



2026 Draft Statutory Budget Overview

March 5, 2025

WECC Executive Team

2026 Budget Context

- Recognize growing complexity and pace of change
- Ensure adequate resources to mitigate risks to the BPS and to meet demands of increasing workload
- Maintain working capital reserves

Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement

Administration					FTE: 2
Registration and Certification	Oversight Planning	Entity Monitoring	Enforcement and Mitigation	Program Analysis and Administration	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Registration • BES exception process • Functional mapping • Certification and Certification Review 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compliance Oversight Plans • Coordination with Entity Monitoring on scoping • Entity internal compliance program assessments 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compliance Monitoring (audits, spots checks, self- certification, periodic data submittals, and investigations) • Compliance review of events • Subject Matter Expert review on SARs and standards under development 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review and validate potential noncompliance • Settlement activities • Noncompliance disposition • Self-Logging program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CMEP activity coordination • Multi-Regional Registered Entity Program for Coordinated Oversight • Document control • Metrics and trend reporting • Align implementation, outreach, and training 	
FTE: 5 (+1)	FTE: 11 (+1)	FTE: 33	FTE: 21 (+2)	FTE: 10 (+1)	

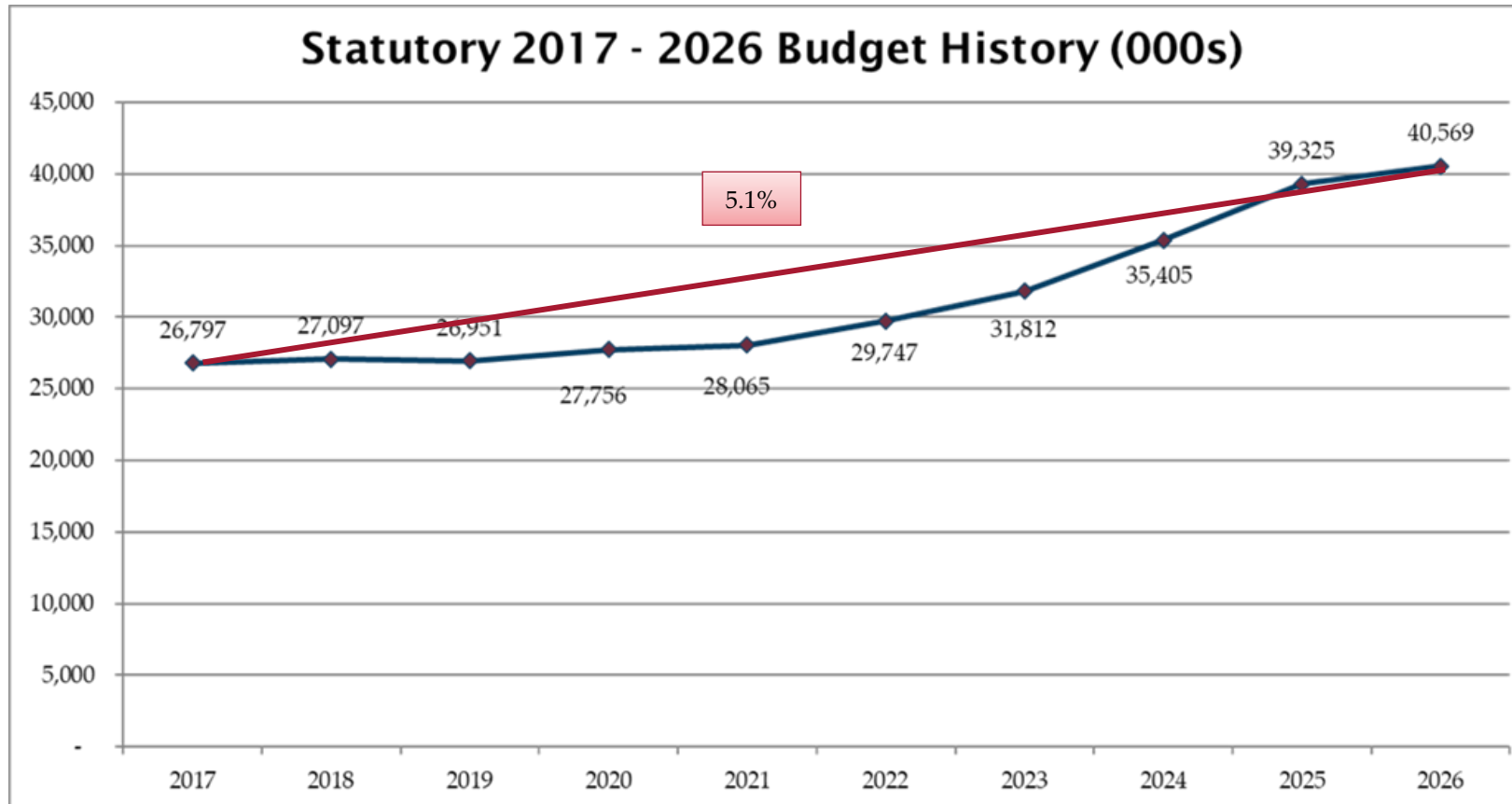
Reliability Assessment and Performance Analysis

