

**Department 750 - Parks and Recreation
House Bill Nos. 1019 and 1079**

Executive Budget Comparison to Prior Biennium Appropriations

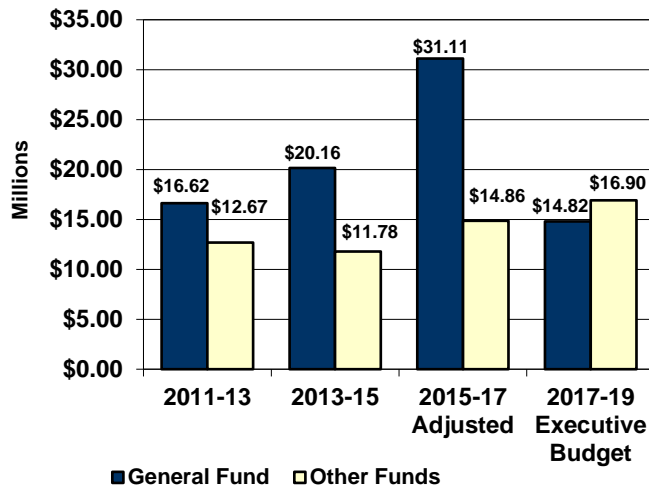
	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2017-19 Executive Budget	65.00	\$14,816,324	\$16,903,897	\$31,720,221
2015-17 Adjusted Legislative Appropriations ¹	66.00	31,113,442	14,862,835	45,976,277
Increase (Decrease)	(1.00)	(\$16,297,118)	\$2,041,062	(\$14,256,056)

¹The 2015-17 biennium agency appropriation amounts reflect general fund budget reductions made in August 2016.

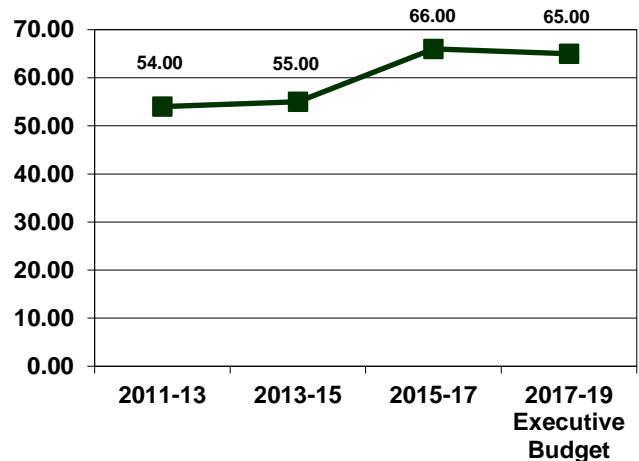
Ongoing and One-Time General Fund Appropriations

	Ongoing General Fund Appropriation	One-Time General Fund Appropriation	Total General Fund Appropriation
2017-19 Executive Budget	\$14,816,324	\$0	\$14,816,324
2015-17 Adjusted Legislative Appropriations	16,702,916	14,410,526	31,113,442
Increase (Decrease)	(\$1,886,592)	(\$14,410,526)	(\$16,297,118)

Agency Funding



FTE Positions



Executive Budget Comparison to Base Level

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2017-19 Executive Budget	\$14,816,324	\$16,903,897	\$31,720,221
2017-19 Base Level	16,702,916	14,517,835	31,220,751
Increase (Decrease)	(\$1,886,592)	\$2,386,062	\$499,470

Executive Budget Highlights

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
1. Provides funding for state employee salary and benefit increases, of which \$48,105 is for salary increases, and \$188,889 is for health insurance increases	\$228,105	\$8,889	\$236,994
2. Adjusts seasonal salaries and benefits by (\$586,406), and agency pay plan by (\$239,959)	(\$826,365)	\$0	(\$826,365)
3. Removes 1 administrative assistant FTE position	(\$116,875)		(\$116,875)
4. Adjusts operating expenses for administration, park operations and maintenance, and recreation by \$1,465,840, International Peace Gardens (\$97,370), and Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center (\$296,991)	(\$398,361)	\$1,469,840	\$1,071,479
5. Adjusts funding for extraordinary repairs	(\$150,760)	(\$55,879)	(\$206,639)
6. Adjusts funding for equipment	(\$350,000)	\$740,000	\$390,000

Other Bill Sections Recommended to be Added in the Executive Budget
(As Detailed in House Bill No. 1079)

Game and fish operating fund - Transfer for boat ramp maintenance - Section 3 provides \$122,000 from the game and fish operating fund, federal funds, 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 2017-19 biennium.

Concession revolving fund - Section 4 amends North Dakota Century Code Section 55-08-07.1 relating to the state parks and recreation concession revolving fund to remove the requirement that any surplus in excess of \$50,000 must be transferred to the state park operating fund.

Community grants - Section 5 exempts \$500,000 of community grants funding from the general fund in the recreation line item included in Section 34 of 2015 Senate Bill No. 2015 from provisions of Section 54-44.1-11, relating to cancelation of unexpended funds.

