

Oregon State Marine Board

	2013-15 Actual	2015-17 Legislatively Approved*	2017-19 Current Service Level	2017-19 Governor's Budget
Other Funds	24,438,979	26,508,351	27,578,318	29,421,308
Federal Funds	5,711,179	7,467,774	6,632,414	6,632,414
Total Funds	\$30,150,158	\$33,976,125	\$34,210,732	\$36,053,722
Positions	40	38	38	42
FTE	39.50	38.00	38.00	41.13

*Includes Emergency Board and administrative actions through May 2016.

Program Description

The Board is responsible for registering and titling recreational motorized and sailboats 12 feet and longer. The Board also provides boater education, marine law enforcement, and facility access. In addition, the Board assists in mitigating the effects of invasive species on native waters. The Board's programs serve over 170,000 registered users, as well as approximately 190,000 users that are not registered.

The Board is divided into four major program areas:

- The Administration and Education program includes costs directly associated with the operation of the Board, as well as a variety of administrative and registration functions.
- The Law Enforcement program contracts with 32 county sheriffs' offices and the Department of State Police for marine law enforcement services.
- The Facility Grants program offers assistance and awards grants to federal, state, and local governments for the design and construction of marine access facilities.
- The Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention program protects against the introduction and spread of aquatic invasive species through education, enforcement, and inspection/decontamination services.

CSL Summary and Issues

The Board does not have any current service level issues.

Policy Issues

In response to a budget note in the 2015-17 budget regarding the establishment of a Non-Motorized Boating Program, the Board conducted meetings around the state with stakeholders from the non-motorized boating community regarding the establishment of a non-motorized boater fee. As a result, the Board has proposed a fee for non-motorized boats to cover the costs of providing information related to boating access opportunities, water bodies, as well as tips and techniques. In addition, the fees will support access enhancements, grants,

maintenance, additional boating safety, invasive species prevention, and enforcement efforts specific to non-motorized boaters. As non-motorized boating increases in popularity, this segment of users increasingly use facilities paid for by current licensees of the Board and it is felt that the non-motorized boaters should bear some of the burden of providing for certain agency costs, including costs related to facilities, law enforcement, and invasive species prevention. The fee is anticipated to generate \$2.2 million in revenue for support of the program and will cover the costs for four new positions (3.13 FTE) to address the increased workload.

Other Significant Issues and Current Discussions

There are currently no other significant budgetary issues.