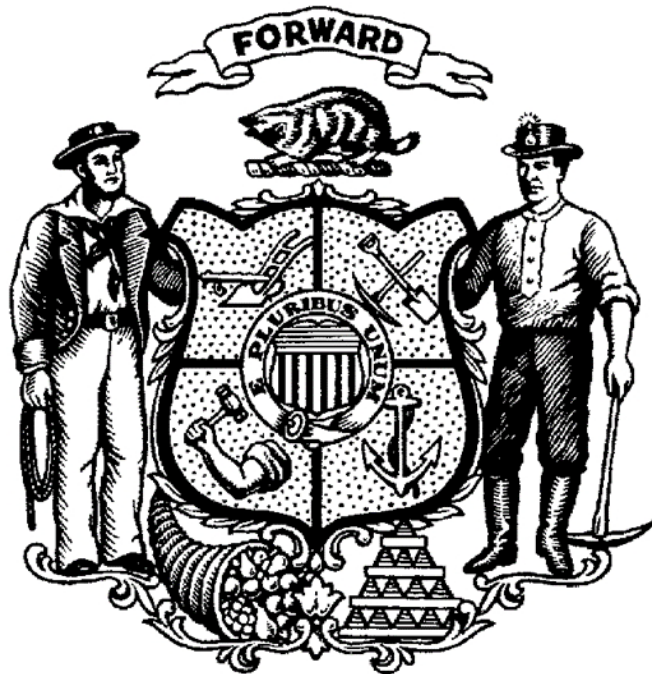


State of Wisconsin

Board of Commissioners of Public Lands



Agency Budget Request

2025 – 2027 Biennium

September 16, 2024

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Thomas P. German, *Executive Secretary*

September 16, 2024

The Honorable Tony Evers, Governor
Honorable Members of the Joint Committee on Finance
Honorable Members of the Wisconsin Legislature

Gentlemen and Mesdames:

I am pleased to submit the 2025-2027 Biennial Budget Request of the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands. After years of record trust fund and trust land performance, we are asking for additional funding for personnel and goods and services to strengthen the infrastructure of our agency in order to continue that performance. Over the years, we have demonstrated a great track record of living within our means. We have adhered to the mantra of spending what you need, not what you want to spend. While we are asking for an increase in budget appropriation, we are also asking for a return to program revenue funding for agency operations and trust fund management expenses so that the impact of our budget will actually result in savings for Wisconsin taxpayers.

The Board of Commissioners of Public Lands (BCPL) was created pursuant to Article X, Section 7 of the Wisconsin Constitution in 1848 to support public education. The Board is comprised of the Attorney General, State Treasurer and Secretary of State. With the assistance of the agency's professional staff, the BCPL manages four school trust funds totaling more than \$1.4 billion and approximately 77,000 acres of school trust lands.

Several years ago, BCPL was granted expanded investment authority and we have used that authority to diversify our trust fund holdings into a number of different asset classes that provided a better platform for delivering strong and dependable earnings distributions to our school beneficiaries. A significant portion of the school trust funds are still invested in loans to Wisconsin municipalities and school districts through the State Trust Fund Loan Program. The earnings from the Common School Fund are distributed annually as aid to K-12 public schools. This year, we are projecting another record-breaking distribution in the range of \$70 million.

The BCPL also manages the remaining school trust lands, the majority of which are in the northern part of the State. We generated more than \$1 million in timber revenue from our trust lands for two years in a row through sustainable timber management. We are projecting another year of record timber revenue for the current fiscal year. In addition to generating timber revenue, our lands are open to the public for hunting, fishing, and other forms of public recreation.

We are pleased to be able to accomplish so much with a small, highly specialized staff and total agency expenses that are a small fraction of the value of the school trust assets managed by BCPL. We have increased operational efficiencies and held the line on agency expenses while managing more trust assets than at any time in agency history.

We respectfully request your consideration and approval of our 2025-2027 biennial budget. We look forward to working with you to ensure this agency continues to accomplish its goals in an effective and efficient manner. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Tom German,
Executive Secretary

AGENCY DESCRIPTION

The board was created pursuant to Article X, Section 7 of the Wisconsin Constitution in 1848 to support public education. The board is comprised of the Attorney General, State Treasurer and Secretary of State. With the assistance of the 9.7 FTE professional staff positions in the Division of Trust Lands and Investments, the board manages four school trust funds, approximately 77,000 acres of school trust lands and the collection of Wisconsin's original land records. The board administers one of the largest public lending programs in the state.

MISSION

The primary mission of the board is to manage school trust funds and school trust lands for the benefit of public education. The board invests the principal of four trust funds that currently total almost \$1.5 billion. The assets of the school trust funds are invested in a diversified portfolio with a significant investment in loans to Wisconsin municipalities and school districts through the State Trust Fund Loan Program. The earnings from the common school fund are distributed annually as aid to K-12 public school libraries. The earnings from the other three school trust funds are distributed annually to the University of Wisconsin.

The board also manages the remaining school trust lands, the majority of which are located in the northern part of the state. These lands are administered primarily for revenue generation through sustainable timber management. The lands are open to the public for hunting, fishing, trapping and other forms of public recreation.

The board also manages the collection of Wisconsin's original land records which include field survey notes, plat maps and sale records.

PROGRAMS, GOALS, OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Program 1: Trust Lands and Investments

Goal: Reduce the amount of time required to post annual state trust fund loan payments.

Objective/Activity: Post all payments within two business days after receipt of payments.

Goal: Ensure the efficient, accurate and timely timber scaling (measuring) and invoicing of all timber sales.

Objective/Activity: Recent changes in timber industry protocols have increased the complexity and time demands for scaling and invoicing. We plan to reduce the number of hours required to scale timber and prepare invoices for timber sales by further automating the process and using outside vendors to produce scale tickets.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

2023 AND 2024 GOALS AND ACTUALS

Prog. No.	Performance Measure	Goal 2023	Actual 2023	Goal 2024	Actual 2024
1.	Number of loans to post.	900	909	925	893
1.	Days required to post.	2	2	2	2
1.	Annual number of hours required to prepare scale tickets and invoices.	65	60	65	60