Administration				FTE: 3
Risk Analysis & Data Services	Reliability Assessments	Reliability Modeling	Operations Analysis	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Risk identification and mitigation management • Regional risk analysis • Entity risk assessment • ERO data collection efforts (e.g., GADS) • Data trending and analysis • Data visualization • Data management 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ERO reliability assessments • Resource adequacy • Transmission congestion and transfer capability • Contingency analysis • Scenario analysis • Industry resource and transmission planning awareness • Planning services (e.g., Path Rating Process) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Power flow and dynamics data • Production cost models • Loads and resources (RA) • Short-circuit data • EMT modeling • Model and tool enhancements • Model validation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Event analysis • Situation awareness • Performance analysis • Infrastructure security • Assurance visits and operational coordination 	
FTE: 8	FTE: 11	FTE: 13	FTE: 7 (+1)	

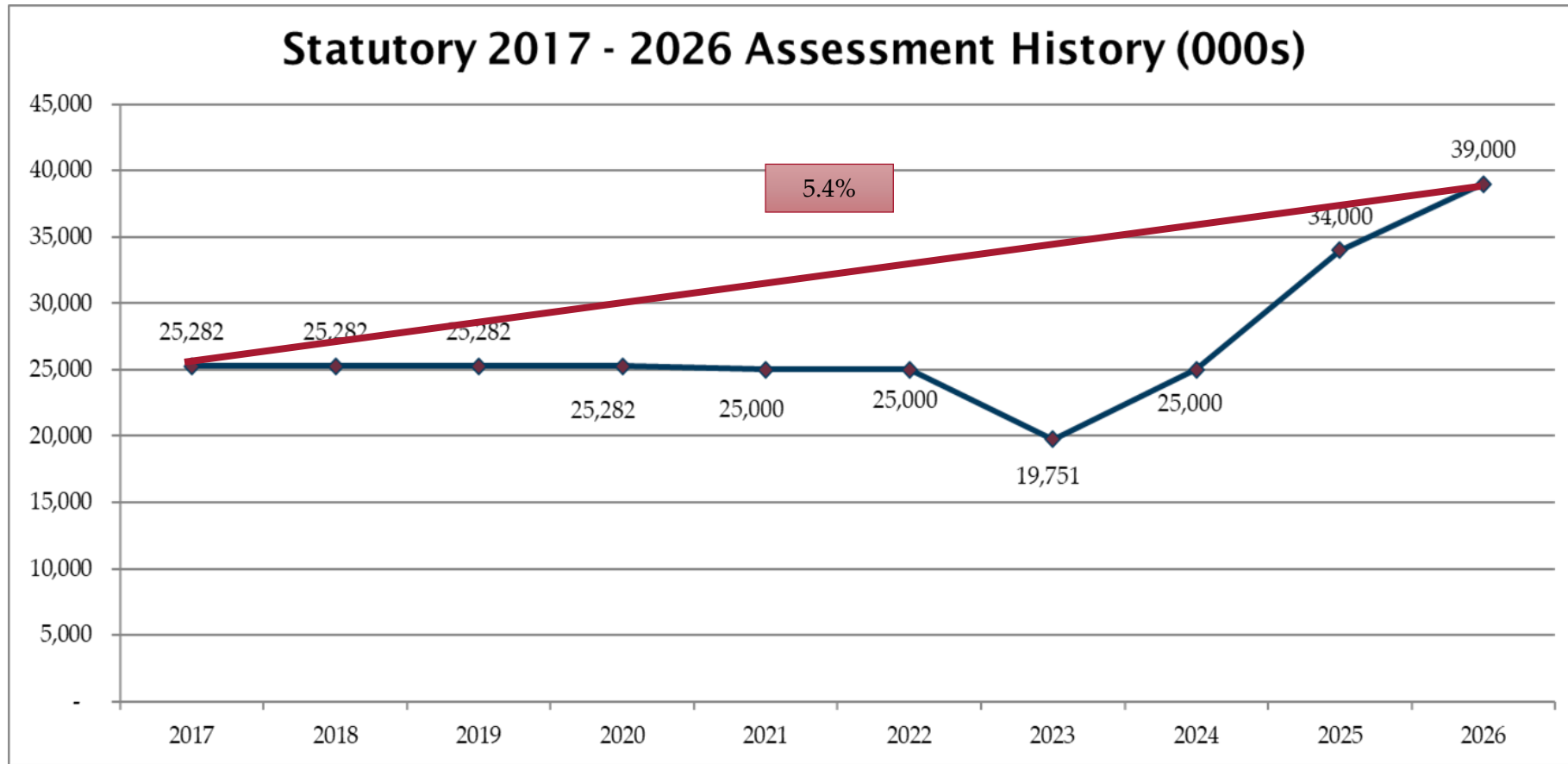
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- Budget increase—\$1.2 million (3.2%)
 - Budget total—\$40.6 million
 - Within \$50K of 2026 projection during 2025 BP&B cycle
- 6 additional statutory FTE
- Assessments increase—\$5.7 million (17.2%)
 - Assessments total—\$38.7 million
- Penalties collected and released—\$0
- Reserve usage
 - Peak Reliability Donation Reserves—\$200K

