

## Agency Change Package Detail

Department: 53010 - DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Version: 2019F0653010

Program: 20

Type: NP

Status: Included

Number: 20

Group: None

Description: 17-7-140 Reductions

### Request Expenditures

	<u>Line Item</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>Biennium Total</u>
62000	Operating Expenses	(\$114,319)	(\$115,615)	(\$229,934)
62169	Contracts With Non-Profits	\$0	\$0	\$0
	<b>First Level Subtotal</b>	<b>(\$114,319)</b>	<b>(\$115,615)</b>	<b>(\$229,934)</b>
<b>Total Request Expenditures</b>		<b>(\$114,319)</b>	<b>(\$115,615)</b>	<b>(\$229,934)</b>

### Request Funding

	<u>Line Item</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>Biennium Total</u>
01100	General Fund	(\$114,319)	(\$115,615)	(\$229,934)
	<b>Fund Type Subtotal</b>	<b>(\$114,319)</b>	<b>(\$115,615)</b>	<b>(\$229,934)</b>
<b>Total Request Funding</b>		<b>(\$114,319)</b>	<b>(\$115,615)</b>	<b>(\$229,934)</b>

### Description and Justification

#### **Reduce Contracted Services in Water Quality**

These reductions include, but are not limited to, data collection support, monitoring, technical assistance and training. The contracted services identified are not required by state or federal law. These cuts will impact the ability of non-profits and the university system to help communities and industrial dischargers meet water quality standards and the ability of the department to study and monitor water quality issues across the state.

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Program: 30

Type: NP

Status: Included

Number: 30

Group: None

Description: 17-7-140 Reductions

### Request Expenditures

	<u>Line Item</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>Biennium Total</u>
61000	Personal Services	(\$93,000)	(\$93,000)	(\$186,000)
	<b>First Level Subtotal</b>	<b>(\$93,000)</b>	<b>(\$93,000)</b>	<b>(\$186,000)</b>
62000	Operating Expenses	(\$27,000)	(\$28,000)	(\$55,000)
	<b>First Level Subtotal</b>	<b>(\$27,000)</b>	<b>(\$28,000)</b>	<b>(\$55,000)</b>
<b>Total Request Expenditures</b>		<b>(\$120,000)</b>	<b>(\$121,000)</b>	<b>(\$241,000)</b>

### Request Funding

	<u>Line Item</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>Biennium Total</u>
01100	General Fund	(\$120,000)	(\$121,000)	(\$241,000)
	<b>Fund Type Subtotal</b>	<b>(\$120,000)</b>	<b>(\$121,000)</b>	<b>(\$241,000)</b>
<b>Total Request Funding</b>		<b>(\$120,000)</b>	<b>(\$121,000)</b>	<b>(\$241,000)</b>

### Description and Justification

#### **Eliminate Enforcement Division Administrator position**

DEQ would distribute responsibilities from this position among existing managers and staff, and reduce or delay enforcement caseload work accordingly. This also will reduce or delay our ability to respond to citizen complaints.

DEQ proposes to consolidate fiscal management responsibilities, eliminating one fiscal management position. This reduces financial oversight for certain program budgets.

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Program: 40

Type: NP

Status: Included

Number: 40

Group: None

Description: 17-7-140 Reductions

### Request Expenditures

	<u>Line Item</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>Biennium Total</u>
61000	Personal Services	(\$43,000)	(\$43,000)	(\$86,000)
	<b>First Level Subtotal</b>	<b>(\$43,000)</b>	<b>(\$43,000)</b>	<b>(\$86,000)</b>
62000	Operating Expenses	(\$27,000)	(\$27,000)	(\$54,000)
	<b>First Level Subtotal</b>	<b>(\$27,000)</b>	<b>(\$27,000)</b>	<b>(\$54,000)</b>
<b>Total Request Expenditures</b>		<b>(\$70,000)</b>	<b>(\$70,000)</b>	<b>(\$140,000)</b>