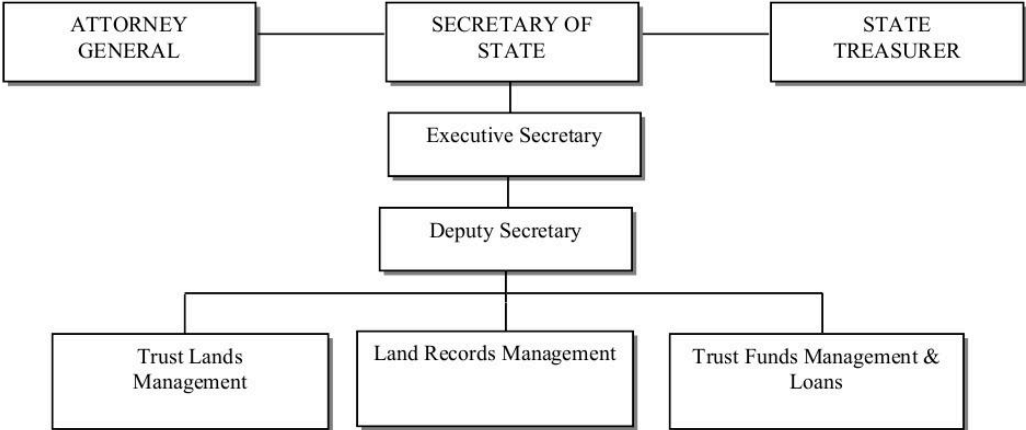
Note: Based on fiscal year.

2025, 2026 AND 2027 GOALS

Prog. No.	Performance Measure	Goal 2025	Goal 2026	Goal 2027
1.	Number of loans to post.	950	950	950
1.	Days required to post.	2	2	2
1.	Annual number of hours required to prepare scale tickets and invoices.	65	65	50

Note: Based on fiscal year.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC LANDS



Agency Total by Fund Source

Board of Commissioners of Public Lands

2527 Biennial

		ANNUAL SUMMARY						BIENNIAL SUMMARY			
Source of Funds		Prior Year Total	Adjusted Base	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE	Base Year Doubled (BYD)	Biennial Request	Change From (BYD)	Change From BYD %
GPR	L	\$24,789	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$40,000	0.00	0.00	\$70,000	\$75,000	\$5,000	7.10%
GPR	S	\$1,566,641	\$1,579,100	\$0	\$0	0.00	0.00	\$3,158,200	\$0	(\$3,158,200)	-100.00%
Total		\$1,591,430	\$1,614,100	\$35,000	\$40,000	0.00	0.00	\$3,228,200	\$75,000	(\$3,153,200)	-97.70%
PR	S	\$0	\$0	\$2,334,800	\$2,355,800	9.70	9.70	\$0	\$4,690,600	\$4,690,600	0.00%
Total		\$0	\$0	\$2,334,800	\$2,355,800	9.70	9.70	\$0	\$4,690,600	\$4,690,600	0.00%
PR Federal	L	\$50,960	\$52,700	\$52,700	\$52,700	0.00	0.00	\$105,400	\$105,400	\$0	0.00%
Total		\$50,960	\$52,700	\$52,700	\$52,700	0.00	0.00	\$105,400	\$105,400	\$0	0.00%
SEG	S	\$43,339	\$73,200	\$93,200	\$93,200	1.00	1.00	\$146,400	\$186,400	\$40,000	27.30%
Total		\$43,339	\$73,200	\$93,200	\$93,200	1.00	1.00	\$146,400	\$186,400	\$40,000	27.30%
Grand Total		\$1,685,729	\$1,740,000	\$2,515,700	\$2,541,700	10.70	10.70	\$3,480,000	\$5,057,400	\$1,577,400	45.30%

Agency Total by Program

Board of Commissioners of Public Lands

2527 Biennial Budget

Source of Funds	Prior Year Total	ANNUAL SUMMARY					BIENNIAL SUMMARY			
		Adjusted Base	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE	Base Year Doubled (BYD)	Biennial Request	Change From (BYD)	Change From BYD %
01 Trust lands and investments										
Non Federal										
GPR	\$1,591,430	\$1,614,100	\$35,000	\$40,000	0.00	0.00	\$3,228,200	\$75,000	(\$3,153,200)	-97.68%
L	\$24,789	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$40,000	0.00	0.00	\$70,000	\$75,000	\$5,000	7.14%
S	\$1,566,641	\$1,579,100	\$0	\$0	0.00	0.00	\$3,158,200	\$0	(\$3,158,200)	-100.00%
PR	\$0	\$0	\$2,334,800	\$2,355,800	9.70	9.70	\$0	\$4,690,600	\$4,690,600	0.00%
S	\$0	\$0	\$2,334,800	\$2,355,800	9.70	9.70	\$0	\$4,690,600	\$4,690,600	0.00%
SEG	\$43,339	\$73,200	\$93,200	\$93,200	1.00	1.00	\$146,400	\$186,400	\$40,000	27.32%
S	\$43,339	\$73,200	\$93,200	\$93,200	1.00	1.00	\$146,400	\$186,400	\$40,000	27.32%
Total - Non Federal	\$1,634,769	\$1,687,300	\$2,463,000	\$2,489,000	10.70	10.70	\$3,374,600	\$4,952,000	\$1,577,400	46.74%
L	\$24,789	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$40,000	0.00	0.00	\$70,000	\$75,000	\$5,000	7.14%
S	\$1,609,980	\$1,652,300	\$2,428,000	\$2,449,000	10.70	10.70	\$3,304,600	\$4,877,000	\$1,572,400	47.58%
Federal										
PR	\$50,960	\$52,700	\$52,700	\$52,700	0.00	0.00	\$105,400	\$105,400	\$0	0.00%
L	\$50,960	\$52,700	\$52,700	\$52,700	0.00	0.00	\$105,400	\$105,400	\$0	0.00%

