

Fiscal Note

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Identifier: HB169CS(FSH)-DFG-DCF-01-12-24
 Title: FISHERIES REHABILITATION PERMIT/PROJECT
 Sponsor: CRONK
 Requester: (H)Resources

Department: Department of Fish and Game
 Appropriation: Commercial Fisheries
 Allocation: Statewide Fisheries Management
 OMB Component Number: 2171

Expenditures/Revenues

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below. (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2025	Included in	Out-Year Cost Estimates					
	Appropriation Requested	Governor's FY2025 Request	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2025	FY 2025	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030
Personal Services	52.4		52.4	52.4	52.4	52.4	52.4	52.4
Travel								
Services								
Commodities								
Capital Outlay								
Grants & Benefits								
Miscellaneous								
Total Operating	52.4	0.0	52.4	52.4	52.4	52.4	52.4	52.4

Fund Source (Operating Only)

1004 Gen Fund (UGF)	52.4		52.4	52.4	52.4	52.4	52.4	52.4
Total	52.4	0.0	52.4	52.4	52.4	52.4	52.4	52.4

Positions

Full-time								
Part-time	1.0		1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Temporary								

Change in Revenues

None			***	***	***	***	***
Total	0.0	0.0	***	***	***	***	***

Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2024) cost: 0.0 *(separate supplemental appropriation required)*

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2025) cost: 0.0 *(separate capital appropriation required)*

Does the bill create or modify a new fund or account? No
(Supplemental/Capital/New Fund - discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS

Does the bill direct, or will the bill result in, regulation changes adopted by your agency? **Yes**
 If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? **01/01/26**

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version/comments:

Updated from SLA2023 to SLA2024 fiscal note template; personal services costs updated for one part-time Fishery Biologist II PCN.

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FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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This legislation creates a fisheries rehabilitation permit. The permit type described is already available through the Division of Commercial Fisheries in other formats. Permit applications would be incorporated into the current process for similar permit types and receive the same level of scrutiny and review already conducted for existing propagative permits, including department analysis and public engagement for projects that involve salmon; both of which are intensive and time-consuming processes.

Increased cost to the department is expected for the additional workload. The Statewide Aquaculture Planning and Permitting Section of the Division of Commercial Fisheries has been reduced by half in the last 6 years, from 8 staff to 4, and does not have the resources to take on additional work without more staff. Personal services expenses reflect \$52.4 for a 6-month part-time Fishery Biologist II position (range 16) in Juneau to handle the additional work.

The department will also need to adopt regulations for the implementation of this bill but can absorb those associated costs.

The bill proposes a \$100 application fee. However, the number of applications the department will receive for this new permit type is unknown. Therefore, the change in revenue is indeterminate.