

Fiscal Estimate - 2009 Session

Original Updated Corrected Supplemental

LRB Number 09-3836/1		Introduction Number AB-0852			
Description general permits for certain wetland restoration activities and providing a penalty.					
Fiscal Effect					
State:					
<input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect					
<input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate					
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations	<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues	<input checked="checked" type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget. <input checked="checked" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations	<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues				
<input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations	<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs				
Local:					
<input type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs					
<input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate					
1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs	3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue	5.Types of Local Government Units Affected <input type="checkbox"/> Towns <input type="checkbox"/> Village <input type="checkbox"/> Cities <input type="checkbox"/> Counties <input type="checkbox"/> Others <input type="checkbox"/> School Districts <input type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts			
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory				
2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs	4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue				
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory				
Fund Sources Affected				Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations	
<input type="checkbox"/> GPR <input type="checkbox"/> FED <input checked="checked" type="checkbox"/> PRO <input type="checkbox"/> PRS <input type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEGS 20.370 (4)(bi)					
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		3/30/2010			

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill allows for the Department of Natural Resources to create a general permit for certain wetland restoration activities sponsored by federal agencies in lieu of issuing certain individual permits or water quality certifications that would otherwise be required for those activities.

Assumptions:

1. Federally sponsored projects currently are exempt from waterway, dams and wetland permit fees, under ss. 30.28, 31.39 and 281.22 of Wisconsin Statutes, respectively. The bill does not change these statutory fee exemptions; therefore, no change in permit fee revenue is expected.
2. Department staff time will be needed to create the initial general permit, issue a public notice, schedule and staff hearings if requested, and issue the final general permit. The bill requires the general permit to be reissued every 5 years, which will require approximately the same level of Department staff effort. Creating and issuing the initial general permit will require up to 250 hours of work by several existing staff at an estimated \$31/hour salary and fringe, totaling \$7,750. The bill requires the general permit to be reissued every 5 years, so we anticipate an estimated recurring cost of \$7,750 every five years.
3. The goal of this bill is to streamline the regulatory process for both the federal agencies (applicant), as well as the Department Water Management Specialists who review these projects. It is anticipated DNR Water Management Specialists will spend less time reviewing federally sponsored projects that qualify for this general permit, however, the time savings is not anticipated to exceed the time investment required to create and reissue the general permit.
4. No fiscal impact on local governments is anticipated, as the bill does not address permits that may be required for these projects by local governments. Any applicable local permits would still need to be obtained by the federal agencies for these projects.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

The same level of staff effort will be needed every five years to coincide with the reissuance of a new 5-year general permit.

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2009 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

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I. One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect): One-time staff costs of \$7,750 to create the initial general permits, which will be offset to the extent that staff will spend less time reviewing federally sponsored projects that qualify for the general permit.			
II. Annualized Costs:		Annualized Fiscal Impact on funds from:	
		Increased Costs	Decreased Costs
A. State Costs by Category			
State Operations - Salaries and Fringes		\$	\$
(FTE Position Changes)			
State Operations - Other Costs			
Local Assistance			
Aids to Individuals or Organizations			
TOTAL State Costs by Category		\$	\$
B. State Costs by Source of Funds			
GPR			
FED			
PRO/PRS			
SEG/SEG-S			
III. State Revenues - Complete this only when proposal will increase or decrease state revenues (e.g., tax increase, decrease in license fee, etc.)			
		Increased Rev	Decreased Rev
GPR Taxes		\$	\$
GPR Earned			
FED			
PRO/PRS			
SEG/SEG-S			
TOTAL State Revenues		\$	\$
NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT			
		State	Local
NET CHANGE IN COSTS		\$	\$
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE		\$	\$
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