

State of Alaska
FY2007 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Transportation/Public Facilities
State Equipment Fleet
RDU/Component Budget Summary

RDU/Component: State Equipment Fleet

(There is only one component in this RDU. To reduce duplicate information, we did not print a separate RDU section.)

Contribution to Department's Mission

Replace, maintain, and manage state-owned vehicles, equipment, and attachments for safe and appropriate use.

Core Services

- The State Equipment Fleet (SEF) is responsible for the management, maintenance, and inventory of all state vehicles, equipment, and attachments assigned to state executive branch agencies. Vehicles licensing and titling services are provided to the Legislature, Alaska Court System, University of Alaska, and Alaska Housing Finance.
- SEF provides maintenance, repair and servicing of state equipment at maintenance and operations shops, remote rural airport stations, and roadside locations throughout Alaska. Preventative maintenance, safety and vehicle emission inspections, parts procurement, and inventory control are provided. Equipment condition is evaluated for the replacement program. New vehicles, equipment, and attachments are received, checked in, made ready for service, and issued to using agencies.
- SEF contracts for vehicle fuel credit card systems for use by state agencies.
- SEF headquarters also develops the specifications for and purchases new equipment and vehicles for all executive branch agencies, and provides administrative support including, but not limited to: policies and procedures, rate setting, computer systems, and training.
- State Equipment Fleet evaluates excess equipment and sells them at auction, negotiates their sale to cities and boroughs, or assigns them to an appropriate alternative use.

End Results	Strategies to Achieve Results
<p>A: Improve customer satisfaction with DOT&PF fleet services.</p> <p><u>Target #1:</u> Increase customer satisfaction with DOT&PF fleet services by 5% from prior year.</p> <p><u>Measure #1:</u> Percent change in customer satisfaction with DOT&PF fleet services based on survey of customers. (Rating of 4 and above on a scale of 1 to 5, with 5 being best).</p>	<p>A1: Improve the quality of DOT&PF fleet services.</p> <p><u>Target #1:</u> Increase all wet vehicle uptime by 2%.</p> <p><u>Measure #1:</u> Percent change in uptime from prior year for all wet vehicles.</p> <p><u>Target #2:</u> Reduce the average number of days from purchase requisition to purchase order for capital purchases to 75 days.</p> <p><u>Measure #2:</u> Average number of days from requisition to purchase order for fleet purchases.</p>
End Results	Strategies to Achieve Results
<p>B: Reduce the annual lifecycle cost of the fleet.</p> <p><u>Target #1:</u> Reduce the annual lifecycle cost of the fleet by 5%.</p> <p><u>Measure #1:</u> Percent change in annual lifecycle fleet cost compared to the prior year.</p>	<p>B1: Provide efficiencies to reduce fleet costs.</p> <p><u>Target #1:</u> Increase preventive maintenance compliance by 5%.</p> <p><u>Measure #1:</u> Percent change in preventive maintenance compliance as compared to prior year.</p> <p><u>Target #2:</u> Increase scheduled maintenance to 50% of total maintenance cost.</p> <p><u>Measure #2:</u> Percent of scheduled maintenance compared to total maintenance costs.</p> <p>B2: Carry out safe DOT&PF operations.</p>

	<p><u>Target #1:</u> 10% increase in employees successfully completing required safety training.</p> <p><u>Measure #1:</u> Percent of employees completing required safety training.</p>
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FY2007 Resources Allocated to Achieve Results							
<p>FY2007 Component Budget: \$26,385,300</p>	<p>Personnel:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">Full time</td> <td style="text-align: right;">163</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">Part time</td> <td style="text-align: right;">2</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">Total</td> <td style="text-align: right; border-top: 1px solid black;">165</td> </tr> </table>	Full time	163	Part time	2	Total	165
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Performance Measure Detail

A: Result - Improve customer satisfaction with DOT&PF fleet services.