Agency Total by Program

Board of Commissioners of Public Lands

2527 Biennial Budget

Source of Funds	Prior Year Total	ANNUAL SUMMARY					BIENNIAL SUMMARY			
		Adjusted Base	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE	Base Year Doubled (BYD)	Biennial Request	Change From (BYD)	Change From BYD %
01 Trust lands and investments										
Total - Federal	\$50,960	\$52,700	\$52,700	\$52,700	0.00	0.00	\$105,400	\$105,400	\$0	0.00%
L	\$50,960	\$52,700	\$52,700	\$52,700	0.00	0.00	\$105,400	\$105,400	\$0	0.00%
PGM 01 Total	\$1,685,729	\$1,740,000	\$2,515,700	\$2,541,700	10.70	10.70	\$3,480,000	\$5,057,400	\$1,577,400	45.33%
GPR	\$1,591,430	\$1,614,100	\$35,000	\$40,000	0.00	0.00	\$3,228,200	\$75,000	(\$3,153,200)	-97.68%
L	\$24,789	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$40,000	0.00	0.00	\$70,000	\$75,000	\$5,000	7.14%
S	\$1,566,641	\$1,579,100	\$0	\$0	0.00	0.00	\$3,158,200	\$0	(\$3,158,200)	-100.00%
PR	\$50,960	\$52,700	\$2,387,500	\$2,408,500	9.70	9.70	\$105,400	\$4,796,000	\$4,690,600	4,450.28%
S	\$0	\$0	\$2,334,800	\$2,355,800	9.70	9.70	\$0	\$4,690,600	\$4,690,600	0.00%
L	\$50,960	\$52,700	\$52,700	\$52,700	0.00	0.00	\$105,400	\$105,400	\$0	0.00%
SEG	\$43,339	\$73,200	\$93,200	\$93,200	1.00	1.00	\$146,400	\$186,400	\$40,000	27.32%
S	\$43,339	\$73,200	\$93,200	\$93,200	1.00	1.00	\$146,400	\$186,400	\$40,000	27.32%
TOTAL 01	\$1,685,729	\$1,740,000	\$2,515,700	\$2,541,700	10.70	10.70	\$3,480,000	\$5,057,400	\$1,577,400	45.33%
L	\$75,749	\$87,700	\$87,700	\$92,700	0.00	0.00	\$175,400	\$180,400	\$5,000	2.85%
S	\$1,609,980	\$1,652,300	\$2,428,000	\$2,449,000	10.70	10.70	\$3,304,600	\$4,877,000	\$1,572,400	47.58%

Agency Total by Program

Board of Commissioners of Public Lands

2527 Biennial Budget

AGENCY TOTAL	\$1,685,729	\$1,740,000	\$2,515,700	\$2,541,700	10.70	10.70	\$3,480,000	\$5,057,400	\$1,577,400	45.33%
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Agency Total by Decision Item

Board of Commissioners of Public Lands

2527 Biennial Budget

Decision Item	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
2000 Adjusted Base Funding Level	\$1,740,000	\$1,740,000	9.70	9.70
3003 Full Funding of Continuing Position Salaries and Fringe Benefits	\$117,700	\$117,700	0.00	0.00
4001 New Accountant Position	\$55,900	\$74,300	1.00	1.00
4002 Salary Adjustments	\$84,800	\$91,700	0.00	0.00
4003 Supplies & Services Adjustments for Financial Assets Management	\$240,000	\$240,000	0.00	0.00
4004 Supplies & Services Adjustments for Land Asset Management	\$170,000	\$170,000	0.00	0.00
4005 LTE Budget Authority Adjustment	\$18,300	\$18,300	0.00	0.00
4006 Payment in Lieu of Taxes	\$0	\$5,000	0.00	0.00
4007 New Appropriation for Tree Planting	\$50,000	\$50,000	0.00	0.00
4008 Payout of accumulated sabbatical leave	\$39,000	\$34,700	0.00	0.00
4009 Transition agency operations funding from GPR to PR	\$0	\$0	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	\$2,515,700	\$2,541,700	10.70	10.70

GPR Earned

2527 Biennial Budget

	CODES	TITLES
DEPARTMENT	507	Board of Commissioners of Public Lands
PROGRAM	01	Trust lands and investments
DATE		

Revenue	Prior Year Actuals	Base Year Estimate	1st Year Estimate	2nd Year Estimate
Opening Balance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Revenue	\$68,267	\$65,000	\$65,000	\$65,000
TOTAL	\$68,267	\$65,000	\$65,000	\$65,000

Decision Item (DIN) - 2000

Decision Item (DIN) Title - Adjusted Base Funding Level

NARRATIVE

Adjusted Base Funding Level

Decision Item by Line

2527 Biennial Budget

DEPARTMENT	CODES	TITLES
	507	Board of Commissioners of Public Lands
DECISION ITEM	CODES	TITLES
	2000	Adjusted Base Funding Level

	Expenditure Items	1st Year Cost	2nd Year Cost
01	Permanent Position Salaries	\$824,600	\$824,600
02	Turnover	\$0	\$0
03	Project Position Salaries	\$0	\$0
04	LTE/Misc. Salaries	\$30,200	\$30,200
05	Fringe Benefits	\$278,800	\$278,800
06	Supplies and Services	\$509,800	\$509,800
07	Permanent Property	\$8,900	\$8,900
08	Unallotted Reserve	\$0	\$0
09	Aids to Individuals & Organizations	\$0	\$0
10	Local Assistance	\$87,700	\$87,700
11	One-time Financing	\$0	\$0
12	Debt service	\$0	\$0
13		\$0	\$0
14		\$0	\$0
15		\$0	\$0
16		\$0	\$0
17	TOTAL	\$1,740,000	\$1,740,000
18	Project Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
19	Classified Positions Authorized	8.70	8.70
20	Unclassified Positions Authorized	1.00	1.00

Decision Item by Numeric

2527 Biennial Budget

Board of Commissioners of Public Lands

Program	Decision Item/Numeric	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
	2000 Adjusted Base Funding Level				
01	Trust lands and investments				
	01 General program operations	\$1,579,100	\$1,579,100	8.70	8.70
	03 Payments in lieu of taxes	\$35,000	\$35,000	0.00	0.00
	30 Federal aid -- flood control	\$52,700	\$52,700	0.00	0.00
	60 Forest land and timber management	\$73,200	\$73,200	1.00	1.00
	Trust lands and investments Sub Total	\$1,740,000	\$1,740,000	9.70	9.70
	Adjusted Base Funding Level Sub Total	\$1,740,000	\$1,740,000	9.70	9.70
	Agency Total	\$1,740,000	\$1,740,000	9.70	9.70

Decision Item by Fund Source

2527 Biennial Budget

Board of Commissioners of Public Lands

Decision Item/Source of Funds		1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
2000 Adjusted Base Funding Level					
GPR	S	\$1,579,100	\$1,579,100	8.70	8.70
GPR	L	\$35,000	\$35,000	0.00	0.00
PR Federal	L	\$52,700	\$52,700	0.00	0.00
SEG	S	\$73,200	\$73,200	1.00	1.00
Adjusted Base Funding Level Total		\$1,740,000	\$1,740,000	9.70	9.70
Agency Total		\$1,740,000	\$1,740,000	9.70	9.70

Decision Item (DIN) - 3003

Decision Item (DIN) Title - Full Funding of Continuing Position Salaries and Fringe Benefits

NARRATIVE

Standard Budget Adjustment - Full Funding of Continuing Position Salaries and Fringe Benefits

Decision Item by Line

2527 Biennial Budget

DEPARTMENT	CODES	TITLES
	507	Board of Commissioners of Public Lands
DECISION ITEM	CODES	TITLES
	3003	Full Funding of Continuing Position Salaries and Fringe Benefits

