGF	\$43,921.8	\$47,516.7	\$ 50,244.4	\$ 2,727.7
DGF	\$7,338.4	\$9,442.0	\$ 9,586.4	\$ 144.4
Other	\$7,142.6	\$10,955.6	\$ 11,238.1	\$ 282.5
Federal	\$12,125.4	\$17,244.0	\$ 17,452.8	\$ 208.8
Total	\$ 70,528.2	\$ 85,158.3	\$ 88,521.7	\$ 3,363.4

FY2026 Fund Source Breakdown

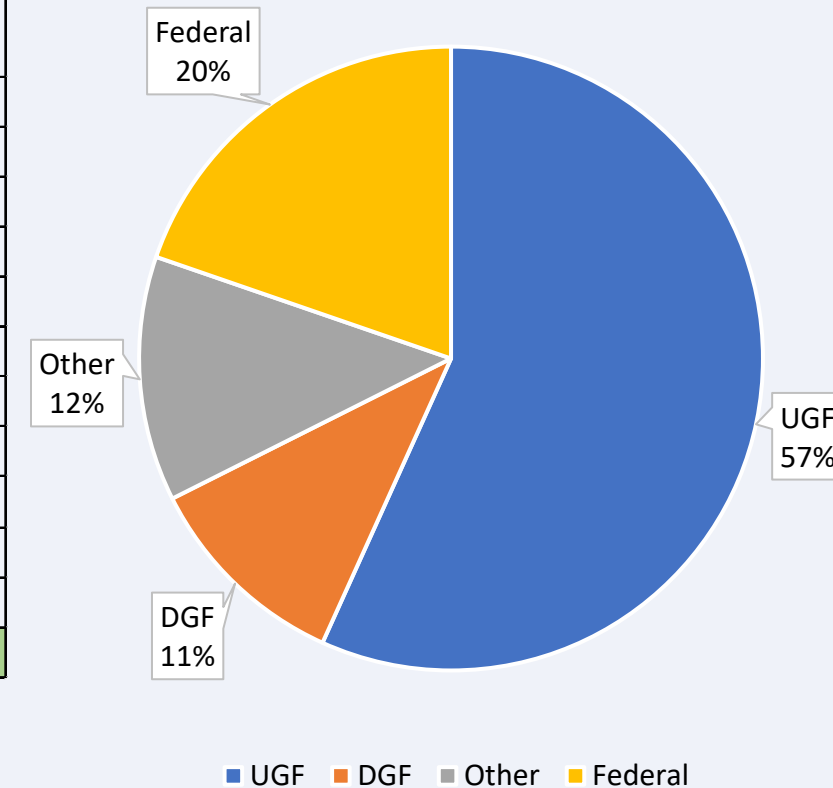
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	FY2024 Actuals	FY2025 Management Plan	FY2026 Governor Amend	FY2025 to FY2026 Difference
Federal Receipts	\$ 12,125.4	\$ 17,244.0	\$ 17,452.8	\$ 208.8
General Fund Match	\$ 1,068.5	\$ 1,133.9	\$ 1,216.5	\$ 82.6
General Fund	\$ 42,853.3	\$ 46,382.8	\$ 49,027.9	\$ 2,645.1
GFPR	\$ 3,245.1	\$ 2,556.7	\$ 2,578.1	\$ 21.4
Test Fish	\$ 1,184.0	\$ 3,623.2	\$ 3,666.2	\$ 43.0
CFEC Receipts	\$ 2,909.3	\$ 3,262.1	\$ 3,342.1	\$ 80.0
Interagency Receipts	\$ 986.7	\$ 1,287.6	\$ 1,298.3	\$ 10.7
EVOSS	\$ 51.3	\$ 267.3	\$ 269.7	\$ 2.4
Fish & Game Fund	\$ 233.6	\$ 313.2	\$ 489.4	\$ 176.2
CIP Receipts	\$ 1,372.6	\$ 2,699.6	\$ 2,736.1	\$ 36.5
SDPR	\$ 4,498.4	\$ 6,387.9	\$ 6,444.6	\$ 56.7
Total	\$ 70,528.2	\$ 85,158.3	\$ 88,521.7	\$ 3,363.4

