Agency 32 - Board Of Educational Lands & Funds

Statutory Authority:

The Board of Educational Lands and Funds has elected not to submit a budget request so all the following request information applies only to the State Surveyor Office, which constitutes a division within Agency 32.

Nebraska Revised Statutes §84-401 through §84-415 inclusive.

Vision Statement:

The State Surveyors Office added new services for Geographic Informations Systems (GIS) support in the previous biennium. As Geographic Information Systems (GIS) become prevalent the need for assistance in geo-referencing is increasing dramatically. As the cadastral office for the State of Nebraska we are the only logical source of assistance in surveying, geodesy, and geo-referencing. The demand for these services will quickly exhaust the resources of the Office unless we can find new ways to meet these demands with limited resources. The Office has relied heavily on digital technology to improve its operations and will continue this trend into the foreseeable future.

Mission Statement:

The missions are directly related to the underlying principle that the division is the authority for cadastral, geodesy and geo-referencing for the State of Nebraska. The division intends to maintain its leadership in surveying by continually investing in training and educational opportunities for its staff. Most of the goals of the Division are consultant in nature and require a firm knowledge and understanding of current technology to be effective. This same knowledge can be applied to service based goals to make them more cost effective.

Goals:

The goals of the division are quite simple in nature. Some of the missions are operational in nature with well-defined objectives. In these cases we will maintain adequate gauges to assure that the tasks are accomplished. On other missions the objectives are not as well defined. In these cases the division must respond and provide assistance. In support for surveyors the clients are well aware of the services provided and the goal is to meet their expectations. In support for GIS the clients, in most cases, are not yet aware of the services available. In this case we must develop methods to reach these clients even in cases where their operations are not known to us. We must develop new methodology, which applies our expertise in geo-referencing to their needs. Finally we must develop methods of delivering this knowledge to them in an expeditious manner.

Financial Data:

	Actual FY02	Approp FY03	Request FY04	Recom FY04	Request FY05	Recom FY05
General Fund	395,752	392,292	447,203	376,411	447,203	387,002
Cash Fund	5,098,885	7,757,389	170,067	172,906	170,067	176,065
Federal Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Agency	5,494,637	8,149,681	617,270	549,317	617,270	563,067

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Program 529 - Land Surveys

Program Objectives:

1. Take charge of the field notes, maps, charts, and records of the US surveys.
2. Provide technical assistance, support, and advice to the various counties, cities, and other governmental bodies in NE in their endeavors to produce and maintain cadastral or other geo-referenced maps.
3. Prepare and issue, under the authority and direction of the board, a circular of instructions to the county surveyors of the state.
4. Establish and maintain a survey record repository.
5. Maintain,operate and provide data from three global positioning base stations for the use of the general public.
6. Maintain the abstract of trust lands controlled by BELF.
7. Provide legal descriptions for land sales by BELF.
8. Perform such other duties as the Board may require.

Financial Data:

	Actual FY02	Approp FY03	Request FY04	Recom FY04	Request FY05	Recom FY05
General Fund	395,752	392,292	447,203	376,411	447,203	387,002
Cash Fund	22,751	39,528	40,880	40,407	40,880	40,755
Federal Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	418,503	431,820	488,083	416,818	488,083	427,757

Performance Measures:

Inputs: The input necessary to achieve objectives are often difficult to quantify because the division operates with a small staff, 5-6 FTE, and each person is required to perform duties in several of the objectives. To that end the only quantifiable input is the total FTE of the division which has remained constant.

Efficiency: The efficiency of the division has been forced to increase because BELF began selling trust property in FY97-98 which requires development of legal descriptions and approval of the deed documents. We have been able to provide this service without additional funding.

Outcomes:The division has been able to maintain most of the required objectives. Objective 3, issue instructions to county surveyors, has not been fully addressed.

Quality: Quality control is achieved by interaction with the clients. The division maintains an active role in professional organizations and other contacts with our clients to assure quality.

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Program 554 - Dispute Survey Settlements

Program Objectives:

1. Make such disputed surveys as may be assigned.
2. Provide technical surveying assistance to the Board of Educational Lands and Funds Trust in the sale of trust property.

Financial Data:

	Actual FY02	Approp FY03	Request FY04	Recom FY04	Request FY05	Recom FY05
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	52	127,161	129,187	132,499	129,187	135,310
Federal Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	52	127,161	129,187	132,499	129,187	135,310

Performance Measures:

1. The activity of this program is determined by the number of requests for disputed surveys and the magnitude of the individual surveys in dispute. Expenditures for these surveys are paid directly by the party involved.

   No disputed surveys have been executed in the current budget years so performance measures cannot be provided. One disputed survey is estimated for each of the request biennium.

2. No expenditures have been made from this program for technical assistance in the sale of trust property during the current biennium. All necessary support for sale of Trust property has been provided by reallocation of existing staff and resource.

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Program 582 - School Land Trust

Program Objectives:

The Board of Educational Lands and Funds manages the unsold school lands of the State of Nebraska. The objective is to maximize the return and preserve the assets of the School Trust. The Board has elected not to submit a budget request for the administration of the School Land Trust Program.

Financial Data:

	Actual FY02	Approp FY03	Request FY04	Recom FY04	Request FY05	Recom FY05
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	5,076,082	7,590,700	0	0	0	0
Federal Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	5,076,082	7,590,700	0	0	0	0

Performance Measures: