

**State of Alaska
FY2016 Governor Amended Operating
Budget**

**Department of Public Safety
Alaska State Troopers
Results Delivery Unit Budget Summary**

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Contribution to Department's Mission

Preserve public peace; protect life, property, and wildlife resources.

Core Services

- AST and AWT are each comprised of five "letter" detachments (regional geographic areas). A Detachment is southeast Alaska, B Detachment is the Mat-Su valley to Glennallen, C Detachment is western Alaska including Kodiak, D Detachment is northern Alaska for AST and includes some of western Alaska for AWT, and E Detachment is the Kenai Peninsula.
- Provide criminal law enforcement and investigations at all levels of complexity, from the simplest vandalism to the most complex homicides; fraud cases; and complex drug and alcohol investigations.
- Protect state fish and game resources with a combination of uniformed trooper patrols, covert investigations, and educational and public awareness programs.
- Respond to rescue situations, conduct search operations, coordinate various agencies and private persons involved in search efforts, fund aircraft for search missions, and provide logistical support and technical expertise.
- Provide traffic law enforcement and investigation including all major state highways, as well as in rural areas.
- Provide statewide patrol of commercial big game services, commercial fisheries enforcement, sport fish and sport fish guiding enforcement, game and trapping enforcement, and safeguarding habitat.
- Provide statewide boating safety education and enforcement.
- Provide court services including courtroom and court facility security, transporting and guarding prisoners, serving the numerous and varying types of court process, protecting the judiciary, and carrying out the general needs of the courts.

Major RDU Accomplishments in 2014

Please see individual component narratives for details.

Key RDU Challenges

CORE POLICE SERVICES: As Alaska's population continues to grow, requests for services have increased. Alcohol and drug involvement in crime remains a significant challenge. Technological changes and sophistication allow new criminal exploitations of the populace, including identity theft, child pornography and online child sexual exploitation, and computer fraud schemes. Terroristic threats to infrastructure require greater patrols, more response planning, and more efforts aimed toward public reassurance. Proactive enforcement such as highway traffic patrols, burglary suppression, and community policing have been forced to a lower priority and are seldom accomplished. The Alaska State Troopers (AST) technology base lags far behind other police and public service organizations in all these areas.

RECRUITMENT: Recruitment and retention continue to be significant challenges for the Alaska State Troopers and law enforcement agencies nationwide. Although the recruitment unit has been successful with attracting applicants and attracting *quality* applicants is especially challenging when competing with other agencies in and out of Alaska. The requirement that troopers be willing to transfer to rural locations where housing and amenities are limited creates recruiting challenges not faced by any other police agencies in the state.

WILDLIFE ENFORCEMENT COVERAGE: The Alaska Wildlife Troopers (AWT) conduct enforcement operations in the most challenging geographic expanse in the country. It is a significant challenge under the best of conditions to successfully protect the state's fish and wildlife resources. AWT continues to operate at a minimally acceptable enforcement level. Many areas of the state are not patrolled or are only occasionally patrolled. Only with the support of the marine enforcement section and its fleet of sixteen vessels ranging from 25' to 156', and the aircraft section with its compliment of patrol aircraft, can the AWT core mission be effectively administered. Having the skilled personnel and providing the proper training to conduct these unique patrols is increasingly more challenging. The majority of new trooper applicants require extensive training in the nuances of Alaska resource enforcement.

COURT SECURITY: While the number of court services officers (CSO) located around the state has increased in recent years, it still marginally adequate to properly handle increased court security concerns, transport prisoners, and serve domestic violence protective orders, stalking, and other court writs in a timely manner. Additionally, AST is being asked to provide security at court events such as the Annual Judicial Conference and Supreme Court Live events. Supreme Court Live is an event where the state supreme court hears oral arguments on actual cases at a high school. Depending on the venue and the number of students attending the event, providing security for the event and screening of the students and public requires twelve to twenty officers. Prisoner transport volume for the Division of Alaska State Troopers (AST) increased approximately 12.8 percent from FY2013 to FY2014. The division moved 69,453 prisoners in FY2013 and 78,356 prisoners in FY2014.