- General Fund Program Receipts (GFPR)
- Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Settlement (EVOSS)
- Capital Improvement Projects (CIP)
- Statutory Designated Program Receipts (SDPR)

FY2026 Governor Amend

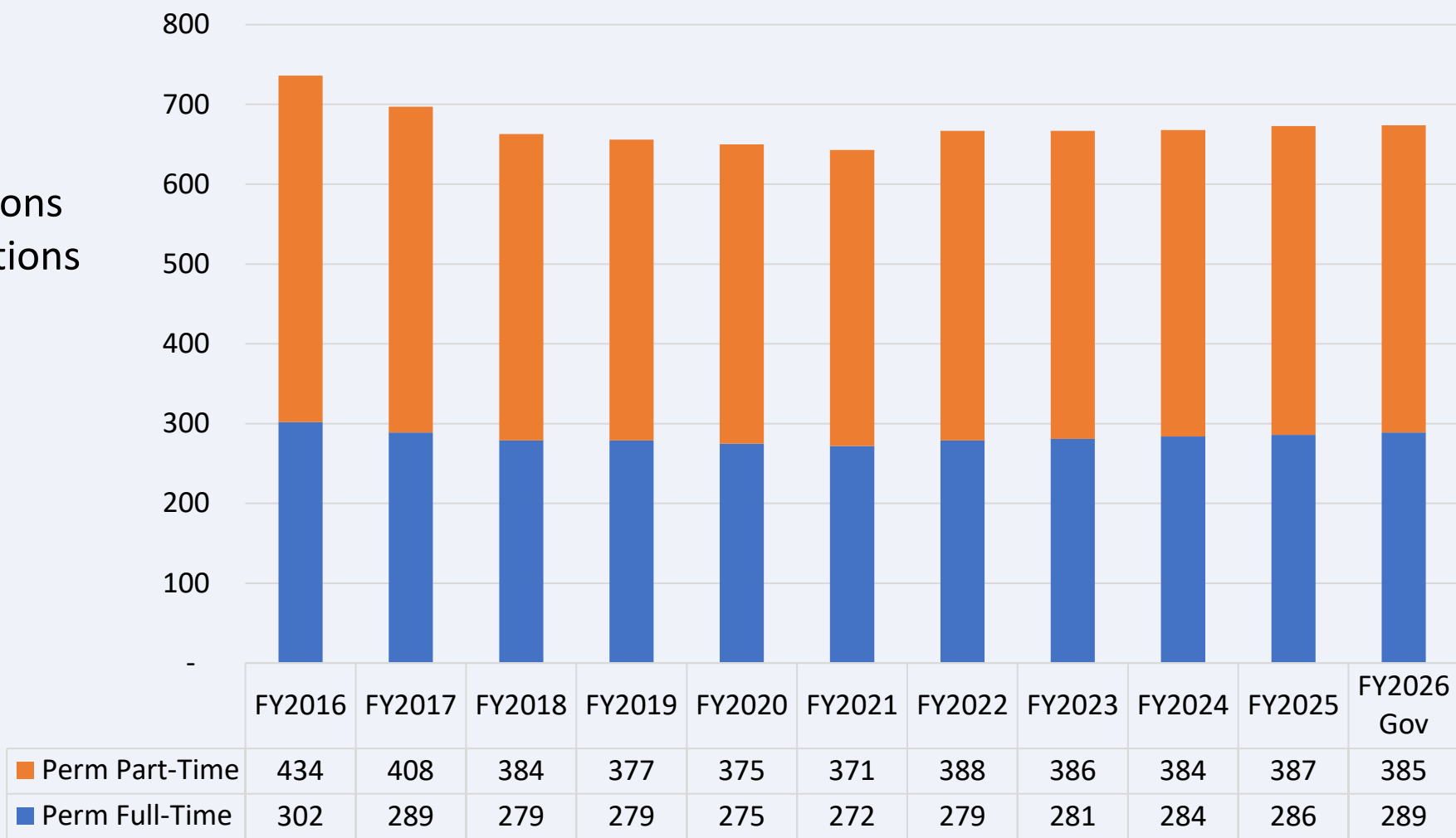




Budgeted Positions & History

FY2026 Governor's Budget

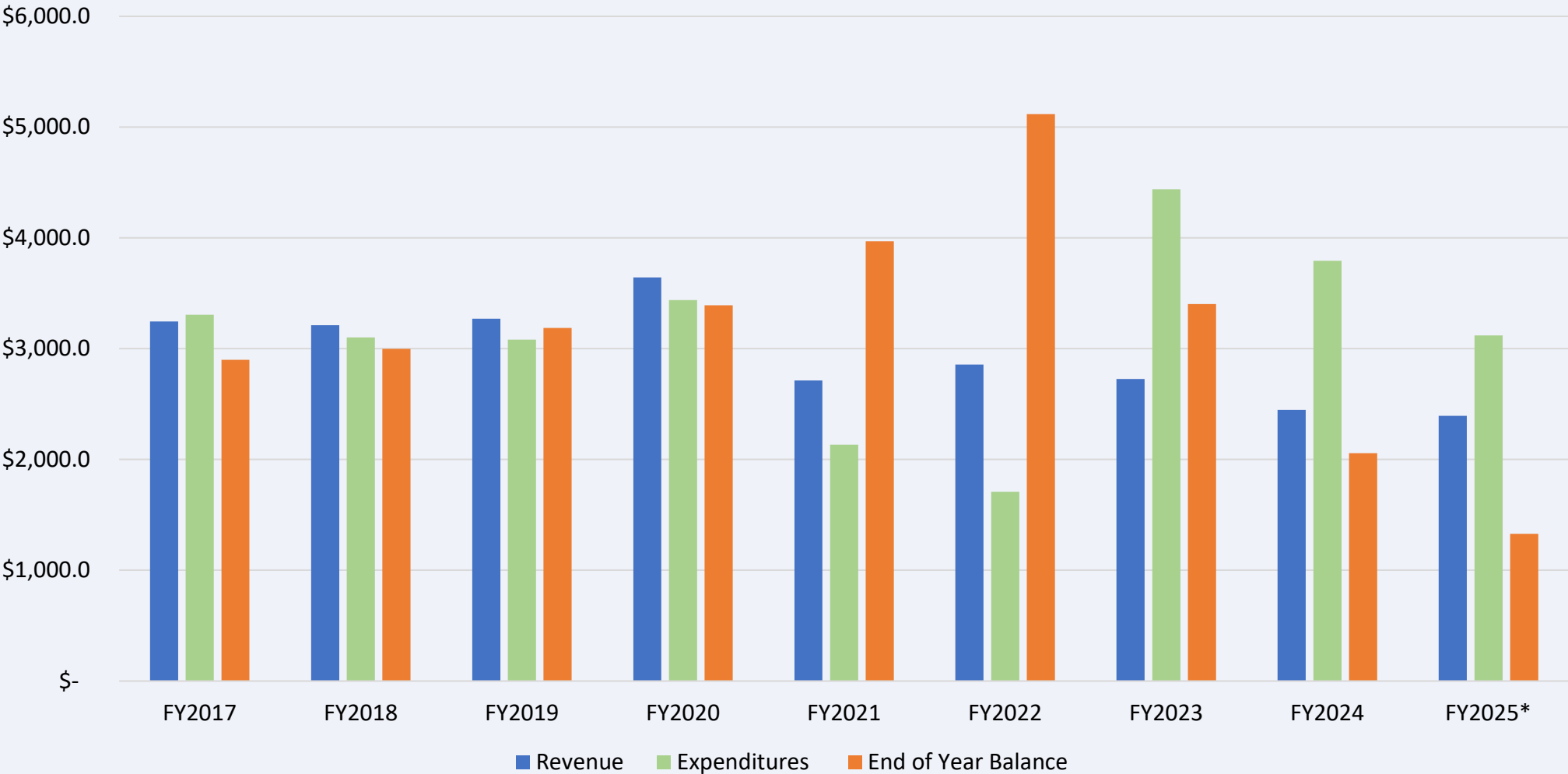
- ➡ 289 permanent full-time positions
- ➡ 385 permanent part-time positions