### Request Funding

	<u>Line Item</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>Biennium Total</u>
01100	General Fund	(\$70,000)	(\$70,000)	(\$140,000)
	<b>Fund Type Subtotal</b>	<b>(\$70,000)</b>	<b>(\$70,000)</b>	<b>(\$140,000)</b>
<b>Total Request Funding</b>		<b>(\$70,000)</b>	<b>(\$70,000)</b>	<b>(\$140,000)</b>

### Description and Justification

#### State Recycling Program

DEQ proposes to eliminate State General Fund funding of this program and instead fund this program from solid waste fees. We would do our best to cover this program with our existing fee structure, but this would change cash flow projections and could result in an earlier than projected increase in solid waste fees.

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Program: 50

Type: NP

Status: Included

Number: 50

Group: None

Description: 17-7-140 Reductions

## Request Expenditures

	<u>Line Item</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>Biennium Total</u>
61000	Personal Services	(\$113,381)	(\$113,580)	(\$226,961)
	<b>First Level Subtotal</b>	<b>(\$113,381)</b>	<b>(\$113,580)</b>	<b>(\$226,961)</b>
62000	Operating Expenses	(\$100,619)	(\$100,421)	(\$201,040)
	<b>First Level Subtotal</b>	<b>(\$100,619)</b>	<b>(\$100,421)</b>	<b>(\$201,040)</b>
<b>Total Request Expenditures</b>		<b>(\$214,000)</b>	<b>(\$214,001)</b>	<b>(\$428,001)</b>

## Request Funding

	<u>Line Item</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>Biennium Total</u>
01100	General Fund	(\$214,000)	(\$214,001)	(\$428,001)
	<b>Fund Type Subtotal</b>	<b>(\$214,000)</b>	<b>(\$214,001)</b>	<b>(\$428,001)</b>
<b>Total Request Funding</b>		<b>(\$214,000)</b>	<b>(\$214,001)</b>	<b>(\$428,001)</b>

## Description and Justification

### **Reduce one FTE in Opencut mine permitting**

The fees on opencut permittees are not sufficient to fund program operations, even when coupled with Natural Resource Operations (NRO) Account dollars and General Fund. NRO revenues are currently well below predicted levels. DEQ has historically used additional General Fund from other programs in order to meet the very tight statutory timeframes under this program – 5 days for completeness review of permit applications and 30 days for adequacy review, with an additional 15 days if the application meets the statutory requirements for public hearing requests. DEQ proposes to no longer subsidize this program with additional General Fund, which would require eliminating one position. This will put us at risk of missing statutory deadlines and delay review of reclamation work and release of reclamation surety bonds.

### **Eliminate 2 positions in the Air, Energy & Mining Division**

**Fiscal Specialist** – This position performs mine bonding assistance and other fiscal support functions that include budget review, drafting and submitting grant applications, and forecasting revenue and budget for the Air, Energy and Mining programs. Eliminating this FTE will limit the time and effort to validate and track hard rock, opencut and coal mine bonding for the state, and limit the ability to apply for and manage federal grants and contracts that support the functions of each division program.

**Administrative Support** – This position helps the Air Quality Bureau issue timely air quality permits and manage records. Eliminating this position increases the risk of delayed issuance of air quality permits and correspondence, decreased customer service, and decreased field office support.

### **Reduce County Air Quality Grants**

DEQ proposes to reduce by 10% grant assistance to the eight delegated county air quality programs in Montana. The counties with delegated programs are Butte-Silver Bow, Cascade, Flathead, Lewis & Clark, Lincoln, Missoula, Ravalli, and Yellowstone. Thirteen communities are the primary focus of these county air programs: Butte, Great Falls, Kalispell, Columbia Falls, Whitefish, Helena, East Helena, Libby, Missoula, Seeley Lake, Hamilton, Billings, and Laurel. These County programs typically involve woodstove burning control, road dust control, open burning control, ambient monitoring, administration of local regulations, technical support studies, and state air pollution control plan support.