

Agency 029 - DEPT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

STATUTORY AUTHORITY:

Authority for the Department of Natural Resources (NeDNR) is contained in the Nebraska Constitution (Article XV, Sections 4, 5, 6 and 7); and Nebraska Statutes (Chapter 2, Articles 15,32 and 46; Chapter 11, Article 1; Chapter 31, Articles 5 and 10; Chapter 33, Article 1; Chapter 37, Article 7; all of Chapter 46 with the exception of Article 11; Chapter 54, Article 24; Chapter 56, Article 1; Chapter 61, Article 2; Chapter 66, Article 11; Chapter 81, Article 1; and Chapter 84, Articles 7 and 9.

VISION:

The NeDNR is dedicated to working with Nebraska's citizens, water users, partners, and leaders to plan, establish, and administer policies and programs for the effective management and conservation of the State's water resources. Achievement of this vision requires commitment to acquiring applicable data, conducting necessary technical and scientific analyses using the best science and data available, and making this information available to all stakeholders for use in making informed, science-based water resources management decisions for the benefit of all Nebraskans, both now and in the future. This is accomplished by providing high quality services with a professional workforce devoted to the management and conservation of the water resources of the State of Nebraska.

MISSION AND PRINCIPLES:

The NeDNR is committed to performing its statutory responsibility to manage and support the conservation of the State's water and land resources in an effective, efficient and customer focused manner. Statutory obligations include, include but are not limited to: administering and conjunctively regulating surface water to ensure compliance with interstate compacts and agreements; directing floodplain management and dam safety programs; operating the streamgaging program; assembling, analyzing, and sharing water resources data; consultation or collaboration with natural resources districts and other interests to perform integrated water management planning; developing and managing basin-wide water plans.

GOALS:

The goals of the NeDNR are to establish and maintain fair, equitable, flexible, and legally based standards for the conjunctive and beneficial use and preservation of Nebraska's water resources and, where authorized, to enforce rules and regulations governing their use. To accomplish these goals, the NeDNR proactively researches, develops, and updates information utilizing the best science which will assist the State's efforts in effectively managing and developing Nebraska's water resources. This involves striving to work in a cooperative manner with local units of government and stakeholders representing various interests to address complex water resources issues.

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Financial Data

	FY18 Actual	FY19 Approp	FY20 Request	FY20 Recomm	FY21 Request	FY21 Recomm
Operations Funding						
General Fund	10,222,518	10,169,740	10,392,488	10,379,036	10,588,200	10,536,450
Cash Fund	329,547	967,658	974,140	971,368	979,544	975,744
Federal Fund	1,210,400	789,606	813,200	793,354	834,230	798,071
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Operations	11,762,465	11,927,004	12,179,828	12,143,758	12,401,974	12,310,265
Aid Funding						
General Fund	6,999,372	4,820,824	1,806,112	1,806,112	1,806,112	1,806,112
Cash Fund	14,785,960	18,619,520	22,622,533	22,622,533	18,622,533	18,622,533
Federal Fund	92,345	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Aid Funding	21,877,677	23,445,344	24,433,645	24,433,645	20,433,645	20,433,645
Total Funding						
General Fund	17,221,890	14,990,564	12,198,600	12,185,148	12,394,312	12,342,562
Cash Fund	15,115,507	19,587,178	23,596,673	23,593,901	19,602,077	19,598,277
Federal Fund	1,302,745	794,606	818,200	798,354	839,230	803,071
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Agency	33,640,143	35,372,348	36,613,473	36,577,403	32,835,619	32,743,910