

MAINE DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION

Dedicated Funds Summary Information

The following is an outline of the revenue sources and collections in the Other Special Revenue, or 'dedicated' funds, authorized for administration by the Department of Conservation for FY 2006-07.

ACCT #	NAME	FY07 REVENUE
0221-82	Land for Maine's Future Access Improvement	\$24,634
0221-84	Holbrook Island Sanctuary	\$59,648
0221-85	Wolf Neck Woods State Park	\$19,047
0221-86	Park Maintenance Misc Gift & Bequest	\$78,267
0221-88	Allagash Wilderness Waterway	-\$919
0221-89	Whitewater Rafting Parks & Rec	-\$6,671
0221-90	Parks Outdoor Heritage Fund	\$92,743
0221-92	Parks Reservations	\$60,976

State parks and historic sites provide recreation and educational opportunities to over 2 million visitors per year, contributing nearly \$3,000,000 in revenue to the General Fund and over \$300,000 to municipalities through fee sharing. A new web-based reservation system was launched in FY 2006-07 for state park campgrounds, allowing users to see what is available in real-time. The dedicated accounts under Parks are funded through various sources, such as the administration of grant funds approved by the Land for Maine's Future Board for access improvements on specific LMF supported properties, trust funds, donations, capital improvements for the Allagash Wilderness Waterway, whitewater rafting revenue for maintaining campsites along river corridors, grants for conservation projects awarded by the Maine Outdoor Heritage Fund, and campground reservations to maintain the online system.

ACCT #	NAME	FY07 REVENUE
0222-11	Conservation Central Admin	\$908,264
0222-12	Publications Revolving Fund	\$14,426
0222-14	Sale of Merchandise	\$19,031

Revenue for Central Admin is from an approved indirect cost formula, consistent with Federal regulations and annual USDA approval. The publications account is used to produce various publications from Maine Geological Survey and the Maine Forest Service. Revenue generated from these sales is used to continue to update and print more publications as needed. The sale of merchandise account generates revenue through the sale of T-shirts, audio and video recordings, coffee mugs, tote bags and other miscellaneous promotional items, and the proceeds are used to promote and improve department programs.

ACCT #	NAME	FY07 REVENUE
0223-56	Forestry Administration	\$20,302

Revenue for this account comes from interagency agreements and is used to support Forestry initiatives.

ACCT #	NAME	FY07 REVENUE
0224-81	Snowmobile Trail Fund	\$3,109,928
0224-82	Snowmobile Trail Fund-Trail Grooming Equipment	\$435,870
0224-83	ATV Recreation Management Fund	\$1,319,508

The off-road vehicle division administers motorized trails on public and private land, and provides extensive grants to clubs, municipalities and counties for the development and maintenance of snowmobile and ATV trails. The division also coordinates, funds and manages the acquisition of multi-use rail trails throughout the state. Revenue for this program comes mainly from snowmobile and ATV registrations, and from the gasoline tax.

ACCT #	NAME	FY07 REVENUE
0226-31	Boating Facilities Fund	\$2,059,341

The boating facilities division, through direct state involvement, grants and contracts, provides and maintains boat access sites. It also marks certain lakes to ensure navigational safety. Revenue is primarily from the gasoline tax.

ACCT #	NAME	FY07 REVENUE
0230-62	Maine Mining Operations	\$325,901

Revenue in this account comes from other state agencies and the private sector for special projects, including groundwater sampling, compiling water use information for DEP statutory requirements, coastal erosion mapping, snow surveys, compiling landslide susceptibility maps for several towns, and coastal bluff mapping.

ACCT #	NAME	FY07 REVENUE
0232-53	Division of Forest Fire Control	\$29,568
0232-54	Aerial Fire Suppression Fund	\$24,055
0232-58	Equipment-Revolving Fund	\$29,778

The Forest Protection Division's primary objective is to provide forest fire and forest resource protection at the least cost with minimum damage to Maine's 17.7 million acres of forest land. The Division of Forest Fire Control account receives revenue through the sale of land and buildings, which is then used to maintain current infrastructure. The Aerial Fire Suppression Fund collects fees for the use of helicopters and planes, to be used to fund the future purchase of additional aircraft. The Equipment-Revolving Fund was set up to support municipal fire departments. Equipment is purchased by the State at a reduced cost, and the savings is passed on to the municipalities.

