Natural Resources Governor's FY 2013 and FY 2014 Budget

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Department of Environmental Management

FY 2013 Revised
FY 2014
FY 2014 - FY 2018 Capital

Department of Environmental Management

- Agency responsible for:
 - Preserving the quality of the environment
 - Maintaining the health and safety of residents
 - Providing environmental assistance to individuals, businesses and municipalities
 - Conducting research
 - Enforcing all environmental laws and regulations

Office of the Director

- Budgeting
- Personnel
- Information management
- Legal services
- Business services

Office of the Director

- 38.0 positions
- \$8.2 million from all funds
- \$4.8 million from general revenues

Bureau of Natural Resources

- Planning and development
- Parks
- Forest
- Fish and wildlife
- Agriculture
- Coastal resources/fishing piers
- Enforcement

Bureau of Natural Resources

- 187.0 positions
- \$56.5 million from all funds
- \$18.2 million from general revenues

Bureau of Environmental Protection

- Air resources
- Water resources
- Waste management
- Compliance
- Customer and technical assistance
- Emergency response

Bureau of Environmental Protection

- 182.0 positions
- \$34.1 million from all funds
- \$11.6 million from general revenues

Summary by Program

(Millions)	FY 2013 Enacted	FY 2013 Gov. Rev.	FY 2014 Governor	Change to Enacted
Office of Director	\$8.2	\$8.8	\$7.7	\$(0.5)
Natural Resources	56.5	54.9	64.8	8.3
Environmental Protection	34.1	35.9	34.0	(0.1)
Total	\$98.8	\$99.5	\$106.6	<i>\$7.7</i>

Summary by Category

(Millions)	FY 2013 Enacted	FY 2013 Gov. Rev.	FY 2014 Governor	Change to Enacted
Salaries & Benefits	\$44.8	\$45.3	\$46.3	\$1.6
Contracted Services	13.1	14.2	12.9	(0.3)
Operations	10.8	12.0	12.0	1.1
Grants	7.5	7.3	5.7	(1.8)
Capital	22.6	20.8	29.6	7.1
Transfers	0.1	0.1	0.1	-
Total	\$98.8	\$99.5	\$106.6	\$7.7

Summary by Source

(Millions)	FY 2013 Enacted	FY 2013 Gov. Rev.	FY 2014 Governor	Change to Enacted
General Rev.	\$34.5	\$34.3	\$34.9	\$0.3
Federal Funds	35.0	36.7	35.1	0.1
Restricted Rec.	14.3	15.4	15.9	1.6
Other	15.0	13.2	20.7	5.7
Total	\$98.8	\$99.5	\$106.6	\$7.7

General Revenues by Program

General Revenues	FY 2013 Enacted	FY 2013 Gov. Rev.	FY 2014 Governor	Change to Enacted
Office of Director	\$4.8	\$4.7	\$4.6	\$(0.2)
Natural Resources	18.2	18.2	18.8	0.6
Environmental Protection	11.6	11.4	11.4	(0.1)
Total	\$34.5	\$34.3	\$34.9	\$0.3

Staffing by Program

	FY 2013 Enacted	FY 2013 Gov. Rev.	FY 2014 Governor	Change to Enacted
Office of Director	38.0	34.0	34.0	(4.0)
Natural Resources	187.0	184.0	185.0	(2.0)
Environmental Protection	182.0	181.0	181.0	(1.0)
Total	407.0	399.0	400.0	(7.0)

Salaries and Benefits *Full-Time Equivalent Positions*

Full-Time Positions	FTEs	Change to Enacted
Enacted Authorized	407.0	-
FY 2014 Request	400.0	(7.0)
FY 2014 Governor	400.0	(7.0)
FY 2012 Average Filled	383.2	(23.8)
Filled as of February 23	385.0	(22.0)

- Salaries & Benefits \$45.3 million
 - \$26.9 million from general revenues
 - 399.0 positions
 - 8.0 unfunded vacant positions eliminated
 - 3.0 in Office of Director
 - 4.0 in Bureau of Natural Resources
 - 1.0 in Bureau of Environmental Protection

Salaries & Benefits

- \$0.5 million more than enacted
 - Fund anticipated staffing costs
- \$0.6 million less than requested
 - Includes \$0.4 million less for Natural Resources personnel to reflect reduced funding for vacant positions

- Community Service Grants \$12,024 more
 - Includes Eastern RI Conservation District grant inadvertently excluded from enacted budget

Federal Grants

- Total of \$36.7 million for FY 2013
- EPA is primary funding agency
- \$1.7 million more to reflect increases to existing grants and new awards

