DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & CONSUMER SERVICES

Mission

To provide services that promote and improve agriculture, agribusiness, and forests; protect consumers and businesses; and conserve farmland and natural resources for the prosperity of all North Carolinians.

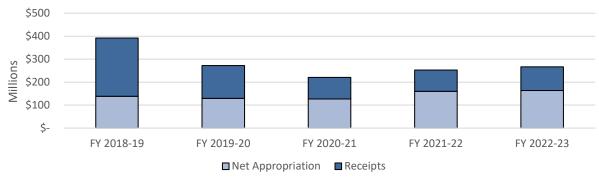
Goals

- Promote and enhance the production, marketing, and distribution of safe and healthy agricultural products and ensure sound stewardship of farmland and natural resources for North Carolinians.
- 2. Protect, manage, and promote forest resources for North Carolinians.
- Protect public health, safety, and welfare, and preserve environmental quality by monitoring and managing risk for activities associated with agricultural production and marketing and prevent fraud, deception, and unfair business practices for activities within the Department's regulatory scope.
- Promote North Carolina agriculture and agribusiness by creating positive entertainment experiences and fostering economic opportunities through operation of available state facilities.
- 5. Provide services and support that help the Department achieve its mission and vision.

Agency Profile

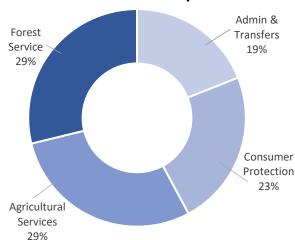
- Markets and promotes North Carolina agriculture within the state, domestically, and abroad.
- Provides regulatory oversight for areas such as animal health; weights and measures; gas and oil
 inspection; food, drug and cosmetic testing for purity; seed and fertilizer; structural pest control;
 and pesticides.
- Distributed over 100 million pounds of food assistance to schools, food banks, and other partners annually.
- Protected 5,439 homes and structures involving 4,671 wildfires in FY 2022-23.
- The Agricultural Development and Farmland Preservation Trust Fund has preserved over 34,000 acres of farmland and forestland across the state through conservation easements.

5-Year Historial Expenditures



Charts include General Fund budget code only.

FY 2022-23 Actual Expenditures



Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (13700)

_	2023 9	Session Law-Enacted	<u> </u>	2024 Legislative Session Recommended - FY 2024-25					
	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	Net	Net	Recommended	2024-25		
	Actual	Certified	Certified	Recurring	Nonrecurring	Adjustment	Revised		
Requirements	266,374,576	276,985,638	274,102,971	9,766,132	21,522,082	31,288,214	305,391,185		
Receipts	102,605,109	96,058,772	91,858,909	-	300,000	300,000	92,158,909		
Net Appropriation	163,769,468	180,926,866	182,244,062	9,766,132	21,222,082	30,988,214	213,232,276		
Positions (FTE)	1,821.521	1,820.521	1,820.521			6.000	1,826.521		

			FY 202	24-25	5 Recommende	d	
			R Changes		NR Changes		Adjustments
	erve for Salaries and Benefits						
1	Compensation Increase Reserve						
	Guarantees at least a 5% across-the-board increase for all state-funded employees. In	Req \$	2,054,000	\$	-	\$	2,054,000
	addition to the 3% provided in SL 2023-134, most state employees receive an additional 2%, while employees paid on an experience-based salary schedule or with a salary set in	Rec \$ App \$	2,054,000	<u>۲</u>	-	\$	2,054,000
	law receive an additional 3%. State agency teacher salaries are increased in accordance	FTE	2,054,000	Ş	-	Ş	0.000
	with the statewide salary schedules. Corresponding special provisions show additional						0.000
	details on compensation increases.						
2	Position Fundshift Reserve						
	$ Establishes \ a \ Position \ Fundshift \ Reserve \ to \ provide \ the \ agency \ with \ additional \ flexibility \ to $	Req \$	640,000	\$	-	\$	640,000
	manage. The agency may use these funds to fundshift a limited number of positions, in	Rec \$	-	\$	-	\$	-
	whole or in part, from receipts to net appropriation support. Fundshifting positions will	App \$	640,000	\$	-	\$	640,000
	free up receipts, providing much needed availability for receipt-supported compensation	FTE					0.000
	increases. Agencies are required to provide legislative increases to receipt-supported positions but are often not able to raise the additional revenue needed to do so.						
3	Retention Bonus						
•	Provides a \$1,000 bonus to net appropriation-supported employees and an additional	Req \$	-	\$	2,096,000	\$	2,096,000
	\$500 bonus to employees with an annual salary of less than \$75,000. To address	Rec \$	-	\$	-	\$	-
	retention, the retention bonus will be paid in two installments with half of the bonus paid	App \$	-	\$	2,096,000	\$	2,096,000
	in October 2024 and half in April 2025.	FTE					0.000
4	Enhanced Labor Market Retention and Adjustment Reserve						
	Addresses retention and other labor market needs by providing a reserve equal to 2% of	Req \$	2,695,000		-	\$	2,695,000
	General Fund net appropriation-supported and receipt-supported payroll. The inclusion of funds for receipt-supported positions provides flexibility to agencies to address labor	Rec \$ App \$	2,695,000	\$	-	\$	2,695,000
	market concerns across all positions regardless of funding source. Agencies may use these		2,093,000	Ş	-	Ą	0.000
	funds to address turnover, equity, and compression and to adjust salaries to better						0.000
	compete for and retain talent. Among state agencies, 90% of previous LMAR recipients are						
	still employed with their LMAR-awarding agency compared to 76% of non-recipients.						
5	Retiree Cost-of-Living Adjustment						
	Provides a 3% one-time retiree supplement in FY 2024-25 for over 240,000 retired	Req \$	-	\$	912,479	\$	912,479
	members and survivors of deceased members.	Rec \$	-	\$	-	\$	-
		App \$	-	\$	912,479	\$	912,479
		FTE					0.000
Adı	ninistration						
6	IT and Cybersecurity Shortfall						
	Addresses the department's cybersecurity and IT funding shortfall. This adjustment takes	Req \$	481,380		-	\$	481,380
	into account the expected FY 2024-25 DIT service and subscription rates.	Rec \$	404 200	\$	-	\$	404 200
		App \$ FTE	481,380	Ş	-	Ş	481,380 0.000
7	Accounting Technicians						
	Funds positions to support the department's estimated 65% increase in accounting	Req \$	136,505	\$	-	\$	136,505
	workload within the past fiscal year.	Rec \$	400 = 5	\$	-	\$	400 = 5 =
		App \$	136,505	Ş	-	\$	136,505
		FTE					2.000

		R Changes		NR Changes		Adjustments
mergency Programs Division						
Mobile Depopulation Unit Budgets receipts from the State Emergency Response and Disaster Recovery Relief Fund	Req \$	_	\$	300,000	¢	300,000
(SERDRF) for trailers to transport the department's mobile depopulation units. This	Rec \$	-	\$	300,000		300,000
equipment is designed to quickly depopulate swine following disease outbreaks, natural	App \$	-	\$	-	\$	-
disasters, or other catastrophic events. The current trailers no longer pass inspection.	FTE					0.000
ood Distribution Division						
Food Distribution Vehicles						
Funds the purchase of two tractor trailers to allow the division to meet the increasing	Req \$	-	\$	580,000		580,000
demand for food assistance. In the past six years, the Commodity Supplemental Food Program has had a 92% increase in recipients and the Emergency Feed Assistance Program	Rec \$	-	\$	580.000	\$	580,000
has grown from approximately \$20 million to up to \$40 million in food value per year.	FTE FTE	-	Ş	380,000	Ş	0.000
orth Carolina Forest Service						
0 Emergency Response Equipment Replacement						
Provides funds for new and replacement equipment for the NC Forest Service (NCFS) to	Req \$	-	\$	4,980,000	\$	4,980,000
enable it to effectively conduct prescribed fires and contain wildfires. In 2023, there were 5,101 wildfires causing damage to 18,748 acres of land. These investments will increase	Rec \$ App \$	-	\$ ¢	4.980.000	\$	4,980,000
the resiliency of forested ecosystems and reduce the incidence of catastrophic wildfires.	FTE	-	ş	4,980,000	ş	0.000
1 Aviation Division Operating Costs						
Provides operational support for the NCFS aviation fleet. Funding supports increased costs	Req \$	900,000	\$	-	\$	900,000
in insurance, fuel, contracted repairs, fire suppressant tools, and leased facilities.	Rec \$	-	\$	-	\$	-
	App \$	900,000	\$	-	\$	900,000
lant Industry Division	FTE					0.000
lant Industry Division 2 Geographic Information Specialist (GIS) Specialist						
Provides funding for a GIS Specialist to improve support for the division's rising demand	Req \$	95,133	\$	-	\$	95,133
for GIS services across Plant Industry initiatives. The division uses the GIS applications for	Rec \$	-	\$	-	\$	-
many responsibilities, such as invasive species mapping, pest population predictive	App \$	95,133	\$	-	\$	95,133
modeling, multi-species surveying, and insect trap placement.	FTE					1.000
mall Farms Division 3 Outreach and Education						
Increases outreach and education to small, limited resource, and minority farmers by	Req \$	74,475	\$	-	\$	74,475
creating a position in the Small Farms program.	Rec \$, -	\$	-	\$	-
	App \$	74,475	\$	-	\$	74,475
11 LW - 0 - 11 PC - 1	FTE					1.000
oil and Water Conservation Division 4 Technical Training Staff						
Invests in a position to provide training to Soil and Water Conservation District staff and	Req \$	118,875	Ś	-	\$	118,875
partners who support cost share programs at the local district level. This position will also	Rec \$		\$	-	\$	-
help meet increasing demand from local districts for technical support.	App \$	118,875	\$	-	\$	118,875
						1.000
	FTE					
tandards Division 5 Electric Vehicle Charging Station Testing	FTE					
5 Electric Vehicle Charging Station Testing		-	\$	136,471	\$	136,471
	Req \$	-	\$ \$	136,471 -	\$ \$	136,471 -
5 Electric Vehicle Charging Station Testing Funds the purchase of charging station testing equipment to ensure users of public	Req \$	- - -	\$ \$	136,471 - 136,471	\$	136,471 - 136,471 0.000
5 Electric Vehicle Charging Station Testing Funds the purchase of charging station testing equipment to ensure users of public electric vehicle charging stations receive the correct amount of charge purchased. There are currently more than 80,000 registered electric vehicles in North Carolina. eterinary Division	Req \$ Rec \$ App \$	- - -	\$ \$	-	\$	136,471
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5 Electric Vehicle Charging Station Testing Funds the purchase of charging station testing equipment to ensure users of public electric vehicle charging stations receive the correct amount of charge purchased. There are currently more than 80,000 registered electric vehicles in North Carolina. eterinary Division 6 Laboratory Staffing & Operating Cost Provides a lab technician position and operating support for the Veterinary Division	Req \$ Rec \$ App \$ FTE Req \$	109,007	\$	-	\$ \$	136,471
5 Electric Vehicle Charging Station Testing Funds the purchase of charging station testing equipment to ensure users of public electric vehicle charging stations receive the correct amount of charge purchased. There are currently more than 80,000 registered electric vehicles in North Carolina. eterinary Division 6 Laboratory Staffing & Operating Cost	Req \$ Rec \$ App \$ FTE	109,007 - 109,007	\$ \$	136,471	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$	136,471 0.000