*Position counts do not include Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission (CFEC)

Commercial Crew License Revenue

(all \$ in thousands)



Commercial Crew License Fund Projections

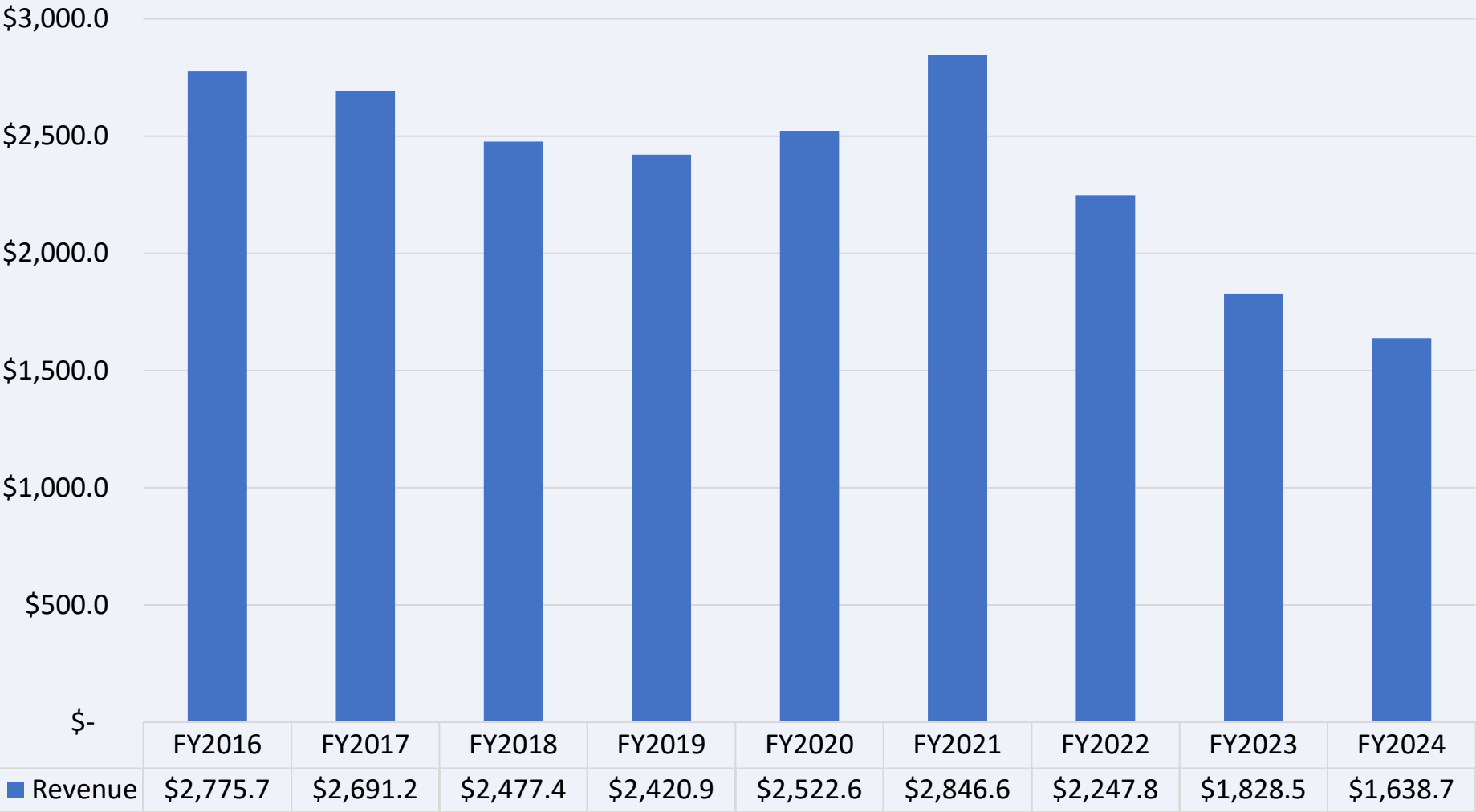
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	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019	FY2020	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
	Actuals	Actuals	Actuals	Actuals	Actuals	Actuals	Actuals	Actuals	Projections	Projections	Projections
COMMERCIAL FISHERIES											
Beginning of Year Balance	2,959.9	2,886.7	2,998.2	3,187.7	3,391.1	3,969.8	5,116.5	3,403.7	2,056.7	1,329.7	602.7
Revenue	3,245.5	3,212.4	3,271.1	3,642.5	2,712.6	2,855.9	2,725.9	2,447.3	2,393.9	2,393.9	2,393.9
Fishermen's Fund	778.9	745.8	755.0	812.9	628.4	654.7	631.1	565.5	564.2	564.2	564.2
Operating Expenditures	2,526.6	2,355.0	2,326.6	2,626.2	1,505.5	1,054.5	3,807.6	3,228.8	2,556.7	2,556.7	2,556.7
Total Expenditures	3,305.6	3,100.9	3,081.6	3,439.1	2,133.9	1,709.2	4,438.7	3,794.3	3,120.9	3,120.9	3,120.9
End of Year Balance	2,899.9	2,998.2	3,187.7	3,391.1	3,969.8	5,116.5	3,403.7	2,056.7	1,329.7	602.7	(124.3)
Prior 3 Years - Average Revenue	3,245.5	3,245.5	3,228.9	3,243.0	3,375.3	3,208.7	3,070.3	2,764.8	2,676.4	2,522.4	2,411.7
Sustainable Fund Balance	811.4	811.4	807.2	810.7	843.8	802.2	767.6	691.2	669.1	630.6	602.9