	Expenditure Items	1st Year Cost	2nd Year Cost
01	Permanent Position Salaries	\$90,600	\$90,600
02	Turnover	\$0	\$0
03	Project Position Salaries	\$0	\$0
04	LTE/Misc. Salaries	\$0	\$0
05	Fringe Benefits	\$27,100	\$27,100
06	Supplies and Services	\$0	\$0
07	Permanent Property	\$0	\$0
08	Unallotted Reserve	\$0	\$0
09	Aids to Individuals & Organizations	\$0	\$0
10	Local Assistance	\$0	\$0
11	One-time Financing	\$0	\$0
12	Debt service	\$0	\$0
13		\$0	\$0
14		\$0	\$0
15		\$0	\$0
16		\$0	\$0
17	TOTAL	\$117,700	\$117,700
18	Project Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
19	Classified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
20	Unclassified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Numeric

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Board of Commissioners of Public Lands

Program	Decision Item/Numeric	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
	3003 Full Funding of Continuing Position Salaries and Fringe Benefits				
01	Trust lands and investments				
	01 General program operations	\$97,700	\$97,700	0.00	0.00
	60 Forest land and timber management	\$20,000	\$20,000	0.00	0.00
	Trust lands and investments Sub Total	\$117,700	\$117,700	0.00	0.00
	Full Funding of Continuing Position Salaries and Fringe Benefits Sub Total	\$117,700	\$117,700	0.00	0.00
	Agency Total	\$117,700	\$117,700	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Fund Source

2527 Biennial Budget

Board of Commissioners of Public Lands

Decision Item/Source of Funds		1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
3003 Full Funding of Continuing Position Salaries and Fringe Benefits					
GPR	S	\$97,700	\$97,700	0.00	0.00
SEG	S	\$20,000	\$20,000	0.00	0.00
Full Funding of Continuing Position Salaries and Fringe Benefits Total		\$117,700	\$117,700	0.00	0.00
Agency Total		\$117,700	\$117,700	0.00	0.00

Decision Item (DIN) - 4001

Decision Item (DIN) Title - New Accountant Position

NARRATIVE

BCPL manages over approximately \$1.5 billion in trust funds with only one accounting position on staff.

On an average year, almost \$300 million of revenue flows into the trust funds and \$300 million in new investments and distributions flows out. This flow of funds occurs throughout the year.

It is imperative to have a second accountant on staff to help handle the sheer volume of transactions that occur on a regular basis. Best practices would mandate that one accountant would set up and record transactions and a second accountant would verify and reconcile such transactions. Without a second accountant, all of these duties are handled by one individual which creates issues and significant challenges regarding separation of duties in accordance with the Internal Control Plan.

Furthermore, the diversification of the trust portfolios into a broader array of asset classes requires additional accounting expertise and time in properly reporting on the performance of such investments.

Finally, because the STAR system does not currently integrate with any investment platform, all trust fund transactions require double the accounting work. The transactions are separately recorded in STAR and then again in the investment software as STAR cannot export its data to any investment platform.

This position is extremely important to the operations of the agency and the management of the trust funds.

Decision Item by Line

2527 Biennial Budget

DEPARTMENT	CODES	TITLES
	507	Board of Commissioners of Public Lands
DECISION ITEM	CODES	TITLES
	4001	New Accountant Position

	Expenditure Items	1st Year Cost	2nd Year Cost
01	Permanent Position Salaries	\$41,900	\$55,800
02	Turnover	\$0	\$0
03	Project Position Salaries	\$0	\$0
04	LTE/Misc. Salaries	\$0	\$0
05	Fringe Benefits	\$14,000	\$18,500
06	Supplies and Services	\$0	\$0
07	Permanent Property	\$0	\$0
08	Unallotted Reserve	\$0	\$0
09	Aids to Individuals & Organizations	\$0	\$0
10	Local Assistance	\$0	\$0
11	One-time Financing	\$0	\$0
12	Debt service	\$0	\$0
13		\$0	\$0
14		\$0	\$0
15		\$0	\$0
16		\$0	\$0
17	TOTAL	\$55,900	\$74,300
18	Project Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
19	Classified Positions Authorized	1.00	1.00
20	Unclassified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Numeric

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Board of Commissioners of Public Lands

Program	Decision Item/Numeric	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
	4001 New Accountant Position				
01	Trust lands and investments				
	01 General program operations	\$55,900	\$74,300	1.00	1.00
	Trust lands and investments Sub Total	\$55,900	\$74,300	1.00	1.00
	New Accountant Position Sub Total	\$55,900	\$74,300	1.00	1.00
	Agency Total	\$55,900	\$74,300	1.00	1.00

Decision Item by Fund Source

2527 Biennial Budget

Board of Commissioners of Public Lands

Decision Item/Source of Funds		1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
4001 New Accountant Position					
GPR	S	\$55,900	\$74,300	1.00	1.00
New Accountant Position Total		\$55,900	\$74,300	1.00	1.00
Agency Total		\$55,900	\$74,300	1.00	1.00

Decision Item (DIN) - 4002

Decision Item (DIN) Title - Salary Adjustments

NARRATIVE

The deputy secretary position at BCPL is currently vacant as the agency did not have a sufficient appropriation in the current biennial budget to hire a deputy. The "full funding" of the agency budget appropriation in the upcoming biennial budget at the minimum end of the hiring range is not likely to be sufficient to attract qualified candidates with the professional skill sets and experience necessary for the job.

The deputy secretary is a crucial position for a small agency that manages a big portfolio of trust assets. The position oversees finance, accounting, legal, IT, real estate, forestry management and historic land records. While the deputy does not need to be an expert in all of these areas, the deputy should have some experience in many of them for the simple reason that the agency is so thinly staffed that there is virtually no redundancy. The deputy should have at least some experience in these areas to supervise the position, sometimes perform those duties and determine how to proceed in the event of a prolonged absence or position vacancy.

The position is also a member of the BCPL investment committee and has significant input on trust fund investment decisions involving very large sums of money.

That is all in addition to the normal complement of government management responsibilities of all deputy secretaries that require significant skill sets.

In order to have a successful recruitment, the agency needs to have a budget appropriation sufficient to hire a deputy secretary with a strong and broad skill set. It will be a challenge to hire a qualified candidate near the top of the classified hiring range and not possible at all at the bottom of the range.

In addition, there are two other staff members of the BCPL investment committee whose compensation significantly lags other persons similarly employed in comparable positions in accounting and finance.

It should be noted that the total amount asked for in this DIN will not be sufficient to bring BCPL compensation near the midpoint of the respective employee's professional compensation ranges, but it will at least give the agency some ability to move the agency towards a salary structure that is more reflective of the market conditions for these professional positions.

