



## MEMORANDUM

TO: Chair Representative Ortiz, House  
Finance Fish & Game Subcommittee

DATE: 3/18/2019

FROM: Samantha Gatton, Acting Director  
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The Department of Fish and Game

RE: 3/14/19 Committee  
Question

On Thursday, March 14, 2019 the Commercial Fisheries Division Director, Sam Rabung and the Wildlife Conservation Division Director, Eddie Grasser presented their respective budgets to the committee. The following questions were raised by Representative Stutes regarding the Commercial Fisheries budget.

**Q: When was the Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission (CFEC) moved into the Department of Fish and Game's Commercial Fisheries Budget?**

A: CFEC was moved from its own Results Delivery Unit (RDU) into the DF&G Commercial Fisheries RDU in the Enacted FY16 budget.

**Q: Can the department provide the committee with a clear explanation for the reduction in Test Fish Receipts?**

A: The reduction in Test Fish Receipts is in response to the department's travel reduction. The total reduction in these receipts from FY19 Management Plan to FY20 Governor Amended is \$12,500 which is a \$7,200 reduction in Southeast Region Fisheries Management and a \$5,300 reduction in Westward Region Fisheries Management.