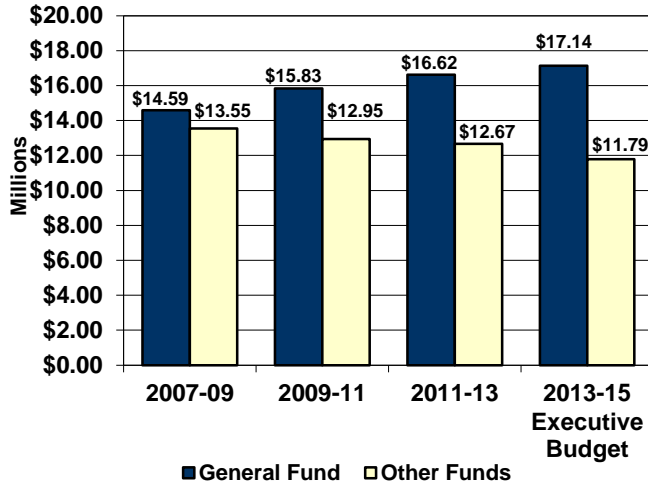


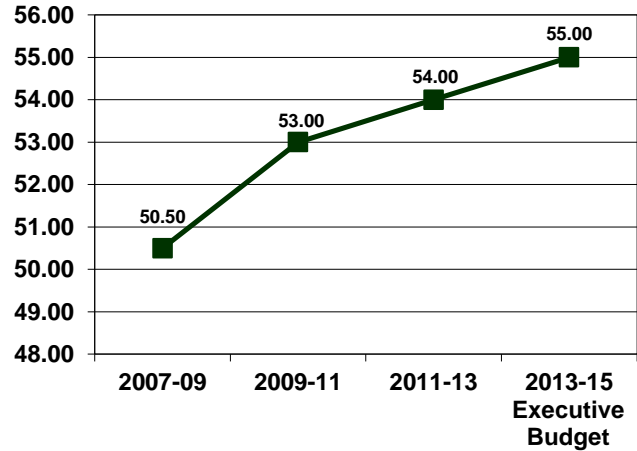
**Department 750 - Parks and Recreation Department
House Bill No. 1019**

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2013-15 Executive Budget	55.00	\$17,144,649	\$11,791,835	\$28,936,484
2011-13 Legislative Appropriations	54.00	16,623,556	12,669,532	29,293,088
Increase (Decrease)	1.00	\$521,093	(\$877,697)	(\$356,604)

Agency Funding



FTE Positions



Ongoing and One-Time General Fund Appropriations

	Ongoing General Fund Appropriation	One-Time General Fund Appropriation	Total General Fund Appropriation
2013-15 Executive Budget	\$13,714,649	\$3,430,000	\$17,144,649
2011-13 Legislative Appropriations	11,874,346	4,749,210	16,623,556
Increase (Decrease)	\$1,840,303	(\$1,319,210)	\$521,093

First House Action

Attached is a summary of first house changes.

**Executive Budget Highlights
(With First House Changes in Bold)**

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
1. Adds one-time funding to update strategic master plans in several state parks	\$100,000		\$100,000
2. Adds one-time funding for the community grant program	\$400,000		\$400,000
3. Adds one-time funding for capital projects at various state parks. The House increased this funding by \$2,450,000, of which \$1,795,000 is from the general fund.	\$2,930,000	\$800,000	\$3,730,000
4. Adds one-time funding for extraordinary repairs at various state parks		\$182,800	\$182,800
5. Adds one-time funding for equipment		\$300,000	\$300,000
6. Adds funding to increase temporary salaries by \$1 per hour per year for the 2013-15 biennium	\$264,000		\$264,000
7. Adds funding for seasonal crews for maintaining trail systems	\$65,200		\$65,200
8. Adds funding to convert a long-time temporary administrative assistant position to an FTE position	\$87,172		\$87,172
9. Adds funding to increase the operational grant to the International Peace Garden for a total of \$933,688 for the 2013-15 biennium	\$200,000		\$200,000

10. Adds funding for increased operating costs	\$88,113	\$300,000	\$388,113
11. Adds base funding for equipment (\$450,000) and extraordinary repairs (\$875,094)	\$1,325,094		\$1,325,094
12. Removes 2011-13 funding for capital assets	(\$5,516,735)	(\$1,380,240)	(\$6,896,975)
13. Provides funding for state employee salary increases, of which \$434,875 relates to performance increases and \$237,915 is for market equity adjustments. The House added funding of \$5,982 to correct the executive compensation package and reduced funding for performance and market equity adjustments by \$294,288.	\$659,334	\$13,456	\$672,790

Other Sections in Bill

Game and fish operating fund - Transfer for boat ramp maintenance - Section 3 provides that \$122,000 from the game and fish operating fund, or federal or other funds available to the Game and Fish Department, must be transferred to the Parks and Recreation Department for maintenance, operating, and extraordinary repairs expenses relating to boat ramps at state parks for the 2013-15 biennium.

Matching requirements - Interpretive exhibits - Section 4 provides that \$200,000 included in the natural resources line item is for completion of interpretive exhibits at the Icelandic State Park visitor center. This amount includes \$150,000 from the parks and recreation fund and \$50,000 from the state park gift fund which must be provided to the department as matching funds from nonstate sources.

Emergency measure - Capital projects - Section 5 provides for an emergency measure for \$3,730,000 in the natural resources line item, of which \$2,930,000 is from the general fund and \$600,000 is from special funds, for various capital projects.

Exemption - Community grants - The House added a section to provide an exemption from North Dakota Century Code Section 54-44.1-11 of \$400,000 of unexpended community grants from the general fund included in the recreational line item in Section 1 of the bill.

Oil-related revenue - New wells - The House added a section requiring that 15 percent of any revenue received by the department from oil wells completed after July 1, 2013, must be used for the community grants program for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2015. Any remaining revenue received from these oil wells may only be used for one-time funding items.

Property purchase in Walhalla Gorge area - The House added a section requiring a purchase of property in the Walhalla Gorge area to use matching funds which must be received in cash by the department before the purchase is made. The section also provides that the land and buildings may not be purchased for more than the appraised value.

Continuing Appropriations

No continuing appropriations for this agency.

Significant Audit Findings

The operational audit for the Parks and Recreation Department conducted by the State Auditor's office during the 2011-12 interim identified the following significant audit findings:

- State park revenue control weakness.
- Noncompliance with state procurement guidelines.

Major Related Legislation

House Bill No. 1278 - North Dakota Outdoor Heritage Advisory Board - Includes a representative of the Parks and Recreation Department as a nonvoting member of the advisory board for the newly created North Dakota outdoor heritage fund

Senate Bill No. 2259 - Adds a new subsection to Section 55-08-01.3 requiring the Parks and Recreation Department to protect the historic, prehistoric, and paleontological values of the designated historic site if a state park contains a designated historic site

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