

North Dakota
(Dollars in Thousands)

North Dakota	2012 Total*	5% Sequester	Revised Total
Estimate of Total Interior Funding	147,701	-7,350	140,351

* 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 the State of North Dakota totaled about \$148 million in 2012. A five percent sequester of Interior funding at this level would mean a loss of about \$7.4 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.

- North Dakota is home to 5 American Indian tribes, 2 National Parks, 15 refuges, 2 fish hatcheries, 5 wetland management districts, 1 national game preserve, and over 4.1 million acres of mineral estate, 58,000 acres of public land, about 1,700 oil and gas leases, and over 1,000 Interior employees.
- Together these natural assets attracted 1.2 million visitors, created 953 jobs, and generated \$66 million for local economies.
- Under the sequester, Interior operations in North Dakota stand to lose an estimated:
 - \$5 million from Bureau of Indian Affairs activities including reductions to the budgets for Tribes that provide contracted services including:
 - The Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation;
 - The Spirit Lake Tribe;
 - The Standing Rock Sioux Tribe; and
 - The Turtle Mountain Chippewa.
 - \$900,000 at Fish and Wildlife Service sites like the Arrowwood, Audubon, and Chase Lake National Wildlife Refuges

Within this total, major grants and direct payments to North Dakota would drop by about \$4.3 million under the sequester.

Interior Grants and Payments	Estimate Total	Sequester	Revised Total
Abandoned Mine Land Grants	3,913	-200	3,713
Cooperative Endangered Species Cons. Fund Grants	0	0	0
Historic Preservation Fund	681	-34	647
LWCF State Grants w/GOMESA	378	-19	359

Payments in Lieu of Taxes	1,461	-75	1,386
Sport Fish & Wildlife Restoration	12,240	-624	11,616
State and Wildlife Grants	1,219	-61	1,158
Mineral Revenue Payments	64,501	-3,290	61,211
Total, North Dakota	84,393	-4,302	80,091

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.