

**Alaska**  
(Dollars in Thousands)

<b>Alaska</b>	<b>2012 Total*</b>	<b>5% Sequester</b>	<b>Revised Total</b>
Estimate of Total Interior Funding	592,714	-28,364	564,350

\* The 2012 Total does not include project specific funding for land acquisition, construction, and Bureau of Reclamation projects or competitive grant allocations.

Interior funding in Alaska totaled about \$593 million in 2012. A five percent sequester of Interior funding at this level would mean a loss of about \$28 million. This estimate will be updated once the sequestration order is issued and allocations are finalized. There could be further reductions in competitive grants, land acquisition and construction projects, and wildland fire expenditures that are not included in this estimate.

- The Department of Interior has a significant presence in Alaska and employs over 2,500 people. Alaska has 18 units of the National Park System including six national parks and preserves, a wild river, a monument and preserve, three national parks, two historic parks, two national preserves and one national monument within its borders. There are approximately 80 million acres of public lands. Also, Alaska is home to over 200 Alaskan Native Villages and Tribes.
- Together these assets attracted over 4.5 million visitors, created over 4,000 jobs, and generated \$427 million for local economies in 2011.
- Under the sequester, Interior operations in Alaska stand to lose an estimated:
  - \$7.3 million from Bureau of Indian Affairs activities affecting the over 200 Alaskan Native Villages and Tribes.
  - \$4.9 million from Bureau of Land Management activities like providing interagency wildland fire management and overseeing the Joint Pipeline Office, a partnership with the state and other federal agencies.
  - \$7.1 million from Fish and Wildlife Service sites like *Yukon Flats National Wildlife Refuge*, *Yukon Delta National Wildlife Refuge*, and the *Arctic National Wildlife Refuge*.
  - \$3.7 million from National Park Service sites like *Denali National Park and Preserve*, *Gates of the Arctic National Park and Preserve*, and *Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve*.

Within this total, major grants and direct payments to Alaska would drop by about \$4.7 million.

<b>Interior Grants and Payments</b>	<b>Estimate Total</b>	<b>Sequester</b>	<b>Revised Total</b>
Abandoned Mine Land Grants	3,000	-153	2,847
Historic Preservation Fund	1,013	-51	962
LWCF State Grants w/GOMESA	382	-19	363

Payments in Lieu of Taxes	27,701	-1,413	26,288
Sport Fish & Wildlife Restoration	41,621	-2,123	39,498
State and Wildlife Grants	2,393	-120	2,273
Mineral Revenue Payments	16,571	-845	15,726
<b>Total, Alaska</b>	<b>92,681</b>	<b>-4,723</b>	<b>87,958</b>

Note: The sequester is an across-the-board reduction that reduces every account and activity (with few exemptions). The result will be reduced levels of direct services provided to the American public. Cut backs in visitor hours and programs will impact tourism and travel and have ripple effects on communities and economies that are reliant on these activities. Reductions in permanent and seasonal staffing and reductions in contracts will impact surrounding communities where employees live and where supplies and services are acquired. Reductions in grants and payments will impact the abilities of States, Tribes and counties to sustain ongoing services in emergency response, education, and others. As these impacts are defined, we will provide details.