

# Senate Finance / Department of Natural Resources Subcommittee

Subcommittee Members: Chair Bishop

Senator Dunbar, Senator Giessel, Senator Kaufman, Senator Wielechowski

## Narrative Closeout Report

April 13, 2023

### RECOMMENDATIONS:

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The Senate Finance Budget Subcommittee for the Department of Natural Resources submits the following FY24 recommendations to the Senate Finance Committee:

<b>Fund Group: (dollars are in thousands)</b>	<b>Senate Sub</b>
Unrestricted General Funds (UGF)	\$72,947.0
Designated General Funds	\$43,890.1
Other Funds	\$41,077.4
Federal Funds	\$18,430.9
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<b>\$176,345.4</b>

<b>Positions:</b>	
Permanent Full-time	<b>728</b>
Permanent Part Time	229
Temporary	62
<b>TOTAL POSITIONS</b>	<b>1,019</b>

### BUDGET ACTIONS:

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The Senate Finance Budget Subcommittee for the Department of Natural Resources reviewed the Governor's FY24 budget request. The following are highlights of the Subcommittee's actions.

#### Governor's Amended Budget Request:

The Senate Finance Subcommittee accepted all of the Governor's requested changes.

#### Subcommittee Additions, Reductions and Changes

- Added and reclassified positions for Chugach State Park Improvements:
  - Reclassified one Natural Resources Technician 2 from PPT to PFT, added a PFT Park Specialist, and 4 temporary positions for a trail crew (\$336.0 UGF).

### **Intent or Conditional Language**

- Added Allocation Level Intent in the Division of Mining, Land, and Water:

It is the intent of the legislature that the Department of Natural Resources shall provide a report to the Co-Chairs of Finance and the Legislative Finance Division no later than December 20, 2023 that describes: The amount of acreage that has not yet been conveyed to a municipality or borough, as part of its land entitlement selections as described in state law; the date each municipality or borough was legally granted the right to state lands; for each municipality or borough, the amount of acreage specifically identified and selected but not yet conveyed by the state; for each municipality or borough, the amount of time that has passed since it identified some or all of the land selections currently pending with the Department of Natural Resources; for each municipality or borough, the reason(s) the Department of Natural Resources has not yet conveyed selected lands to that municipality or borough; the significant hurdles, legal or otherwise, to completing conveyances and the amount of funding necessary to complete all requested conveyances by 2026.

### **ATTACHED REPORTS**

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The Senate Finance Committee for the Department of Natural Resources adopts the following attached reports:

1. Agency Totals
2. Trans Compare 1: Adjusted Base+ to Senate Subcommittee
3. Trans Compare 2: Gov Amend+ to Senate Subcommittee
4. Wordage

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "C. Bishop", followed by a horizontal line extending to the right.

Senator Bishop