RAPE AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE: Alaska's rate of forcible rape is three times the national average. Rates of domestic violence are among the highest in the nation. The rates of victimization of Alaska Native women and children, particularly in rural Alaska, are even greater. Small communities and villages present specific and difficult challenges to these investigations.

TERRORISM AND WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION: The Alaska State Troopers continue to staff and supervise the statewide Criminal Intelligence Unit located at the Anchorage Federal Bureau of Investigation office. Additionally, AST remains actively involved in contingency planning and preparedness issues in concert with other government agencies, as well as with private industry. A position is devoted to serve as the department's liaison with the Department of Military and Veteran Affairs, Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management. There are no Alaska State Trooper posts along almost 400 miles of the Trans-Alaska Pipeline (from Prudhoe Bay to Fairbanks). There is a Alaska Wildlife Trooper post in Coldfoot with one trooper.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2016

Significant resources are being focused on investigation of major criminal activity, investigation of illegal drug and alcohol activity, and better addressing the needs of rural communities and their surrounding areas throughout Alaska.

Alaska State Troopers:

The Alaska State Troopers (AST) Division is continuing to aggressively pursue technologies that will enable it to conduct its duties more efficiently. The division is also expanding a program that will increase the number of mobile data computers in patrol vehicles. This effort, coupled with implementation of an electronic records management system which became fully operational during FY2014, will facilitate the rapid transmittal of police reports, traffic citations, and similar documents to district attorneys, the court system, the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities, and the Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV). Ultimately, these combined programs will reduce the amount of "double entry" currently taking place as troopers, AST clerical personnel, the courts, district attorneys' offices, and DMV each key the records into their own systems. These upgrades will take substantial staff time to develop policies and rules of use. They will also require extensive training efforts during the implementation stages.

The AST Alaska Bureau of Highway Patrol (ABHP) will continue its active support of the Governor's strategic plan to reduce the number of serious injury and fatality collisions on Alaska's roadways. This includes proactive enforcement efforts, educational presentations and specialized fatal and serious injury crash investigations.

Alaska Wildlife Troopers:

The Alaska Wildlife Troopers (AWT) will continue to concentrate the majority of its resources on the enforcement of laws governing commercial enterprises and the protection of wild resources.

The AWT Aircraft Section is undergoing auditing to ensure it remains compliant with Federal Aviation Administration regulations and best industry practices. Some of these audits have occurred and others are still taking place in FY2015. It is expected that there will be changes in the number of personnel and in the amount of maintenance that will be contracted outside of the facility, especially with work involving the complex turbine aircraft.

In FY2016, the division will host resource law enforcement training that cover the nuances of this type of enforcement work. This training is meant to benefit both the new applicants into the division as well as seasoned veterans of all resource agencies that operate within the state. This training typically covers recent changes in wildlife law, environmental law, wildlife evidence, and operations.

The division will continue its focus on education of the public both young and old. In recent years, the division has increased its time spent on education, conducting classes at schools, hunting and trapping classes in conjunction with ADF&G, and by setting up information booths at the larger outdoor shows.

Please see individual component narratives for additional details.

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**Alaska State Troopers
RDU Financial Summary by Component**