Decision Item by Line

2527 Biennial Budget

DEPARTMENT	CODES	TITLES
	507	Board of Commissioners of Public Lands
DECISION ITEM	CODES	TITLES
	4002	Salary Adjustments

	Expenditure Items	1st Year Cost	2nd Year Cost
01	Permanent Position Salaries	\$73,200	\$79,200
02	Turnover	\$0	\$0
03	Project Position Salaries	\$0	\$0
04	LTE/Misc. Salaries	\$0	\$0
05	Fringe Benefits	\$11,600	\$12,500
06	Supplies and Services	\$0	\$0
07	Permanent Property	\$0	\$0
08	Unallotted Reserve	\$0	\$0
09	Aids to Individuals & Organizations	\$0	\$0
10	Local Assistance	\$0	\$0
11	One-time Financing	\$0	\$0
12	Debt service	\$0	\$0
13		\$0	\$0
14		\$0	\$0
15		\$0	\$0
16		\$0	\$0
17	TOTAL	\$84,800	\$91,700
18	Project Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
19	Classified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
20	Unclassified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Numeric

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Board of Commissioners of Public Lands

Program	Decision Item/Numeric	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
	4002 Salary Adjustments				
01	Trust lands and investments				
	01 General program operations	\$84,800	\$91,700	0.00	0.00
	Trust lands and investments Sub Total	\$84,800	\$91,700	0.00	0.00
	Salary Adjustments Sub Total	\$84,800	\$91,700	0.00	0.00
	Agency Total	\$84,800	\$91,700	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Fund Source

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Board of Commissioners of Public Lands

Decision Item/Source of Funds		1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
4002 Salary Adjustments					
GPR	S	\$84,800	\$91,700	0.00	0.00
Salary Adjustments Total		\$84,800	\$91,700	0.00	0.00
Agency Total		\$84,800	\$91,700	0.00	0.00

Decision Item (DIN) - 4003

Decision Item (DIN) Title - Supplies & Services Adjustments for Financial Assets Management

NARRATIVE

BCPL requires additional tools to manage and report on its diverse trust fund portfolios.

For many years, BCPL's investment authority was limited to fixed income loans and bonds by statute and the agency was able to manage its relatively simple portfolio using Excel spread sheets and inexpensive tools from the custodian.

In the interest of increasing trust fund performance, statutes were changed to grant BCPL "Prudent Investor Authority" which would allow and direct BCPL to diversify its trust fund holdings. In response, BCPL developed an investment policy and asset allocation and has used that expanded authority to invest in a diverse array of different asset classes. This diversification has substantially increased the distributions of the trust funds while also stabilizing the annual income from the peaks and valleys of interest rate changes. Common School Fund distributions have risen from \$39 million to \$65 million per year largely due to the diversification of the trust funds in accordance with the investment policy.

However, this diversification has been challenging and is not sustainable with the current staffing and budget appropriation level, especially since much of the trust management, accounting and reporting are labor intensive without the financial tools. It is no longer possible or appropriate to manage the portfolio using the limited tools that were appropriate 20 years ago.

Statutes changed, investment strategy changed, trust funds increased in size, portfolios changed, but agency staffing and funding did not increase in accordance with these changes.

BCPL needs to migrate its portfolio management to a platform that can better accommodate a diverse portfolio that includes private investment funds and alternative investments.

BCPL needs to contract with a service that brings the data from private investment funds onto the platform in a more uniform manner.

BCPL needs to contract with an analytics company to analyze the data coming from diverse private investment funds.

BCPL needs to engage professional advisors with respect to asset allocation, fund selection, and investment accounting.

Decision Item by Line

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DEPARTMENT	CODES	TITLES
	507	Board of Commissioners of Public Lands
DECISION ITEM	CODES	TITLES
	4003	Supplies & Services Adjustments for Financial Assets Management

	Expenditure Items	1st Year Cost	2nd Year Cost
01	Permanent Position Salaries	\$0	\$0
02	Turnover	\$0	\$0
03	Project Position Salaries	\$0	\$0
04	LTE/Misc. Salaries	\$0	\$0
05	Fringe Benefits	\$0	\$0
06	Supplies and Services	\$240,000	\$240,000
07	Permanent Property	\$0	\$0
08	Unallotted Reserve	\$0	\$0
09	Aids to Individuals & Organizations	\$0	\$0
10	Local Assistance	\$0	\$0
11	One-time Financing	\$0	\$0
12	Debt service	\$0	\$0
13		\$0	\$0
14		\$0	\$0
15		\$0	\$0
16		\$0	\$0
17	TOTAL	\$240,000	\$240,000
18	Project Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
19	Classified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
20	Unclassified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Numeric

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Program	Decision Item/Numeric	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
	4003 Supplies & Services Adjustments for Financial Assets Management				
01	Trust lands and investments				
	01 General program operations	\$240,000	\$240,000	0.00	0.00
	Trust lands and investments Sub Total	\$240,000	\$240,000	0.00	0.00
	Supplies & Services Adjustments for Financial Assets Management Sub Total	\$240,000	\$240,000	0.00	0.00
	Agency Total	\$240,000	\$240,000	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Fund Source

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Decision Item/Source of Funds		1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
4003 Supplies & Services Adjustments for Financial Assets Management					
GPR	S	\$240,000	\$240,000	0.00	0.00
Supplies & Services Adjustments for Financial Assets Management Total		\$240,000	\$240,000	0.00	0.00
Agency Total		\$240,000	\$240,000	0.00	0.00

Decision Item (DIN) - 4004

Decision Item (DIN) Title - Supplies & Services Adjustments for Land Asset Management

NARRATIVE

BCPL requires additional resources for managing its trust lands. The agency continues to offer unproductive school trust lands for sale and uses the proceeds of such land sales to acquire other productive timberlands. In the last biennium, BCPL timber management activities significantly increased timber sales resulting in an average timber revenue of \$1 million per year in such biennium which was almost double the average of previous timber sale annual revenues.

However, such additional revenues come at a cost.

- Additional sales require additional timber marking, boundary line work and sale management. While BCPL staff have shouldered the majority of this work, it is necessary to contract some additional work out to consulting foresters so that the timber management program can continue to manage the land and timber at this level.

- More timber sales require more paint to mark the trees. This increased expense is directly tied to more timber sales.

- BCPL has deferred maintenance on its internal roads to the point where it is becoming difficult to access some of the timber that will be marked for sale in the coming biennium. It will require additional road work to repair and replace culverts and repair and replace internal roads on BCPL school trust lands. BCPL currently receives no subsidy or support from DNR on maintaining or improving such internal roads, even if they are open to the public for recreation.