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Measure #1: Percent change in customer satisfaction with DOT&PF fleet services based on survey of customers. (Rating of 4 and above on a scale of 1 to 5, with 5 being best).

SEF customer satisfaction rates

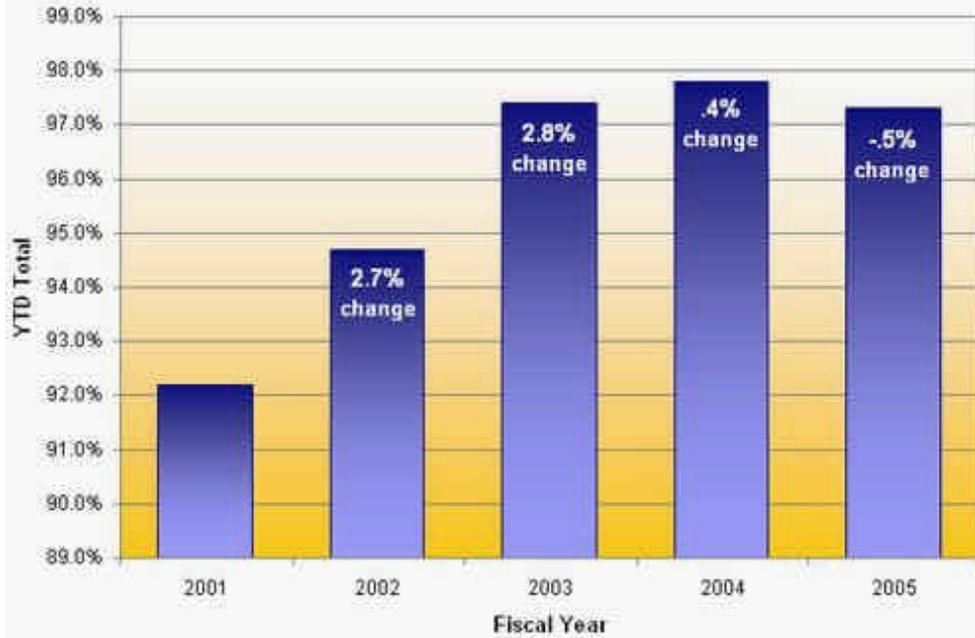
Fiscal Year	YTD Total	% Change
FY 2004	4.5 average	
FY 2005	4.8 average	6.7%

Analysis of results and challenges: The evaluation of customer satisfaction provides user agencies a method of direct communication regarding their concerns and issues while also working to educate the customer base about the fleet operation. This communication provides management with a list of positive and negative issues regarding the actual service level or customer satisfaction. Through an ongoing web based survey system, the department seeks feedback on the staff's courtesy, maintenance quality, timeliness, and relaying of information on services provided and general advice. The receipt of completed surveys continues to be a challenge; however, SEF will maintain communication through the customer service agreements and web information site to increase the percentage of survey forms received in FY2006.

A1: Strategy - Improve the quality of DOT&PF fleet services.

Target #1: Increase all wet vehicle uptime by 2%.
Measure #1: Percent change in uptime from prior year for all wet vehicles.

