

**0080 – ARKANSAS STATE GAME AND FISH COMMISSION
FISCAL YEAR 2024
As Enacted by Act 601 of 2023**

The Arkansas Game and Fish Commission’s mission is to conserve and enhance Arkansas’s fish and wildlife and their habitats while promoting sustainable use, public understanding and support.

TOTAL APPROPRIATION

Appropriation		2022-2023	2023-2024
		Authorized	Legislative
259	Operations	\$135,223,706	\$148,646,853
33Y	Gas Lease Revenue	\$4,000,000	\$5,000,000
BA9	Marine Fuel Tax Program	\$0	\$6,000,000
F06	Conservation Partners Program Grants	\$150,000	\$150,000
M99	Black River Sett	\$13,250,000	\$13,250,000
Total		\$152,623,706	\$173,046,853

FUNDING SOURCES

Funding Sources		%
Fund Balance	4000005	40.00
Federal Revenue	4000020	14.20
Special Revenue	4000030	18.03
Interest	4000300	0.09
Other	4000370	2.42
Conservation Tax	4000453	25.26
		100.00

CHANGE LEVEL REQUESTS

Operations (Appropriation 259)

Commitment Item		2022-2023	2023-2024	
		Authorized	Legislative	Change Level
5010000	Regular Salaries	\$39,586,383	\$39,693,974	\$107,591
5010001	Extra Help	\$1,312,500	\$1,500,000	\$187,500
5010003	Personal Services Matching	\$12,957,482	\$13,050,357	\$92,875
5020002	Operating Expenses	\$35,471,984	\$45,701,984	\$10,230,000
5060010	Professional Fees	\$5,309,003	\$3,250,003	(\$2,059,000)
5090005	Construction	\$18,000,000	\$12,000,000	(\$6,000,000)
5100004	Grants and Aid	\$8,000,000	\$11,750,000	\$3,750,000
5120011	Capital Outlay	\$12,885,000	\$20,000,000	\$7,115,000
Total		\$133,522,352	\$146,946,318	\$13,423,966

- *Salary and match adjustments made in the current biennium were requested to continue into the next biennium.*
- *Extra help increase is to provide additional extra help labor for habitat and resource management.*
- *Increases in Operating Expenses:*
 - *Anticipated Recovering America's Wildlife Act (RAWA)*
 - *Expansion of habitat management*
 - *Technology updates*
 - *Equipment updates*
 - *USGS gauges*
 - *Trophy bass stocking program*
- *Professional Fees reallocation to pay license system vendor fees from appropriate line item*
- *Increase in Capital Outlay for land and equipment purchases and improvements*
- *Increased Construction to provide access to waterways*

Gas Lease Revenue (Appropriation 33Y)

Commitment Item		2022-2023	2023-2024	
		Authorized	Legislative	Change Level
5020002	Operating Expenses	\$350,000	\$850,000	\$500,000
5120011	Capital Outlay	\$250,000	\$750,000	\$500,000
Total		\$600,000	\$1,600,000	\$1,000,000

- *Enhance habitat initiatives, species management, and enforcement activities*
- *Increased Capital Outlay for equipment and land purchases*

Marine Fuel Tax Program (Appropriation BA9)

Commitment Item		2022-2023	2023-2024	
		Authorized	Legislative	Change Level
5900046	Marine Fuel Tax Program	\$0	\$6,000,000	\$6,000,000
Total		\$0	\$6,000,000	\$6,000,000

- *New appropriation (not new program)*

POSITIONS

Total Authorized Positions FY2024: 636

Total Authorized Positions FY2023: 634

(Increase)/Decrease: 2

Extra Help Positions FY2024: 185

SPECIAL LANGUAGE

No changes.