

**Alaska Department of Fish and Game
Division of Subsistence**

**House Finance Subcommittee
FY2017 Budget Overview**



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Division of Subsistence

► Mission:

- To 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; 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; appropriate agencies and organizations; and fisheries and wildlife management divisions.
- 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.
- Assist fisheries and wildlife managers in preparing management plans to ensure information on customary and traditional uses and fish and wildlife harvests is incorporated.

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10 Year Look Back (General Fund Only)

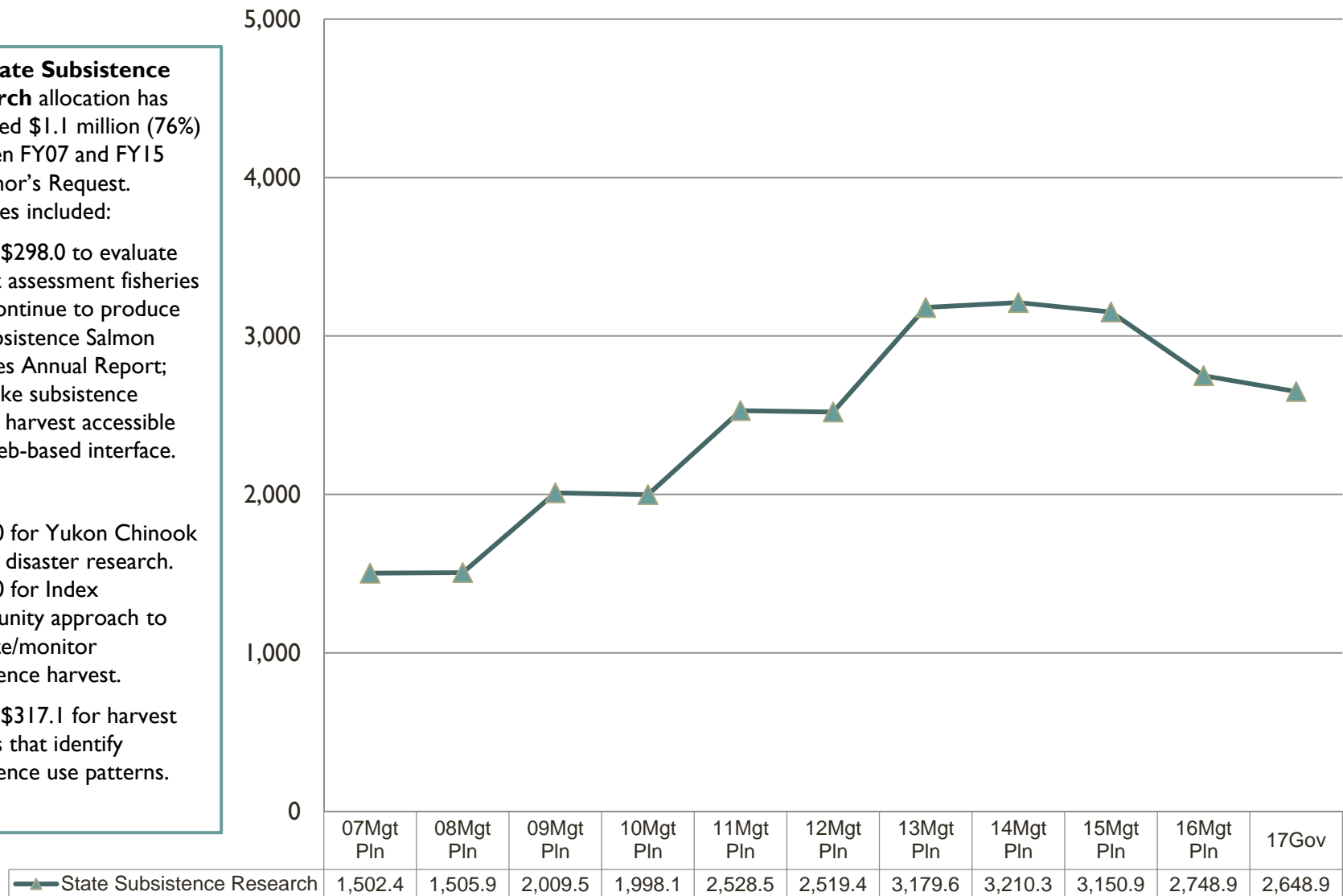
The **State Subsistence Research** allocation has increased \$1.1 million (76%) between FY07 and FY15 Governor's Request. Increases included:

FY09 - \$298.0 to evaluate harvest assessment fisheries data; continue to produce AK Subsistence Salmon Fisheries Annual Report; and make subsistence salmon harvest accessible on a web-based interface.

