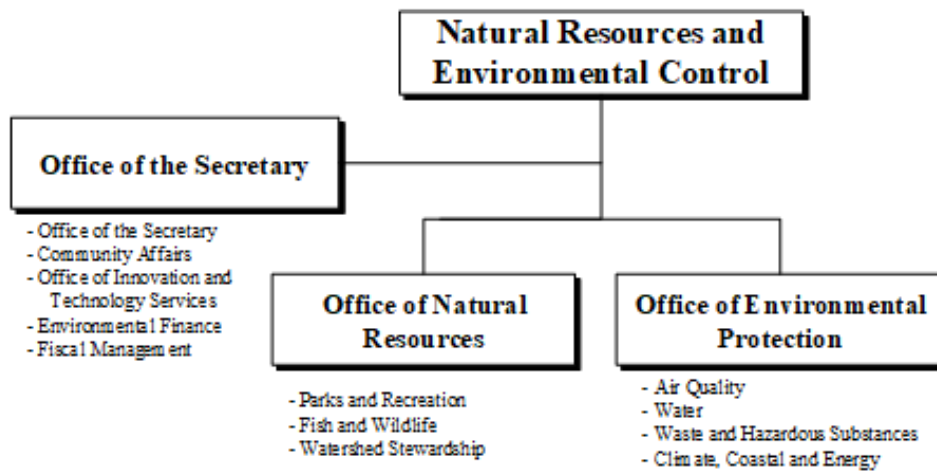
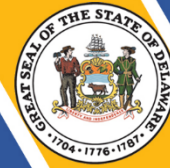
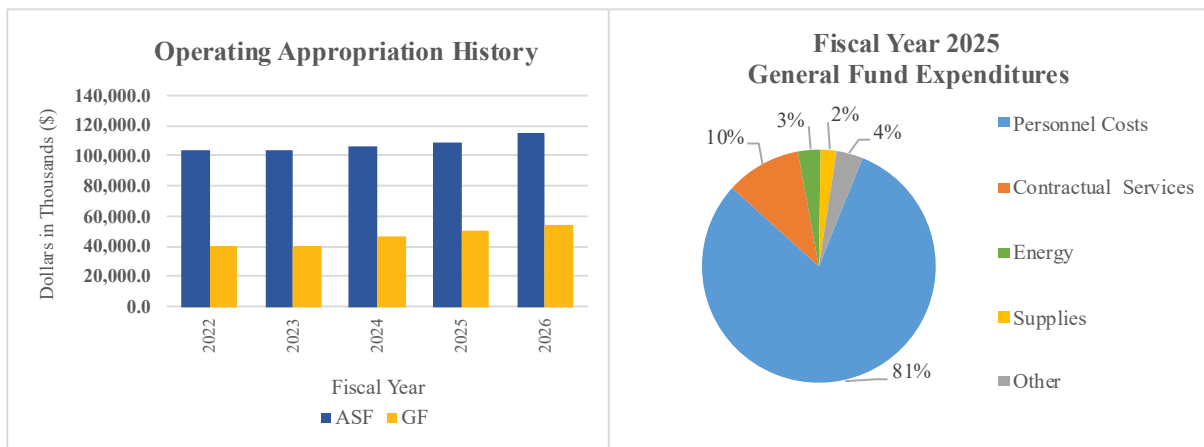


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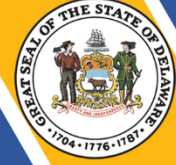


At a Glance

- Manage 95,398 acres of land; 36 parks and wildlife areas; 60 boating and fishing access areas; 34 nature preserves; 125 conservation easements; 104.3 miles of roads; 270.2 miles of trails; 710 buildings; 31 vehicular bridges; 174 pedestrian bridges; 11 air monitoring stations; 62 miles of shoreline; 42 state-owned dams; 2,000 miles of tax ditches; and 130.1 miles of waterways;
- Provide world-class parks and open spaces, recreational opportunities, and habitat and biodiversity protection;
- Conserve and manage Delaware's fish and wildlife and their habitats, and provide fishing, hunting, and wildlife viewing on 68,471 acres of public land;
- Ensure clean water, clean air, and to protect human health and the environment;
- Ensure cleaner, affordable, and reliable energy while strengthening Delaware's resilience to climate-related risks;
- Bolster/ensure transparency of processes, information, data and communication to encourage meaningful engagement with all Delawareans; and
- Perform as a model, modern department.



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Overview

The mission of the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) is to engage all stakeholders to ensure the wise management, conservation, and enhancement of the State's natural resources; protect public health and the environment focusing on environmental justice; provide quality outdoor recreation; improve the quality of life; lead energy policy and climate preparedness; and educate the public on historic, cultural and natural resource use, requirements and issues.