			R Changes	NR Changes	;	Adjustments
Farmla	and Preservation					
17 Fa	armland Preservation Trust Fund					
In	ovests in the Agricultural Development and Farmland Preservation Trust Fund (ADFPTF)	Req	\$ 2,461,757	\$ 7,500,000	\$	9,961,757
to	help the state preserve farmland. Demand for ADFPTF assistance has increased 72%	Rec	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-
si	nce the last grant cycle. These funds brings ADFPTF's recurring appropriation to \$7.5	Арр	\$ 2,461,757	\$ 7,500,000	\$	9,961,757
m	nillion. North Carolina ranks second in projected agricultural land loss by the year 2040.	FTE				0.000
Tł	hese funds will be transferred to Budget Code 63701.					
18 M	filitary Partnership Easements					
Sι	upports conservation easement agreements with military partners in high-priority zones.	Req	\$ -	\$ 4,767,132	\$	4,767,132
Th	hese funds will be transferred to Budget Code 63701.	Rec	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-
		App	\$ -	\$ 4,767,132	\$	4,767,132
		FTE				0.000
Total (Change to Requirements		\$ 9,766,132	\$ 21,522,082	\$	31,288,214
Total (Change to Receipts		\$ -	\$ 300,000	\$	300,000
Total (Change to Net Appropriation		\$ 9,766,132	\$ 21,222,082	\$	30,988,214
Total (Change to Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)					6.000
Recom	nmended Net Appropriation Changes (Recurring + Nonrecurring)		\$	30,988,214	ı	
Recom	nmended Total FTE Changes			6.000)	

Agriculture and Consumer Services - Soil and Water Conservation (23704)

	2023 9	Session Law-Enacted	<u> </u>	2024 Legislative Session Recommended - FY 2024-25						
	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	Net	Net	Recommended	2024-25			
	Actual	Certified	Certified	Recurring	Nonrecurring	Adjustment	Revised			
Requirements	19,449,071	48,192,379	22,859,379	-	21,000,000	21,000,000	43,859,379			
Receipts	7,869,314	33,883,819	8,550,819	-	21,000,000	21,000,000	29,550,819			
Δ in Fund Balance	11,579,757	(14,308,560)	(14,308,560)	-	-	-	(14,308,560)			
Positions (FTE)	2.000	3.000	3.000			0.000	3.000			

		FY 202	4-2	5 Recommende	èd	
		R Changes		NR Changes	;	Adjustment
1 Agricultural Water Resources Assistance Program						
Budgets receipts from the SERDRF to provide additional support for the Agricultural Water	Req \$	-	\$	1,000,000	\$	1,000,000
Resources Assistance Program (AgWRAP). AgWRAP helps landowners maintain	Rec \$	-	\$	1,000,000	\$	1,000,000
agricultural water supply and storage and increase the efficiency of agricultural water use.	CFB \$	-	\$	-	\$	-
On-farm water supplies and storage reduce demand on groundwater resources, increase access to irrigation to improve farm yield, and reduce runoff from agricultural lands, a significant flood reduction benefit.	FTE					0.000
2 Streamflow Rehabilitation Assistance Program						
Budgets receipts from the SERDRF for grants to support organizations working to reduce	Req \$	-	\$	20,000,000	\$	20,000,000
flooding through the restoration and maintenance of streams, waterways, and drainage	Rec \$	-	\$	20,000,000	\$	20,000,000
infrastructure across the state.	CFB \$	-	\$	-	\$	-
	FTE					0.000
otal Change to Requirements	\$	-	\$	21,000,000	\$	21,000,000
otal Change to Receipts	\$	-	\$	21,000,000	\$	21,000,000
otal Change to Net Appropriation	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
otal Change to Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)						0.00
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Recommended Fund Balance Changes (Recurring + Nonrecurring)		\$			-	
Recommended Total FTE Changes				0.000	į	

General Fund

Agriculture and Consumer Services - Land Preservation and Trust Investment (63701)

	2023 9	Session Law-Enacted	<u> </u>	2024 Legislative Session Recommended - FY 2024-25						
	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	Net	Net	Recommended	2024-25			
	Actual	Certified	Certified	Recurring	Nonrecurring	Adjustment	Revised			
Requirements	7,038,277	15,168,794	20,168,794	2,461,757	12,267,132	14,728,889	34,897,683			
Receipts	16,747,708	15,168,794	20,168,794	2,461,757	12,267,132	14,728,889	34,897,683			
Δ in Fund Balance	(9,709,431)	-	-	-	-	-	-			
Positions (FTE)	3.000	5.000	5.000			0.000	5.000			

		FY 2024	4-25	Recommende	d	
		R Changes		NR Changes		Adjustments
1 Transfer - Farmland Preservation Trust Fund						
Budgets the transfer from Budget Code 13700 for the Farmland Preservation Trust Fund.	Req	\$ 2,461,757	\$	7,500,000	\$	9,961,757
· ·	Rec	\$ 2,461,757	\$	7,500,000	\$	9,961,757
	CFB	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-
	FTE					0.000
2 Transfer - Military Partnership Easements						
Budgets the transfer from Budget Code 13700 for the Farmland Preservation Military	Req	\$ -	\$	4,767,132	\$	4,767,132
Partnership Easements.	Rec	\$ -	\$	4,767,132	\$	4,767,132
·	CFB	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-
	FTE					0.000
Total Change to Requirements		\$ 2,461,757	\$	12,267,132	\$	14,728,889
Total Change to Receipts		\$ 2,461,757	\$	12,267,132	\$	14,728,889
Total Change to Net Appropriation		\$ -	\$	-	\$	-
Total Change to Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)						0.000
Recommended Fund Balance Changes (Recurring + Nonrecurring)		\$				
Recommended Total FTE Changes				0.000)	

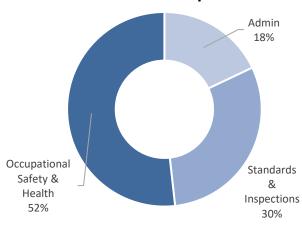
Mission

To foster a safe, healthy, fair, and productive North Carolina by providing responsive, effective, and efficient services; providing and encouraging quality education and training; administering consistently and fairly all regulatory mandates; and enhancing public confidence in the Department of Labor.

Goals

- 1. Protect the safety and health of North Carolina's workforce.
- 2. Ensure public safety by conducting timely periodic inspections of elevators, boilers, pressure vessels, amusement devices, etc.
- 3. Protect employees from labor law violations by investigating allegations of wage and hour matters and retaliatory discrimination in response to protected activity.
- 4. Improve customer service.

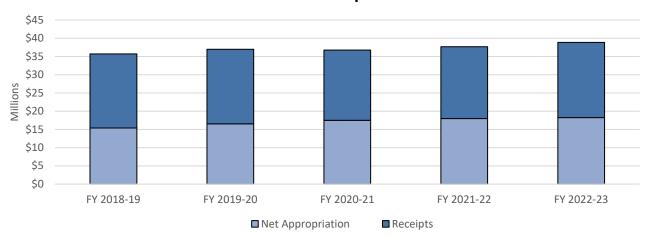
FY 2022-23 Actual Expenditures



Agency Profile

- Works to ensure the safety of employees and employers through administration of the Occupational Safety and Health (OSH) Act as well as providing education, consultation, and training opportunities.
- Sets standards and provides inspections through five bureaus: Boiler Safety; Elevator and Amusement Device; Retaliatory Employment Discrimination; Mine and Quarry; and Wage and Hour.
- Houses the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission, which hears contested OSH cases and is an independent body within the department.

5-Year Historical Expenditures



Charts include General Fund budget code only.

Department of Labor (13800)

_	2023 9	ession Law-Enacted	<u> </u>	2024 Leg	islative Session Re	commended - FY 202	24-25
	2022-23 Actual	2023-24 Certified	2024-25 Certified	Net	Net Nonrecurring	Recommended Adjustment	2024-25 Revised
				Recurring			
Requirements	43,884,963	43,902,629	44,468,963	2,187,237	1,049,002	3,236,239	47,705,202
Receipts	20,378,214	18,291,651	18,112,941	-	-	-	18,112,941
Net Appropriation	23,506,749	25,610,978	26,356,022	2,187,237	1,049,002	3,236,239	29,592,261
Positions (FTE)	377.000	370.670	370.670			1.000	371.670

					Recommende		
_			R Changes		NR Changes		Adjustment
	serve for Salaries and Benefits						
1	Compensation Increase Reserve	D 6	422.000	,		4	422.000
	Guarantees at least a 5% across-the-board increase for all state-funded employees. In addition to the 3% provided in SL 2023-134, most state employees receive an additional	Req \$ Rec \$	422,000	\$ ¢	-	\$ \$	422,000
	2%, while employees paid on an experience-based salary schedule or with a salary set in	App \$	422,000	\$		\$	422,000
	law receive an additional 3%. State agency teacher salaries are increased in accordance with the statewide salary schedules. Corresponding special provisions show additional	FTE	422,000	7		Ţ	0.000
	details on compensation increases.						
2	Position Fundshift Reserve						
	Establishes a Position Fundshift Reserve to provide the agency with additional flexibility to	Req \$ Rec \$	288,000	\$ ¢	-	\$ ¢	288,000
	manage. The agency may use these funds to fundshift a limited number of positions, in whole or in part, from receipts to net appropriation support. Fundshifting positions will	App \$	288.000	ç		ç	288,000
	free up receipts, providing much needed availability for receipt-supported compensation increases. Agencies are required to provide legislative increases to receipt-supported positions but are often not able to raise the additional revenue needed to do so.	FTE	200,000	Y		Ÿ	0.000
3	Retention Bonus Provides a \$1,000 bonus to net appropriation-supported employees and an additional \$500 bonus to employees with an annual salary of less than \$75,000. To address retention, the retention bonus will be paid in two installments with half of the bonus paid in October 2024 and half in April 2025.	Req \$ Rec \$ App \$ FTE	- - -	\$ \$	325,000 - 325,000	\$ \$	325,000 - 325,000 0.000
4	Enhanced Labor Market Retention and Adjustment Reserve	D Ć	744 000				711 000
	Addresses retention and other labor market needs by providing a reserve equal to 2% of General Fund net appropriation-supported and receipt-supported payroll. The inclusion of	Req \$	711,000	\$ ¢	-	\$ ¢	711,000
	funds for receipt-supported positions provides flexibility to agencies to address labor	App \$	711,000	ç		\$	711,000
	market concerns across all positions regardless of funding source. Agencies may use these funds to address turnover, equity, and compression and to adjust salaries to better compete for and retain talent. Among state agencies, 90% of previous LMAR recipients are still employed with their LMAR-awarding agency compared to 76% of non-recipients.	FTE	711,000	Ψ		Υ	0.000
5	Retiree Cost-of-Living Adjustment Provides a 3% one-time retiree supplement in FY 2024-25 for over 240,000 retired	Reg \$	-	\$	720,502	\$	720,502
	members and survivors of deceased members.	Rec \$	-	\$,-32	\$,-32
		App \$	-	\$	720,502		720,502 0.000
Ad	ministration	FIL					0.000
6	Administrative Positions						
	Fundshifts 4.64 positions currently funded by departmental receipts to General Fund net	Req \$	466,825	\$	-	\$	466,825
	appropriations. This will allow the department to address increased operational costs and $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) \left(1\right$	Rec \$	-	\$	-	\$	-
	retain employees currently supported by boiler and elevator inspection receipts.	App \$	466,825	\$	-	\$	466,825
		FTE					0.000

