

Iowa
(Dollars in Thousands)

Iowa	2012 Total*	5% Sequester	Revised Total
Estimate of Total Interior Funding	28,334	-1,415	26,919

* 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 Iowa totaled about \$28 million in 2012. A five percent sequester of Interior funding at this level would mean a loss of about \$1.4 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 presence in Iowa with over 150 employees. Iowa has two park units and shares two historic trails with adjoining States. In addition, Iowa hosts six wildlife refuges that preserve habitat and protect species.
- Department of Interior assets attracted almost 2.2 million visitors, created over 900 jobs, and generated \$68 million for local economies in 2011.
- Under the sequester, Interior operations in Iowa stand to lose an estimated:
 - \$239 thousand from Bureau of Indian Affairs activities affecting the four Native American Tribes in the State of Iowa.
 - \$859 thousand from Fish and Wildlife Service sites like *Port Louisa National Wildlife Refuge* and *Desoto National Wildlife Refuge*.
 - \$171 thousand from National Park Service sites like *Effigy Mounds National Monument* and *Herbert Hoover National Historic Site*.

Within this total, major grants and direct payments to Iowa would drop by about \$938 thousand.

Interior Grants and Payments	Estimate Total	Sequester	Revised Total
Abandoned Mine Land Grants	3,000	-153	2,847
Historic Preservation Fund	847	-42	805
LWCF State Grants w/GOMESA	552	-28	524
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	481	-25	456
Sport Fish & Wildlife Restoration	12,958	-661	12,297
State and Wildlife Grants	584	-29	555
Total, Iowa	18,422	-938	17,484

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.