Test Fish Revenue

(all \$ in thousands)



FY2026 Operating Budget

Change Highlights (all \$ in thousands)



Southeast Region Fisheries Management

Maintain Groundfish Project for Assessment and Management Obligations

Total Amount

\$ 250.0	UGF	1004 GenFund
\$ 50.0	UGF	1003 GF/ Match

Central Region Fisheries Management

Full-time Boat Officer 3 for Research Vessel Second in Command

\$ 132.0	UGF	1004 GenFund
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Statewide Fisheries Management

State Vessel, Vehicle, and Aircraft Maintenance Project for Divisional Maintenance Needs

General Fund Authority for Surveys and Assessments

Replace Genetics Conservation Laboratory Equipment (Governor's Amended Budget)

\$ 450.0	UGF	1004 GenFund
\$ 716.5	UGF	1004 GenFund
\$ 175.0	Other	1024 Fish/Game

Comm Fish Facility Operations and Maintenance State Owned

Budget Structure Change – New Component

\$ 900.1	Multiple Fund Sources
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Comm Fish Facility Operations and Maintenance Non-State Owned

Budget Structure Change – New Component

\$ 102.0	Multiple Fund Sources
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FY2025 Operating Budget

Mid-Year Status Report (all \$ in thousands)



Southeast Region Fisheries Management

Add Administrative Support in the Commercial Fisheries Division

Total Amount

\$ 85.0 UGF 1004 Gen Fund

Central Region Fisheries Management

Coho Salmon Genetic Testing of Upper Cook Inlet Commercial Harvest (FY25-FY30)

\$ 300.0 UGF 1004 Gen Fund

Add Three Seasonal Fish and Wildlife Tech Positions to Support the Chelatna Lake Weir

\$ 85.0 UGF 1004 Gen Fund

AYK Region Fisheries Management

Add Administrative Support in the Commercial Fisheries Division

\$ 90.0 UGF 1004 Gen Fund

Westward Region Fisheries Management

Restore Test Fishery Receipt Authority

\$ 1,000.0 DGF 1109 Test Fish

Statewide Fisheries Management

Alleviate Shortfall in Commercial Crew Member License Receipts

\$ (716.5) DGF 1005 GF/Prgm

Various Regional Fisheries Management

Increased Cost of Services Due to Inflation

\$ 435.0 UGF 1004 Gen Fund

Add Authority to Contract with Non-State Entities to Fund Agency Surveys and Projects

\$ 400.0 Other 1108 Stat Desig

Questions?



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