		R Changes	NR Changes	3	Adjustments
7 Internal Auditor					
Funds an Internal Audit Manager as recommended by the Council of Internal Auditing. This	Req	\$ 169,880	\$ 3,500	\$	173,380
position will oversee the delivery of current workload and ensure the office has at least	Rec	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-
two internal auditors. Regardless of budget size, the Council of Internal Auditing	App	\$ 169,880	\$ 3,500	\$	173,380
recommends that all agencies have at least two auditors for quality assurance and review purposes. Additional audit staff will improve efficiency, effectiveness, and compliance with	FTE				1.000
state laws and internal policies within the agency.					
Occupational Safety and Health					
8 Legal Services					
Supports an attorney within the Attorney General's (AG) Office to redistribute the	Req	\$ 129,532	\$ -	\$	129,532
workload in the AG's Labor Section to reduce the growing backlog of labor cases.	Rec	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-
	Арр	\$ 129,532	\$ -	\$	129,532
	FTE				0.000
Total Change to Requirements		\$ 2,187,237	\$ 1,049,002	\$	3,236,239
Total Change to Receipts		\$ -	\$ -	\$	-
Total Change to Net Appropriation		\$ 2,187,237	\$ 1,049,002	\$	3,236,239
Total Change to Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)					1.000
Recommended Net Appropriation Changes (Recurring + Nonrecurring)		\$	3,236,239)	
Recommended Total FTE Changes			1.000)	

Admin, Customer

Service, & Reserves

14%

Air,

Energy &

Land

5%

Coastal,

Estuary &

Marine

17%

Waste

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Mission

To provide science-based environmental stewardship for the health and prosperity of North Carolinians.

Goals

- Promote and ensure environmental stewardship and provide technical, compliance, permit and financial assistance to meet or exceed regulatory requirements and prevent pollution.
- 2. Create a working environment where employees are empowered to be active participants in developing science-based solutions to protect public health and the environment.
- 3. Modernize and streamline internal processes and foster innovation to provide enhanced public service, increase transparency, and strengthen partnerships to serve the people and businesses of North Carolina.
- 4. Ensure fair treatment and meaningful involvement of all people regardless of race, color, national origin, or income with respect to the development, implementation, and enforcement of laws, regulations, and policies.

Water

Infrastructure

37%

- 5. Address climate change impacts through equitable and just engagement, accounting, mitigation efforts, and resiliency strategies.
- 6. Protect North Carolinians from exposures to emerging compounds using transparent and sciencebased decision-making.
- 7. Strengthen North Carolina's infrastructure through thoughtful and strategic investments.

Agency Profile

- Protects, conserves, manages, and restores North Carolina's environmental resources through planning, permitting, education, law enforcement, and research.
- Provides grants and technical assistance to local communities to improve air, land, and water quality as well as support energy efficiency through natural and built infrastructure investments.

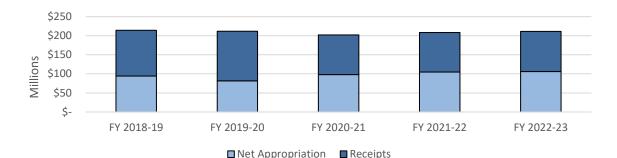
5-Year Historical Expenditures

Management 9%

FY 2022-23 Actual Expenditures

Water

18%



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Department of Environmental Quality (14300)

_	2023	Session Law-Enacted	<u> </u>	2024 Legislative Session Recommended - FY 2024-25					
	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	Net	Net	Recommended	2024-25		
	Actual	Certified	Certified	Recurring	Nonrecurring	Adjustment	Revised		
Requirements	211,205,380	312,486,149	299,399,902	11,186,377	107,865,627	119,052,004	418,451,906		
Receipts	105,553,462	203,784,374	189,844,998	-	-	-	189,844,998		
Net Appropriation	105,651,917	108,701,775	109,554,904	11,186,377	107,865,627	119,052,004	228,606,908		
Positions (FTE)	1,141.871	1,172.946	1,172.946			14.000	1,186.946		

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			R Changes		NR Changes		Adjustment
	erve for Salaries and Benefits						
1	Compensation Increase Reserve Guarantees at least a 5% across-the-board increase for all state-funded employees. In addition to the 3% provided in SL 2023-134, most state employees receive an additional	Req \$ Rec \$	1,049,000	\$ \$	-	\$ \$	1,049,000
	2%, while employees paid on an experience-based salary schedule or with a salary set in law receive an additional 3%. State agency teacher salaries are increased in accordance with the statewide salary schedules. Corresponding special provisions show additional details on compensation increases.	App \$ FTE	1,049,000	\$	-	\$	1,049,000 0.000
2	Position Fundshift Reserve Establishes a Position Fundshift Reserve to provide the agency with additional flexibility to manage. The agency may use these funds to fundshift a limited number of positions, in	Req \$ Rec \$	400,000	\$ \$	-	\$ \$	400,000
	whole or in part, from receipts to net appropriation support. Fundshifting positions will free up receipts, providing much needed availability for receipt-supported compensation increases. Agencies are required to provide legislative increases to receipt-supported positions but are often not able to raise the additional revenue needed to do so.	App \$ FTE	400,000	\$	-	\$	400,000 0.000
3	Retention Bonus Provides a \$1,000 bonus to net appropriation-supported employees and an additional \$500 bonus to employees with an annual salary of less than \$75,000. To address retention,		- -	\$	868,000 -	\$	868,000 -
	the retention bonus will be paid in two installments with half of the bonus paid in October 2024 and half in April 2025.	App \$ FTE	-	\$	868,000	\$	868,000 0.000
4	Enhanced Labor Market Retention and Adjustment Reserve Addresses retention and other labor market needs by providing a reserve equal to 2% of	Req \$	1,450,000	\$	_	\$	1,450,000
	General Fund net appropriation-supported and receipt-supported payroll. The inclusion of			\$	-	\$	-
	funds for receipt-supported positions provides flexibility to agencies to address labor market concerns across all positions regardless of funding source. Agencies may use these funds to address turnover, equity, and compression and to adjust salaries to better compete for and retain talent. Among state agencies, 90% of previous LMAR recipients are still employed with their LMAR-awarding agency compared to 76% of non-recipients.	App \$ FTE	1,450,000	\$	-	\$	1,450,000 0.000
5	Retiree Cost-of-Living Adjustment Provides a 3% one-time retiree supplement in FY 2024-25 for over 240,000 retired	Req \$	_	\$	148,127	\$	148.127
	members and survivors of deceased members.	Rec \$		\$	0,127	\$	0,12,
De	partment-wide	App \$ FTE	=	\$	148,127	\$	148,127 0.000
6	Effective and Efficient Program Management						
	Funds critical positions, including auditors and programmatic staff, needed to evaluate and streamline agency operations and manage federal funding requirements. The three	Rec \$	609,966	\$	17,500 -	\$	627,466 -
	Internal Auditors will ensure compliance with the NC Internal Audit Act and federal funding requirements. The two positions for the State Energy Office will assist with administering the significant federal investment managed by that office.	App \$ FTE	609,966	\$	17,500	\$	627,466 5.000

			R Changes	3	NR Changes		Adjustments
7	Emerging Compounds						
	Sets aside funds for the department to assist drinking water systems in complying with new federal drinking water Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) standards and to	Req \$ Rec \$	-	\$ \$	100,000,000	\$ \$	100,000,000
	address gaps in available federal funding for PFAS remediation. This funding will help to protect public health by identifying, reducing, and mitigating PFAS pollution in drinking water. These funds will be transferred to a special fund.	App \$ FTE	-	\$	100,000,000	\$	100,000,000
8	Emerging Compounds Sampling & Technical Assistance Establishes a technical assistance program to support industry and municipalities as they implement treatment and management programs to prevent the release of PFAS into the	Req \$ Rec \$	2,250,000	\$ \$	750,000 -	\$	3,000,000
	environment and to remove PFAS from drinking water supplies. This will help to protect communities by identifying, reducing, and remediating PFAS pollution. These funds will also support additional capacity to analyze samples in-house, improving turnaround time and customer services.	App \$ FTE	2,250,000	\$	750,000	\$	3,000,000 0.000
Div 9	ison of Air Quality Position Fund Shift						
9	Fundshifts 6.5 positions to net appropriations. This will allow the division to maintain federally required activities such as timely completion of permit needs for economic	Req \$ Rec \$	962,577 -	\$ \$	-	\$ \$	962,577 -
	development. The division is over 97% receipts and grants funded but grants and fee revenue are stagnant.	App \$ FTE	962,577	\$	-	\$	962,577 0.000
10	Circular Economy Grants Provides funds to support the Waste Reduction Partners program, which pairs retired	Req \$	200,000	\$	-	\$	200,000
	engineers with businesses that are seeking to reduce their energy, water, and waste costs.		200,000	\$ \$	-	\$	200,000
	This funding will help replace a discontinued federal grant through the Land of Sky Regional Council for \$116,000 and allow the division to expand collaboration and cost-saving technical assistance for the business community.	App \$ FTE	200,000	Þ	-	Ş	0.000
	ision of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources Hazardous Dam Loans						
	Enables key safety repairs to North Carolina's dams by establishing positions in the	Req \$	269,182	\$	7,000		276,182
	division. The positions will leverage an estimated \$50 million in federal funds to administer a loan program. Administrative costs are a disallowed use for these federal funds.	Rec \$ App \$ FTE	269,182	\$	7,000	\$	276,182 2.000
12	Stormwater Permitting Capacity						
	Addresses increased demand for stormwater permits, and reduced turn-around times for new permits to 70 days, in the Wilmington Regional Office by adding two new positions	Req \$ Rec \$	670,652	\$ \$	-	\$ \$	670,652
	and converting three temporary positions to permanent. As of January 2024, there is an estimated backlog of 350 stormwater permits with a growing number of new permits exceeding existing staff capacity in high growth counties and coastal regions.	App \$	670,652	\$	-	\$	670,652 5.000
	ision of Waste Management						
13	Bernard Allen Fund Invests in the Bernard Allen Fund to ensure households, especially those in rural and	Req \$	3,000,000	\$	-	\$	3,000,000
	underserved communities, have clean drinking water. The division anticipates an increase	Rec \$	- 2 000 000	\$	-	\$	- 2 000 000
	in federal sampling requirements for drinking water, which will increase demand from the Bernard Allen Fund.	App \$ FTE	3,000,000	\$	-	\$	3,000,000
14	Superfund Matching Funds Meets the state's 10% cost share obligation to leverage \$10 million in federal funds to	Req \$	-	\$	1,000,000	\$	1,000,000
	support cleanup of the most polluted sites in the state and promote economic growth for	Rec \$		\$	1 000 000	\$	-
	sites on the federal National Priorities List for cleanup. These funds will be transferred to budget code 64305.	App \$ FTE	-	>	1,000,000	\$	1,000,000 0.000