Light duty uptime in urban areas

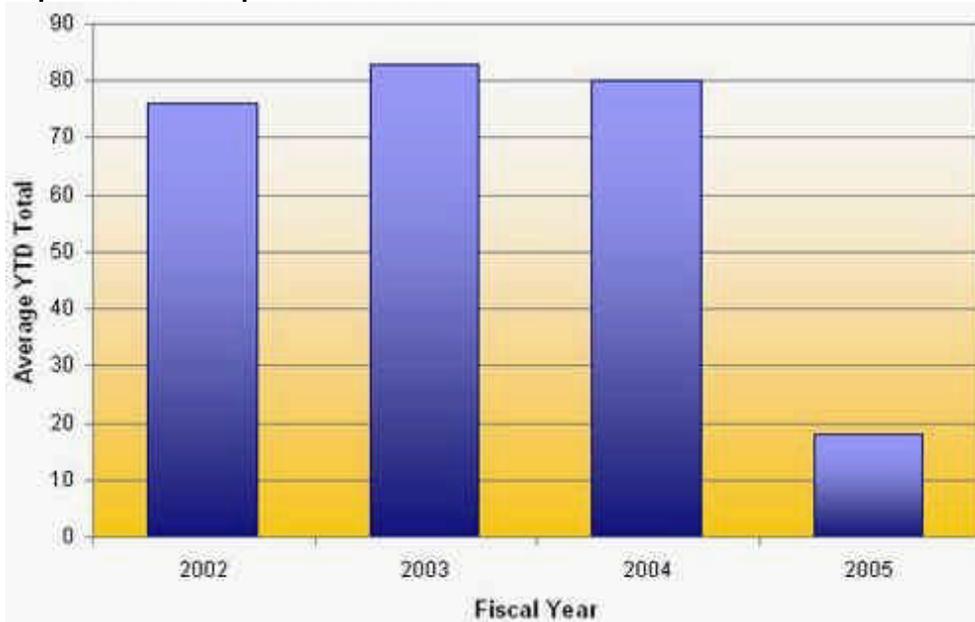


Analysis of results and challenges: SEF is responsible for the overall management of the state's vehicle and equipment resources. It is a service organization providing equipment support services to all state agencies. Equipment can't perform its function when it is down for any reason. Fleets must manage this parameter. Downtime of a vehicle can be affected by staffing levels, parts availability, and adequate staff training. Education of staff is essential to assure that data entry for opening and closing dates of work orders are consistent throughout SEF. Since vehicles are taken offline in order to perform scheduled preventive maintenance, 100% uptime is unattainable.

Target #2: Reduce the average number of days from purchase requisition to purchase order for capital purchases to 75 days.

Measure #2: Average number of days from requisition to purchase order for fleet purchases.

Days taken to process vehicle purchase orders



Analysis of results and challenges: SEF is the sole procurement authority for vehicles for executive branch agencies. Responsiveness to the purchasing needs of its customers can be measured by the amount of time it takes to change purchase requisitions into purchase orders.

The department will continue to investigate how to reduce the processing time for these purchases. That could include more prompt follow-up with user agencies, requiring user specification approval within a set amount of time (or requests go to the bottom of the list), improving the internal paper flow, train more people on specification writing, etc.

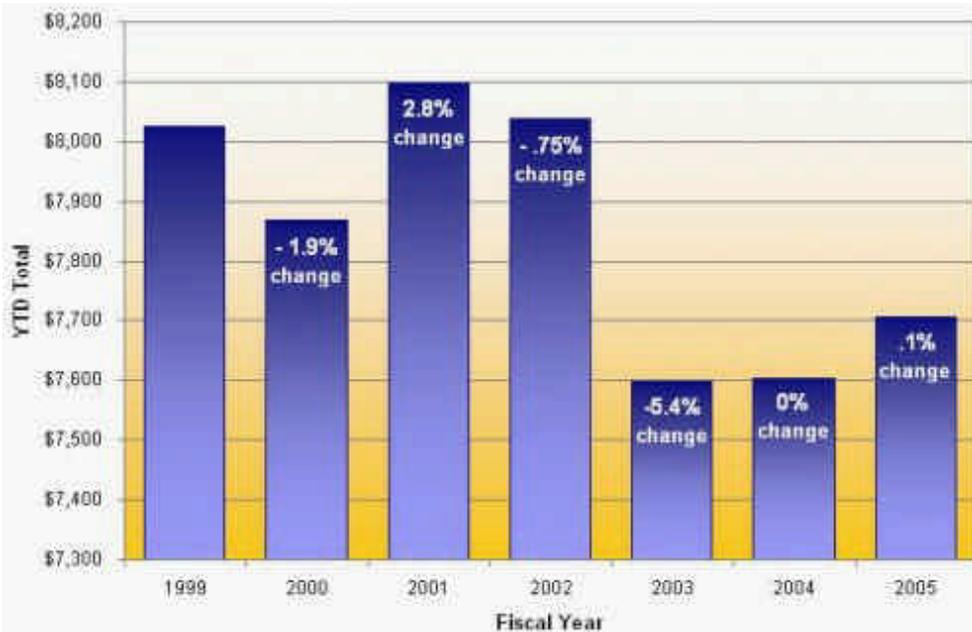
The average total for FY2005 was affected by the moratorium on new equipment purchases. For FY2006, the average will return to normal levels with the target being 75 days.

