

**Department of Planning and Budget
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State Fiscal Impact Statement**

The VWMGPF is supported with \$4.0 million from the general fund in each year, derived from sales tax on hunting and fishing equipment, which is deposited to the Fund. The Fund has a cash balance of \$8.3 million. Program expenditures vary annually; from 2021-2024, VPA expended between \$500,000 and \$1.8 million annually on VWMGPF grants, and typically award between one and five projects each year.

To administer the VWMGPF, MRC anticipates needing to hire an Engineer II. MRC indicates that implementing the provisions of the bill will require the skill set of a professional engineer with both civil engineering training and the ability to review feasibility and cost evaluations, pre-project engineering studies, and project contract documents, which the Commission indicates is not currently on staff.

The table below reflects MRC's estimate of the general fund annual cost to administer and manage the program this bill transfers from VPA to MRC.

Expense	GF Impact
Salary	\$75,000
Fringe Benefits	\$43,025
Truck (leased)	\$9,396
Truck Maintenance Costs	\$3,000
IT Equipment and Support	\$3,000
Office Supplies	\$1,000
<i>Total</i>	<i>\$134,421</i>

Other: None.