International Peace Garden - Section 6 exempts any funds included in the International Peace Garden line item for repairs of the Peace Tower in Section 30 of 2013 House Bill No. 1015 from provisions of Section 54-44.1-11, relating to cancelation of unexpended funds.

Northern Plains National Heritage Area grants - Section 7 authorizes the Parks and Recreation Department to apply for Northern Plains National Heritage Area grants.

Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center - Section 8 exempts any funds included in the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center line item included in Section 34 of 2015 Senate Bill No. 2015 from provisions of Section 54-44.1-11, relating to cancelation of unexpended funds.

Outdoor heritage grants - Section 9 exempts any funds received from the outdoor heritage grant from provisions of Section 54-44.1-11, relating to cancelation of unexpended funds.

Continuing Appropriations

No continuing appropriations for this agency.

Significant Audit Findings

The financial audit for the Parks and Recreation Department was conducted by the State Auditor's office for the biennium ended June 30, 2015 and there were no significant audit findings for this agency.

Major Related Legislation

House Bill No. 1089 - Allows the Parks and Recreation Department to sell advertising in department publications.

House Bill No. 1102 - Allows the Parks and Recreation Department to sell out-of-state off highway vehicle permits and to charge a fee of \$10 for the permit.

Parks and Recreation Department - Budget No. 750
House Bill Nos. 1019 and 1079
Base Level Funding Changes

	Executive Budget Recommendation			
	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2017-19 Biennium Base Level	66.00	\$16,702,916	\$14,517,835	\$31,220,751
2017-19 Ongoing Funding Changes				
Base payroll changes		(\$287,726)	(\$18,093)	(\$305,819)
Salary increase - Performance		39,216	8,889	48,105
Health insurance increase		188,889		188,889
Reduces seasonal salaries and benefits		(586,406)		(586,406)
Adjusts operating expenses		(4,000)	1,469,840	1,465,840
Adjusts operating expenses - International Peace Garden		(97,370)		(97,370)
Adjusts operating expenses - Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center		(296,991)		(296,991)
Adds gift fund authority			230,930	230,930
Adjusts ACA health insurance requirements for part-time employees		15,338	10,375	25,713
Adjusts agency pay plan		(239,959)		(239,959)
Removes 1 administrative assistant FTE position	(1.00)	(116,875)		(116,875)
Adjusts bond payment		52		52
Adjusts extraordinary repairs		(150,760)	(55,879)	(206,639)
Adjusts equipment		(350,000)	740,000	390,000
Total ongoing funding changes	(1.00)	(\$1,886,592)	\$2,386,062	\$499,470
One-time funding items				
No one-time funding items				\$0
Total one-time funding changes	0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Changes to Base Level Funding	(1.00)	(\$1,886,592)	\$2,386,062	\$499,470
2017-19 Total Funding	65.00	\$14,816,324	\$16,903,897	\$31,720,221

Other Sections in Parks and Recreation Department - Budget No. 750

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Appropriations Comparisons to the Original and Adjusted Base Budgets

General Fund Appropriations Adjustments (As a Result of the August 2016 General Fund Budget Reductions)

	Ongoing	One-Time	Total
2015-17 original general fund appropriations	\$16,763,916	\$16,530,297	\$33,294,213
General fund reductions	(61,000)	(2,119,771)	(2,180,771)
Adjusted 2015-17 appropriations	\$16,702,916	\$14,410,526	\$31,113,442
Remove prior biennium adjusted one-time funding		(14,410,526)	(14,410,526)
2017-19 base level	\$16,702,916	\$0	\$16,702,916
Executive Budget changes	(1,886,592)		(1,886,592)
2017-19 Executive Budget	\$14,816,324	\$0	\$14,816,324

Summary of August 2016 General Fund Budget Reductions

	Ongoing	One-Time	Total
Administration - 50 th anniversary of the Parks and Recreation Department		(\$16,000)	(\$16,000)
Administration - Retirement leave payouts		(42,000)	(42,000)
Parks enhancements		(1,998,389)	(1,998,389)
Parks equipment		(50,000)	(50,000)
International Peace Garden - Capital projects		(13,382)	(13,382)
Administration - Travel	(\$3,000)		(3,000)
Parks operations and maintenance - Adjust FTE salaries	(46,000)		(46,000)
Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center - Operating expenses	(12,000)		(12,000)
Total reductions	(\$61,000)	(\$2,119,771)	(\$2,180,771)
Percentage reduction to ongoing and one-time general fund appropriations	0.36%	12.82%	6.55%