- BCPL continues to offer for sale those school trust lands that are not producing revenue for the trust funds. However, before such lands can be offered for sale, they must be appraised. The lack of funds in the BCPL budget appropriation has limited the number of appraisals the agency can contract for. This in turn limits the number of parcels that the agency can then offer for sale. The agency needs an increase in budget appropriation to contract for additional appraisals in order to increase the number of properties offered for sale.

- Finally, the new timberlands that are now actively managed require seasonal gates and signage.

Decision Item by Line

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DEPARTMENT	CODES	TITLES
	507	Board of Commissioners of Public Lands
DECISION ITEM	CODES	TITLES
	4004	Supplies & Services Adjustments for Land Asset Management

	Expenditure Items	1st Year Cost	2nd Year Cost
01	Permanent Position Salaries	\$0	\$0
02	Turnover	\$0	\$0
03	Project Position Salaries	\$0	\$0
04	LTE/Misc. Salaries	\$0	\$0
05	Fringe Benefits	\$0	\$0
06	Supplies and Services	\$170,000	\$170,000
07	Permanent Property	\$0	\$0
08	Unallotted Reserve	\$0	\$0
09	Aids to Individuals & Organizations	\$0	\$0
10	Local Assistance	\$0	\$0
11	One-time Financing	\$0	\$0
12	Debt service	\$0	\$0
13		\$0	\$0
14		\$0	\$0
15		\$0	\$0
16		\$0	\$0
17	TOTAL	\$170,000	\$170,000
18	Project Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
19	Classified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
20	Unclassified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Numeric

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Program	Decision Item/Numeric	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
	4004 Supplies & Services Adjustments for Land Asset Management				
01	Trust lands and investments				
	01 General program operations	\$170,000	\$170,000	0.00	0.00
	Trust lands and investments Sub Total	\$170,000	\$170,000	0.00	0.00
	Supplies & Services Adjustments for Land Asset Management Sub Total	\$170,000	\$170,000	0.00	0.00
	Agency Total	\$170,000	\$170,000	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Fund Source

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Decision Item/Source of Funds		1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
4004 Supplies & Services Adjustments for Land Asset Management					
GPR	S	\$170,000	\$170,000	0.00	0.00
Supplies & Services Adjustments for Land Asset Management Total		\$170,000	\$170,000	0.00	0.00
Agency Total		\$170,000	\$170,000	0.00	0.00

Decision Item (DIN) - 4005

Decision Item (DIN) Title - LTE Budget Authority Adjustment

NARRATIVE

BCPL makes extensive use of technology and software to make its operations as streamlined and efficient as possible. Doing so allows the agency to operate with a lower FTE count. This requires use of IT professionals to keep the agency's technology and staff operating well. BCPL has only one IT FTE and utilizes IT LTEs as a cost-effective alternative to hiring additional FTE or outside IT contracting. The IT LTE cost to the agency has been higher than the total amounts allocated to LTE in BCPL's previous budget appropriations. BCPL respectfully requests an increase on this line item to more accurately reflect the agency's needs and expenditures in this crucial area.

In addition, BCPL uses LTEs to perform special research and projects related to the trust assets that cannot be undertaken by regular FTE staff because of time availability.

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DEPARTMENT	CODES	TITLES
	507	Board of Commissioners of Public Lands
DECISION ITEM	CODES	TITLES
	4005	LTE Budget Authority Adjustment

	Expenditure Items	1st Year Cost	2nd Year Cost
01	Permanent Position Salaries	\$0	\$0
02	Turnover	\$0	\$0
03	Project Position Salaries	\$0	\$0
04	LTE/Misc. Salaries	\$17,000	\$17,000
05	Fringe Benefits	\$1,300	\$1,300
06	Supplies and Services	\$0	\$0
07	Permanent Property	\$0	\$0
08	Unallotted Reserve	\$0	\$0
09	Aids to Individuals & Organizations	\$0	\$0
10	Local Assistance	\$0	\$0
11	One-time Financing	\$0	\$0
12	Debt service	\$0	\$0
13		\$0	\$0
14		\$0	\$0
15		\$0	\$0
16		\$0	\$0
17	TOTAL	\$18,300	\$18,300
18	Project Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
19	Classified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
20	Unclassified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Numeric

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Program	Decision Item/Numeric	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
	4005 LTE Budget Authority Adjustment				
01	Trust lands and investments				
	01 General program operations	\$18,300	\$18,300	0.00	0.00
	Trust lands and investments Sub Total	\$18,300	\$18,300	0.00	0.00
	LTE Budget Authority Adjustment Sub Total	\$18,300	\$18,300	0.00	0.00
	Agency Total	\$18,300	\$18,300	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Fund Source

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Decision Item/Source of Funds		1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
4005 LTE Budget Authority Adjustment					
GPR	S	\$18,300	\$18,300	0.00	0.00
LTE Budget Authority Adjustment Total		\$18,300	\$18,300	0.00	0.00
Agency Total		\$18,300	\$18,300	0.00	0.00

Decision Item (DIN) - 4006

Decision Item (DIN) Title - Payment in Lieu of Taxes

NARRATIVE

BCPL respectfully requests a sum sufficient Payment in Lieu of Taxes appropriation for FY 2026/2027. It is our understanding that every other state agency obligated to make payments in lieu of taxes has a sum sufficient budget appropriation and BCPL respectfully requests the same authority.

BCPL and the State of Wisconsin received millions of acres of federal land grants at statehood and within 40 years thereafter. BCPL has sold or exchanged the vast majority of those lands, leaving the Common School and Normal School trusts with less than 78,000 acres of School Trust Lands. The vast majority of BCPL land holdings came through federal land grants. One of the conditions of most of the federal land grants given to Wisconsin was that such lands would not be subject to taxation while held by state.

BCPL received "landbank" authority via a unanimous vote of both houses of the Wisconsin Legislature in 2005 Wisconsin Act 352. The legislation was designed with several goals:

1. Allow BCPL to invest the proceeds from land sales in purchases of other lands which would improve BCPL's management efficiencies, improve public access or create larger blocks of timberland by addressing forest fragmentation (codified in Wis. Stats. Section 24.61(2)(cm)).
2. Earmark \$2 million in Knowles-Nelson Stewardship funding to provide a pathway and funding mechanism for the DNR to acquire BCPL parcels for conservation or recreation purposes (formerly codified in Wis. Stats. Section 23.1985 (2005));
3. Provide local governments with PILT so that BCPL's acquisition of land would not result in a decrease in local tax revenue (codified in Wis. Stats. Section 24.62(3)); and
4. Prohibit BCPL from increasing its landholdings by limiting the agency's total acreage to the amount it had prior to enactment of the legislation (codified in Wis. Stats. Section 24.61(2)(cm)2)

The legislation worked as designed. BCPL sold over 20,000 acres of land and purchased 20,000 acres of different land. The changes to BCPL's land base resulted in a significant increase in timber revenue. In addition, BCPL significantly improved public access to School Trust Lands. BCPL's land base became more consolidated, more productive, more efficiently managed and more accessible.

