Adirondack Park Agency

Mission

The Adirondack Park Agency's (APA) mission is to protect the public and private resources of the Adirondack Park through the exercise of the powers and duties provided by law. This mission is rooted in three statutes administered by APA in the Park: the Adirondack Park Agency Act; the New York State Freshwater Wetlands Act; and the New York State Wild, Scenic, and Recreational Rivers System Act.

Organization and Staffing

The APA is governed by an 11-member board, including the commissioners of Environmental Conservation and Economic Development, and the Secretary of State. The other members, five of whom must be Park residents, are nominated by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate.

APA's responsibilities are carried out by the following divisions: Planning - which handles local, regional and State land use policy issues; Counsel's Office - which provides legal advice and oversees jurisdictional determinations and enforcement functions; Regulatory - which performs the agency's permitting function; Resource Analysis - which conducts scientific research and makes ecological and adverse impact assessments of land use proposals; Economic Services - which assists project sponsors in the review process; and Local Government Services - which provides technical expertise and assistance to communities.

Budget Highlights

The FY 2023 Executive Budget recommends appropriations of approximately \$35 million for APA, an increase of about \$30 million from FY 2022 Enacted Budget levels. This increase is primarily attributable to the inclusion of a capital appropriation for the design and construction of a new APA headquarters. The Executive Budget recommends a workforce of 54 FTEs for APA in FY 2023.

For more information on this agency's budget recommendations located in the Executive Budget Briefing Book, click on the following link:

Program Highlights

Since its inception, APA has worked to achieve a balance between strong environmental protection and sustainable economic development opportunities for the residents of the Adirondack Park. The principal functions of APA are:

- Reviewing and ensuring adherence to the State Land Master Plan through collaborative working relationships with the Department of Environmental Conservation and the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, and development of Unit Management and recreational use plans;
- Reviewing and issuing permits for private and State land-use projects, consistent with the Adirondack Park Private Land Use and Development Plan, and for certain activities on or near fresh water wetlands, pursuant to the 1975 Freshwater Wetlands Act;
- Helping local governments develop land use plans and providing technical expertise; and,
- Administering the State's Wild, Scenic and Recreational River Act.

ALL FUNDS APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Category	Available FY 2022	Appropriations Recommended FY 2023	Change From FY 2022	Reappropriations Recommended FY 2023
State Operations	5,301,000	6,189,000	888,000	700,000
Capital Projects	0	29,000,000	29,000,000	2,500,000
Total	5,301,000	35,189,000	29,888,000	3,200,000

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Program	FY 2022 Estimated FTEs 03/31/22	FY 2023 Estimated FTEs 03/31/23	FTE Change
Administration			
General Fund	50	54	4
Total	50	54	4

STATE OPERATIONS ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY FUND TYPE APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Fund Type	Available FY 2022	Recommended FY 2023	Change
General Fund	5,301,000	6,189,000	888,000
Total	5,301,000	6,189,000	888,000
Adjustments:			
Transfer(s) From			
Special Pay Bill			
General Fund	(355,000)		
Appropriated FY 2022	4,946,000		

STATE OPERATIONS ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Program	Available FY 2022	Recommended FY 2023	Change
Administration			
General Fund	5,301,000	6,189,000	888,000
Total	5,301,000	6,189,000	888,000

STATE OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND SUMMARY OF PERSONAL SERVICE APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES FY 2023 RECOMMENDED (dollars)

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Program	Amount Change		Amount	Change
Administration	5,177,000	392,000	5,077,000	392,000
Total	5,177,000	392,000	5,077,000	392,000

Temporary Service (Nonannual Salaried)			Holiday/Ov	ertime Pay
Program	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration	100,000	0	0	0

STATE OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND SUMMARY OF NONPERSONAL SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE UNDISTRIBUTED APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES FY 2023 RECOMMENDED

(dollars)

	Total		Supplies and Materials	
Program	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration	1,012,000	496,000	88,000	0
Total	1,012,000	496,000	88,000	0

	Travel		Contractual Services	
Program	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration	37,000	0	478,000	300,000
Total	37,000	0	478,000	300,000

	Equipment			
Program	Amount	Change		
Administration	409,000	196,000		
Total	409,000	196,000		

CAPITAL PROJECTS ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Comprehensive Construction Program	Available FY 2022	Recommended FY 2023	Change	Reappropriations FY 2023
Maintenance & Improvement of Existing	Facilities			
Capital Projects Fund - Authority Bonds	0	29,000,000	29,000,000	1,000,000
Miscellaneous Gifts Account	0	0	0	1,500,000
Total	0	29,000,000	29,000,000	2,500,000

Note: Most recent estimates as of 05/11/2020