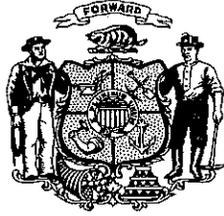


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JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

MEMORANDUM

To: Members
Joint Committee on Finance

From: Senator Alberta Darling
Representative John Nygren

Date: December 6, 2017

Re: DNR Report to JFC

Attached is a report on fees collected from concentrated animal feeding operations (CAFOs) from the Department of Natural Resources, pursuant to s. 283.31(8), Stats.

This report is being provided for your information only. No action by the Committee is required. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

Attachments

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Subject: Program Revenue Fees from Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations—FY 2017

Pursuant to s. 283.31(8), Stats., the Department of Natural Resources is required to report annually on the use of fees collected from concentrated animal feeding operations (CAFOs) credited to s. 20.370(4)(mi), Wis. Stats. These moneys are a portion of the fees collected from CAFOs that hold a Wisconsin Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (WPDES) permit. Each CAFO holding a WPDES permit is charged a \$345 fee, of which \$95 is directed to the Department as program revenue.

As summarized in the table below, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, the Department collected \$24,475 in fees and spent a total of \$30,103 on staff and supplies expenses.

CAFO FEE & EXPENDITURE SUMMARY—FY 2017	
Beginning cash balance	4,036
Plus Revenues*	24,475
Less expenditures	(30,103)
Ending cash balance*	(1,592)
*\$9,880 of permit fees billed in FY 2017 were collected in FY 2018, and are not included in these amounts.	

The types of activities funded from the fees are summarized below:

- Permit issuance/reissuance activities—these include efforts leading up to the issuance/reissuance of an individual CAFO WPDES permit including application, public notice, meetings, hearings and nutrient management plan review work completed as part of the permit issuance/reissuance process.

- Compliance and enforcement activities—these include actions relative to WPDES permits including substantial compliance determinations, inspections, complaint responses, reviews of reports and management plans, and stepped enforcement.

If you have any additional questions regarding this information, please contact Tom Bauman at (608) 266-9993.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pam Biersach". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Pam Biersach, Director
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