

Adirondack Park Agency

Mission

The Adirondack Park Agency's (APA) mission is to protect the public and private resources of the Adirondack Park through the exercise of the powers and duties provided by law. This mission is rooted in three statutes administered by APA in the Park: the Adirondack Park Agency Act; the New York State Freshwater Wetlands Act; and the New York State Wild, Scenic, and Recreational Rivers System Act.

Organization and Staffing

The APA is governed by an 11-member board, including the Commissioners of Environmental Conservation and Economic Development, and the Secretary of State. The other members, five of whom must be Park residents, are nominated by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate.

APA's responsibilities are carried out by the following divisions: Planning, which handles local, regional and State land use policy issues; Counsel's Office, which provides legal advice to all Agency functions and oversees jurisdictional determinations and enforcement functions; Regulatory, which performs the Agency's permitting function; Resource Analysis, which conducts scientific research and makes ecological and adverse impact assessments of land use proposals; Economic Services, which assists project sponsors in the review process; and Local Government Services, which provides technical expertise and assistance to communities.

Budget Highlights

The FY 2021 Executive Budget recommendation of \$6 million for APA increases funding by \$1.3 million from FY 2020 Enacted levels. This increase is primarily attributed to a new capital appropriation to provide APA with the funding to perform necessary capital improvements to their headquarters. The Executive Budget recommends a workforce of 54 FTEs for the Agency in FY 2021, unchanged from FY 2020 Enacted Budget levels.

For more information on this agency's budget recommendations located in the Executive Budget Briefing Book, click on the following link:

Program Highlights

Since its inception, APA has worked to achieve a balance between strong environmental protection and sustainable economic development opportunities for the residents of the Adirondack Park. The principal functions of APA are:

- Reviewing and ensuring adherence to the State Land Master Plan through collaborative working relationships with the Department of Environmental Conservation and the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, and development of Unit Management and recreational use plans;
- Reviewing and issuing permits for private and State land-use projects, consistent with the Adirondack Park Private Land Use and Development Plan, and for certain activities on or near fresh water wetlands, pursuant to the 1975 Freshwater Wetlands Act;
- Helping local governments develop land use plans and providing technical expertise; and,
- Administering the State's Wild, Scenic and Recreational River Act.

ALL FUNDS APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Category	Available FY 2020	Appropriations Recommended FY 2021	Change From FY 2020	Reappropriations Recommended FY 2021
State Operations	4,684,000	5,034,000	350,000	700,000
Capital Projects	0	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,500,000
Total	4,684,000	6,034,000	1,350,000	2,200,000

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ALL FUND TYPES
PROJECTED LEVELS OF EMPLOYMENT BY PROGRAM
FILLED ANNUAL SALARIED POSITIONS

Program	FY 2020 Estimated FTEs 03/31/20	FY 2021 Estimated FTEs 03/31/21	FTE Change
Administration			
General Fund	54	54	0
Total	54	54	0

STATE OPERATIONS
ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY FUND TYPE
APPROPRIATIONS
(dollars)

Fund Type	Available FY 2020	Recommended FY 2021	Change
General Fund	4,684,000	5,034,000	350,000
Total	4,684,000	5,034,000	350,000

STATE OPERATIONS
ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM
APPROPRIATIONS
(dollars)

Program	Available FY 2020	Recommended FY 2021	Change
Administration			
General Fund	4,684,000	5,034,000	350,000
Total	4,684,000	5,034,000	350,000

STATE OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND
SUMMARY OF PERSONAL SERVICE APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES
FY 2021 RECOMMENDED
(dollars)

Program	Total		Personal Service Regular (Annual Salaried)	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration	4,518,000	175,000	4,418,000	175,000
Total	4,518,000	175,000	4,418,000	175,000

Program	Temporary Service (Nonannual Salaried)		Holiday/Overtime Pay	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration	100,000	0	0	0
Total	100,000	0	0	0

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STATE OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND
SUMMARY OF NONPERSONAL SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE UNDISTRIBUTED
APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES
FY 2021 RECOMMENDED
(dollars)

Program	Total		Supplies and Materials	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration	516,000	175,000	88,000	0
Total	516,000	175,000	88,000	0

Program	Travel		Contractual Services	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration	37,000	0	178,000	0
Total	37,000	0	178,000	0

Program	Equipment	
	Amount	Change
Administration	213,000	175,000
Total	213,000	175,000

CAPITAL PROJECTS
ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM
APPROPRIATIONS
(dollars)

Comprehensive Construction Program	Available FY 2020	Recommended FY 2021	Change	Reappropriations FY 2021
Maintenance & Improvement of Existing Facilities				
Capital Projects Fund - Authority Bonds	0	1,000,000	1,000,000	0
Miscellaneous Gifts Account	0	0	0	1,500,000
Total	0	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,500,000

Note: Most recent estimates as of 01/29/2020