

**0440 – DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT
OIL AND GAS COMMISSION
FISCAL YEAR 2022
ALC/JBC RECOMMENDATION**

The Oil and Gas Commission protects the rights and interests of mineral owners and regulates oil, gas, and brine production industries to ensure compliance with state and federal laws. The commission regulates activities required to produce and allocate oil and gas reserves, including distribution of royalties, assessment of taxes, seismic operations, and data compilation. The commission also monitors underground disposal of waste fluids generated by producers.

TOTAL APPROPRIATION

Appropriation		2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022
		Actual	Authorized	Legislative
204	Oil & Gas Commission-Operations	\$4,253,541	\$4,872,974	\$4,229,370
2XV	Well Plugging Program	\$459,141	\$2,500,000	\$12,500,000
A20	Refunds/Reimbursements	\$99,723	\$200,000	\$200,000
Total		\$4,812,405	\$7,572,974	\$16,929,370

FUNDING SOURCES

Funding Sources		2019-2020 Actual	%
Fund Balance	4000005	\$44,253,248	93.34
Special Revenue	4000030	\$3,111,962	6.56
Cash Fund	4000045	\$44,991	0.09
Shared Services Transfer	4000760	\$0	0.00
Total Funds		\$47,410,201	100.00
Excess Appropriation/(Funding)		(\$42,597,796)	
Grand Total		\$4,812,405	

CHANGE LEVEL REQUESTS

Oil & Gas Commission-Operations (Appropriation 204)

Commitment Item		2020-2021	2021-2022	
		Authorized	Legislative	Change Level
5010000	Regular Salaries	\$2,088,718	\$1,594,697	(\$494,021)
5010003	Personal Services Matching	\$686,342	\$536,759	(\$149,583)
5100004	Grants and Aid	\$350,000	\$275,000	(\$75,000)
5120011	Capital Outlay	\$0	\$75,000	\$75,000
Total		\$3,125,060	\$2,481,456	(\$643,604)

- **Regular Salaries** and **Personal Services Matching** decreased due to position transfers to Shared Services
- Reallocation from **Grants and Aid** to **Capital Outlay** to purchase 2 vehicles

Well Plugging Program (Appropriation 2XV)

Commitment Item		2020-2021	2021-2022	
		Authorized	Legislative	Change Level
5900046	Well Plugging Expenses	\$2,500,000	\$12,500,000	\$10,000,000
Total		\$2,500,000	\$12,500,000	\$10,000,000

- **Well Plugging Expenses** increased due to commission identifying over \$10 million in abandoned wells that require plugging to avoid health and environmental damages

POSITIONS

Total Authorized Positions FY2022: 31

Total Authorized Positions FY2021: 40

Increase / (Decrease): 0

(Positions transferred to the Department of Energy and Environment Shared Services Section)

Extra Help Positions FY2022: 6

SPECIAL LANGUAGE REVISIONS

Fund Transfer. Language revised to allow a one time, emergency transfer of \$10 million from the Commission Fund to the Abandoned and Orphaned Well Plugging Fund. Future transfers will be decreased from an allowable \$2 million per year to \$1 million per year.