

HB

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COMMITTEE REPORT
SENATE

FURTHER: Finance

4/26/78

Date: 5/1/78

Mr. President:

The Committee on RESOURCES has had CSHB 927
supplemental appropriations to Dept. of Natural Resources

under consideration and (a majority of the committee) (the committee reports it back as follows)

- recommends it do pass recommends it do not pass
- recommends it do pass with attached amendment(s)
- recommends it be replaced with CS for _____
- and _____ new title same title
- AND attaches a Letter of Intent New Fiscal Note
- reports it back without recommendation
- and recommends it be referred to the _____ Committee

MEMBERS SIGNING DO PASS:

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

G. Tillion

John H. ...

R. Poland

Chairman

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April 12, 1973

The Honorable Hugh Malone
Speaker of the House
Alaska State Legislature
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Under authority of art. III, sec. 18 of the Alaska Constitution, and in accordance with AS 24.30.060(b) and the Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, I am transmitting a bill making a supplemental appropriation to the Department of Natural Resources, "Federal-State Land Use Planning Commission."

This appropriation will be used to fund unanticipated wage increases and full operation of the commission during FY 79.

Sincerely,

Jay S. Hammond
Governor

MEMORANDUM

TO Ron Lind, Director
Division of Budget & Management

DATE: March 29, 1978

FILE NO.

TELEPHONE NO.

FROM: Chuck Taylor, Budget Analyst
Division of Budget & Management
Office of the Governor

SUBJECT: Supplemental Appropriation
for the Department of Natural
Resources

The Department of Natural Resources, Federal-State Land Use Planning Commission (FSLUPC), requests a supplemental appropriation of \$139,200. The FSLUPC states that this supplemental is necessary to carry forward its major objectives in cooperative management. The FSLUPC has adequate budget resources in its FY 79 budget to complete its tasks, but cannot continue its present level of effort in FY 78 without a supplemental.

It should be noted that the FSLUPC has also submitted a \$139,200 supplemental request to the federal government for their share of the costs. Confirmation has not yet been received whether the federal government will support a supplemental request.

This supplemental will fully fund the State's share of the unbudgeted items described below. 1) The Commission has unanticipated wages increases (\$34,300). 2) The FSLUPC will provide updated information on lands available for State selection (\$16,400). 3) Until Congress enacts (d) (2) legislation, the FSLUPC will continue to serve congressional committees in an advisory capacity. Therefore, an office was established in Washington, D.C. (\$32,500). 4) The FSLUPC has been making recommendations to improve coordination between the State and Federal governments. The Commission has already undertaken this in critical areas of transportation, data collection, and fish and game management. Additional funding is requested for the Alaska Resource Information System (ARIS), transportation planning, and ecological reserves (\$45,600). 5) Also, the FSLUPC will continue its review of the proposed easements across native selected lands. A final assessment of the status of the Acts Implementation with alternative resolutions to present and potential problems will be transmitted to the federal government (\$10,400).

STATE
of ALASKA

MEMORANDUM

TO: Avrum Gross, Attorney General
Department of Law

DATE March 30, 1978

FILE NO.

TELEPHONE NO.

FROM: *RBL*
Ronald B. Lind, Director
Division of Budget & Management
Office of the Governor

SUBJECT: Supplemental Appropriation
Legislation for the Department
of Natural Resources

Please prepare a supplemental appropriation bill for the Department of Natural Resources, "Federal-State Land Use Planning Commission", in the amount of \$139,200 from the general fund. These funds will be used to fund unanticipated wage increases and full operation of the Federal-State Land Use Planning Commission during FY 79.

Request for Budget Supplementary FY 1978

Objectives:

The primary goals of the Commission are to plan for the wisest and best use and management of public lands in Alaska consistent with national and State interests, and to insure that the economic growth of Alaska is orderly and compatible with environmental values and the well-being of the State's residents. Toward the attainment of these goals, the Commission's work program has the following objectives:

- (1) to recommend classification and management policies for Federal lands in Alaska to Federal executive departments and to Congress;
- (2) to recommend to the Governor and the Legislature of the State of Alaska policies for the management of the State's public domain;
- (3) to seek resolutions to conflicts and promote coordination among the Federal and State governments and Native corporations in land use matters; and
- (4) to assist in the implementation of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.

It is unable to carry forward the major objectives in cooperative management it has launched over the past five years without supplementary budget help. These consist of data systems and mapping coordination or the Alaska Resource Information System (ARIS); research coordination, now incorporated in the Ecological Reserves Council; and new examinations of cooperative management between Federal, State, and local systems.

There is also a great need to provide further assistance to village corporations on land management problems which is incorporated in this request.

Budget Options

	<u>Total Commission</u> <u>Supported Funding</u>	<u>State*</u>	<u>Federal*</u>
State Lands	\$ 32,778	\$ 16,389	\$ 16,389
Federal Lands	65,040	32,520	32,520
Cooperative Management	91,132	45,566	45,566
Claims Settlement Act	20,856	10,428	10,428
Unanticipated Wage Increases	68,618	34,309	34,309
Total	\$278,424	\$139,212	\$139,212

(2) TO COVER REMAINDER OF FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR FROM SEPTEMBER 1978

The Commission has received no supplemental appropriation for wage increases or increased inflationary costs since the FY 1978 budget was submitted. Its major efforts on conveyance of Native lands, State lands, and (d) (2) lands are using its resources to the limit. Unanticipated actual costs for personnel services not requested in FY 78 budget are as follows:

- o General wage increase
- o Adjustment to cost of living allowance
- o Executive pay level increases

Total unanticipated increase to overall payroll budget is \$68,618.

1. Policies for the management of the State of Alaska's public domain.

Personal Services	\$28,430
Travel	<u>4,348</u>
	\$32,778

The Commission will provide updated information on lands available for State selection. Modifications in existing land classification procedures used by the State will be recommended to assure compatibility of State practices with those being developed by the Bureau of Land Management for Alaska's National Resource Lands.

The Commission will expand on its analysis of the State of Alaska's Park system, as a component of a statewide recreational system and will analyze private demands for disposal of State lands and suggest alternative procedures designated to protect public interests. Comment on disposal plans and procedures will then be provided the State Department of Natural Resources and the Alaska Legislature on an ongoing basis.

2. To recommend classification and management policies for Federal lands in Alaska to Federal executive departments and to Congress.

Until Congress has enacted (d) (2) legislation, the Commission will continue to serve congressional committees in an advisory capacity. It will comment on the environmental, socioeconomic, and management implications of proposals before Congress, and identify alternative means of addressing major issues. It was necessary to establish an office in Washington, D.C. to serve as a coordination center between the Commission and various committees.

Personal Services	\$56,664
Travel	3,918
Contract Services	<u>4,458</u>
	\$65,040

3. Cooperative Management.

The Commission was mandated to:

make recommendations to improve coordination and consultation between the State and Federal governments in making resource allocation and land use decision.

It has already undertaken this in the critical areas of transportation, data collection and inventory, research coordination, and fish and game management. It has budget resources to undertake a more comprehensive approach in its 1979 budget but cannot mount a major effort in 1978 without this supplemental or other funding.

a. Alaska Resource Information System (ARIS)

ARIS is the key tool to cooperative management systems. It forces interagency cooperation. It is entering a period of technical development where large sums will be spent by Federal and State agencies on data systems and mapping. It is imperative to continue this effort until the Users and Technical Committee of ARIS is well established and institutionalized as an independent Federal/State effort.

Personal Services	\$49,265
Travel	<u>2,089</u>
	\$51,354

b. Transportation Planning

There was a need to develop criteria for the evaluation of transportation proposals and make recommendations pertaining to the reservation of corridors across (d) (2) lands, this included the use of the North Slope Haul Road, which parallels the Trans-Alaska Pipeline and currently provides the only ground access to the Alaskan Arctic.

Personal Services	\$17,208
Travel	2,180
Contract Fee	<u>7,000</u>
	\$26,388

c. Ecological Reserves

Coordination for this Council is established within the University of Alaska faculty. The Commission has already committed \$16,000 to support of the management coordinator. The research coordinator has developed the Ecological Reserves System report for the Commission in FY 1977. This budget is

necessary to carry out the recommendation of the Ecological Reserves Council and continue this program as a part of the overall land planning process in Alaska.

Personal Services	\$11,222
Travel	<u>2,168</u>
	\$13,390

4. To assist in the implementation of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.

The Commission will continue its review of proposed easements across Native-selected lands. It will also continue to review small Federal withdrawals, which have been tentatively selected by Native corporations. Planning assistance to Native corporations will also be provided, and several small instructive publications will be modified and reprinted.

A final assessment of the status of the Act's implementation with alternative resolutions to present and potential problems will be transmitted to the Federal executive and to Congress. The Commission will remain prepared to provide clarification of legal issues to Native corporations and to comment on any proposed amendments to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.

Personal Services	\$18,556
Travel	<u>2,300</u>
	\$20,856

The Commission will undertake this mandate to the limit of its present resources, but will be unable to carry out this mission in its normal thorough fashion due to erosion of the projected 1978 budget by inflation and wage increases.

The extra funds requested will make it possible to carry forward this program at usual standards.