Creates a position to administer and enforce the new Utility-Scale Solar Management Req Program requirements established by SL 2023-58. This funding will allow this program to operate as intended with timely permit processing and customer service. App FTE Vision of Water Resources Recreational Water Quality Assessment and Response Increases the ability of the division to assess and communicate water quality safety information to communities in western North Carolina by adding a position and operating support. The information the Water Quality Program provides is vital to the local economy. App FTE Vision of Coastal Management Coastal Resiliency Supports coastal resilience by providing funds to strengthen the application for \$68.5 Req million from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. The NC Coastal Rec Federation and the Division of Coastal Management have partnered on this funding opportunity. These funds will support investments in living shorelines, the Resilient Coastal FTE	\$ \$ \$ \$	200,000 - 200,000 125,000 - 125,000	\$ \$	75,000 - 75,000	\$ \$ \$ \$	200,000
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Communities Program, stormwater improvements, and land conservation to protect						
against extreme weather in the 20 coastal counties.						
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ecommended Net Appropriation Changes (Recurring + Nonrecurring)	\$			119,052,004		
ecommended Total FTE Changes	τ			14.000		

Environmental Quality - Special (24300)

_	2023 :	Session Law-Enacte	<u>d</u>	2024 Leg	islative Session Re	commended - FY 2	024-25
			2024-25	Net	Net	Recommended	2024-25
	Actual	Certified	Certified	Recurring	Nonrecurring	Adjustment	Revised
Requirements	78,552,142	124,354,880	122,448,534	-	4,000,000	4,000,000	126,448,534
Receipts	109,899,741	114,680,063	114,071,717	-	4,000,000	4,000,000	118,071,717
Δ in Fund Balance	(31,347,598)	(9,674,817)	(8,376,817)	-	-	-	(8,376,817)
Positions (FTE)	203.519	211.062	211.062			0.000	211.062

		FY 2024-2	5 Recommended	
		R Changes	NR Changes	Adjustments
Division of Mitigation Services				
1 Flood Resiliency Blueprint				
Provides funds from the State Emergency Response and Disaster Relief Fund (SERDRF) to	Req \$	- \$	4,000,000 \$	4,000,000
support resiliency projects across eastern North Carolina. These funds will allow the	Rec \$	- \$	4,000,000 \$	4,000,000
division to model the impact from storm surge, king tides, and other coastal events on	CFB \$	- \$	- \$	-
flooding. This is a current gap in the NC Flood Resiliency Blueprint efforts.	FTE			0.000
Total Change to Requirements	\$	- \$	4,000,000 \$	4,000,000
Total Change to Receipts	\$	- \$	4,000,000 \$	4,000,000
Total Change to Net Appropriation	\$	- \$	- \$	-
Total Change to Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)				0.000
Recommended Fund Balance Changes (Recurring + Nonrecurring)	\$		-	
Recommended Total FTE Changes			0.000	

Environmental Quality - Special General Fund - Interest Bearing (24318)

_	2023 S	ession Law-Enacted		2024 Leg	islative Session Re	commended - FY 2	024-25
	2022-23 Actual	2023-24 Certified	2024-25 Certified	Net Recurring	Net Nonrecurring	Recommended Adjustment	2024-25 Revised
Requirements	2,714,485	7,331,375	7,031,375	3,000,000	-	3,000,000	10,031,375
Receipts	2,571,353	7,393,112	7,093,112	3,000,000	-	3,000,000	10,093,112
Δ in Fund Balance	143,131	61,737	61,737	-	-	-	61,737
Positions (FTE)	2.230	1.730	1.730			0.000	1.730

	FY 2024-25 Recommended						
		R Changes	3	NR Change	S	Adjustments	
1 Emerging Compounds							
Budgets an additional transfer from the General Fund (Budget Code 14300) for the	Reg \$	3,000,000	\$	-	\$	3,000,000	
Bernard Allen Drinking Water Fund to address the increased need for emergency drinking	Rec \$	3,000,000	\$	-	\$	3,000,000	
water supplies resulting from emerging contaminants, such as PFAS.	CFB \$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
	FTE					0.000	
Total Change to Requirements	\$	3,000,000	\$	_	\$	3,000,000	
Total Change to Receipts	\$	3,000,000	\$	-	\$	3,000,000	
Total Change to Net Appropriation	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
Total Change to Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)						0.000	
Recommended Fund Balance Changes (Recurring + Nonrecurring)	ç	;			-		
Recommended Total FTE Changes				0.000	0		

Environmental Quality - Waste Management Cleanup (64305)

_	2023 S	ession Law-Enacted	<u> </u>	2024 Leg	2024 Legislative Session Recommended - FY 2				
	2022-23 2023-24 2024-25		Net	Net	Recommended	2024-25			
	Actual	Certified	Certified	Recurring	Nonrecurring	Adjustment	Revised		
Requirements	33,311,064	48,961,365	49,101,365	=	1,000,000	1,000,000	50,101,365		
Receipts	43,355,417	44,187,446	44,327,446	-	1,000,000	1,000,000	45,327,446		
Δ in Fund Balance	(10,044,354)	(4,773,919)	(4,773,919)	-	-	-	(4,773,919)		
Positions (FTE)	30.750	39.050	39.050			0.000	39.050		

	FY 2024-25 Recommended					
		R Changes	NR Changes	Adjustments		
4. Consent and Marketine Founds						
1 Superfund Matching Funds						
Budgets the transfer of funds from Budget Code 14300 for Superfund Matching Funds.	Req \$	- \$	1,000,000 \$	1,000,000		
	Rec \$	- \$	1,000,000 \$	1,000,000		
	CFB \$	- \$	- \$	-		
	FTE			0.000		
Total Change to Requirements	\$	- \$	1,000,000 \$	1,000,000		
Total Change to Receipts	\$	- \$	1,000,000 \$	1,000,000		
Total Change to Net Appropriation	\$	- \$	- \$	-		
Total Change to Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)				0.000		
Recommended Fund Balance Changes (Recurring + Nonrecurring)	\$					
Recommended Total FTE Changes			0.000			

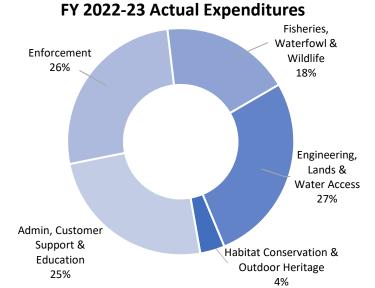
WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION

Mission

To conserve North Carolina's wildlife resources and their habitats and provide programs and opportunities that allow hunters, anglers, boaters, and outdoor enthusiasts to enjoy wildlife-associated recreation.

Goals

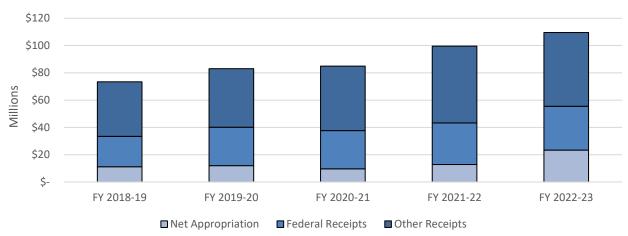
- Ensure North Carolinians have the opportunity for safe and readily available participation in hunting, fishing, boating and other wildlife-related activities.
- 2. Expand the constituency base by providing and promoting opportunities for everyone to experience the state's wildlife resources.
- 3. Conserve and enhance the abundance and diversity of North Carolina's fish and wildlife.
- 4. Be recognized as a leader in sustaining working lands, conserving wildlife habitats and diversity, and maintaining the hunting and fishing heritage of North Carolina.
- 5. Communicate, educate, and market wildlife conservation and management.



Agency Profile

- Conserves and sustains the state's fish and wildlife resources through research, scientific management, wise use, and public input.
- Administers and enforces North Carolina fishing, hunting, trapping, and boating laws.
- Owns and operates 72 game lands of over 500,000 acres and manages an additional 1.6 million acres through cooperative agreements for wildlife management and conservation.
- Manages over 250 boating access areas, 260 public fishing areas, nine shooting ranges, and six fish hatcheries to provide opportunity and access to the public.

5-Year Historial Expenditures



Charts include General Fund budget code only.

Wildlife Resources Commission (14350)

-	2023	Session Law-Enacted	<u> </u>	2024 Leg	islative Session Re	commended - FY 20	24-25
	2022-23 Actual	2023-24 Certified	2024-25 Certified	Net Recurring	Net Nonrecurring	Recommended Adjustment	2024-25 Revised
Requirements	109,522,273	114,715,321	98,586,402	2,525,880	598,787	3,124,667	101,711,069
Receipts	86,135,002	96,502,052	81,855,762	-	-	-	81,855,762
Net Appropriation	23,387,271	18,213,269	16,730,640	2,525,880	598,787	3,124,667	19,855,307
Positions (FTE)	655.000	694.000	694.000			1.000	695.000

