

NATURAL RESOURCES AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Wildland fire suppression

\$10.8 million General Fund-State

Cover wildland fire suppression costs incurred during summer 2013 and anticipated for spring 2014 by the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Fish and Wildlife.

Support visitors and maintain State Parks

\$3.0 million GF-S and other funds

Enhance park maintenance and retain staff to continue delivering services to visitors. A 29-year-old snowblower that keeps the road open to the summit at Mt. Spokane State Park will also be replaced.

Increase toxic cleanups

\$1.4 million other funds

Speed up toxic cleanups across the state by adding site managers and developing standardized plans for remediating less-complex sites.

Fish passage barriers

\$1.4 million GF-S

Implement the mandates of a federal court injunction requiring correction of fish passage barriers on lands owned by State Parks and the departments of Natural Resources and Fish and Wildlife by 2016.

Teanaway Community Forest Management

\$982,000 GF-S

Fund staff to manage public access and enforce state fish, wildlife and habitat laws at the Teanaway Community Forest.

Reduce oil spill risk from rail and vessels

\$652,000 other funds

Reduce the likelihood of oil spills by assessing risks from greater use of rail and outbound vessels, and developing preparedness and response plans along cross-state rail routes.

Consumer product toxics testing

\$611,000 other funds

Test products to ensure compliance with state laws limiting toxic substances in consumer products.

Parks and Outdoor Recreation Task Force

\$100,000 GF-S; \$100,000 other funds

Support the Governor's Blue Ribbon Task Force on Parks and Outdoor Recreation in developing recommendations to boost outdoor recreation tourism and the number of visitors, provide stable funding for State Parks and other state recreation lands, and promote student environmental education.