

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

DNR 9/9/2013

LRB Number	13-3018/1	Introduction Number	AB-0352	Estimate Type	Original
Description Allowing placement of net pens in navigable waters under a statewide general permit and exceptions for certain requirements that apply to fish farms					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

The bill requires the Department to issue a statewide general permit that authorizes a person to place a net pen in a navigable water as long as the net pen meets certain conditions. Placement of structures in public waters are currently restricted to riparian land owners and the placement of certain net pens are subject to individual permits.

A. Assumptions:

Department staff that work in the areas that would be affected by a new general permit report that approximately 5 requests are made annually for permission to construct and place a net pen on the beds of public waters. Under current guidelines, approximately 2 of these requests actually result in an application for an individual permit at a cost of \$600 each for an estimated total annual revenue of \$1,200 (2 permit applications x \$600).

Based on knowledge of current conditions surrounding fish stocking, Department staff estimate that the availability of a new general permit, as well as the streamlined permit process that goes with it, will double the number of requests for permission to place net pens to hold fish from 5 to 10 annually, and that all 10 requests will result in actual permit applications.

B. Revenue Impact

The Department estimates that under the proposed legislation, approximately 2 requests per year will continue to require a \$600 individual permit, for a total of \$1,200 in individual permit revenue. The remaining 8 requests will result in the issuance of a general permit, for a total of \$2,400 in general permit revenue (8 general permits x \$300/each). Therefore, total revenue for individual and general permits is estimated to be \$3,600, which represents a \$2,400 increase in annual permitting revenue.

C. Costs

The Department would incur one-time costs related to updating program procedures and databases, developing general permits, revising application materials, training staff, and conducting customer outreach. Implementation is estimated to require a one-time expenditure of \$28,200 and 650 hours of staff or contractor time.

Therefore, in total, it is estimated that the creating of a statewide general permit will increase the number of permits issued annually for the placement of net pens in the beds of public waters from 2 to 10.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2013 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 costs of \$28,200 related to updating program procedures and databases, developing general permits, revising application materials, training staff, and conducting customer outreach.			
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	2,400		
SEG/SEG-S			
TOTAL State Revenues	\$2,400		\$
NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT			
	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>	
NET CHANGE IN COSTS	\$		\$
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE	\$2,400		\$
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