

Birch Lake Outlet Weir and Land Purchase**FY2005 Request: \$75,000**
Reference No: 39028**AP/AL:** Appropriation**Project Type:** Construction**Category:** Natural Resources**Location:** Fairbanks Areawide**Contact:** Kelly Hepler**House District:** Fairbanks Areawide (HD 7-11)**Contact Phone:** (907)267-2195**Estimated Project Dates:** 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2005**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

The Birch Lake weir, in its current location since the 1950s, exists on land that has an Interagency Land Management Agreement that was made between the Department of Fish and Game and the Department of Natural Resources. This land is now part of the Mental Health Lands Trust and as such will require the purchase of the property once the agreement expires. The agreement is due to expire on July 1, 2005. To enable continued maintenance of the Birch Lake weir and the fishery associated at Birch Lake, the department is requesting to purchase the land on which the weir is located.

Funding:	FY2005	FY2006	FY2007	FY2008	FY2009	FY2010	Total
Fed Rcpts	\$56,250						\$56,250
Fish/Game	\$18,750						\$18,750
Total:	\$75,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$75,000

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Match Required	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One-Time Project	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - new	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - underway	<input type="checkbox"/> On-Going
25% = Minimum State Match % Required		<input type="checkbox"/> Amendment	<input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Bill	

Operating & Maintenance Costs:

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Staff</u>
Project Development:	0	0
Ongoing Operating:	0	0
One-Time Startup:	0	0
Totals:	0	0

Additional Information / Prior Funding History:

This is the first year of funding for this project

Project Description/Justification:

The weir is essential to the existence of the Birch Lake fishery, which in 2000 accounted for over 8,000 angler days. The department is requesting \$75.0 to purchase the property to include costs of surveying, subdividing and platting. Due to the ILMA expiration date, we are requesting that it be included in the FY05 Capital Budget Request.

Costs are estimated as follows:

\$5,000	Land appraisal
\$10,000	Replatting and subdividing
\$60,000	Land purchase - based on appraisal
\$75,000	Capital Request