				FY 2024-25 Recommended					
				R Changes		NR Changes		Adjustments	
Rese	rve for Salaries and Benefits								
	Compensation Increase Reserve	_							
	Guarantees at least a 5% across-the-board increase for all state-funded employees. In	Req		272,000		-	\$	272,000	
	addition to the 3% provided in SL 2023-134, most state employees receive an additional	Rec App	_	272,000	\$		\$	272,000	
,	2%, while employees paid on an experience-based salary schedule or with a salary set in law receive an additional 3%. State agency teacher salaries are increased in accordance with the statewide salary schedules. Corresponding special provisions show additional details on compensation increases.	FTE		272,000	Ţ		Ţ	0.000	
	Position Fundshift Reserve Establishes a Position Fundshift Reserve to provide the agency with additional flexibility to	Req	Ś	906,000	\$	-	Ś	906,000	
	manage. The agency may use these funds to fundshift a limited number of positions, in	Rec		-	\$	-	\$	-	
,	whole or in part, from receipts to net appropriation support. Fundshifting positions will	App	\$	906,000	\$	-	\$	906,000	
	free up receipts, providing much needed availability for receipt-supported compensation increases. Agencies are required to provide legislative increases to receipt-supported positions but are often not able to raise the additional revenue needed to do so.	FTE						0.000	
	Retention Bonus Provides a \$1,000 bonus to net appropriation-supported employees and an additional \$500 bonus to employees with an annual salary of less than \$75,000. To address retention,	Req Rec		-	\$	228,000	\$ \$	228,000	
	the retention bonus will be paid in two installments with half of the bonus paid in October	App	_		Ś	228,000		228,000	
	2024 and half in April 2025.	FTE			*	223,000	*	0.000	
4	Enhanced Labor Market Retention and Adjustment Reserve								
	Addresses retention and other labor market needs by providing a reserve equal to 2% of	Req		1,178,000	\$	-	\$	1,178,000	
	General Fund net appropriation-supported and receipt-supported payroll. The inclusion of			4 470 000	\$	-	\$	- 4 470 000	
	funds for receipt-supported positions provides flexibility to agencies to address labor market concerns across all positions regardless of funding source. Agencies may use these funds to address turnover, equity, and compression and to adjust salaries to better compete for and retain talent. Among state agencies, 90% of previous LMAR recipients are still employed with their LMAR-awarding agency compared to 76% of non-recipients.	App FTE		1,178,000	\$	-	Ş	1,178,000 0.000	
	Retiree Cost-of-Living Adjustment Provides a 3% one-time retiree supplement in FY 2024-25 for over 240,000 retired members and survivors of deceased members.	Req Rec		-	\$	367,287	\$	367,287	
	members and survivors of deceased members.	App			\$	367,287	\$	367,287	
		FTE			7	307,207	Ţ	0.000	
Depa	rtment-wide	_							
	Internal Auditor								
	Funds an Internal Audit Manager as recommended by the Council of Internal Auditing. This			169,880		3,500		173,380	
	position will oversee the delivery of current workload and ensure the office has at least	Rec		160.000	\$	- 2 500	\$	472.255	
	two internal auditors. Regardless of budget size, the Council of Internal Auditing recommends that all agencies have at least two auditors for quality assurance and review purposes. Additional audit staff will improve efficiency, effectiveness, and compliance with state laws and internal policies within the agency.	App FTE		169,880	\$	3,500	\$	173,380 1.000	

	R Changes	NR Changes	Adjustments
Total Change to Requirements	\$ 2,525,880 \$	598,787 \$	3,124,667
Total Change to Receipts	\$ - \$	- \$	-
Total Change to Net Appropriation	\$ 2,525,880 \$	598,787 \$	3,124,667
Total Change to Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)			1.000
Recommended Net Appropriation Changes (Recurring + Nonrecurring)	\$	3,124,667	
Recommended Total FTE Changes		1.000	

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Mission

To improve the economic well-being and quality of life for all North Carolinians.

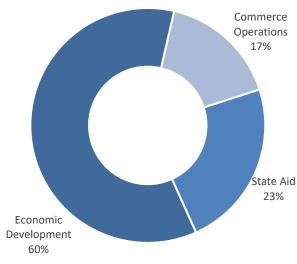
Goals

- 1. To support the growth of North Carolina's economy.
- 2. To increase the efficiency of the Department of Commerce's programs and service delivery.
- 3. Provide high quality services to businesses, individuals, and communities.

Agency Profile

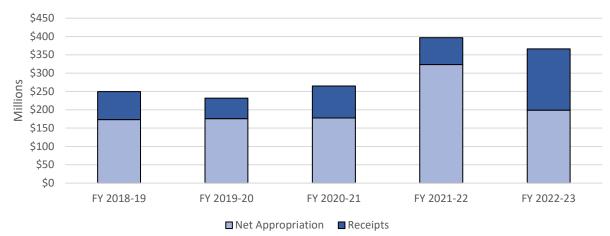
 Comprises six main divisions: Employment Security; Economic Development Incentives, Labor and Economic Analysis; Rural Economic Development; Science, Technology & Innovation; and Workforce Solutions. The agency has four internal divisions: Business Technology Services; Fiscal Management; Human Resources; and Procurement.

FY 2022-23 Actual Expenditures



- Connects businesses with site locations, workforce, and infrastructure needed to be set up for success; connects local communities with the grants and funding they need to attract new business and ensure future prosperity.
- Administers the state's economic incentives program and publishes data, statistics, information, and reports for those interested in North Carolina's economy.
- Contracts services from the Economic Development Partnership of North Carolina to market North Carolina as a business and visitor destination.

5-Year Historical Expenditures *



Charts include General Fund budget codes only.

*FY 2021-22 & 2022-23 received substantial non-recurring funds for Economic Development and State Aid.

Department of Commerce (14600)

-	2023 9	ession Law-Enacted	<u> </u>	2024 Legislative Session Recommended - FY 2024-25					
	2022-23 Actual	2023-24 Certified	2024-25 Certified	Net Recurring	Net Nonrecurring	Recommended Adjustment	2024-25 Revised		
Requirements	60,217,348	78,464,778	79,023,677	33,986,000	6,613,312	40,599,312	119,622,989		
Receipts	46,897,914	63,902,400	63,773,455	6,900,000	3,000,000	9,900,000	73,673,455		
Net Appropriation	13,319,433	14,562,378	15,250,222	27,086,000	3,613,312	30,699,312	45,949,534		
Positions (FTE)	171.051	179.357	181.357			12.000	193.357		

		FY 202	24-25	Recommende	d	
		R Changes		NR Changes		Adjustments
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		212,000		-		212,000
		212 000				212,000
		212,000	۲		۲	0.000
with the statewide salary schedules. Corresponding special provisions show additional details on compensation increases.						0.000
Position Fundshift Reserve Establishes a Position Fundshift Reserve to provide the agency with additional flexibility to	Req \$	117,000	\$	-	\$	117,000
manage. The agency may use these funds to fundshift a limited number of positions, in	Rec \$	-	\$	-	\$	-
whole or in part, from receipts to net appropriation support. Fundshifting positions will free up receipts, providing much needed availability for receipt-supported compensation increases. Agencies are required to provide legislative increases to receipt-supported positions but are often not able to raise the additional revenue needed to do so.	App \$ FTE	117,000	\$	-	\$	117,000 0.000
the retention bonus will be paid in two installments with half of the bonus paid in October	App \$	-	\$ \$	171,000 - 171,000	\$ \$ \$	171,000 - 171,000 0.000
Enhanced Labor Market Retention and Adjustment Reserve Addresses retention and other labor market needs by providing a reserve equal to 2% of	Req \$	330,000	\$	-	\$	330,000
		330,000	<u>۶</u>	-	<u>۶</u>	330,000
market concerns across all positions provides flexibility to agencies to address labor market concerns across all positions regardless of funding source. Agencies may use these funds to address turnover, equity, and compression and to adjust salaries to better compete for and retain talent. Among state agencies, 90% of previous LMAR recipients are still employed with their LMAR-awarding agency compared to 76% of non-recipients.	FTE	330,000	Þ	-	ş	0.000
Retiree Cost-of-Living Adjustment Provides a 3% one-time retiree supplement in FY 2024-25 for over 240,000 retired	Req \$	-	\$	92,312		92,312
members and survivors of deceased members.		-		- 02 242		- 02 242
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ministration	FIL					0.000
Southeast U.S. (SEUS)/Japan Conference 2024						
Budgets funds from the Economic Development Project Reserve (EDPR) to invest in the	Req \$	-	\$	1,000,000	\$	1,000,000
annual joint meeting of the Southeast U.S. Japan Association. The conference serves as a	Rec \$	-	\$	1,000,000	\$	1,000,000
marketing opportunity for Noth Carolina (NC) to attract additional Japanese business	App \$	-	\$	-	\$	-
investment. Japan is the number one foreign investor in NC.	FTE					0.000
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7	NC Certified Sites Due Diligence						
•	Provides funds for local government grants to reimburse expenses associated with the due	Req	\$	2,000,000	\$ -	\$	2,000,000
	diligence required to certify, or recertify, a site as part of the NC Certified Sites Program.	Rec	_	-	\$ -	\$	-
	The average cost to have a 100-acre site certified is \$100,000. This support will enable smaller sites to be completed in communities that do not currently have a site supported by the Megasite or SelectSite programs.	App FTE	\$	2,000,000	\$ -	\$	2,000,000 0.000
	ice of Science and Technology						
8	NC Defense Innovation Network Budgets funds from the EDPR to establish the Defense Innovation Network. The network	Req	¢	_	\$ 2,000,000	\$	2,000,000
	will work to increase federal funding for the state's defense innovation economy. North	Rec		-	\$ 2,000,000	\$	2,000,000
	Carolina lags in defense research and development contracts relative to defense-related personnel, ranking 26th in contracts but 4th in personnel. Funds will support a strategic defense review council, a virtual business accelerator, information and education resources, and grants for defense-focused companies.	App		-	\$ -	\$	0.000
	rkforce Development						
9	Business Services Representatives Budgets the transfer of funds from the Strategic Workforce Trust (SWFT) fund for one	Req	¢	1,200,000	\$	\$	1,200,000
	Business Services Representative per Prosperity Zone. These positions will work to	Rec		1,200,000	\$ -	ب \$	1,200,000
	establish apprenticeships and work-based learning opportunities. The National Association	App		-	\$ -	\$	-
	of Colleges and Employers research indicates work-based programs assist in securing talent in entry-level positions and improve retainment of that talent.	FTE					8.000
10	Job Coaches for Priority Populations Budgets funds from the SWFT fund for Job Placement Coaches at local career centers. The	Req	\$	5,000,000	\$ -	\$	5,000,000
	coaches will serve as recruiters and provide outreach to connect talent to businesses. The	Rec		5,000,000	\$ -	\$	5,000,000
	coaches will focus on supporting people with barriers to employment, including but not	App	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-
	limited to veterans, justice-involved individuals, public assistance recipients, and jobseekers in marginalized communities.	FTE					0.000
11	Credential Certification Capacity Moves the Credential Certification program, which works to increase the attainment of	Req	\$	300,000	\$ -	\$	300,000
	industry-valued credentials, from my FutureNC to the Division of Workforce Solutions and $\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \left($	Rec		300,000	\$ -	\$	300,000
	budgets SWFT funds for positions to manage the program. Increased credential attainment results in more North Carolinians earning a living wage and leads to more productive businesses by strengthening their competitiveness.	App FTE	\$	-	\$ -	\$	2.000
12	Youth Works Provides funding for the establishment of a rural youth apprenticeship program across five	Req	\$	-	\$ 3,250,000	\$	3,250,000
	regions based on the successful model developed by Surry and Yadkin counties. The	Rec		-	\$ -	\$	-
	Department of Commerce will administer these funds. After the initial two years, local authorities will be expected to take responsibility for continued funding of successful programs. A portion of these funds shall be used for continuing evaluation of the program's impact on youth job outcomes.	App FTE	\$	-	\$ 3,250,000	\$	3,250,000 0.000
13	Whole System Apprenticeships Model Funds three positions, one each at the Departments of Commerce and Public Instruction	Req		133,000	\$ -	\$	133,000
	and one at ApprenticeshipsNC, to develop a streamlined, 'whole system' model of	Rec		-	\$ -	\$	
	apprenticeships from high school through higher education, leveraging funds provided by the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act and other sources.	App FTE	\$	133,000	\$ -	\$	133,000 1.000

