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November 8, 2022

MEMORANDUM

TO: Council Members

FROM: Patty O'Toole, Fish and Wildlife Division Director

SUBJECT: Bonneville Fiscal year 2023, Start of year Fish and Wildlife budget update

BACKGROUND:

Presenter: Jason Sweet, Bonneville: Executive Manager Fish and Wildlife, accompanied by Scott Armentrout (Bonneville: Environment, Fish & Wildlife Vice-President) and Rodrigo George (Bonneville: Manager, Business Operations Fish & Wildlife)

Summary: Bonneville will provide an update on the Fish and Wildlife Direct Program's expense and capital budgets for fiscal year 2023, along with past spending levels for the direct program.

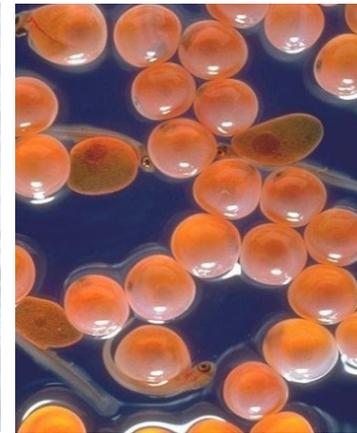
Relevance: Bonneville's *direct program* supports the Council's project-level recommendations. There are currently 317 ongoing projects that Bonneville funds, most of which have been reviewed and recommended by the Council. Most recently, in April of this year the Council reviewed and recommended 124 anadromous fish habitat and hatchery projects. These projects address one aspect of mitigation for the impacts of hydro-electric dams in the Columbia River basin. Mitigation also occurs via the Council's Fish and Wildlife Program through the *reimbursable program* which includes the capital construction and operations and maintenance occurring on-site at the dams, as well as through actions called for in the Program that are directly *implemented by the agencies* that manage and operate the federal and non-federal dams, such as actions related to flow management and water quality.

Workplan: Program implementation: Tasks A (Project review and implementation); H (Implementation of the Council's Fish and Wildlife Program).

Background: Bonneville's FY 2022 direct program expense budget was set at \$247 million. Approximately \$235 million was spent, or about 95% of the budget. Bonneville staff will discuss implementation challenges and how they plan to address those moving forward, along with changes for project level budgets for FY 2023. Bonneville expects some limited additional work to occur through the extensions of the Columbia Basin Accords which would necessitate Council review and recommendation. Bonneville will also describe opportunities for increased non-routine maintenance at Program hatcheries and other related hatcheries.

More info: Additional information from Bonneville will be provided soon.

