

**State of Alaska
FY2009 Governor's Operating Budget**

**Department of Public Safety
Alaska Wildlife Troopers Director's Office
Component Budget Summary**

Component: Alaska Wildlife Troopers Director's Office

Contribution to Department's Mission

Enforce fish and game laws; preserve public peace; protect life, property, and resources.

Core Services

The Division of Alaska Wildlife Troopers (AWT) is a statewide law enforcement agency. The director provides management decisions and policy direction to all division personnel on a daily basis. New trends in fish and game resource use must be analyzed and programs adjusted accordingly for best deployment and coverage of field programs. This assures that the most valuable resources are protected and public interest is best served.

The director's staff provides liaison services to state and federal agencies involved in resource protection including the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Marine Fisheries Service, U.S. Military, the Alaska departments of Law, Fish and Game, and Natural Resources, and other state, municipal, local, village, and native organizations.

The director of the Alaska Wildlife Troopers has a major role in implementing statewide fish and game law enforcement policy. The director's staff is responsible for administering the division's budget and the deployment of equipment and supplies statewide to provide the best protection of natural resources. Balancing law enforcement service needs of various areas of the state with the commissioned officers and dollars available requires constant review and evaluation. Under collective bargaining agreements, the director's staff must devote a good deal of time to considering the transfer of individual officers, their educational and career development needs, and their training and discipline.

FY2009 Resources Allocated to Achieve Results

| | | |
|---|-------------------|----------|
| FY2009 Component Budget: \$339,100 | Personnel: | |
| | Full time | 3 |
| | Part time | 0 |
| | Total | 3 |

Key Component Challenges

AWT troopers are the sole department representatives in many rural communities and they are frequently called upon to assist their counterparts in AST. With these duties comes a higher expectation and complexity of service that can understandably interrupt resource protection duties. Preparing and managing troopers for both the public's safety and resource protection is challenging, particularly as inflation erodes budgets. Even more careful planning must go into assignment of assets, personnel, vehicles, aircraft, and vessels. The majority of new AWT troopers have little experience and knowledge in the complexities of fish and game enforcement. The department must continue to emphasize training to assure new transfers into the division and new hires are able to maintain essential public safety and resource protection services. With shortages of labor, continual effort must be given to ensure the best protection of natural resources. This includes the deployment of personnel and equipment to specific locations during peak periods of use.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2009

The division will focus on providing training to its members that emphasizes the core services of the division.

Major Component Accomplishments in 2007

The AWT Director's Office directly and indirectly shares in the accomplishments of all the components within the

division.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

DPS-Powers and duties of department (AS 44.41.020)
 State Troopers (AS 18.65.010 - AS 18.65.110)
 Police Protection (AS 18.65.010 - AS 18.65.790)
 Law enforcement duties (AS 18.65.010 - AS 18.65.086)
 Controlled Substances (AS 11.71.010 - AS 11.71.900)
 Judicial Services (AS 22.20.100 - AS 22.20.140)
 Prisoner Transportation (AS 33.30.071 and AS 33.30.081)
 Search & Rescue (AS 18.60.120 - AS 18.60.175)
 Village Public Safety Officer Definition (AS 01.10.060(c)(7)(C))
 VPSO Program (AS 18.65.670)
 VPSO Regulations (13 AAC 96.010-900)
 Concealed Handgun Permits (AS 18.65.700)
 Security Guard Licensing (AS 18.65.400 - AS 18.65.410)
 Sex Offender Registration (AS 12.63.010 - AS 12.63.100)
 Central Registry of Sex Offenders (AS 18.65.087)
 Department to assist other agencies (AS 18.65.090)
 Document and disseminate information regarding homicides (AS 44.41.040)
 Document and investigate missing persons (AS 18.65.610)
 Investigate fires resulting from crimes (AS 18.70.030)
 Investigate sexual assault and child exploitation (AS 18.65.086)
 DUI Forfeiture Requirements (AS 28.35.036-.037)
 DPS DNA collection and registration requirements (AS 44.41.035)
 Duty of Law Enforcement to Provide VCCB information (AS 18.67.175)
 Rights of Crime Victims to be notified orally and in writing by Law Enforcement (AS 12.61.010)
 Aeronautics (AS 02)
 Criminal (AS 11)
 Environment (AS 46)
 Fish & Game (AS 16)
 Fish & Game (5 AAC)
 Guide/Outfitting (12 AAC)
 Guide/Outfitting (AS 08)
 Health & Safety (AS 18)
 Limited Entry (20 AAC)
 State Government (AS 44)
 Training (13 AAC 85)
 Training (AS 44.41.020(a))

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**Alaska Wildlife Troopers Director's Office
Component Financial Summary**

All dollars shown in thousands

| | FY2007 Actuals | FY2008 Management Plan | FY2009 Governor |
|--------------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|-----------------|
| Non-Formula Program: | | | |
| Component Expenditures: | | | |
| 71000 Personal Services | 0.0 | 285.6 | 294.7 |
| 72000 Travel | 0.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 |
| 73000 Services | 0.0 | 34.0 | 34.3 |
| 74000 Commodities | 0.0 | 2.1 | 2.1 |
| 75000 Capital Outlay | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 77000 Grants, Benefits | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 78000 Miscellaneous | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Expenditure Totals | 0.0 | 329.7 | 339.1 |
| Funding Sources: | | | |
| 1004 General Fund Receipts | 0.0 | 329.7 | 339.1 |
| Funding Totals | 0.0 | 329.7 | 339.1 |

**Summary of Component Budget Changes
From FY2008 Management Plan to FY2009 Governor**

All dollars shown in thousands

| | <u>General Funds</u> | <u>Federal Funds</u> | <u>Other Funds</u> | <u>Total Funds</u> |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| FY2008 Management Plan | 329.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 329.7 |
| Adjustments which will continue current level of service: | | | | |
| -ETS Chargeback Redistribution | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.3 |
| -FY 09 Health Insurance Increases for Exempt Employees | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 |
| -FY 09 Bargaining Unit Contract Terms: General Government Unit | 8.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 8.9 |
| FY2009 Governor | 339.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 339.1 |

**Alaska Wildlife Troopers Director's Office
Personal Services Information**

| Authorized Positions | | Personal Services Costs | | |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|
| <u>FY2008</u> | | | | |
| | <u>Management</u> | <u>FY2009</u> | | |
| | <u>Plan</u> | <u>Governor</u> | | |
| Full-time | 3 | 3 | Annual Salaries | 183,517 |
| Part-time | 0 | 0 | COLA | 8,093 |
| Nonpermanent | 0 | 0 | Premium Pay | 3,672 |
| | | | Annual Benefits | 102,118 |
| | | | <i>Less 0.91% Vacancy Factor</i> | (2,700) |
| | | | Lump Sum Premium Pay | 0 |
| Totals | 3 | 3 | Total Personal Services | 294,700 |

Position Classification Summary

| Job Class Title | Anchorage | Fairbanks | Juneau | Others | Total |
|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| Administrative Assistant | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Division Director | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Secretary | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Totals | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |