

Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission
General Appropriation Act (GAA) Proviso
Fiscal Year 2019-2020

Office of Executive Direction (OED)

Line 1789 – Other Personal Services

- From the funds in Specific Appropriation 1789, \$100,000 in recurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is provided for the Fostering Success Pilot Project, in coordination with the Department of Children and Families and the Department of Economic Opportunity, to develop and implement internships, employment readiness training, and placement services for foster youth.

Division of Law Enforcement (DLE)

Line 1818 – Special Categories Marine Fisheries Disaster Recovery

- The funds provided in Specific Appropriation 1818 are provided for fisheries disasters resulting from Hurricane Irma as determined by the United States Secretary of Commerce. These funds shall be placed in reserve. The Commission is authorized to submit budget amendments to request the release of funds pursuant to chapter 216, Florida Statutes, upon receipt of an approved grant application from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). The budget amendments shall include a spending plan and outline activities for fishery restoration.

Division of Habitat and Species Conservation (DHSC)

Line 1861 – Special Categories Lake Restoration

- From the funds in Specific Appropriation 1861, \$43,500 in nonrecurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is provided for the Lake Helen Sediment Removal & Restoration Project (HB 2189) (Senate Form 1623).

Line 1862 – Special Categories Marine Fisheries Disaster Recovery

- The funds provided in Specific Appropriation 1862 are provided for fisheries disasters resulting from Hurricane Irma as determined by the United States Secretary of Commerce. These funds shall be placed in reserve. The Commission is authorized to submit budget amendments to request the release of funds pursuant to chapter 216, Florida Statutes, upon receipt of an approved grant application from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

The budget amendments shall include a spending plan and outline activities for fishery restoration.

Marine Fisheries Management (DMFM)

Line 1898 Special Categories Nuisance Wildlife Control

- The nonrecurring funds in Specific Appropriation 1898 are provided for the removal of lionfish in the areas of greatest need as determined by the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.
- Funds may be used to recruit local dive shops or commercial fishermen to host Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission sponsored lionfish-specific excursions or lionfish removal dive trips where anglers are taught to harvest, safely handle, clean, and cook lionfish. Funds may also be used to research and utilize emerging devices and techniques for the removal of lionfish at deeper depths as approved by the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. \$100,000 from the funds provided may be used to partner with local seafood markets and restaurants to market the recreational and commercial harvest of lionfish as a food product.
- The Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission shall submit quarterly reports that include the status of the removal process, how many lionfish have been removed, the status of outreach, education, research and marketing, and how the funds are being utilized. The quarterly reports shall be submitted to the Executive Office of the Governor and the chairs of the Senate Appropriations Committee and the House of Representatives Appropriations Committee no later than 30 days after the close of each quarter.

Line 1899 Special Categories Contracted Services

- From the funds in Specific Appropriation 1899, \$586,605 in nonrecurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is provided for Mote Marine Laboratory Coral Reef Restoration (HB 2899) (Senate Form 1301).

Line 1900 – Special Categories Marine Fisheries Disaster Recovery

- The funds provided in Specific Appropriation 1900 are provided for fisheries disasters resulting from Hurricane Irma as determined by the United States Secretary of Commerce. These funds shall be placed in reserve. The Commission is authorized to submit budget amendments to request the release of funds pursuant to chapter 216, Florida Statutes, upon receipt of an approved grant application from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). The budget amendments shall include a spending plan and outline activities for fishery restoration.

Fish and Wildlife Research Institute (FWRI)

Line 1915 Special Categories Contracted Services

- From the funds in Specific Appropriation 1915, \$93,600 in recurring funds from the Marine Resources Conservation Trust Fund is provided for the research laboratory at the Smithsonian Marine Research Station (recurring base appropriations project).
- From the funds in Specific Appropriation 1915, \$60,000 in recurring funds from the Marine Resources Conservation Trust Fund is provided for outreach and education at the Smithsonian Marine Research Station (recurring base appropriations project).
- From the funds in Specific Appropriation 1915, \$50,000 in nonrecurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is provided for the ZooTampa Manatee Transport Vehicle (HB 9139) (Senate Form 2408).

Line 1916 – Special Categories Marine Fisheries Disaster Recovery

- The funds provided in Specific Appropriation 1916 are provided for fisheries disasters resulting from Hurricane Irma as determined by the United States Secretary of Commerce. These funds shall be placed in reserve. The Commission is authorized to submit budget amendments to request the release of funds pursuant to chapter 216, Florida Statutes, upon receipt of an approved grant application from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). The budget amendments shall include a spending plan and outline activities for fishery restoration.

Line 1929A - Grants and Aids to Local Governments and Nonstate Entities – Fixed Capital Outlay Lowery Park Zoo Manatee Hospital

- The nonrecurring funds in Specific Appropriation 1929A are provided for the ZooTampa Florida Panther Medical Facility and Habitat (HB 2347) (Senate Form 1521).

Line 1929B - Grants and Aids to Local Governments and Nonstate Entities – Fixed Capital Outlay Zoo Miami

- The nonrecurring funds in Specific Appropriation 1929B are provided for the Zoo Miami - Expansion/Renovation of Hospital (HB 4051) (Senate Form 1425).

Line 1929C - Grants and Aids to Local Governments and Nonstate Entities – Florida Aquarium - Expansion of Threatened Coral Archive and Reproduction

- The nonrecurring funds in Specific Appropriation 1929C are provided for the Florida Aquarium - Expansion of Threatened Coral Archive and Reproduction (HB 2203) (Senate Form 2067).

Line 1929D - Grants and Aids to Local Governments and Nonstate Entities – Fixed Capital Outlay South Florida Museum and Bishop Planetarium – Parker Manatee Aquarium

- The nonrecurring funds in Specific Appropriation 1929D are provided for the South Florida Museum Facility Upgrades to the Parker Manatee Aquarium (HB 3963) (Senate Form 1759).