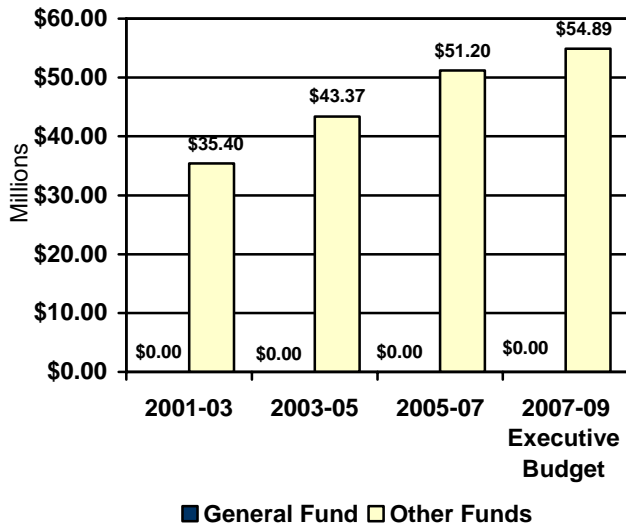


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 Senate Bill No. 2017**

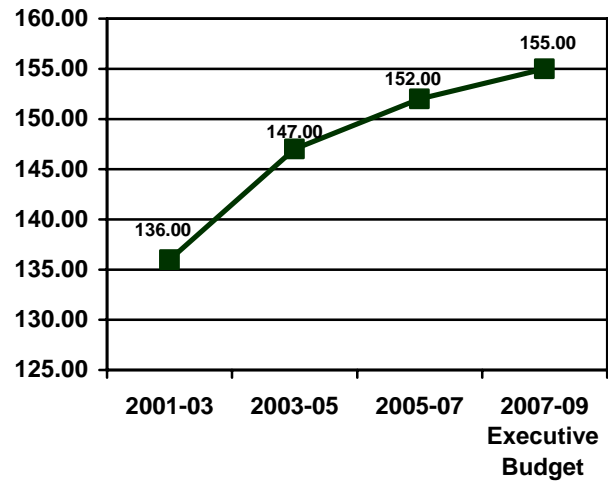
	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2007-09 Executive Budget	155.00	\$0	\$54,891,111	\$54,891,111
2005-07 Legislative Appropriations	152.00	0	51,201,059	51,201,059 ¹
Increase (Decrease)	3.00	\$0	\$3,690,052	\$3,690,052

¹The 2005-07 appropriation amounts do not include \$900,000 of capital construction carryover and do not include \$310,757 of emergency spending in the 2003-05 biennium.

Agency Funding



FTE Positions



First House Action

Attached is a summary of first house changes.

**Executive Budget Highlights
 (With First House Changes in Bold)**

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
1. Provides funding for 2007-09 biennium capital assets, including deferred maintenance (\$1,629,241), capital payments and land acquisition (\$1,000,000), equipment over \$5,000 (\$605,000), and information technology equipment over \$5,000 (\$50,000)		\$3,284,421	\$3,284,241
2. Provides funding for 3 new FTE positions, including a game warden investigator, bighorn sheep biologist, and fisheries division technician		\$268,900	\$268,900
3. Increases funding for land habitat and deer depredation		\$1,058,372	\$1,058,372
4. Increases funding for operating expenses primarily due to mileage and motor vehicle rate increases		\$1,953,652	\$1,953,652
5. Removes funding for 2005-07 biennium capital projects and capital construction carryover		(\$4,093,054)	(\$4,093,054)
6. Adds funding for boat ramp improvements at Fort Stevenson State Park and Graham's Island. The Senate removed this funding (see Major Related Legislation in Senate Bill No. 2019).		\$259,750	\$259,750
7. Increases funding for the State Board of Animal Health costs for a total of \$209,684		\$59,684	\$59,684
8. Increases funding for the federal wildlife services program for a total of \$680,000		\$130,000	\$130,000

Continuing Appropriations

No continuing appropriations for this agency.

Major Related Legislation

House Bill No. 1200 - This bill provides an appropriation of \$2.25 million from other funds to the Game and Fish Department for a private land open to sportsmen (PLOTS) for youth, a youth grant program, and a youth hunting study.

House Bill No. 1459 - This bill provides an appropriation of \$1,629,241 of other funds to the Game and Fish Department for extraordinary repairs.

Senate Bill No. 2009 - Section 6 of this bill provides \$889,684 from the game and fish operating fund for various Department of Agriculture programs for the 2007-09 biennium.

Senate Bill No. 2019 - Section 4 of this bill provides that \$381,750 from the game and fish operating fund, or federal or other funds available to the Game and Fish Department, must be transferred to the Parks and Recreation Department for maintenance, operating, and extraordinary repairs expenses relating to boat ramps at various state parks for the 2007-09 biennium. Section 6 provides a contingent appropriation of \$259,750 to the Game and Fish Department if the Parks and Recreation Department does not receive sufficient federal funds.

Senate Bill No. 2058 - This bill provides that the Game and Fish Department may transfer land to adjacent landowners around Golden Lake in Steele County for a price determined by the department.

Senate Bill No. 2059 - This bill removes the \$5 fee for a permit to propagate, domesticate, or possess protected wildlife. The permit will continue to be issued at no charge.

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