At the enactment of the original Land Bank legislation, BCPL's PILT obligations were nominal (since the agency had not yet acquired much land that would be subject to PILT) and easily accommodated within the agency's operating budget. However, as BCPL conveyed more of its original federal grant land and acquired other lands through its Land Bank authority and land exchanges, the agency's PILT obligation grew. While BCPL received a separate PILT appropriation in the last budget cycle, it was sum certain which meant that if BCPL acquired more land that projected, the additional PILT obligations would need to be funded from agency operations appropriation. This acts as an additional limitation on agency real estate activities.

PILT is a form of shared revenue and provides a direct benefit to local governments as the payments go from the state directly to such local governments and should be a sum sufficient appropriation.

Decision Item by Line

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DEPARTMENT	CODES	TITLES
	507	Board of Commissioners of Public Lands
DECISION ITEM	CODES	TITLES
	4006	Payment in Lieu of Taxes

	Expenditure Items	1st Year Cost	2nd Year Cost
01	Permanent Position Salaries	\$0	\$0
02	Turnover	\$0	\$0
03	Project Position Salaries	\$0	\$0
04	LTE/Misc. Salaries	\$0	\$0
05	Fringe Benefits	\$0	\$0
06	Supplies and Services	\$0	\$0
07	Permanent Property	\$0	\$0
08	Unallotted Reserve	\$0	\$0
09	Aids to Individuals & Organizations	\$0	\$5,000
10	Local Assistance	\$0	\$0
11	One-time Financing	\$0	\$0
12	Debt service	\$0	\$0
13		\$0	\$0
14		\$0	\$0
15		\$0	\$0
16		\$0	\$0
17	TOTAL	\$0	\$5,000
18	Project Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
19	Classified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
20	Unclassified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Numeric

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Program	Decision Item/Numeric	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
	4006 Payment in Lieu of Taxes				
01	Trust lands and investments				
	03 Payments in lieu of taxes	\$0	\$5,000	0.00	0.00
	Trust lands and investments Sub Total	\$0	\$5,000	0.00	0.00
	Payment in Lieu of Taxes Sub Total	\$0	\$5,000	0.00	0.00
	Agency Total	\$0	\$5,000	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Fund Source

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Decision Item/Source of Funds		1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
4006 Payment in Lieu of Taxes					
GPR	L	\$0	\$5,000	0.00	0.00
Payment in Lieu of Taxes Total		\$0	\$5,000	0.00	0.00
Agency Total		\$0	\$5,000	0.00	0.00

Decision Item (DIN) - 4007

Decision Item (DIN) Title - New Appropriation for Tree Planting

NARRATIVE

BCPL has increased its timber management activities in recent years which has increased its timber revenue, despite very difficult markets for timber.

While some of the timberland managed by BCPL will regenerate on its own, BCPL has several thousand acres of red pine plantation in areas which will not regenerate after the final cut. When the final cutting is completed, such lands will not be productive unless they are replanted.

Due to budget constraints, BCPL has not done much tree replanting in such areas in recent years. There are now hundreds of acres of unproductive land that need replanting.

BCPL respectfully requests a separate budget appropriation to use timber revenue as a funding source for replanting trees. In essence, using the harvested trees as an asset to keep the forest productive and a valuable asset for the trust beneficiaries into the future.

It is our understanding that the DNR has such an appropriation, and we believe it is appropriate to use that funding model for our forest management as well.

Decision Item by Line

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DEPARTMENT	CODES	TITLES
	507	Board of Commissioners of Public Lands
DECISION ITEM	CODES	TITLES
	4007	New Appropriation for Tree Planting

	Expenditure Items	1st Year Cost	2nd Year Cost
01	Permanent Position Salaries	\$0	\$0
02	Turnover	\$0	\$0
03	Project Position Salaries	\$0	\$0
04	LTE/Misc. Salaries	\$0	\$0
05	Fringe Benefits	\$0	\$0
06	Supplies and Services	\$50,000	\$50,000
07	Permanent Property	\$0	\$0
08	Unallotted Reserve	\$0	\$0
09	Aids to Individuals & Organizations	\$0	\$0
10	Local Assistance	\$0	\$0
11	One-time Financing	\$0	\$0
12	Debt service	\$0	\$0
13		\$0	\$0
14		\$0	\$0
15		\$0	\$0
16		\$0	\$0
17	TOTAL	\$50,000	\$50,000
18	Project Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
19	Classified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
20	Unclassified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Numeric

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Program	Decision Item/Numeric	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
	4007 New Appropriation for Tree Planting				
01	Trust lands and investments				
	20 Tree replanting	\$50,000	\$50,000	0.00	0.00
	Trust lands and investments Sub Total	\$50,000	\$50,000	0.00	0.00
	New Appropriation for Tree Planting Sub Total	\$50,000	\$50,000	0.00	0.00
	Agency Total	\$50,000	\$50,000	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Fund Source

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Decision Item/Source of Funds		1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
4007 New Appropriation for Tree Planting					
PR	S	\$50,000	\$50,000	0.00	0.00
New Appropriation for Tree Planting Total		\$50,000	\$50,000	0.00	0.00
Agency Total		\$50,000	\$50,000	0.00	0.00

Decision Item (DIN) - 4008

Decision Item (DIN) Title - Payout of accumulated sabbatical leave

NARRATIVE

BCPL has a staff of less than 10 FTE positions. More than 30% of the persons employed in those positions have reached an age where they are eligible to retire. Each of these employees have a significant sabbatical balance as they have worked hard for years and have not taken all their available vacation in the year it was earned.

If one or more of the agency's current employees would choose to retire in any fiscal year, the agency does not have sufficient room in its current budget appropriation to cover the costs of paying out the sabbatical balance.

This DIN was developed with a view toward thoughtful succession planning for the agency so that employees and the agency would not confront a funding crisis situation as employees make retirement decisions.

