

Pennsylvania
(Dollars in Thousands)

Pennsylvania	2012 Total*	5% Sequester	Revised Total
Estimate of Total Interior Funding	185,160	-8,850	176,310

* 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 Pennsylvania totaled about \$185 million in 2012. A five percent sequester of Interior funding at this level would mean a loss of about \$9 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 over 1,100 employees in the State of Pennsylvania. Pennsylvania is the home to 16 units of the National Park System including units share with adjacent States. The State is also home to many scenic trails, wild rivers, two refuges, and two fish hatcheries.
- Together these assets attracted over 9.3 million visitors, created over 9,500 jobs, and generated \$555 million for local economies in 2011.
- Under the sequester, Interior operations in Pennsylvania stand to lose an estimated:
 - \$1.4 million from Fish and Wildlife Service sites like *John Heinz National Wildlife Refuge and Erie National Wildlife Refuge*.
 - \$6.0 million from National Park Service sites like *Independence National historical park, Gettysburg National Military Park, and Valley Forge National Historical Park*.

Within this total, major grants and direct payments to Pennsylvania would drop by about \$5 million.

Interior Grants and Payments	Estimate Total	Sequester	Revised Total
Abandoned Mine Land Grants	65,053	-3,318	61,735
Cooperative Endangered Species Cons. Fund Grants	600	-30	570
Historic Preservation Fund	1,181	-59	1,122
LWCF State Grants w/GOMESA	1,367	-68	1,299
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	629	-32	597
Sport Fish & Wildlife Restoration	28,400	-1,448	26,952
State and Wildlife Grants	1,501	-75	1,426
Mineral Revenue Payments	67	-3	64
Total, Pennsylvania	98,798	-5,033	93,765

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.