B: Result - Reduce the annual lifecycle cost of the fleet.

Target #1: Reduce the annual lifecycle cost of the fleet by 5%.

Measure #1: Percent change in annual lifecycle fleet cost compared to the prior year.

Life cycle fleet costs



Analysis of results and challenges: Whether they are managing a private or government fleet all managers have a common interest in the cost of operating the equipment in their control. Management has the responsibility to ensure vehicle costs are reviewed, goals are established, and comparisons are made with prior years.

Components to life cycle cost trends include: general inflation, labor contract provisions, rate methodologies, organization, depreciation, SEF labor, repair parts, and fuel prices. In FY2005 the Z status and those vehicles over the 100% maintenance threshold were made billable.

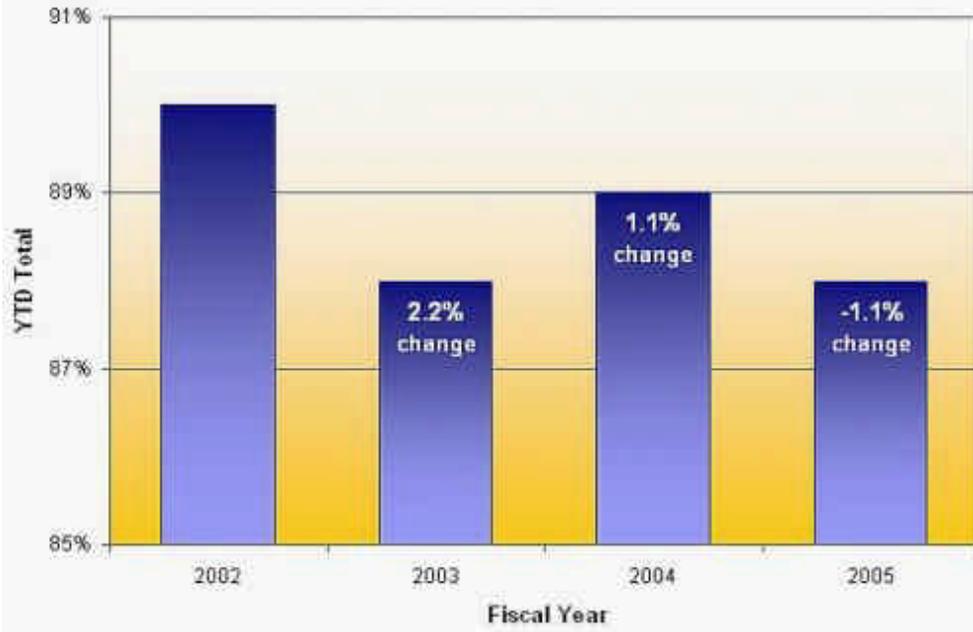
Data in table represents the annual life cycle cost of an average fleet asset.

B1: Strategy - Provide efficiencies to reduce fleet costs.

Target #1: Increase preventive maintenance compliance by 5%.

Measure #1: Percent change in preventive maintenance compliance as compared to prior year.