Decision Item by Line

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DEPARTMENT	CODES	TITLES
	507	Board of Commissioners of Public Lands
DECISION ITEM	CODES	TITLES
	4008	Payout of accumulated sabbatical leave

	Expenditure Items	1st Year Cost	2nd Year Cost
01	Permanent Position Salaries	\$39,000	\$34,700
02	Turnover	\$0	\$0
03	Project Position Salaries	\$0	\$0
04	LTE/Misc. Salaries	\$0	\$0
05	Fringe Benefits	\$0	\$0
06	Supplies and Services	\$0	\$0
07	Permanent Property	\$0	\$0
08	Unallotted Reserve	\$0	\$0
09	Aids to Individuals & Organizations	\$0	\$0
10	Local Assistance	\$0	\$0
11	One-time Financing	\$0	\$0
12	Debt service	\$0	\$0
13		\$0	\$0
14		\$0	\$0
15		\$0	\$0
16		\$0	\$0
17	TOTAL	\$39,000	\$34,700
18	Project Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
19	Classified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
20	Unclassified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Numeric

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Program	Decision Item/Numeric	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
	4008 Payout of accumulated sabbatical leave				
01	Trust lands and investments				
	01 General program operations	\$39,000	\$34,700	0.00	0.00
	Trust lands and investments Sub Total	\$39,000	\$34,700	0.00	0.00
	Payout of accumulated sabbatical leave Sub Total	\$39,000	\$34,700	0.00	0.00
	Agency Total	\$39,000	\$34,700	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Fund Source

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Decision Item/Source of Funds		1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
4008 Payout of accumulated sabbatical leave					
GPR	S	\$39,000	\$34,700	0.00	0.00
Payout of accumulated sabbatical leave Total		\$39,000	\$34,700	0.00	0.00
Agency Total		\$39,000	\$34,700	0.00	0.00

Decision Item (DIN) - 4009

Decision Item (DIN) Title - Transition agency operations funding from GPR to PR

NARRATIVE

BCPL respectfully requests a return to program revenue funding for its agency operations' appropriation.

Over the past twenty years, BCPL has been funded with program revenue and then later with GPR. Under both sources of funding, BCPL has always exhibited fiscal restraint and steadily improved its trust asset management practices. New and better procedures were adopted for both money management and land management, without any material increases in spending.

The results speak for themselves - record trust fund earnings distributions to school and university beneficiaries and record timber revenues produced from the school trust lands. The value of the trust assets increased as well.

However, the ability to maintain that level of performance is being undermined by the agency's inability to obtain the staffing and resources needed to strengthen the agency's core trust management operations.

In an effort to save taxpayer dollars, while still investing in the agency's infrastructure to continue growing the trust funds and distributions, it makes sense to transition back to program revenue funding.

With the help of the increased staffing and resources requested in the upcoming budget, agency staff feel confident they will be able to continue the current beneficiary distributions at a rate equal to or higher than the current rates.

The beneficiaries win by getting a stronger trust manager capable of sustaining and growing the annual distributions. Taxpayers win by having agency trust management expenses paid by program revenue instead of tax dollars.

This request is a win-win proposition that benefits virtually everyone.

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DEPARTMENT	CODES	TITLES
	507	Board of Commissioners of Public Lands
DECISION ITEM	CODES	TITLES
	4009	Transition agency operations funding from GPR to PR

	Expenditure Items	1st Year Cost	2nd Year Cost
01	Permanent Position Salaries	\$0	\$0
02	Turnover	\$0	\$0
03	Project Position Salaries	\$0	\$0
04	LTE/Misc. Salaries	\$0	\$0
05	Fringe Benefits	\$0	\$0
06	Supplies and Services	\$0	\$0
07	Permanent Property	\$0	\$0
08	Unallotted Reserve	\$0	\$0
09	Aids to Individuals & Organizations	\$0	\$0
10	Local Assistance	\$0	\$0
11	One-time Financing	\$0	\$0
12	Debt service	\$0	\$0
13		\$0	\$0
14		\$0	\$0
15		\$0	\$0
16		\$0	\$0
17	TOTAL	\$0	\$0
18	Project Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
19	Classified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
20	Unclassified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Numeric

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Program	Decision Item/Numeric	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
	4009 Transition agency operations funding from GPR to PR				
01	Trust lands and investments				
	01 General program operations	(\$2,284,800)	(\$2,305,800)	(9.70)	(9.70)
	28 Trust lands and investments -- general program operations	\$2,284,800	\$2,305,800	9.70	9.70
	Trust lands and investments Sub Total	\$0	\$0	0.00	0.00
	Transition agency operations funding from GPR to PR Sub Total	\$0	\$0	0.00	0.00
	Agency Total	\$0	\$0	0.00	0.00

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Decision Item/Source of Funds		1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
4009 Transition agency operations funding from GPR to PR					
GPR	S	(\$2,284,800)	(\$2,305,800)	(9.70)	(9.70)
PR	S	\$2,284,800	\$2,305,800	9.70	9.70
Transition agency operations funding from GPR to PR Total		\$0	\$0	0.00	0.00
Agency Total		\$0	\$0	0.00	0.00

ACT 201

Proposal under s. 16.42(4)(b): **0% change in each fiscal year**

FY: **FY26**

Agency: **BCPL - 507**

Exclude: Federal
Debt Service

Columns A-G were prepopulated for agencies to reflect state operations adjusted base and reductions agreed to by DOA and LFB. See Appendix H for instructions on how to complete these templates.

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Agency	Appropriation		Fund Source	\$	FTE	(See Note 1) 0% Change Target	Proposed Budget 2025-26		Change from Adj Base		(See Note 2) Remove SBAs		Change from Adj Base after Removal of SBAs	
	Alpha	Numeric					Proposed \$	Proposed FTE	Item Ref	\$	FTE	\$	FTE	\$
507	1a	101	GPR	\$1,579,100.00	8.70	\$0	\$1,676,800	8.70	\$97,700	0.00	(\$97,700)	0.00	\$0	0.00
507	1q	160	SEG	\$73,200.00	1.00	\$0	\$93,200	1.00	\$20,000	0.00	(\$20,000)	0.00	\$0	0.00
Totals				\$1,652,300.00	9.70	\$0	\$1,770,000	9.70	\$117,700	0.00	(\$117,700)	0.00	\$0	0.00

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Target Reduction = \$0

Difference = **\$0**
Should equal \$0

Items - Describe proposed changes (excl. SBAs) to reach target or other priorities of agency

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ACT 201

Proposal under s. 16.42(4)(b): **5% change in each fiscal year**

FY: **FY26**

Agency: **BCPL - 507**

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507	1q	160	SEG	\$73,200.00	1.00	(\$3,700)	\$89,500	1.00		\$16,300	0.00	(\$20,000)	0.00	(\$3,700)	0.00
Totals				\$1,652,300.00	9.70	(\$82,700)	\$1,687,300	9.70		\$35,000	0.00	(\$117,700)	0.00	(\$82,700)	0.00

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