Northwest Power and Conservation Council *Fish and Wildlife Committee*



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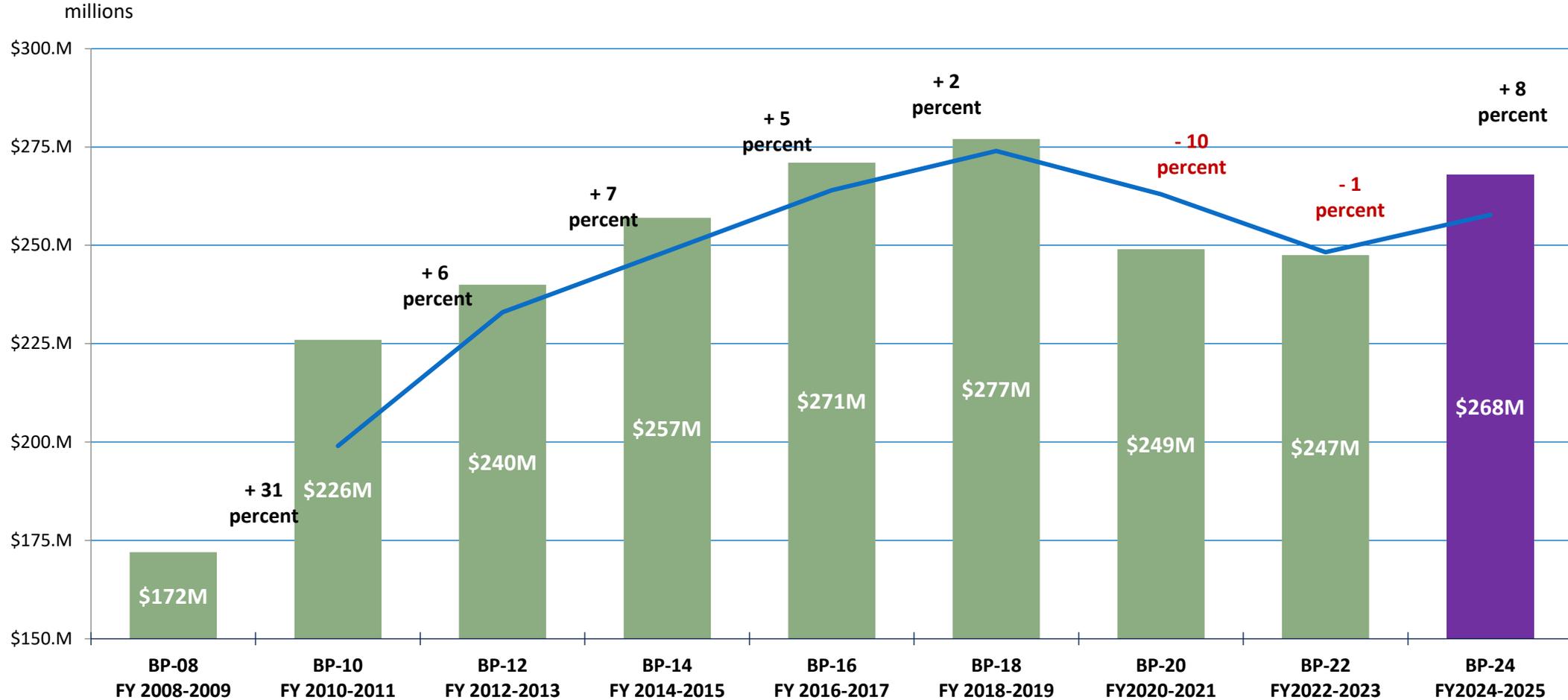
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Fish & Wildlife EXP Funding Level Trends

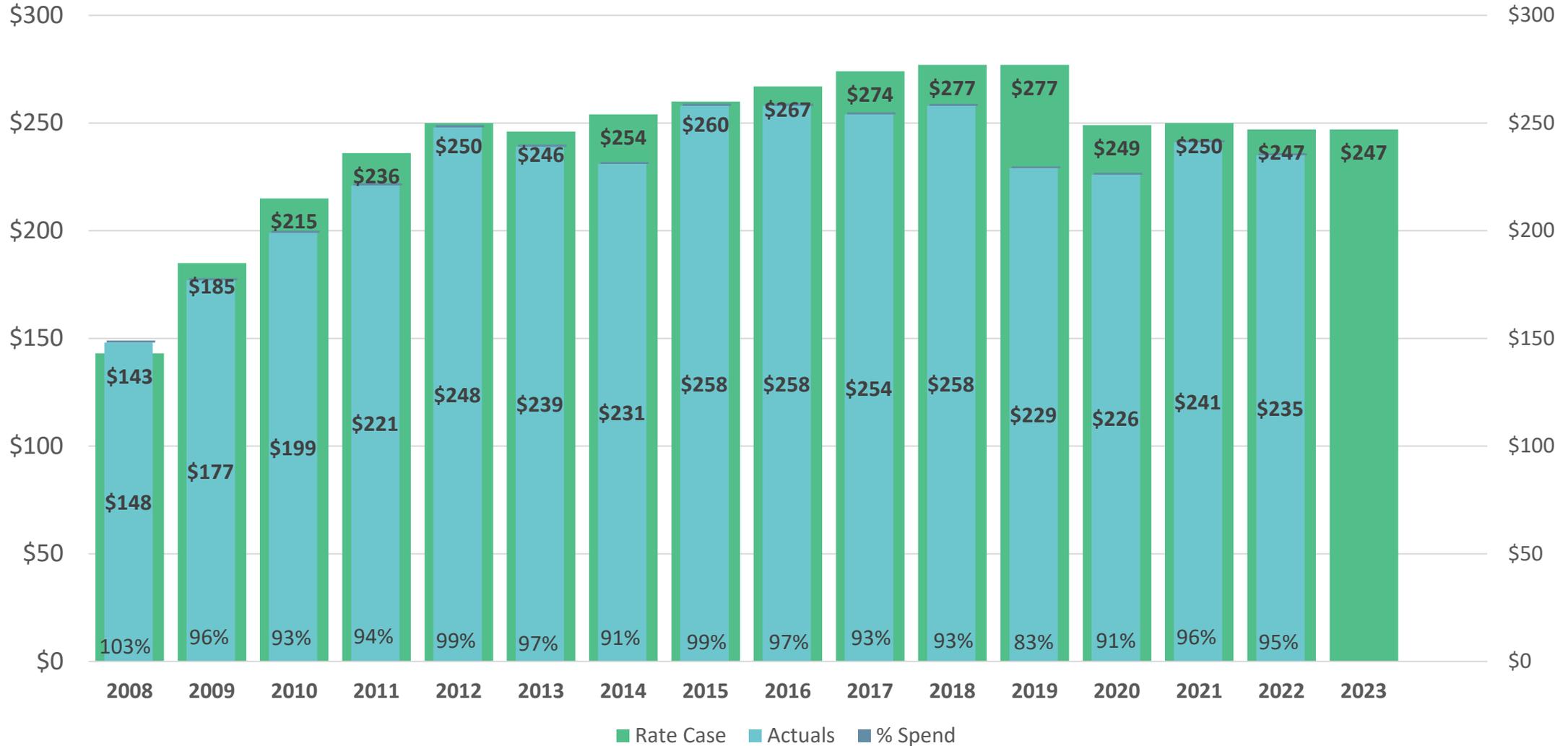
FY08/09 - FY24/25 Rate Case Levels





Fish & Wildlife EXP Program Actuals

FY08-FY22 Actuals to Rate Case with % Execution *(in millions)*





FY23 F&W Direct Program Working Budgets

Capital and Expense



FY23 FW IPR Capital Budget

\$43.0M



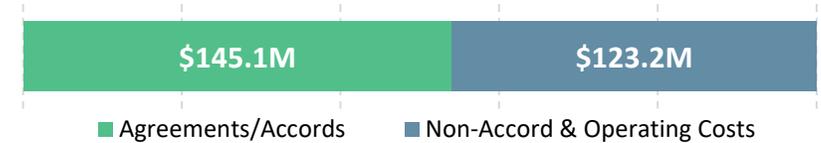
FY23 FW Expense *WORKING* Budget

\$268.3M

STAKEHOLDERS

60+

Tribes, Federal,
States, Non-
Profits and
Universities

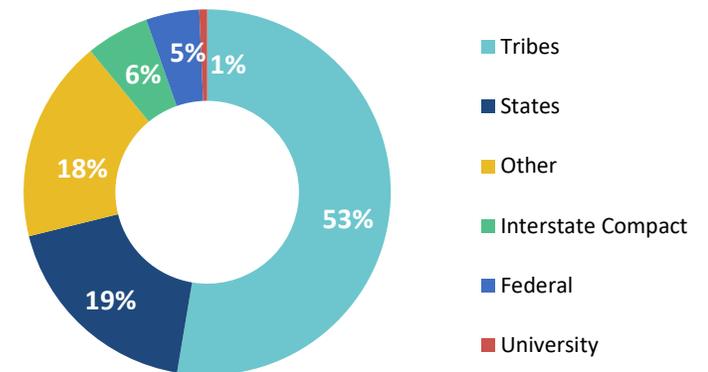


Capital Planning



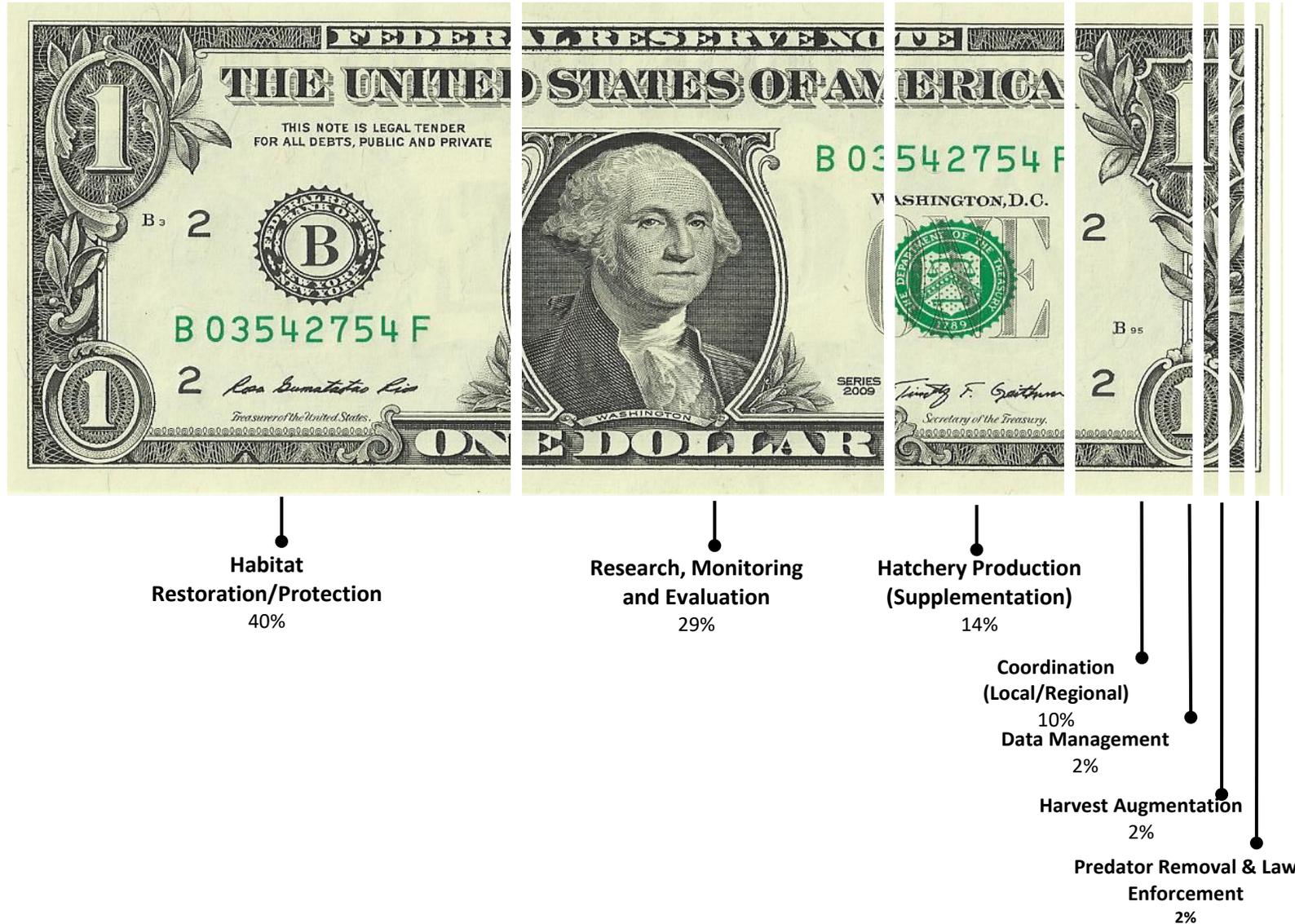
- \$13.7M in Land Acquisitions/Settlement
- \$25.5M Hatchery Construction
- \$3.8M in Fish Passage and other measures

FY23 F&W EXP WORKING BY STAKEHOLDER GROUPS %





Percentage of EXP spending for each program area





Project Partners

FY22 Portfolio Allocation

Tribes



States



 \$ of F&W Program *allocated to Tribes*
 \$ of F&W Program *committed in Accords*

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Closing comments

- FY23 budgets will be continue to be updated as final agreements are signed through F&W Accord Extensions
- Focus for FY23 will remain on fully executing available budgets to implement the F&W Program
- To balance risk of overspending and underspending budgets, Bonneville will continue to refine our business management practices to monitor through the year and adjust as warranted
- In partnership with the Council, Bonneville will continue to focus and emphasize the program achievements that directly benefit fish and wildlife species