All dollars shown in thousands

	FY2014 Actuals				FY2015 Management Plan				FY2016 Governor Amended			
	UGF+DGF Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	UGF+DGF Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	UGF+DGF Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds
Formula Expenditures None.												
Non-Formula Expenditures												
Special Projects	3,608.9	1,289.8	738.7	5,637.4	94.8	344.4	2,314.9	2,754.1	95.8	346.1	2,314.9	2,756.8
Alaska Bureau of Highway Patrol	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3,114.1	3,425.9	0.0	6,540.0	1,445.1	2,166.9	0.0	3,612.0
AK Bureau of Judicial Svcs	3,746.0	0.0	0.0	3,746.0	4,302.4	0.0	0.0	4,302.4	4,325.6	0.0	0.0	4,325.6
Prisoner Transportation	2,814.1	60.7	0.0	2,874.8	2,784.2	70.0	0.0	2,854.2	2,784.2	70.0	0.0	2,854.2
Search and Rescue	412.8	0.0	0.0	412.8	575.5	0.0	0.0	575.5	575.5	0.0	0.0	575.5
Rural Trooper Housing	2,581.8	0.0	0.0	2,581.8	3,140.4	0.0	0.0	3,140.4	3,042.1	0.0	0.0	3,042.1
SW Drug and Alcohol Enforcement	7,327.4	0.0	914.0	8,241.4	7,970.0	0.0	3,139.5	11,109.5	7,917.0	0.0	3,144.9	11,061.9
AST Detachments	70,879.8	551.8	0.0	71,431.6	66,383.2	795.5	0.0	67,178.7	65,303.5	1,053.1	0.0	66,356.6
Alaska Bureau of Investigation	7,385.1	0.0	0.0	7,385.1	8,165.2	0.0	0.0	8,165.2	7,375.5	0.0	0.0	7,375.5
Alaska Wildlife Troopers	21,711.2	614.8	0.0	22,326.0	21,362.7	1,256.1	0.0	22,618.8	20,542.3	1,260.3	0.0	21,802.6
AK W-life Troopers Aircraft Sect	3,427.4	997.5	0.0	4,424.9	3,394.9	1,056.1	0.0	4,451.0	5,739.0	1,056.1	0.0	6,795.1
AK W-life Troopers Marine Enforc	3,309.3	50.0	0.0	3,359.3	2,734.7	42.5	0.0	2,777.2	2,516.9	42.5	0.0	2,559.4
Totals	127,203.8	3,564.6	1,652.7	132,421.1	124,022.1	6,990.5	5,454.4	136,467.0	121,662.5	5,995.0	5,459.8	133,117.3

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Summary of RDU Budget Changes by Component
From FY2015 Management Plan to FY2016 Governor Amended

All dollars shown in thousands

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Gen (UGF)</u>	<u>Designated</u> <u>Gen (DGF)</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Federal</u> <u>Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
FY2015 Management Plan	121,899.4	2,122.7	6,990.5	5,454.4	136,467.0
One-time items:					
-Alaska Wildlife Troopers	-142.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	-142.6
Adjustments which continue current level of service:					
-Special Projects	1.1	0.0	2.0	0.0	3.1
-Alaska Bureau of Highway Patrol	19.9	0.0	15.5	0.0	35.4
-AK Bureau of Judicial Svcs	30.5	1.2	0.0	0.0	31.7
-SW Drug and Alcohol Enforcement	59.4	0.0	0.0	5.4	64.8
-AST Detachments	819.3	0.0	257.6	0.0	1,076.9
-Alaska Bureau of Investigation	-208.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	-208.4
-Alaska Wildlife Troopers	180.2	0.0	6.7	0.0	186.9
-AK W-life Troopers Aircraft Sect	19.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	19.3
-AK W-life Troopers Marine Enforc	43.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	43.3
Proposed budget increases:					
-AST Detachments	310.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	310.0
-AK W-life Troopers Aircraft Sect	2,374.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	2,374.1
Proposed budget decreases:					
-Special Projects	-0.1	0.0	-0.3	0.0	-0.4
-Alaska Bureau of Highway Patrol	-1,688.9	0.0	-1,274.5	0.0	-2,963.4
-AK Bureau of Judicial Svcs	-8.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	-8.5
-Rural Trooper Housing	-98.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	-98.3
-SW Drug and Alcohol Enforcement	-112.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	-112.4
-AST Detachments	-2,209.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-2,209.0
-Alaska Bureau of Investigation	-581.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	-581.3
-Alaska Wildlife Troopers	-858.0	0.0	-2.5	0.0	-860.5
-AK W-life Troopers Aircraft Sect	-49.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	-49.3
-AK W-life Troopers Marine Enforc	-261.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	-261.1
FY2016 Governor	119,538.6	2,123.9	5,995.0	5,459.8	133,117.3

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