

**User Pays – User Benefits Model: Funding to States for OR management**

***Stewardship / Revenue (Operations / Infrastructure – New, Maintenance, Replacement)***

**Case example: Alaska**

***Sport Fish Restoration and Wildlife Restoration Funds (20 percent overall OR activities)***

**Sport Fish Restoration** (source: federal - user excise tax; state - user license / fees)

*75 percent federal match, 25 percent state match*

FY 21 National Apportionment to States for the Sport Fish Restoration Fund: \$414,260,452

FY 21 Alaska apportionment: \$20,713,023

**Wildlife Restoration Funds** (source: federal – user excise tax, state - user license / fees)

*75 percent federal match, 25 percent state match*

FY 21 National Apportionment for States for the Wildlife Restoration Fund: \$678,894,449

FY 21 Alaska apportionment: \$28,248,208

**EQUITY EQUATION in Alaska:**

**FUNDS / percent overall OR ACTIVITY = \$49 million (20 percent)**

**If full equity-based for all OR activities, should be \$49 million / .20 = \$245 million, or**

***\$245 million in federal support for state management of all Outdoor Recreation activity management***

**General Tax Model: Funding to States**

***All other Outdoor Recreation Activities (80 percent overall OR activities)***

**Land, Water Conservation Fund** (source: federal - general, oil / gas tax; state - non-user)

*50 percent federal match, 50 percent state match*

FY 21 National Apportionment to States for the LWCF: \$360,000,000

FY 21 Alaska Apportionment: \$2,533,887

**Recreational Trails Program** (source: federal - percent gas tax; state - non-user)

*90 percent federal match, 10 percent state match*

FY 21 National Apportionment to States for the RTP: \$82,000,000

FY 21 Alaska Apportionment: \$1,500,000

**Current EQUITY EQUATION in Alaska: 80 percent of all other activity based OR generates \$4 million**

**FUNDS / percent overall OR ACTIVITY = \$49 million + \$4 million = \$53 million, or \$192 million gap less than \$245 million a full equity-based formula would generate**

**Current formulas generate 78 percent less than a full equity-based User Pays – User Benefits model**

**USER PAY – USER BENEFITS MODEL CYCLE OF SUCCESS**

**Cycle of Success**



*No other single conservation effort in the United States can claim a greater contribution to fish and wildlife conservation than the excise tax-funded portion of the WSFR Program.*

**Your Excise Taxes at Work**