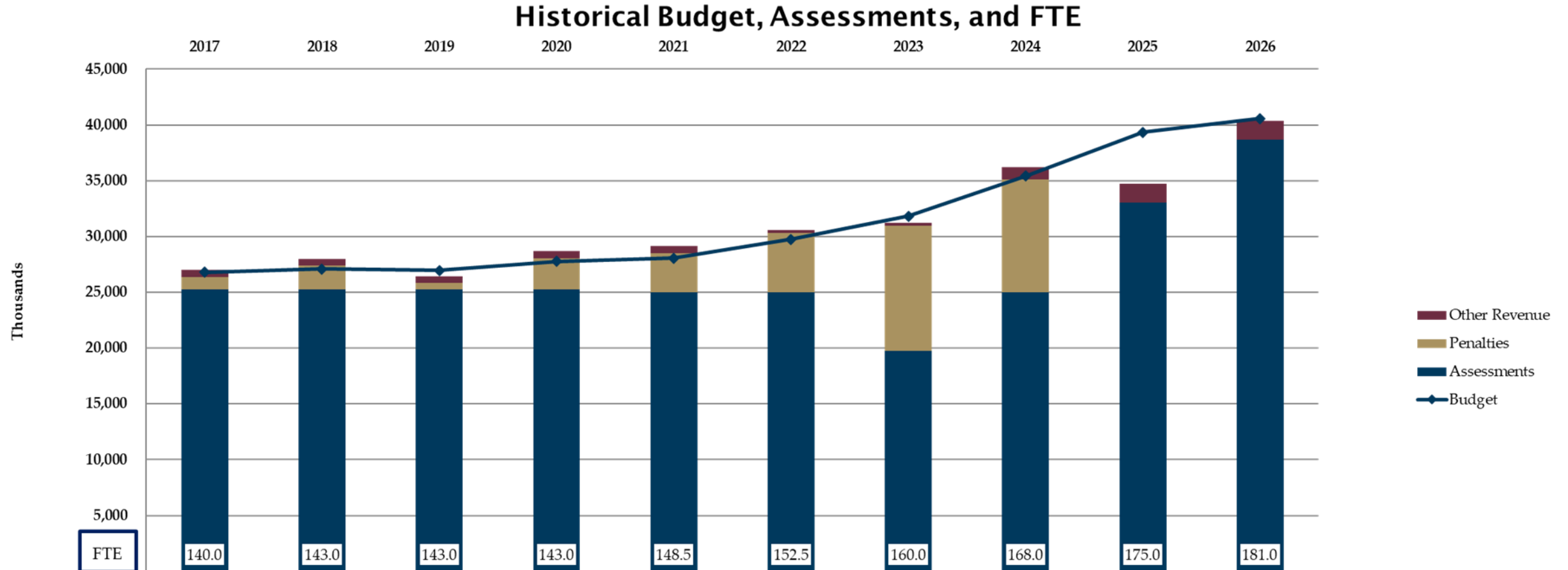
Budget Trending



Assessments Trending



Budget Compared to Funding Sources



Statutory FTE Analysis

Total FTEs by Program Area	Budget 2025	Direct FTEs 2026 Budget	Shared FTEs* 2026 Budget	Total FTEs 2026 Budget	Change from 2025 Budget
STATUTORY					
Operational Programs					
Reliability Standards	3.00	3.00	-	3.00	-
Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement and Organization Registration and Certification	77.00	82.00	-	82.00	5.00
Reliability Assessment and Performance Analysis	41.00	42.00	-	42.00	1.00
Training and Outreach	9.50	9.50	-	9.50	-
Situation Awareness and Infrastructure Security	2.00	2.00	-	2.00	-
Total FTEs Operational Programs	132.50	138.50	-	138.50	6.00
Corporate Services					
Technical Committees and Member Forums	-	-	-	-	-
General and Administrative	19.00	17.50	-	17.50	(1.50)
Legal and Regulatory	3.50	4.00	-	4.00	0.50
Information Technology	13.00	14.00	-	14.00	1.00
Human Resources	4.00	4.00	-	4.00	-
Finance and Accounting	3.00	3.00	-	3.00	-
Total FTEs Corporate Services	42.50	42.50	-	42.50	-
Total FTEs	175.00	181.00	-	181.00	6.00