			R Changes		NR Changes	;	Adjustments
14 Clean Energy Workforce Development							
Establishes one position to better enable North Carolina to compete in the estimated \$14	Req	\$	144,000	\$	_	\$	144,000
billion, cross-sector clean energy market. These funds will allow the department to design	Rec		, -	\$	-	\$	
high-quality, data-driven programming to help meet training needs of the changing clean energy economy workforce.	App FTE	\$	144,000	\$	-	\$	144,000 1.000
Child Care							
15 Employer Child Care Match Grant							
Provides funds to create a pilot matching grant program to support the business	Req		24,150,000	\$	-	\$	24,150,000
community's efforts to increase child care access. Grants will be used to match business	Rec	_	-	\$	-	\$	-
contributions to eligible employees' Dependent Care Flexible Spending Accounts (DCFSA). This pilot program will contribute a state match up to \$2,500 to eligible participants' DCFSAs, increasing child care access and affordability for over 10,000 families. These pretax funds can be used to pay for eligible dependent care services including child care, Pre-K, and after-school programs. A portion of these funds shall be retained to evaluate the pilot.	App FTE	\$	24,150,000	\$	-	Þ	24,150,000 0.000
16 Employer Benefit Study Provides nonrecurring funds to the department to inventory employee and family-friendly benefits, including the expected per employee cost of providing the benefit. In addition,	Req Rec		-	\$	100,000	\$ \$	100,000
the study should include a summary of benefits currently provided by NC employers and the viability of providing enhanced economic development incentives to grant recipients which provide certain employee and family-friendly benefits.	App FTE	_	-	\$	100,000	\$	100,000 0.000
Commerce Finance Center 17 Major Events, Games, and Attractions							
Budgets funds from the Major Events, Games, and Attraction Fund for the Commerce	Req	\$	400,000	\$	-	\$	400,000
Finance Center to administer the program including processing of applications, thorough	Rec	\$	400,000	\$	-	\$	400,000
economic analysis, real-time monitoring during events, and post-award auditing.	App FTE	\$	-	\$	-	\$	0.000
Total Change to Requirements		\$	33,986,000	\$	6,613,312	\$	40,599,312
Total Change to Receipts		\$	6,900,000	\$	3,000,000	\$	9,900,000
Total Change to Net Appropriation Total Change to Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)		\$	27,086,000	\$	3,613,312	\$	30,699,312 12.000
Recommended Net Appropriation Changes (Recurring + Nonrecurring)		\$			30,699,312	<u>.</u>	
Recommended Total FTE Changes					12.000)	

Commerce - General State Aid (14601)

_	2023	Session Law-Enacted	<u> </u>	2024 Leg	2024 Legislative Session Recommended - FY 2024-25					
	2022-23 Actual	2023-24 Certified	2024-25 Certified	Net Recurring	Net Nonrecurring	Recommended Adjustment	2024-25 Revised			
Requirements	84,986,721	296,505,810	280,005,810	1,500,000	(251,500,000)	(250,000,000)	30,005,810			
Receipts	63,280,911	267,000,000	250,000,000	-	(250,000,000)	(250,000,000)	-			
Net Appropriation	21,705,810	29,505,810	30,005,810	1,500,000	(1,500,000)	-	30,005,810			
Positions (FTE)	0.000	0.000	0.000			0.000	0.000			

		FY 20	24-2	5 Recommende	d	
		R Changes		NR Changes		Adjustment
1 NCInnovation						
Eliminates the nonrecurring appropriation for NCInnovation and repurposes the funds to	Req	\$ -	\$	(250,000,000)	\$	(250,000,000
strengthen the state's economy by investing in child care workforce, infrastructure, and	Rec	\$ -	\$	(250,000,000)	\$	(250,000,000
access.	Арр	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-
	FTE					0.00
2 National Institute of Minority Economic Development						
Provides recurring funds to the National Institute of Minority Economic Development for	Req	\$ 1,500,000	\$	(1,500,000)	\$	-
technical assistance and counseling to minority and women-owned businesses, which are	Rec	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-
often small businesses. Minority owned businesses face lower revenues, profit margins,	App	\$ 1,500,000	\$	(1,500,000)	\$	-
and cash liquidity than non-minority owned businesses and are more likely to close within	FTE					0.00
the first three years after opening.						
Total Change to Requirements		\$ 1,500,000	\$	(251,500,000)	\$	(250,000,000
Total Change to Receipts		\$ -	\$	(250,000,000)	\$	(250,000,000
Total Change to Net Appropriation		\$ 1,500,000	\$	(1,500,000)	\$	-
Total Change to Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)						0.00
Recommended Net Appropriation Changes (Recurring + Nonrecurring)		\$		-		
Recommended Total FTE Changes				0.000		

Commerce - Economic Development (14602)

_	2023 :	Session Law-Enacted	<u> </u>	2024 Legislative Session Recommended - FY 2024-25					
	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	Net	Net	Recommended	2024-25		
	Actual	Certified	Certified	Recurring	Nonrecurring	Adjustment	Revised		
Requirements	442,136,472	169,933,054	283,768,245	11,000,000	88,000,000	99,000,000	382,768,245		
Receipts	113,840,000	39,720,000	125,420,000	10,000,000	78,000,000	88,000,000	213,420,000		
Net Appropriation	328,296,472	130,213,054	158,348,245	1,000,000	10,000,000	11,000,000	169,348,245		
Positions (FTE)	0.000	0.000	0.000			0.000	0.000		

				FY 2024-25 Recommended Changes NR Changes				
			R Changes		NR Changes	3	Adjustment	
NC Job	b Ready Grants							
	les funds for work-based learning services to enhance economic development	Req \$	7,500,000	\$	-	\$	7,500,000	
projec	ts. These grants will fund customized training to upskill current employees in	Rec \$	7,500,000	\$	-	\$	7,500,000	
target	ed industry sectors. Funding will come from the SWFT fund.	App \$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
		FTE					0.00	
	Innovation Technical Assistance Grants							
	les funds for grants to assist with innovative workforce development training and	Req \$	2,500,000	\$	-	\$	2,500,000	
	tion projects focused on under-resourced populations. These grants will allow Local	Rec \$	2,500,000	\$	-	\$	2,500,000	
	Norkforce Development Boards to address common workforce recruitment nges with innovative approaches. Funding will come from the SWFT fund.	App \$ FTE	-	\$	-	\$	0.000	
	Transformation Grants							
	les additional Rural Transformation Grants program funding to support local	Req \$	-	\$	10,000,000	\$	10,000,000	
-	nment downtown revitalization, resilient neighborhood development, and small	Rec \$	-	\$	- 10 000 000	\$ \$	- 10 000 000	
areas.	ess stabilization projects. These projects will increase economic development in rural In FY 2022-23, the demand for grants of more than \$169 million in eligible projects exceeded the \$48M in available funding.	App \$ FTE	-	\$	10,000,000	>	10,000,000 0.000	
Foster	IC Small Business s job creation and economic development by helping North Carolina small esses obtain and leverage highly competitive funding from the federal Small Business	Req \$ Rec \$	1,000,000	\$ \$	8,000,000 8,000,000	\$ \$	9,000,000 8,000,000	
Innova Nonre	ative Research (SBIR) and Small Business Technology Transfer (SBIT) program. curring funding is also provided for this program from the EDPR. The nonrecurring will be transferred to Budget Code 24609.	App \$ FTE	1,000,000	\$	-	\$	1,000,000	
	Island Infrastructure Improvements							
_	its funds from the EDPR for infrastructure improvements and readiness preparation	Req \$	-	\$	50,000,000		50,000,000	
	lio Island to support economic development at the site. The estimated cost of	Rec \$	-	\$	50,000,000	_	50,000,000	
	ruction ranges from \$250-\$285 million. The department will work with the tment of Transportation in utilizing these funds.	App \$ FTE	-	\$	-	\$	0.000	
Chatha	am-Siler City Advanced Manufacturing Site							
Invest	s in the Chatham-Siler City Advanced Manufacturing (CAM) Megasite by providing	Req \$	-	\$	20,000,000	\$	20,000,000	
reimbı	ursements to entities incurring costs for public utility infrastructure improvements.	Rec \$	-	\$	20,000,000		20,000,000	
Fundir	ng will come from the EDPR.	App \$ FTE	-	\$	-	\$	0.00	
tal Chan	ge to Requirements	\$	11,000,000	Ś	88,000,000	Ś	99,000,000	
	ge to Receipts	\$	10,000,000		78,000,000		88,000,000	
tal Chan	ge to Net Appropriation ge to Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)	\$	1,000,000		10,000,000		11,000,000 0.00	
	nded Net Appropriation Changes (Recurring + Nonrecurring)	\$			11,000,000			

Commerce - Special (24609)

_	2023 :	Session Law-Enacted	d	2024 Leg	2024 Legislative Session Recommended - FY 202				
	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	Net	Net	Recommended	2024-25		
	Actual	Certified	Certified	Recurring	Nonrecurring	Adjustment	Revised		
Requirements	543,937,960	156,451,696	173,351,696	-	8,000,000	8,000,000	181,351,696		
Receipts	649,186,844	127,434,380	172,969,571	-	8,000,000	8,000,000	180,969,571		
Δ in Fund Balance	(105,248,884)	(29,017,316)	(382,125)	-	-	-	(382,125)		
Positions (FTE)	3.250	7.613	7.613			0.000	7.613		

			FY 2024-2	5 Recommende	ed	
			R Changes	NR Changes	3	Adjustments
1 One NC Small Business						
Budgets the transfer of funds from the Economic Development Project Reserve for grant:	Req	\$	- \$	8,000,000	Ś	8,000,000
to small businesses. These funds will assist companies in bridging the funding gap that	Rec		- \$	8,000,000		8,000,000
companies experience while researching and applying for SBIR and SBIT federal small	CFB	•	- \$	-	\$	-
business grants.	FTE		·			0.000
Total Change to Requirements		\$	- \$	8,000,000	\$	8,000,000
Total Change to Receipts		\$	- \$	8,000,000	\$	8,000,000
Total Change to Net Appropriation		\$	- \$	-	\$	-
Total Change to Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)						0.000
Recommended Fund Balance Changes (Recurring + Nonrecurring)		\$				
Recommended Total FTE Changes				0.000)	

Commerce - Employment Security (24650)