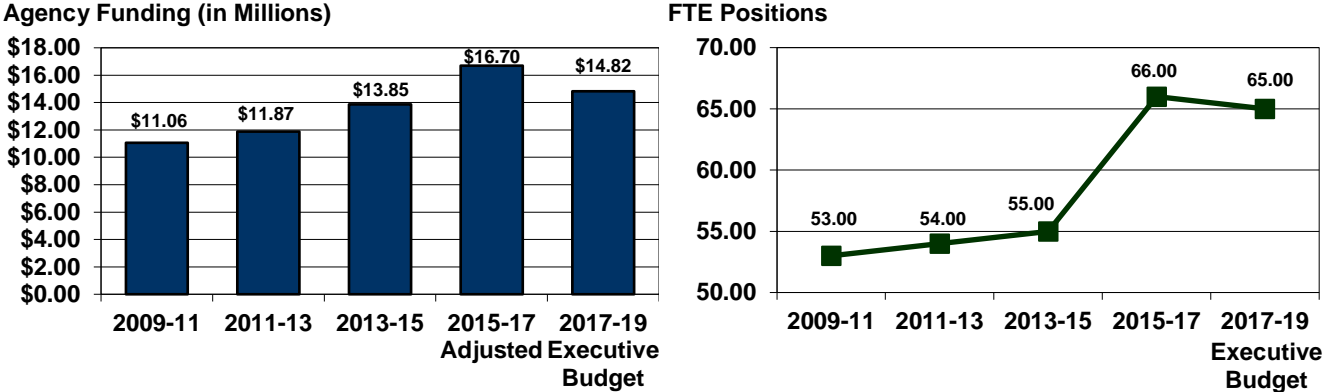
2017-19 Executive Budget Changes to the Original and Adjusted Base Budgets

Ongoing	Changes to Original Budget	Budget Reduction Adjustments	Changes to Adjusted Budget
Base payroll changes	(\$287,726)		(\$287,726)
Adjusts salary and health insurance increases	228,105		228,105
Adjusts agency pay plan	(239,959)		(239,959)
Removes 1 administrative assistant FTE position	(116,875)		(116,875)
Adjusts seasonal salaries and benefits	(632,406)	\$46,000	(586,406)
Adjusts operating expenses	(7,000)	3,000	(4,000)
Adjusts operating expenses - International Peace Garden	(97,370)		(97,370)
Adjusts operating expenses - Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center	(308,991)	12,000	(296,991)
Adjusts ACA requirements for temporary employees	15,338		15,338
Adjusts bond payment	52		52
Adjusts extraordinary repairs	(150,760)		(150,760)
Adjusts equipment	(350,000)		(350,000)
Total 2017-19 executive budget changes	(\$1,947,592)	\$61,000	(\$1,886,592)

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Historical Appropriations Information

Ongoing General Fund Appropriations Since 2009-11



Ongoing General Fund Appropriations					
	2009-11	2011-13	2013-15	2015-17 Adjusted	2017-19 Executive Budget
Ongoing general fund appropriations	\$11,062,591	\$11,874,346	\$13,854,838	\$16,702,916	\$14,816,324
Increase (decrease) from previous biennium	N/A	\$811,755	\$1,980,492	\$2,848,078	(\$1,886,592)
Percentage increase (decrease) from previous biennium	N/A	7.3%	16.7%	20.6%	(11.3%)
Cumulative percentage increase (decrease) from 2009-11 biennium	N/A	7.3%	25.2%	51.0%	33.9%

Major Increases (Decreases) in Ongoing General Fund Appropriations

2011-13 Biennium

- 1. Added funding to address salary equity issues and related second-year increases \$538,509
- 2. Added 2.5 park maintenance FTE positions \$251,687

2013-15 Biennium

- 1. Added funding to increase temporary salaries by \$1 per hour for the 2013-15 biennium \$264,000
- 2. Added funding for seasonal crews for maintaining trail systems \$65,200
- 3. Added funding to convert a long-time temporary administrative assistant position to an FTE position \$87,172
- 4. Added funding to increase the operational grant to the International Peace Garden for a total of \$933,688 for the 2013-15 biennium \$200,000
- 5. Added funding for increased operating costs \$88,113
- 6. Added funding for state employee salary increases \$499,523
- 7. Added funding for the community grant program to provide a total of \$500,000 \$100,000
- 8. Added funding to rent property in the Pembina Gorge area for office space \$300,000

2015-17 Biennium

- 1. Added funding for 1 FTE position and related operating expenses for a park ranger at Cross Ranch State Park \$105,270
- 2. Added funding to convert 5 temporary administrative assistant positions to FTE positions \$301,838
- 3. Added funding to convert four .75 FTE positions into four 1 FTE positions \$93,647
- 4. Increased funding for extraordinary repairs at various state parks \$345,521
- 5. Added funding to increase temporary employee salaries by \$1 per hour \$220,220
- 6. Added funding for 10 additional seasonal temporary employees at various state parks \$213,543
- 7. Increased funding for operating expenses for administration, park operations and maintenance, and recreation by \$111,345, and Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center by \$368,000 \$479,345

8. Added funding for 4 FTE positions for the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center	\$366,384
2017-19 Biennium (Executive Budget Recommendation)	
1. Adjusts seasonal salaries and benefits by (\$586,406), and agency pay plan by (\$239,959)	(\$826,365)
2. Removes 1 administrative assistant FTE position	(\$116,875)
3. Adjusts operating expenses for administration, park operations and maintenance, and recreation by \$1,465,840, International Peace Gardens (\$97,370), and Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center (\$296,991)	(\$398,361)
4. Adjusts funding for extraordinary repairs	(\$150,760)
5. Adjusts funding for equipment	(\$350,000)