Preventative maintenance compliance



Analysis of results and challenges: State Equipment Fleet continues to track preventative maintenance (PM) activities. As of October 31, 2005, the regions are experiencing from 87 to 95 percent compliance with preventative maintenance schedules. The PM compliance goals by fiscal year increased from FY2002—80 percent, FY2003—85 percent, FY2004—90 percent, to FY2005—95 percent.

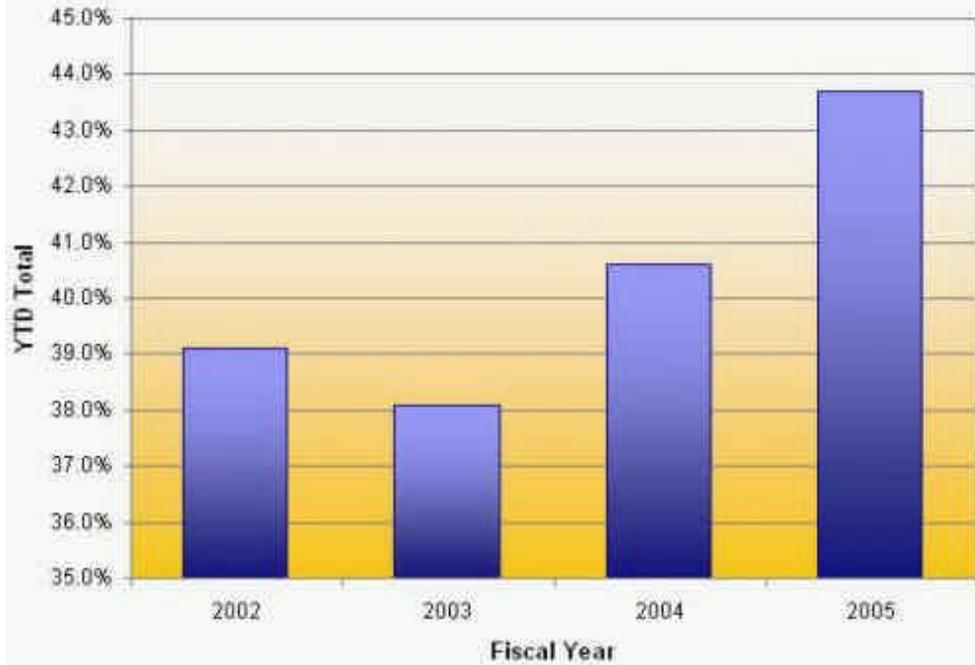
Preventative maintenance is a critical aspect of efficient fleet management. Regularly scheduled service and inspection of vehicles and equipment is the cornerstone of maintaining fleet safety, maintaining maintenance and operation integrity, and controlling maintenance costs. The main components of a preventative maintenance service program are regularly pre-determined inspections including lubrication and service. Adherence to these schedules will help extend machine service life, improve availability and reliability, and reduce major component repair and replacement expenses.

Barriers to reaching or surpassing this measure include: The failure of the user agency to bring the vehicle in for preventative maintenance when requested by State Equipment Fleet and the inability of the user agency to bring the vehicle in if it is being used during the state's limited construction season. The latter can be alleviated by scheduling non-critical preventative maintenance at the end of the construction season or during the winter months when the vehicle is not in use. Beginning in FY06, agencies can view their preventative maintenance schedule on the fleet website, including due and overtime units.

Target #2: Increase scheduled maintenance to 50% of total maintenance cost.

Measure #2: Percent of scheduled maintenance compared to total maintenance costs.

Percent of maintenance that is scheduled



Analysis of results and challenges: The amount of scheduled maintenance is an indicator of the amount of control that management has over the inspection and repair of the fleet. This is mostly a preventative maintenance compliance and quality issue. Both can be improved through SEF management attention. Education of users is being implemented to improve preventative maintenance compliance. In general management and supervision should be scheduling 50 percent or more of the workload.

The Equipment Management System and work orders have been modified to track all scheduled maintenance activities. This will allow for improved tracking of non-scheduled vs. scheduled maintenance.