ACCT #	NAME	FY07 REVENUE
0233-52	Insect and Disease Management	\$576

Revenue in this account comes from the Pearson Trust, and is used to purchase books and other publications for the resource room at the bug lab.

ACCT #	NAME	FY07 REVENUE
0236-92	LURC-Application Processing	\$421,224

Revenue is generated through processing fees assessed to applicants when an application is deemed an 'extraordinary project' based on the size, uniqueness or complexity of the project, and when anticipated resources necessary to process the application exceed current levels.

ACCT #	NAME	FY07 REVENUE
0239-22	Public Reserved Lands Management Fund	\$3,140,052
0239-23	Public Lands Management Fund T12 S557	\$2,148
0239-24	Public Reserved Lands Acquisition Fund	\$147,988
0239-27	Submerged Lands Fund	\$375,144
0239-29	Shore and Harbor Management Fund	\$8,478
0239-30	Mackworth Island Trust	\$1,630
0239-37	Public Non-reserved Lands Acquisition Fund	\$8,216

The funds in all of the above accounts are held in trust and are to be used for designated purposes consistent with the Trust, according to the Attorney General's Office. The Public Reserved Lands Management Fund account is primarily used to manage the State of Maine's Public Reserved Lands. Revenue in this account comes mainly from camp lot leases, land rentals, and timber harvesting. The Public Reserved Lands and Non-Reserved Lands Acquisition Fund accounts are used to purchase Public Reserved Lands and Public Non-Reserved Lands. The sale of these lands is prescribed by Article IX Section 23 of the Maine Constitution, and requires that proceeds from the sale of designated land be used to purchase additional land in the same county for the same purpose. The Submerged Lands Fund account receives revenue from land leases. Excess funds beyond what is needed to fund for the Submerged Land program are transferred to the Shore and Harbor Management Fund account for the purpose of increasing public access to great ponds, tidal rivers and the ocean. The Mackworth Island Trust Fund was established in 1999 with proceeds from a land sale, and is used to manage public recreational activities and related resources on land under the Bureau's care on Mackworth Island in Falmouth.

ACCT #	NAME	FY07 REVENUE
0240-55	Div of Forest Management-Outdoor Heritage Fund	\$28,993

Revenue for this account comes from grant awards for conservation projects through the Maine Outdoor Heritage Fund program.

ACCT #	NAME	FY07 REVENUE
0241-26	Coastal Island Registry	\$178

The Coastal Island Registry was established to maintain a listing and description of all coastal islands, including the location and true owner(s) of each coastal island. Revenue for this account comes from registration fees.

ACCT #	NAME	FY07 REVENUE
0342-32	Maine State Parks & Recreational Facilities Dev. Fund	\$691,418

This account was established for the purpose of developing, maintaining and managing state parks and recreational facilities on lands owned or leased by the Bureau of Parks and Lands. There is an increasing demand on this account to provide funding for the operations and maintenance of State Parks and Public Reserved Lands. Revenue comes from well leases to Great Spring Waters of America (Poland Spring) at Range Pond State Park.

ACCT #	NAME	FY07 REVENUE
0354-39	Forest Recreation Resource Fund	\$62,876

The Bureau of Parks and Lands may construct and maintain public campsites to prevent forest fires by providing fire-safe sites and preventing the proliferation of private fires and to provide recreation opportunities on lands within its jurisdiction and elsewhere in the State's forests where there is inadequate provision of private, primitive campsites. Revenue comes from campsite fees, grants, contributions and contracts.

ACCT #	NAME	FY07 REVENUE
0746-33	Maine State Parks Fund	\$497,141

Revenue comes from the Maine Environmental Trust Fund (Loon License Plates). This money is used to fund major and minor capital improvements, maintenance, repairs and operations at state parks and historic sites. This fund has been experiencing a steady decline in revenue with the increased competition of specialty license plates.

ACCT #	NAME	FY07 REVENUE
0821-14	Natural Areas Program	\$279,036
0821-18	Natural Areas-Outdoor Heritage Fund	\$65,545

This program provides environmental review of development projects & provides information for conservation planning, conducts ecological surveys, compiles a statewide natural resource inventory and works with private landowners on the Maine Landowner Incentive Program to address long-term protection of Maine's at-risk species and habitat. Revenue comes from interagency grants, Coastal Zone Management Program, and private donations. The Natural Areas-Outdoor Heritage Fund account receives grant awards for conservation projects through the Maine Outdoor Heritage Fund program.