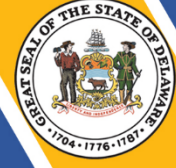
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For more information, visit dnrec.delaware.gov.

Performance Measures

IPU	Performance Measure Name	Fiscal Year 2025 Actual	Fiscal Year 2026 Budget	Fiscal Year 2027 Governor's Recommended
40-01-01	Office of Administrative Services			
	Average # of days to resolve FOIA requests	*	*	10
	Office of Communications			
	% increase in newsletter subscribers	*	*	5
	<i>*New Performance Measure</i>			
40-01-03	Office of Environmental Justice			
	\$ invested in communities via CEPF	*	*	350,000
	% constituent concerns resolved within 5 business days	*	*	60
	<i>*New Performance Measure</i>			
40-01-05	Office of Business Services			
	# of new datasets added to the State Open Data Portal	*	*	10
	<i>*New Performance Measure</i>			

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IPU	Performance Measure Name	Fiscal Year 2025 Actual	Fiscal Year 2026 Budget	Fiscal Year 2027 Governor's Recommended
40-01-06	Environmental Finance			
	# of grants provided to Low-Income / Underserved Communities	*	*	45
	<i>*New Performance Measure</i>			
40-01-07	Fiscal Management			
	# of internal control and audit reviews completed	170	150	150
40-01-08	Natural Resource Police-Parks, Environmental Crimes, Fish and Wildlife			
	# of public outreach/training sessions conducted	*	*	35
	# of calls for service, including boating violations, park fee evasion, hunting violations, open burning, illegal dumping, criminal violations and motor vehicle violations.	*	*	17,220
	<i>*New Performance Measure</i>			
40-03-02	Parks and Recreation			
	# of park visitors	7,286,201	7,300,000	7,300,000
	# of Free Park entrances and low-income annual passes issued	*	*	1,200
	# of volunteer hours	121,246	135,000	135,000
	<i>*New Performance Measure</i>			
40-03-03	Fish and Wildlife			
	Wildlife/Fisheries			
	% of Environmental Reviews completed within 30 days	*	*	80

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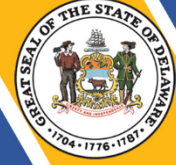
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	# of fishing access areas constructed, improved or maintained in close proximity to underserved communities	*	*	2
	Outreach, Licensing, and Grant Management			
	% of boat fishing license applications processed within 5 days	*	*	100
	Mosquito Control			
	% of mosquito treatment requests completed	*	*	95
*New Performance Measure				
40-03-04	Watershed Stewardship			
	Conservation Programs			
	% of Detailed Sediment and Stormwater Management Plan submissions reviewed within thirty (30) calendar days	*	*	90
	# of cubic yards of sand pumped by the Sand Bypass Facility to maintain and protect the bridge approach north of the Indian River Inlet and to re-nourish the public recreational beach area	*	*	80,000
	*New Performance Measure			
40-04-02	Air Quality			
	Climate Change			
	% of Air Permits for Construction Issued within 90 days of a complete application	*	*	60
	Permitting Reform			

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IPU	Performance Measure Name	Fiscal Year 2025 Actual	Fiscal Year 2026 Budget	Fiscal Year 2027 Governor's Recommended
	# of compliance inspections conducted	*	*	100
	*New Performance Measure			
40-04-03	Water			
	Residential Services			
	% of Site Evaluations processed within 10 working days	*	*	100
	Commercial and Governmental Services			
	% EPA Delegation-obligated major individual National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permitted facilities inspected annually	*	*	100
	Wetlands and Waterways			
	% of Subaqueous Permits processed within 120 working days	*	*	80
	Environmental Laboratory			
	% of sample results returned within the contracted timeframe	98	100	100
	Resource Protection			
	% of Division of Water Licensing Renewals Completed within 30 days Upon Receipt of a Complete Online Application	*	*	100
	*New Performance Measure			
40-04-04	Waste and Hazardous Substances			
	Remediation			
	% of Brownfield investigations completed within 4-months.	*	*	80

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IPU	Performance Measure Name	Fiscal Year 2025 Actual	Fiscal Year 2026 Budget	Fiscal Year 2027 Governor's Recommended
	Compliance and Permitting			
	% of facilities assessed returning to compliance within 180 days	93.2	100	100
	Emergency Response and Strategic Services			
	% of Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act electronic reporting	100	100	100
	*New Performance Measure			
40-04-05	Climate, Coastal and Energy			
	% progress towards Tree for Every Delawarean 1,000,000 trees planted	*	*	45
	% of state's electricity production from solar energy	*	*	3.5
	*New Performance Measure			