

Agency 32 - Board Of Educational Lands & Funds

Statutory Authority:

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

Vision Statement:

The fundamental vision of the State Surveyor's Office is the performance of all designated duties in a respectful, timely and efficient manner.

Mission Statement:

The missions are directly related to the underlying principle that the division is the authority for land surveying and cadastral mapping for the State of Nebraska. The State Surveyor's Office intends to maintain leadership in these roles by continuing to invest in training and educational opportunities for the staff. The Office has been and will be active in promoting awareness and education of land surveying and cadastral mapping to professional groups through seminars and workshops.

Goals:

The primary goal of the State Surveyor's Office will be the continued effective and efficient operation in the performance of assigned missions and duties. Specific goals unique to the 2007-09 Biennium include the continued conversion of survey records to digital format, riparian boundary education and assistance to land surveyors and other interested parties, local government cadastral mapping assistance, and coordination between the land surveying community and the GIS community benefiting both professions.

Financial Data:

	Actual FY06	Approp FY07	Request FY08	Recom FY08	Request FY09	Recom FY09
General Fund	278,842	426,952	390,114	326,691	390,220	335,211
Cash Fund	8,246,691	8,698,299	60,968	33,839	60,982	34,541
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	8,525,533	9,125,251	451,082	360,530	451,202	369,752

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Program 529 - Land Surveys

Program Objectives:

Take charge of the field notes, maps, charts, records of the US surveys. Provide technical assistance, support, advice to the various counties, cities and others in NE in their endeavors to produce and maintain cadastral or other geo-referenced maps. Prepare and issue a Circular of Instructions to the county surveyors of the state. Establish and maintain a survey record repository. Maintain the office web site with access to historical and current maps, survey plats including all Survey Record Repository information. Maintain the abstract of BELF trust lands. Provide legal descriptions for BELF land sales. Digitize survey information on file for web publication. Provide assistance on river (riparian) boundaries, and recommend boundary location procedures. Other duties per Board request.

Financial Data:

	Actual FY06	Approp FY07	Request FY08	Recom FY08	Request FY09	Recom FY09
General Fund	278,842	426,952	390,114	326,691	390,220	335,211
Cash Fund	29,819	42,044	34,378	33,839	34,386	34,541
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	308,661	468,996	424,492	360,530	424,606	369,752

Performance Measures:

Inputs: The division operates with a small staff of 4 FTE, a reduction due to retirements and reassignments from the 2005-07 FTE total of 5.5. Each FTE is required to perform duties in multiple program objectives.

Efficiency: An active "convert to digital and publish to web" program, preferred by the public, has increased efficiency with fewer FTE. The division has digitized and made available online over 80,000 pages of documents including 55,682 Survey Record Repository survey pages, 200 of the 800 GLO field books (200-300 pages per book), 18 GLO resurvey books (900-1100 pages per book), 14,000 pages of Bureau of Land Management notes, 2,585 GLO original survey plats, 802 Bureau of Land Management resurvey plats, 1,408 State Surveyor application survey plats, and 535 Missouri River alignment maps dating from 1879 to 1974. The bulk of the library is now online. GLO field books will continue to be processed when requested. The Survey Record Repository will continue to index and digitize approximately 10,000 records per year. The sale of BELF Trust Lands requires the division to review proposed sales and perform related services as required. Required services include determination, authorization and final approval of field surveys if needed, creation or review of legal descriptions, plat preparation and abstract entry.

Outcomes: The division has been able to maintain the required objectives. Objective 3, issue instructions to county surveyors, was not required during the 2005-07 FY.

Quality: Quality control is measured and achieved by interaction with clients. The State Surveyor's Office maintains an active role in professional organizations (National Society of Professional Surveyors, Professional Surveyors Association of Nebraska, Southeast Nebraska Land Surveyors Association, Nebraska GIS/LIS Association, Nebraska GIS Steering Committee).

Agency 32 - Board Of Educational Lands & Funds Program 554 - Dispute Survey Settlements

Program Objectives:

Make such disputed surveys as may be assigned.

Financial Data:

	Actual FY06	Approp FY07	Request FY08	Recom FY08	Request FY09	Recom FY09
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	120	26,620	26,590	0	26,596	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	120	26,620	26,590	0	26,596	0

Performance Measures:

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.

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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 FY06	Approp FY07	Request FY08	Recom FY08	Request FY09	Recom FY09
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	8,216,752	8,629,635	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	8,216,752	8,629,635	0	0	0	0

Performance Measures: