State Historical Society Budget 701 Senate Bill Nos. 2020, 2416

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2003-05 legislative appropriation	57.00	\$7,259,934	\$4,391,042	\$11,650,976
2001-03 legislative appropriation	56.00	7,220,173	5,589,979	12,810,152
2003-05 appropriation increase (decrease) to 2001-03 appropriation	1.00	\$39,761	(\$1,198,937)	(\$1,159,176)

Item Description

Compact storage units - Section 4 of Senate Bill No. 2020 provides for the use of capital asset funding for the purchase of compact storage units.

Carryover of funds - Section 5 of Senate Bill No. 2020 authorized the State Historical Society to continue up to \$540,000 of its 2001-03 biennium general fund appropriation into the 2003-05 biennium, consisting of \$25,000 for cultural heritage grants and \$515,000 for the completion of the Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center exhibits and the Era of Change exhibits.

Transfers between the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial line item and the capital assets line item - Section 6 of Senate Bill No. 2020 allows for the transfer of funds between the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial line item and the capital assets line item.

Capital projects bonding - Senate Bill No. 2416 provides \$2 million in bonding authority for the Chateau de Mores Interpretive Center (\$1 million) and the Fort Abercrombie Interpretive Center (\$1 million) to be paid from federal, local, or donated funds collected by the State Historical Society. Senate Bill No. 2416 also provides legislative intent that \$600,000 of the required federal, local, or donated funds--\$300,000 for each interpretive center--must be collected before the State Historical Society may begin the expansion of the interpretive centers.

Status/Result

The State Historical Society will use funds from its capital assets line item to purchase compact storage units for the state archives. The State Historical Society received bids of approximately \$180,000 for the project. The State Historical Society anticipates installation of the compact storage units to be complete by summer 2004.

The State Historical Society had 2001-03 biennium unspent general fund appropriation authority of \$257,000. The State Historical Society spent \$25,000 for cultural heritage grants and \$232,000 for the completion of the exhibits at the confluence interpretive center. Sufficient funds were not available for the Era of Change exhibits at the Heritage Center. If funding becomes available, the State Historical Society will begin planning and develop some of the Era of Change exhibits with funding in its 2003-05 biennium appropriation.

As of May 2004, the State Historical Society has not made any transfers between these two line items and is uncertain whether any transfers will be necessary this biennium.

Although approximately \$700,000 in federal funding has been identified for the two projects, the State Historical Society does not anticipate issuing bonds for the projects because the agency does not have adequate funding for the debt service.

Capital projects - The 2003 Legislative Assembly appropriated a total of \$849,544 for capital projects as follows:

Project	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
Former Governor's mansion coach	\$25,000	\$225,000	\$250,000
house stabilization			
Chimney Park repair	50,000	37,000	87,000
Interpretive signage	40,000		40,000
Fort Buford exhibits	225,000		225,000
Extraordinary repairs	179,200		179,200
Equipment over \$5,000	108,344		108,344
Decreased funding for capital assets line item ¹	(62,500)		(62,500)
Increased funding for confluence interpretive center exhibits		22,500	22,500
Total capital assets line item	\$565,044	\$284,500	\$849,544

¹The Legislative Assembly reduced the capital assets line item for the State Historical Society by \$62,500 from the general fund and directed the agency to determine the specific project funding to be reduced.

Lewis and Clark Bicentennial - The 2003 Legislative Assembly appropriated \$923,746 from the general fund to the State Historical Society for Lewis and Clark Bicentennial related projects and activities, including the Double Ditch field school, programming, and marketing.

As of May 2004, the former Governor's mansion coach house stabilization and the Chimney Park repair projects are in progress. The Fort Buford exhibits were mostly completed. As a result of the \$62,500 reduction in the capital assets line by the 2003 Legislative Assembly, the State Historical Society eliminated the interpretive signage project (\$40,000) and decreased extraordinary repairs (\$22,500).

Through December 31, 2003, the agency has spent \$88,992 of the Lewis and Clark appropriation as follows:

Project	Biennial Budget	Amount Spent Through December 31, 2003	Remaining Balance
Exhibits	\$53,918		\$53,918
Public programming	381,950	\$23,187	358,763
Operating and maintenance	487,878	65,805	422,073
Total	\$923,746	\$88,992	\$834,754