B2: Strategy - Carry out safe DOT&PF operations.

Target #1: 10% increase in employees successfully completing required safety training.

Measure #1: Percent of employees completing required safety training.

Percent of employees completing training

Fiscal Year	YTD Total
FY 2003	11.5%
FY 2004	10.9%
FY 2005	75%

Analysis of results and challenges: Seeing an increase in accidents and workers compensation claims, the department undertook a review of the safety program in 2002. The result was the production of a new safety manual that includes required safety training elements. The new manual became policy in 2003. Previously, each region, section and safety officer within the department held training events including periodic safety meetings and briefings on new equipment and procedures as needed. Increased funding may be necessary for travel, lodging and additional equipment to comply with the employee specific job training requirements. Required training is expected in other areas, e.g., homeland security drills, etc.

Required safety training, as identified in the safety manual, is being implemented over a 5 year period. Through additional safety training, we expect a reduction in work related injuries and workers compensation claims.

This is a new measure that has required time and resources to identify and document required baseline

information. The FY03 and FY04 data relates to employees' participation in department safety meetings. Future data will look at all required safety training.

Key Component Challenges

Over the prior five years depreciation was the fastest growing component of SEF's cost structure. Growth slowed in 2005 due to increased amortization lives of a portion of the fleet, decreasing the growth to 2% over the five year average. Personnel costs increased 4% between 2004 and 2005, a decrease over prior year averages. In general, expenses other than fuel decreased between FY2004 and FY2005. The challenge is to maintain the decreased costs to our customers despite rising costs in personnel, fuel and manufactured goods.

The amortization periods for heavy trucks and off road equipment are typically 12 to 15 years. During those long depreciation periods the replacement cost of the equipment can increase substantially. Inflation, government regulation, and new technology all have a hand in this. In 1990 the book cost of the SEF fleet was \$99 million. In 2004 it was \$169 million, an increase of 71 percent. It is difficult to keep up with these ever-increasing replacement costs.

SEF will continue to monitor asset amortization periods to reduce depreciation costs without adversely affecting maintenance costs as vehicles are kept for longer periods of time. It will be a challenge to find a balance between acceptable maintenance costs and reduced depreciation expenses.

As customer agencies increase their mission in areas such as road maintenance and public safety this will result in higher usage rates on the vehicles and an increase in the number of wheeled assets in operation. As usage increases, so does the demand for preventive maintenance.

The workforce of mechanics is aging and retiring. Finding skilled, qualified mechanics is becoming increasingly difficult as salaries and benefits in the private sector have surpassed the state. A general trend across the state and nation is that young people are not flocking to the trades so those that do have greater opportunities in either the private or public sector.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2007

No significant change anticipated.

Major Component Accomplishments in 2005

- 42 bids were awarded and the program received 391 new vehicles.
- 502 surplus vehicles were disposed of.
- No bid protests were received.
- Completed reorganization of State Equipment Fleet into a statewide division responsible for procuring and maintaining all state vehicles. Fleet management was streamlined resulting in elimination of several mid tier manager positions.
- A right sizing study and moratorium on vehicles purchases was enacted to reduce the number of light duty vehicles.
- Reduced fleet from 7,835 to 7,426 during the past 18 months.
- Developed user agreements with operating departments.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

AS 44.42.020 Department of Transportation and Public Facilities, Powers and Duties

AS 44.68.010-040 Use of State-Owned Vehicles

AS 44.68.210-290 Highway Equipment Working Capital Fund

AS 44.68.270 Transfer of Equipment to Political Subdivisions

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**State Equipment Fleet
Component Financial Summary**