_	2023 :	Session Law-Enacted	<u> </u>	2024 Leg	islative Session Re	commended - FY 20	2024-25		
	2022-23 Actual	2023-24 Certified	2024-25 Certified	Net Recurring	Net Nonrecurring	Recommended Adjustment	2024-25 Revised		
Requirements	507,798,396	331,778,644	331,778,644	1,000,000	-	1,000,000	332,778,644		
Receipts	555,223,252	331,778,644	331,778,644	1,000,000	-	1,000,000	332,778,644		
Δ in Fund Balance	(47,424,860)	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Positions (FTE)	3,499.000	1,745.646	1,745.646			0.000	1,745.646		

		FY 20	24-25	Recommende	d	
	-	R Changes		NR Changes		Adjustments
1 Operations and Maintenance						
Budgets the transfer of funds from the Strategic Workforce Trust fund to support the	Req \$	1,000,000	\$	_	\$	1,000,000
unemployment insurance information technology systems. These funds will assist with	Rec \$	1,000,000	\$	-	\$	1,000,000
operating and maintaining the unemployment benefit system (SCUBI).	CFB \$	-	\$	-	\$	-
	FTE					0.000
Total Change to Requirements	\$	1,000,000	\$		\$	1,000,000
Total Change to Receipts	\$	1,000,000	\$	-	\$	1,000,000
Total Change to Net Appropriation	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Total Change to Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)						0.000
Recommended Fund Balance Changes (Recurring + Nonrecurring)		\$		-		
Recommended Total FTE Changes				0.000		

Mission

To improve quality of life in North Carolina by creating opportunities to experience excellence in the arts, history, libraries, and nature by stimulating learning, inspiring creativity, preserving the state's history, conserving the state's natural heritage, encouraging recreation and cultural heritage tourism, and promoting economic development.

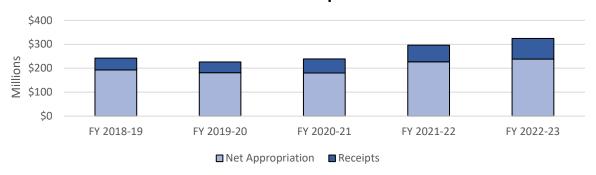
Goals

- Expand educational opportunities for children and families by increasing access to the state's innovative, interactive, and inspirational natural and cultural sites, programs, and services.
- 2. Boost economic growth through the "Hometown Strong" initiative to support rural communities, and other efforts.
- Preserve, enhance, and expand North Carolina's natural and cultural resources in an effective, efficient, collaborative, and customer-friendly manner.
- Promote diversity, equity, accessibility, and cultural inclusion in departmental programs, recruitment, administration, and community engagement.
- 5. Evaluate the impact of climate change and integrate climate change mitigation, adaption, education, and resiliency practices into DNCR programs and operations.

Agency Profile

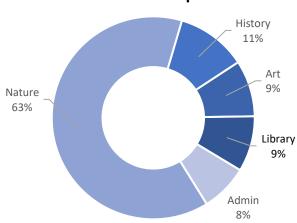
- Operates North Carolina's state parks, aquariums, science museums, and zoo and works to preserve the state's natural resources to provide all North Carolinians the opportunity to discover them.
- Builds the capacity of all libraries in the state, runs the Library of North Carolina, and develops and supports access to traditional and online collections.
- Celebrates the history of North Carolina from pre-colonial times to the present and preserves the state's historical treasures and artifacts.
- Supports North Carolina's state art museums, symphony, and arts councils to give all people access to world-class art experiences and support the state's creative economy.

5-Year Historical Expenditures



Charts include General Fund budget code only.

FY 2022-23 Actual Expenditures



Natural and Cultural Resources (14800)

	2023 9	Session Law-Enacted	<u> </u>	2024 Leg	islative Session Re	commended - FY 20	24-25			
	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	Net	Net	Recommended	2024-25			
	Actual	Certified	Certified	Recurring	Nonrecurring	Adjustment	Revised			
Requirements	324,229,088	351,947,543	336,533,868	17,000,331	70,105,701	87,106,032	423,639,900			
Receipts	85,795,131	63,129,682	54,842,950	-	-	-	54,842,950			
Net Appropriation	238,433,957	288,817,861	281,690,918	17,000,331	70,105,701	87,106,032	368,796,950			
Positions (FTE)	1,916.821	2,045.822	2,089.822			31.000	2,120.822			

		FY 202	4-25	Recommende	d		
		R Changes		NR Changes		Adjustments	
Reserve for Salaries and Benefits							
1 Compensation Increase Reserve Guarantees at least a 5% across-the-board increase for all state-funded employees. In	Req \$	2,615,000		-	\$	2,615,000	
addition to the 3% provided in SL 2023-134, most state employees receive an additional	Rec \$	- 2 645 000	\$	-	\$	- 2 645 000	
2%, while employees paid on an experience-based salary schedule or with a salary set in law receive an additional 3%. State agency teacher salaries are increased in accordance with the statewide salary schedules. Corresponding special provisions show additional details on compensation increases.	App \$ FTE	2,615,000	>	-	>	2,615,000 0.000	
2 Position Fundshift Reserve Establishes a Position Fundshift Reserve to provide the agency with additional flexibility to	Reg \$	334.000	Ś	-	\$	334,000	
manage. The agency may use these funds to fundshift a limited number of positions, in	Rec \$	-	\$	_	\$	-	
whole or in part, from receipts to net appropriation support. Fundshifting positions will free up receipts, providing much needed availability for receipt-supported compensation increases. Agencies are required to provide legislative increases to receipt-supported positions but are often not able to raise the additional revenue needed to do so.	App \$ FTE	334,000	\$	-	\$	334,000 0.000	
3 Retention Bonus Provides a \$1,000 bonus to net appropriation-supported employees and an additional \$500 bonus to employees with an annual salary of less than \$75,000. To address	Req \$	-	\$ \$	2,724,000 -	\$ \$	2,724,000	
retention, the retention bonus will be paid in two installments with half of the bonus paid in October 2024 and half in April 2025.	App \$	-	\$	2,724,000	\$	2,724,000 0.000	
4 Enhanced Labor Market Retention and Adjustment Reserve Addresses retention and other labor market needs by providing a reserve equal to 2% of General Fund net appropriation-supported and receipt-supported payroll. The inclusion of funds for receipt-supported positions provides flexibility to agencies to address labor market concerns across all positions regardless of funding source. Agencies may use these funds to address turnover, equity, and compression and to adjust salaries to better compete for and retain talent. Among state agencies, 90% of previous LMAR recipients are still employed with their LMAR-awarding agency compared to 76% of non-recipients.	App \$ FTE	2,949,000 - 2,949,000	\$	-	\$ \$	2,949,000 - 2,949,000 0.000	
5 Retiree Cost-of-Living Adjustment Provides a 3% one-time retiree supplement in FY 2024-25 for over 240,000 retired members and survivors of deceased members.	Req \$ Rec \$ App \$	-	\$ \$	281,701 - 281,701	\$	281,701 - 281,701	
	FTE FTE	-	Y	201,701	ب	0.000	
Department-wide 6 Exhibit Updates	=					3.300	
Invests in enhancements to outdated exhibits across the state. Improvements will include	Req \$	_	\$	2,000,000	Ś	2,000,000	
adding online content and virtual engagement, updating tour scripts, and refurbishing	Rec \$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
outdated materials. These funds will be transferred to Budget Code 24805.	App \$ FTE	Ē	\$	2,000,000	\$	2,000,000 0.000	

			R Changes		NR Changes		Adjustments
7	Attraction Marketing						
	Provides funds for marketing for attractions, museums, state parks, aquariums, the zoo, and historic sites in-state. The department has no dedicated marketing funds and other	Req \$ Rec \$	250,000 -	\$ \$	-	\$ \$	250,000 -
	funds for tourism marketing are focused on out-of-state visitors.	App \$ FTE	250,000	\$	-	\$	250,000 0.000
8	School Field Trips to DNCR Locations Supports grants to public school districts to fund school field trips to increase access to the	Pag \$	250,000	¢	_	\$	250,000
	state's natural and cultural locations, including state parks, historic sites, museums,	Rec \$	230,000	\$	-	\$	230,000
	aquariums, and the zoo. On average, a field trip for a group of 75 students costs approximately \$1,000. This funding will support 250 field trips annually and will positively impact schools, especially rural and economically disadvantaged schools.	App \$ FTE	250,000	\$	-	\$	250,000 0.000
9	Network Infrastructure Upgrades						
	Budgets nonrecurring receipts from the IT Reserve to provide network upgrades to remote and rural departmental sites, including wireless and telephony services where emergency		57,073	\$	-	\$	57,073
	services notification is dependent on network infrastructure. Outdated network	Rec \$	57,073	\$	-	\$	57,073
	infrastructure is a safety vulnerability for employees and visitors. The recurring funds support ongoing service provider expenses. The nonrecurring funds from the reserve will be allocated to the department over the life of the project.	FTE		•			0.000
10	IT Services for Natural Resource Divisions Funds the optimization of IT services for the natural resource divisions, including Land &	Req \$	1,220,568	\$	-	\$	1,220,568
	Water Stewardship, Parks & Recreation, Aquariums, Zoo, and the Museum of Natural	Rec \$	-	\$	-	\$	1,220,568
	Science. These divisions were not optimized prior to their transfer to the department in 2015. Consolidation will allow the department to manage IT operations more securely and efficiently.	App \$ FTE	1,220,568	\$	-	\$	1,220,568 0.000
Ad	ministration						
11	Budget and Finance Accounting Positions						
	Creates positions to support the department's increasing financial responsibilities	Req \$	485,805	\$	-	\$	485,805
	associated with a 78% increase of its combined operating and capital budgets since FY 2018-19.	Rec \$	485,805	\$	-	\$	485,805
		FTE	,	•		Ť	4.000
12	HR Positions Provides additional staff to support the increased HR workload associated with a	Req \$	171,638	\$	_	\$	171,638
	departmental staff increase of 19% since FY 2018-19.	Rec \$	-	\$	-	\$	-
		App \$ FTE	171,638	\$	-	\$	171,638 2.000
13	IT Shortfall						
	Addresses the department's IT funding shortfall after taking into consideration expected FY 2024-25 Department of Information Technology service and subscription rates.	Req \$ Rec \$	1,108,360	\$	-	\$	1,108,360
	rt 2024-25 Department of information reciniology service and subscription rates.	App \$	1,108,360	\$		\$	1,108,360
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Art 14	s A+ Schools Matching Support						
	Makes the matching funds for the Windgate Foundation grant for the A+ Schools program	Req \$	750,000	\$	(750,000)	\$	-
	recurring. The A+ Schools program is a whole-school model that combines interdisciplinary	Rec \$	750.000	\$	- (750,000)	\$	-
	teaching and daily arts instruction. Participating schools have demonstrated improvements in grade-level proficiency and overall school performance, with school performance scores increasing by a full letter grade for schools that have participated since 2013. Successful A+ schools have also reported improved attendance, fewer disciplinary problems, stronger teacher satisfaction, and higher levels of community and parental involvement.		750,000	\$	(750,000)	>	0.000