Federal Grants

- Increases for existing grants include:
 - Comprehensive Wildlife Management Plan -\$0.9 million
 - Four-year grant from U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
 - Leaking Underground Storage Tanks \$0.3 million
 - Additional EPA funds available for site cleanups

Federal Grants

- New awards include:
 - Superfund National Priorities List \$0.4 million
 - Funding to remediate hazardous materials
 - DEM Renewable Energy \$0.3 million
 - Solar panels at state facilities

Federal Sequestration

- Potential reductions to programs:
 - Clean water
 - Clean air
 - Anti-pollution
 - Hazardous waste
 - Fish and wildlife protection

FY 2014 Governor's Recommendation

(Millions)	Enacted	Governor	Difference
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Federal Funds	35.0	35.1	0.1
Restricted Rec.	14.3	15.9	1.6
Other	15.0	20.7	5.7
Total	\$98.8	\$106.6	<i>\$7.7</i>
FTEs	407.0	400.0	(7.0)

Current Services & Constrained Requests

- Agencies were given current services budget levels to adhere to in their FY 2014 request
- Also instructed to submit a budget that offers a 7 percent reduction
 - \$2.3 million reduction to current services
 - DEM's constrained request included 24.0 position eliminations for savings of \$2.4 million
 - Governor does not include these FTE reductions

FY 2014 Governor's Recommendation

- Salaries and benefits \$46.3 million
 - \$1.6 million more than enacted
 - \$0.5 million more from general revenues
 - Turnover restoration
 - Current services adjustments
 - \$1.0 million less than requested
 - Additional turnover savings
 - Statewide benefit savings

FY 2014 Governor - Salaries & Benefits

Salaries & Benefits

- 400.0 full-time equivalent positions
 - Reflects proposed elimination of 8.0 unfunded vacancies in FY 2013
 - Addition of 1.0 Senior Resources Clerk in FY 2014
 - Provide administrative support to Coastal Resources Division

FY 2014 Governor – Permit Streamlining

- Permit Streamlining
 - Information technology expenditures related to licensing
 - \$33,414 for FY 2013 Revised and FY 2014
 - \$55,000 less than enacted
 - Based on historical spending for information technology support services

FY 2014 Governor - Parks & Recreation

Parks & Recreation

- 25 miles of roads in the state parks and management areas
- 8 major state parks, 7 state beaches, a golf course, the East Bay and Blackstone Bike Paths, parkways, and other secondary state parks and historic sites and monuments
 - Totals approximately 14,000 acres

FY 2014 Governor - Parks & Recreation

Parks & Recreation – \$9.1 million

- Funded only with general revenues
- 47.0 full-time positions
- 426 seasonal employees
- \$0.3 million less than enacted
- Savings primarily from
 - Groundskeeping services
 - Personnel adjustments

FY 2014 Governor - Payments to Host Beach Communities

Payments to Host Beach Communities

- Charlestown, Westerly, Narragansett and South Kingstown
- 84% to state and 16% to the municipality
- Department increased beach parking fees in March 2011 through administrative rules
 - Assembly altered community split to retain increase for state general revenues
- Change took effect July 1, 2011

FY 2014 Governor - Payments to Host Beach Communities

Host Beach Communities' Payments:		
FY 2011 Actual	\$557,947	
FY 2012 Actual	\$344,358	
FY 2013 Enacted	\$400,000	
FY 2013 Revised	\$437,365	
FY 2014 Recommended	\$435,000	

FY 2014 Governor – Saltwater Fishing License Program

- Saltwater Fishing License Program
 - License established in October of 2009
 - Federal program would have taken effect in 2010
 - State run program allows for retention of funds and lower fee
 - \$7 for resident, \$10 for non-resident
 - Budgeted amounts based on projected available receipts, need for equipment to track catch related data
 - Funds staffing and operating

FY 2014 Governor – Saltwater Fishing License Program

- Saltwater Fishing License Program
 - Projects included in DEM's 2012 annual report on the program developed for funding
 - Recreational data catch collection
 - Boat ramp improvements
 - Boating/fishing access site maintenance
 - Staff person for marine recreational fishing
 - Finfish surveys
 - Public outreach campaign

FY 2014 Governor – Saltwater Fishing License Program

Saltwater Fishing License	Budgeted Amount
FY 2011 Actual	-
FY 2012 Actual	\$15,000
FY 2013 Enacted	\$198,584
FY 2013 Revised	\$381,619
FY 2014 Recommended	\$381,619