All dollars shown in thousands

	FY2005 Actuals	FY2006 Management Plan	FY2007 Governor
Non-Formula Program:			
Component Expenditures:			
71000 Personal Services	0.0	13,192.9	14,036.7
72000 Travel	0.0	517.8	517.8
73000 Services	0.0	2,791.6	3,091.6
74000 Commodities	0.0	8,968.2	8,668.2
75000 Capital Outlay	0.0	71.0	71.0
77000 Grants, Benefits	0.0	0.0	0.0
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
Expenditure Totals	0.0	25,541.5	26,385.3
Funding Sources:			
1007 Inter-Agency Receipts	0.0	58.9	0.0
1026 Highways/Equipment Working Capital Fund	0.0	25,482.6	26,385.3
Funding Totals	0.0	25,541.5	26,385.3

Estimated Revenue Collections

Description	Master Revenue Account	FY2005 Actuals	FY2006 Management Plan	FY2007 Governor
Unrestricted Revenues				
Unrestricted Fund	68515	0.0	32,832.2	32,891.1
Unrestricted Total		0.0	32,832.2	32,891.1
Restricted Revenues				
Interagency Receipts	51015	0.0	58.9	0.0
Restricted Total		0.0	58.9	0.0
Total Estimated Revenues		0.0	32,891.1	32,891.1

**Summary of Component Budget Changes
From FY2006 Management Plan to FY2007 Governor**

All dollars shown in thousands

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
FY2006 Management Plan	0.0	0.0	25,541.5	25,541.5
Adjustments which will continue current level of service:				
-FY 07 Wage Increases for Bargaining Units and Non-Covered Employees	0.0	0.0	241.0	241.0
-FY 07 Health Insurance Cost Increases for Bargaining Units and Non-Covered Employees	0.0	0.0	29.2	29.2
-FY 07 Retirement Systems Cost Increase	0.0	0.0	446.8	446.8
Proposed budget increases:				
-Risk Management Self-Insurance Funding Increase	0.0	0.0	126.8	126.8
FY2007 Governor	0.0	0.0	26,385.3	26,385.3

**State Equipment Fleet
Personal Services Information**

Authorized Positions		Personal Services Costs		
	<u>FY2006</u> <u>Management</u> <u>Plan</u>	<u>FY2007</u> <u>Governor</u>		
Full-time	164	163	Annual Salaries	8,465,190
Part-time	2	2	COLA	246,612
Nonpermanent	0	0	Premium Pay	411,623
			Annual Benefits	5,115,313
			<i>Less 1.42% Vacancy Factor</i>	(202,038)
			Lump Sum Premium Pay	0
Totals	166	165	Total Personal Services	14,036,700

Position Classification Summary

Job Class Title	Anchorage	Fairbanks	Juneau	Others	Total
Accounting Clerk I	1	1	0	0	2
Administrative Assistant	1	1	0	0	2
Administrative Clerk I	1	0	0	0	1
Administrative Clerk II	0	1	0	0	1
Administrative Clerk III	1	0	0	0	1
Administrative Manager II	1	1	0	0	2
Analyst/Programmer V	1	0	0	0	1
Contracting Officer III	1	0	0	0	1
Equip Operations Analyst	4	0	0	0	4
Equip Operator Jrny III/Lead	0	0	0	12	12
Equipment Fleet Dist Manager	2	2	1	0	5
Equipment Fleet Maint Manager	1	0	0	0	1
Equipment Fleet Parts Manager	1	0	0	0	1
Mech Auto Foreman I	0	0	1	2	3
Mech Auto Foreman II	2	2	0	4	8
Mech Auto Journey	0	4	0	1	5
Mech Auto Lead/Spec	16	11	3	64	94
Mech Auto Sub Journey	1	0	0	2	3
Procurement Spec I	2	0	0	0	2
State Equipment Fleet Manager	1	0	0	0	1
Stock & Parts Svcs Journey I	0	0	1	0	1
Stock & Parts Svcs Journey II	2	3	0	4	9
Stock & Parts Svcs Lead	1	1	1	0	3
Stock & Parts Svcs Sub Journey	1	1	0	0	2
Totals	41	28	7	89	165