			R Changes		NR Changes		Adjustments
15	Art Installation						
	Funds an African American art installation on the State Capitol grounds, including	Req \$	-	\$	5,000,000		5,000,000
	planning, design, and installation expenses.	Rec \$ App \$	-	\$	5,000,000	\$	5,000,000
		FTE FTE	_	ڔ	3,000,000	Ą	0.000
Hist 16	ory American Indian Hertiage Commission						
	Funds a position to support the NC Indian Schools Trail Marker Program, coordinate the	Req \$	158,000	\$	-	\$	158,000
	American Indian Heritage Celebration event, handle logistics, and coordinate commission	Rec \$	-	\$	-	\$	-
	board activities.	App \$ FTE	158,000	\$	-	\$	158,000 1.000
17	America's 250th Positions						
	Converts nonrecurring funding for positions to support America's 250th programming and	Req \$	375,000	\$	(375,000)	\$	-
	educational resources to recurring. These positions support statewide commemorative	Rec \$	-	\$	-	\$	-
	activities in anticipation of America's 250th Anniversary in 2026. America's 250th	App \$	375,000	\$	(375,000)	\$	- 0.000
	programming is expected to continue beyond 2026; these positions will support local commemoration activities, administer the America's 250th Local Grants Program, and develop additional commemoration educational resources. Following commemoration, these positions will transition to general American history positions.	FTE					0.000
18	Historic Preservation and Archaeology						
	Provides positions to comply with the National Historic Preservation Act and the Native	Req \$	171,638		-	\$	171,638
	American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) requirements. A Historic	Rec \$ App \$	171.638	\$	-	\$	171,638
	Preservation Specialist is needed to assist with the review of projects submitted to the State Historic Preservation Office, which has increased by nearly 40% since 2015. The Office of State Archaeology has recently begun working to inventory hundreds of Nat American remains and burial goods in the office's possession for repatriation to comp with NAGPRA and requires an Archaeologist I position to perform this work.	FTE	171,038	J		Ţ	2.000
19	Tryon Palace Positions Funds positions to support program and exhibit development at Tryon Palace. Tryon Palace has a goal of increasing their History Center programming by 80% to boost	Req \$ Rec \$	495,877 -	\$ \$	- -	\$ \$	495,877 -
	visitation. These positions will support the development of special programs, curriculum	App \$	495,877	\$	-	\$	495,877
	development, outreach, management of Palace grounds, and exhibit development and rotation.	FTE					5.000
Nat	ure						
20	Aquariums Fort Fisher Operating Reserve						
	Funds positions and operating support needed to care for new habitats and animals	Req \$	1,003,879		-	\$	1,003,879
	resulting from the expansion of the Aquariums at Fort Fisher. The expansion will be	Rec \$	1,003,879	\$	-	\$	1,003,879
	completed in 2026. This funds half of the positions needed immedately to plan and prepare for the grand re-opening.	App \$ FTE	1,003,879	Þ	-	Þ	13.000
21	Schools in Dayles						
21	Schools in Parks Provides funding for the Schools in Parks Teacher Collaborative, a free year-long	Req \$	503,493	\$	-	\$	503,493
	professional development program that engages teachers alongside park rangers in hands-	-	· -	\$	-	\$	<u> </u>
	on, inquiry-based activities that cross content areas. A portion of these funds will be used	App \$	503,493	\$	-	\$	503,493
	for a contract with the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill to support the program.	FTE					3.000
22	Natural & Working Lands Coordinator						
22	Natural & Working Lands Coordinator Funds a position to update the map layers in the NC Conservation Planning Tool (CPT),	Req \$	101,000	\$	-	\$	101,000
	which aggregates land conservation and restoration priorities into one comprehensive	Rec \$		\$		\$	
	map viewer. The CPT provides a framework for future growth and conservation decisions. This position will also collaborate with other state agencies and nongovernmental partners to update the Natural and Working Lands Action Plan, the Biannual Protection Plan, and the Nature Heritage Program Biennial Report.	App \$	101,000		-	\$	101,000 1.000

			R Changes	NR Changes		Adjustments
Parks and Recreation Trust Fund						
Provides additional support to the Parks and Recreation Trust Fund (PARTF) for	Req		2,000,000	\$ 30,000,000	\$	32,000,000
improvements to state parks, matching grants for local parks and recreation projects, and	Rec	_	-	\$ -	\$	-
access to the state's beaches and coastline. With this investment, PARTF will have a \$30	App	\$	2,000,000	\$ 30,000,000	\$	32,000,000
million recurring budget. These funds will be transferred to Budget Code 24820.	FTE					0.000
4 North Carolina Land and Water Fund						
Provides additional funds to the North Carolina Land and Water Fund (NCLWF) for grants	Req	\$	2,000,000	\$ 30,000,000	\$	32,000,000
for projects that protect and restore the state's land and water resources, preserve	Rec	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-
military buffers, restore degraded streams, and develop and improve stormwater	Арр	\$	2,000,000	\$ 30,000,000	\$	32,000,000
treatment. With this investment, NCLWF will have a \$30 million recurring budget. These funds will be transferred to Budget Code 24818.	FTE					0.000
tate-Affiliated Museums						
North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences at Greenville						
Invests in the renovation and rehabilitation of the Cupola Building at the North Carolina	Req		-	\$ 725,000	\$	725,000
Museum of Natural Sciences at Greenville to meet ADA requirements. This includes adding	Rec	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-
an elevator, upgrading restrooms, building access ramps, and other safety improvements.	App FTE	\$	-	\$ 725,000	\$	725,000 0.000
26 Western NC Museum Planning Study						
Funds a planning and feasibility study for a state museum in western NC dedicated to	Req	\$	-	\$ 500,000	\$	500,000
preserving the mountain region's cultural and natural history.	Rec	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-
	Арр	\$	-	\$ 500,000	\$	500,000
	FTE					0.000
otal Change to Requirements		\$	17,000,331	\$ 70,105,701	\$	87,106,032
otal Change to Receipts		\$	-	\$ -	\$	-
otal Change to Net Appropriation		\$	17,000,331	\$ 70,105,701	\$	87,106,032
otal Change to Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)						31.000
ecommended Net Appropriation Changes (Recurring + Nonrecurring)		\$		87,106,032	1	
Recommended Total FTE Changes				31.000)	

Natural and Cultural Resources - Special - General Fund (24805)

	2023 Se	ssion Law-Enacted		2024 Leg	islative Session Re	commended - FY 2	24-25			
	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	Net	Net	Recommended	2024-25			
	Actual	Certified	Certified	Recurring	Nonrecurring	Adjustment	Revised			
Requirements	26,666,325	514,671	514,671	-	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,514,671			
Receipts	32,547,262	454,627	454,627	-	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,454,627			
Δ in Fund Balance	(5,880,938)	(60,044)	(60,044)	-	-	-	(60,044)			
Positions (FTE)	2.300	5.300	5.300			0.000	5.300			

		FY 2024-25	Recommended	
		R Changes	NR Changes	Adjustments
1 Transfer – Exhibit Updates				
Budgets the transfer from Budget Code 14800 for Exhibit Updates.	Req \$	- \$	2,000,000 \$	2,000,000
	Rec \$	- \$	2,000,000 \$	2,000,000
	CFB \$	- \$	- \$	-
	FTE			0.000
Total Change to Requirements	\$	- \$	2,000,000 \$	2,000,000
Total Change to Receipts	\$	- \$	2,000,000 \$	2,000,000
Total Change to Net Appropriation	\$	- \$	- \$	-
Total Change to Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)				0.000
Recommended Fund Balance Changes (Recurring + Nonrecurring)	\$		-	
Recommended Total FTE Changes			0.000	

Natural and Cultural Resources - Clean Water Management Trust Fund (24818)

_	2023 9	ession Law-Enacted	<u> </u>	2024 Leg	islative Session Re	commended - FY 2	24-25			
	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	Net	Net	Recommended	2024-25			
	Actual	Certified	Certified	Recurring	Nonrecurring	Adjustment	Revised			
Requirements	54,393,720	68,964,992	64,964,992	2,000,000	30,000,000	32,000,000	96,964,992			
Receipts	102,672,100	69,097,286	65,097,286	2,000,000	30,000,000	32,000,000	97,097,286			
Δ in Fund Balance	(48,278,382)	132,294	132,294	-	-	-	132,294			
Positions (FTE)	0.000	0.000	0.000			0.000	0.000			

		FY 2024-25 Recommended				
		R Changes		NR Changes		Adjustments
1 Transfer – North Carolina Land and Water Fund						
Budgets the transfer from Budget Code 14800 for North Carolina Land and Water Fund.	Req \$	2,000,000	\$	30,000,000	\$	32,000,000
	Rec \$	2,000,000	\$	30,000,000	\$	32,000,000
	CFB \$	-	\$	-	\$	-
	FTE					0.000
Total Change to Requirements	\$	2,000,000	\$	30,000,000	\$	32,000,000
Total Change to Receipts	\$	2,000,000	\$	30,000,000	\$	32,000,000
Total Change to Net Appropriation	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Total Change to Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)						0.000
Recommended Fund Balance Changes (Recurring + Nonrecurring)	\$			-		
Recommended Total FTE Changes				0.000)	

Natural and Cultural Resources - DPR - PARTF (Parks and Recreation Trust Fund) (24820)

_	2023 9	Session Law-Enacted	<u> </u>	2024 Leg	islative Session Re	commended - FY 20	024-25
	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	Net	Net	Recommended	2024-25
	Actual	Certified	Certified	Recurring	Nonrecurring	Adjustment	Revised
Requirements	51,429,312	90,099,308	61,099,308	2,000,000	30,000,000	32,000,000	93,099,308
Receipts	83,629,554	90,539,010	61,539,010	2,000,000	30,000,000	32,000,000	93,539,010
Δ in Fund Balance	(32,200,242)	439,702	439,702	-	-	-	439,702
Positions (FTE)	0.000	4.000	4.000			0.000	4.000

	FY 2024-25 Recommended					
		R Changes		NR Changes	1	Adjustments
1 Transfer – Parks and Recreation Trust Fund						
Budgets the transfer from Budget Code 14800 for Parks and Recreation Trust Fund.	Req \$	2,000,000	\$	30,000,000	\$	32,000,000
	Rec \$	2,000,000	\$	30,000,000	\$	32,000,000
	CFB \$	-	\$	-	\$	-
	FTE					0.000
Total Change to Requirements	\$	2,000,000	\$	30,000,000	\$	32,000,000
Total Change to Receipts	\$	2,000,000	\$	30,000,000	\$	32,000,000
Total Change to Net Appropriation	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Total Change to Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)						0.000
Recommended Fund Balance Changes (Recurring + Nonrecurring)	\$					
Recommended Total FTE Changes				0.000)	