FY11

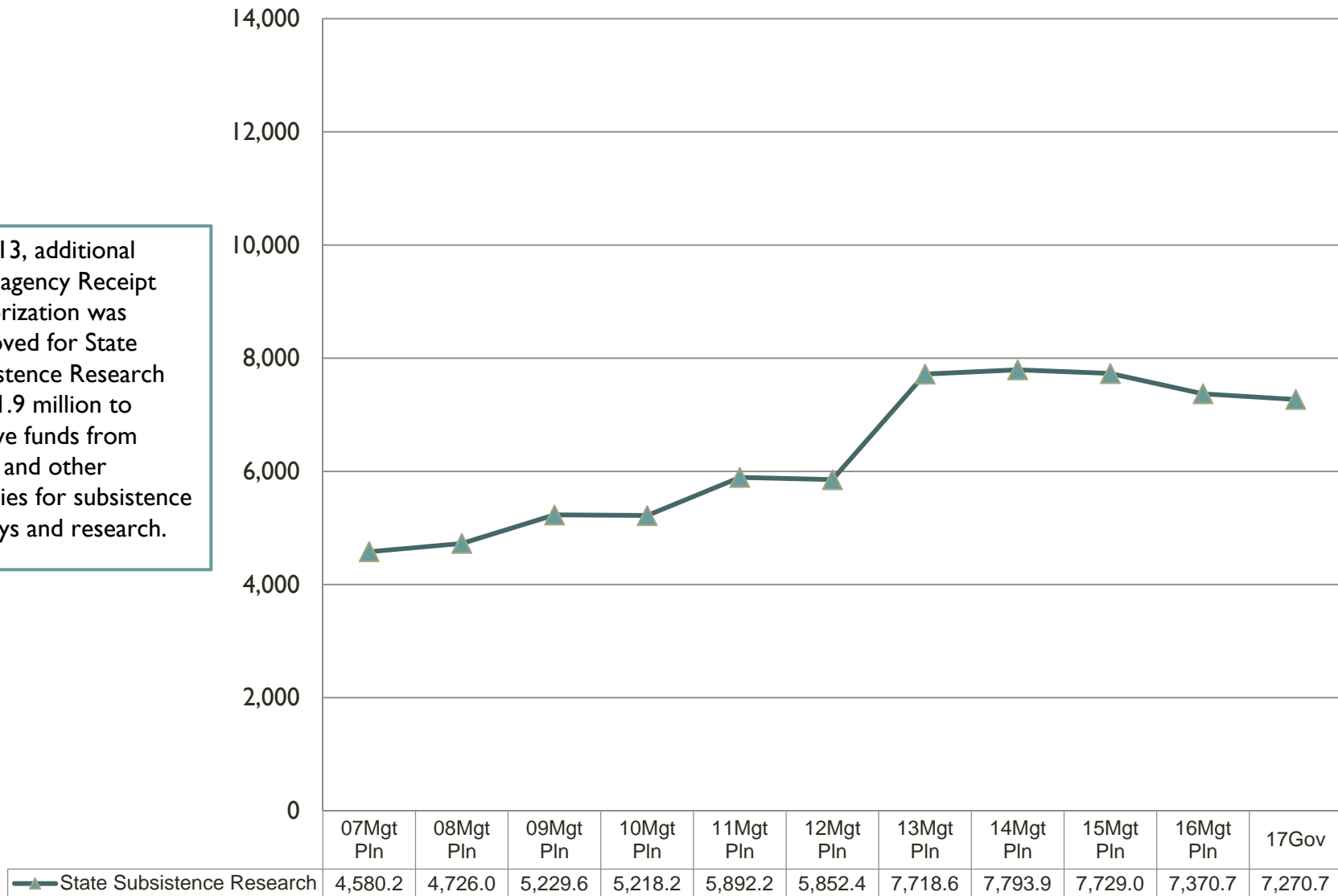
-\$260.0 for Yukon Chinook salmon disaster research.
-\$200.0 for Index Community approach to estimate/monitor subsistence harvest.

FY13 - \$317.1 for harvest surveys that identify subsistence use patterns.



10 Year Look Back (All Funds)

In FY13, additional Inter-agency Receipt authorization was approved for State Subsistence Research for \$1.9 million to receive funds from DNR and other agencies for subsistence surveys and research.



FY2017 Operating Budget

Department of Fish and Game, Division of Subsistence
Operating Budget
FY2016 Management Plan to FY2017 Governor Budget

FY2016 Management Plan						FY2017 Governor Budget						Change from FY2015 Management Plan
UGF	DGF	Other	Federal	Total		UGF	DGF	Other	Federal	Total		
2,748.9	0.0	3,276.5	1,345.3	7,370.7		2,591.4	0.0	3,276.5	1,345.3	7,213.2		
TOTALS	2,748.9	0.0	3,276.5	1,345.3	7,370.7	2,591.4	0.0	3,276.5	1,345.3	7,213.2		(157.5) 0.0 (157.5)

Key Changes from FY2016 Mgt Plan to FY2017 Gov					
	UGF	DGF	Other	Federal	Total
Reorganization of Administrative Functions	(100.0)				(100.0)
FY2017 GF Reduction	(57.5)				(57.5)
	(157.5)	0.0	0.0	0.0	(157.5)

Status of changes for FY2016



Mittens made in Beaver, 2011

Baseline Research Reductions

- Community index work eliminated.
- Regional hub work eliminated.
- Total = (\$300.0)

Other Reductions

- Travel reductions.
- Hold vacancies.
- Total = (\$457.5)

Evaluation of FY2017

Reduction in General Fund by \$157.5



Kuskokwim River fish rack, 2015.

Reduce Administrative Footprint

- Restructuring to combine Division of Subsistence administrative staff with other small division staff.

Travel Reductions

- Essential research travel only.



Thank you