FY 2014 Governor – Blackstone Valley Bikepath

- Blackstone Valley Bikepath
 - 17.1 mile by 12-foot wide scenic bike-path under construction by DOT and DEM
 - \$2.2 million for FY 2013 Revised
 - \$2.0 million for FY 2014

FY 2014 Governor – DOT Recreational Projects

- DOT Recreational Projects
 - Funded by transfer of federal funds from Department of Transportation
 - Maintenance of state trails
 - Purchases of equipment and materials
 - Funding for local communities to maintain state trails

FY 2014 Governor – DOT Recreational Projects

- DOT Recreational Projects
 - \$0.9 million for FY 2013 Revised
 - ◆ \$0.3 million for FY 2014

FY 2014 Governor – Local Agriculture and Seafood Program

- Local Agriculture and Seafood Program
 - Small Grants and Technical Assistance Fund created by a 2012 law
 - \$0.1 million from general revenues
 - \$0.1 million from restricted receipts
 - Funds from private contributions

- \$251.2 million in total project costs
- \$55.4 million in five-year period
 - Anti-pollution
 - State and local recreation
 - Land acquisition
 - State infrastructure

Project	Status	Cost	Financing	End Date
Fort Adams Rehabilitation	Revised	\$9.3 million	G.O. bonds, RICAP	FY 2016
Narragansett Bay	Revised	\$12.5 million	G.O. bonds	FY 2016
Galilee Piers	Revised	\$12.5 million	Federal & RICAP	FY 2018
Newport Piers	Revised	\$5.9 million	RICAP	FY 2015

Project	Status	Cost	Financing	End Date
Dam Repair	Revised	\$8.8 million	RICAP	FY 2018
Fort Adams Sailing Improvements	Revised	\$4.4 million	RICAP	FY 2014
Recreational Facilities	Revised	\$38.4 million	G.O. bonds Fed., RICAP, Other	FY 2018
State Open Space	Revised	\$14.0 million	G.O. bonds	FY 2016

Project	Status	Cost	Financing	End Date
Local Bikeways	Revised	\$5.0 million	G.O. bonds	FY 2013
Local Rec. Development	Ongoing	\$43.0 million	G.O. bonds	FY 2017
Historic & Passive	Ongoing	\$6.0 million	RICAP	FY 2017
Roger Williams Park	Ongoing	\$28.5 million	G.O. bonds	FY 2013

Project	Status	Cost	Financing	End Date
Fish & Wildlife Fac.	Ongoing	\$0.7 million	Federal & RICAP	Post-FY 2018
Nat. Res. Visitor Center	Ongoing	\$3.3 million	RICAP	FY 2015
Local Open Space	Ongoing	\$23.9 million	G.O. bonds	FY 2016
Farmland Development	Ongoing	\$18.5 million	G.O. bonds, Federal	FY 2016

Project	Status	Cost	Financing	End Date
Rocky Point Acquisition & Renovations	Ongoing	\$12.5 million	G.O. bonds, RICAP	FY 2014
Blackstone Valley Path	Ongoing	\$1.5 million	RICAP	FY 2014
World War II State Park	Ongoing	\$2.6 million	G.O. bonds	FY 2014

- Galilee Piers
 - \$1.7 million in FY 2013 and \$4.2 million in FY 2014 for infrastructure improvements at the Port of Galilee
 - Project work includes:
 - Replacing badly deteriorated wooden bulkheads
 - Providing stormwater runoff treatment
 - Replacing electricity supply system throughout the port

- Fort Adams Sailing Improvements
 - \$1.9 million in FY 2013 and \$1.5 million in FY 2014
 - State hosted the America's Cup World Series race in Summer of 2012
 - Improvements will allow the state to host other large-scale sailing events

- Natural Resources Offices/Visitor's Center
 - \$250,000 in FY 2013 and \$1.8 million in FY 2014
 - Funds for constructing new office facility for Bureau of Natural Resources in Arcadia Management Area
 - "Shovel ready" project funding accelerated by one year

- Rocky Point Acquisition & Renovations
 - State made offer to purchase Rocky Point property for \$9.65 million in September 2012
 - \$10.0 million in approved G.O. bond funding for this purpose
 - Federal district court approved the state's offer in February 2013
 - \$2.5 million for maintenance and renovations in FY 2014

- World War II State Park
 - \$2.6 million in FY 2014 to revitalize currently closed WW II State Park in Woonsocket
 - Ongoing negotiations between DEM, Governor's Office, and City of Woonsocket regarding the facility

- Telephone Replacement
 - DEM requested \$250,000 from RICAP in FY 2014 to upgrade its telephone system
 - Department indicates telephone and voicemail systems are outdated
 - Governor does not include the funding

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