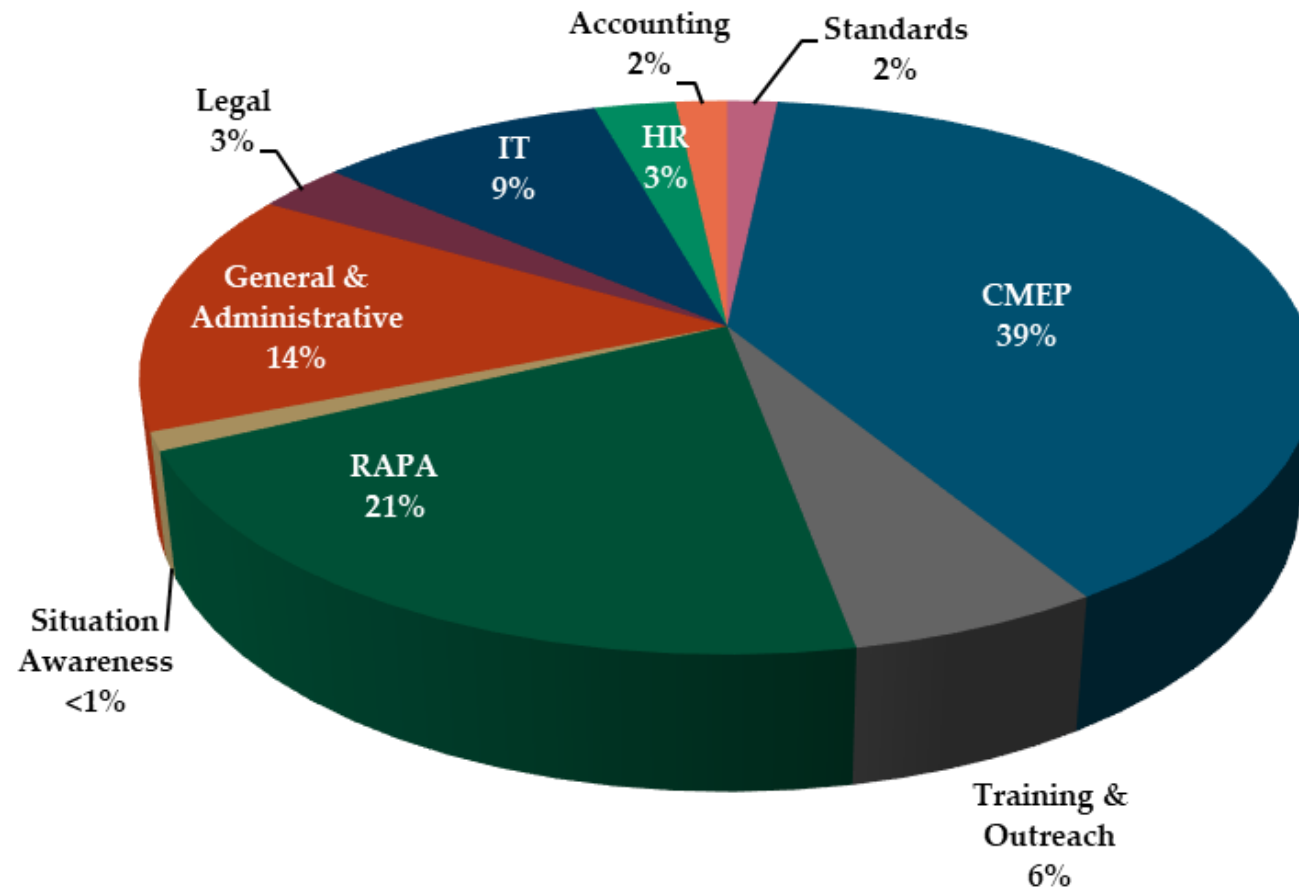
* A shared FTE is defined as an employee who performs both Statutory and Non-Statutory functions.

2025 to 2026 Budget Comparison

	2025 Budget	2026 Budget	Variance \$ Incr(Decr)	Variance % Incr(Decr)	Primary Drivers
Funding					
Assessments	\$ 33,016,000	\$ 38,689,079	\$ 5,673,079	17.2%	Increase in budget, no usage of working capital reserves
Penalties	4,400	-	(4,400)	-100.0%	
Other Income	1,703,541	1,679,508	(24,033)	-1.4%	
Total Funding	\$ 34,723,941	\$ 40,368,587	\$ 5,644,646	16.3%	
Expenses					
Personnel Expenses	\$ 31,121,337	\$ 32,847,939	\$ 1,726,602	5.5%	6 FTE, 4% merit/market adj pool, labor float adj, refined tax/benefit rates
Meeting Expenses	1,697,461	1,834,092	136,631	8.0%	Off-site annual meeting, increased travel costs and activity
Operating Expenses	7,502,719	7,195,290	(307,429)	-4.1%	Enforcement contract labor, reduction in WestTEC project consulting
Indirect Expenses	(1,146,873)	(1,418,100)	(271,227)	23.6%	Increase in statutory budget
Total Expenses	\$ 39,174,644	\$ 40,459,221	\$ 1,284,577	3.3%	
Fixed Assets	\$ 150,713	\$ 109,366	\$ (41,347)	-27.4%	
Total Budget	\$ 39,325,357	\$ 40,568,587	\$ 1,243,230	3.2%	
Change in Working Capital	\$ (4,601,416)	\$ (200,000)	\$ 4,401,416		
FTEs	175.0	181.0	6.0	3.4%	

¹ Depreciation excluded from these values

Statutory Program Areas



Next Steps

- March 11—FAC meeting
- March through April
 - Meet with and provide information to the MBS
 - MBS members provide feedback
- April 28—Post draft 1 of BP&B for stakeholder comment
- May 1 (WIRAB monthly meeting), May 5 and 15th—stakeholder overview webinars
- May 16—stakeholder comment period ends
- June 10—Board of Directors meeting

