Department of Ecology 2026 Supplemental Operating Budget Comparison

DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY
State of Washington

Operating

12/23/2025 $ in thousands - Biennialized FTEs

		Ecology's Budget Request 9/11/2025					Governor Ferguson's Budget Proposal 12/23/2025					Difference				
		FTE	GF-State	MTCA [1]	Other	Total	FTE	GF-State	MTCA [1]	Other	Total	FTE	GF-State	MTCA [1]	Other	Total
2025-27 Enacted Base Budget		**2,281.5**	**67,558**	**379,422**	**626,790**	**1,073,770**	**2,281.5**	**67,558**	**379,422**	**626,790**	**1,073,770**					**-**
Maintenance Level Changes																
1	Compensation for New 2025-27 FTEs		34	210	398	**642**		34	210	398	**642**					**-**
2	HQ Parking Garage COP Adjustment [2]					**-**		(74)	(320)	(222)	**(616)**		(74)	(320)	(222)	**(616)**
3	Headquarters Bldg Repair Adjustment [2]					**-**		(456)	(502)	(382)	**(1,340)**		(456)	(502)	(382)	**(1,340)**
4	Statewide Emissions Data [2]					**-**	(0.6)		(670)	510	**(160)**	(0.6)		(670)	510	**(160)**
5	State Parks Lease Adjustment [2]					**-**		(78)	(352)	(230)	**(660)**		(78)	(352)	(230)	**(660)**
6	Solid Waste Management [2]					**-**	0.5			934	**934**	0.5			934	**934**
7	Zero-Emissions Vehicle Program [2]					**-**	0.6			148	**148**	0.6			148	**148**
8	Other ML Changes [3]					**-**		42	191	132	**365**		42	191	132	**365**
Policy Level Changes																
Reduce and Prepare for Climate Impacts [4]																
9	Tribal Offset Grants					**-**				5,000	**5,000**				5,000	**5,000**
Prevent and Reduce Waste, Toxic Threats, and Pollution [4]																
10	Laboratory Accreditation	2.9	(1,087)		2,102	**1,015**	2.9	(1,087)		2,102	**1,015**					**-**
Protect and Manage Our State's Waters [4]																
11	Coastal Hazards Assistance					**-**				1,000	**1,000**				1,000	**1,000**
Other																
12	Federal Programs Backfill [5]	0.8			498	**498**					**-**	(0.8)			(498)	**(498)**
13	GAR-Administrative Reduction					**-**		(63)			**(63)**		(63)			**(63)**
14	RED-Administrative Reduction					**-**		(472)			**(472)**		(472)			**(472)**
15	MTCA Fund Shifts					**-**			(6,118)	6,118	**-**			(6,118)	6,118	**-**
16	Other PL Changes [3]					**-**		592	2,418	1,939	**4,949**		592	2,418	1,939	**4,949**
Total Changes		**3.7**	**(1,053)**	**210**	**2,998**	**2,155**	**3.4**	**(1,562)**	**(5,143)**	**17,447**	**10,742**	**(0.3)**	**(509)**	**(5,353)**	**14,449**	**8,587**
Total Operating Budget		**2,285.2**	**66,505**	**379,632**	**629,788**	**1,075,925**	**2,284.9**	**65,996**	**374,279**	**644,237**	**1,084,512**					

Notes:

[1] Model Toxics Control Operating Account (23P-1, 23P-7), Model Toxics Control Stormwater Account (23R-1).

[2] Reflects maintenance level (ML) adjustments that the Office of Financial Management (OFM) included in the Governor's 2026 supplemental operating budget proposal, based on information provided by Ecology with its 2026 supplemental operating budget request.

[3] Reflects statewide maintenance level (ML) and policy level (PL) items, including adjustments for legal services, audit services, workers' compensation, PEBB rate adjustments, and central services (OFM, DES, CTS).

[4] Goal in the Department of Ecology's 2025-30 Strategic Plan (https://ecology.wa.gov/about-us/who-we-are/strategic-plan/2025-30-strategic-plan).

[5] Ecology's decision package included fund shifts totaling $16,059,000 from the General Fund-Federal (001-2) to the General Fund-State (001-1), Climate Commitment Account (26C), and Natural Climate Solutions Account (26D), as well as a request of $498,000 from the Natural Climate Solutions Account (26D). The Federal Programs Backfill decision package can be viewed here: https://ecology.wa.gov/getattachment/f8e83855-9bc5-4c00-845c-d9089153e40f/2026SupplementalFederalPrgrmsBackfill.pdf.

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