



## **Background Briefing**

# **ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**

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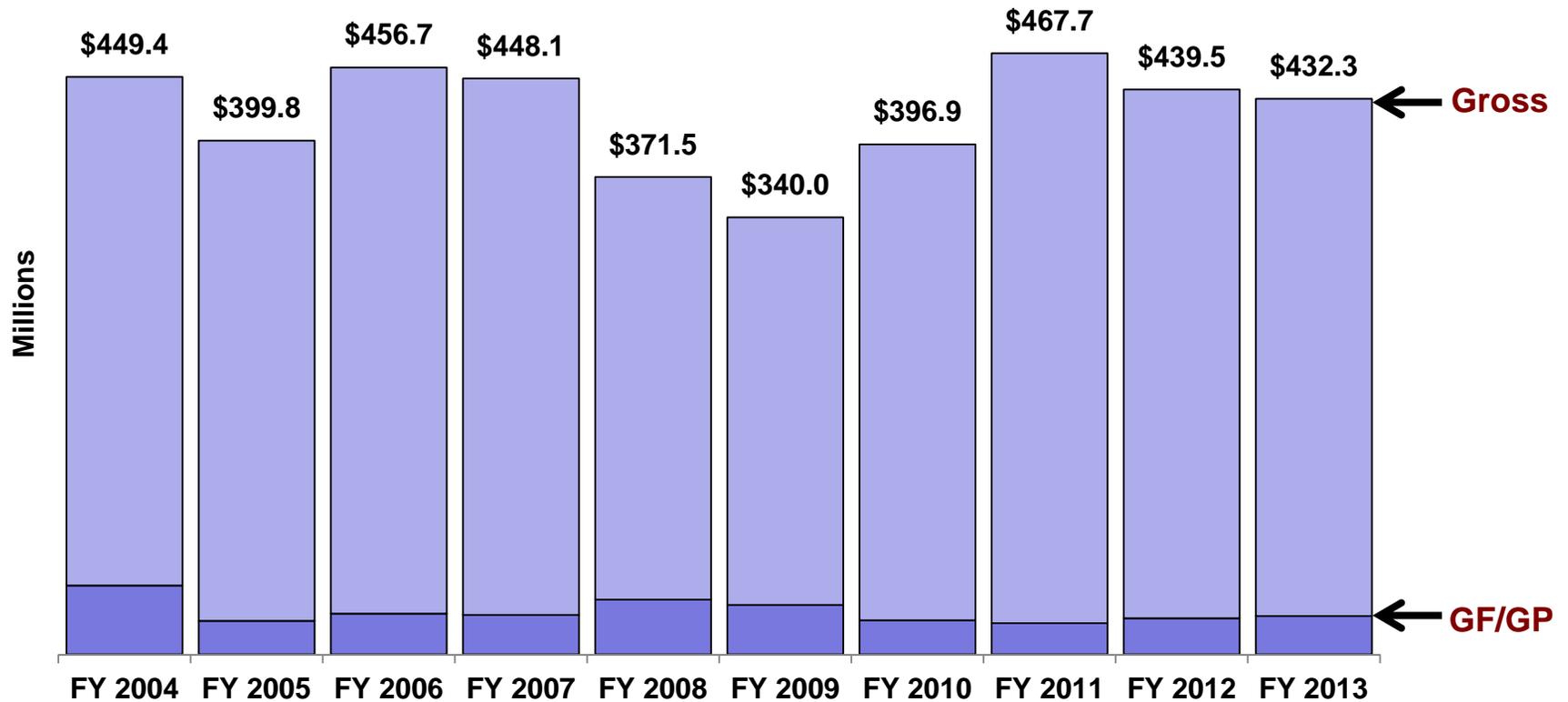
**The fiscal information in this background briefing is based on data through December 31, 2012.**

# DEQ Program Areas

**Major DEQ programs do the following:**

- **Administer cleanup and reuse of contaminated properties**
- **Protect water quality of surface waters and local water supplies**
- **Administer environmental protection programs and regulate disposal of hazardous and non-hazardous wastes and products**
- **Monitor air pollution emissions and regulate through air quality permits**

# DEQ: Gross Appropriations

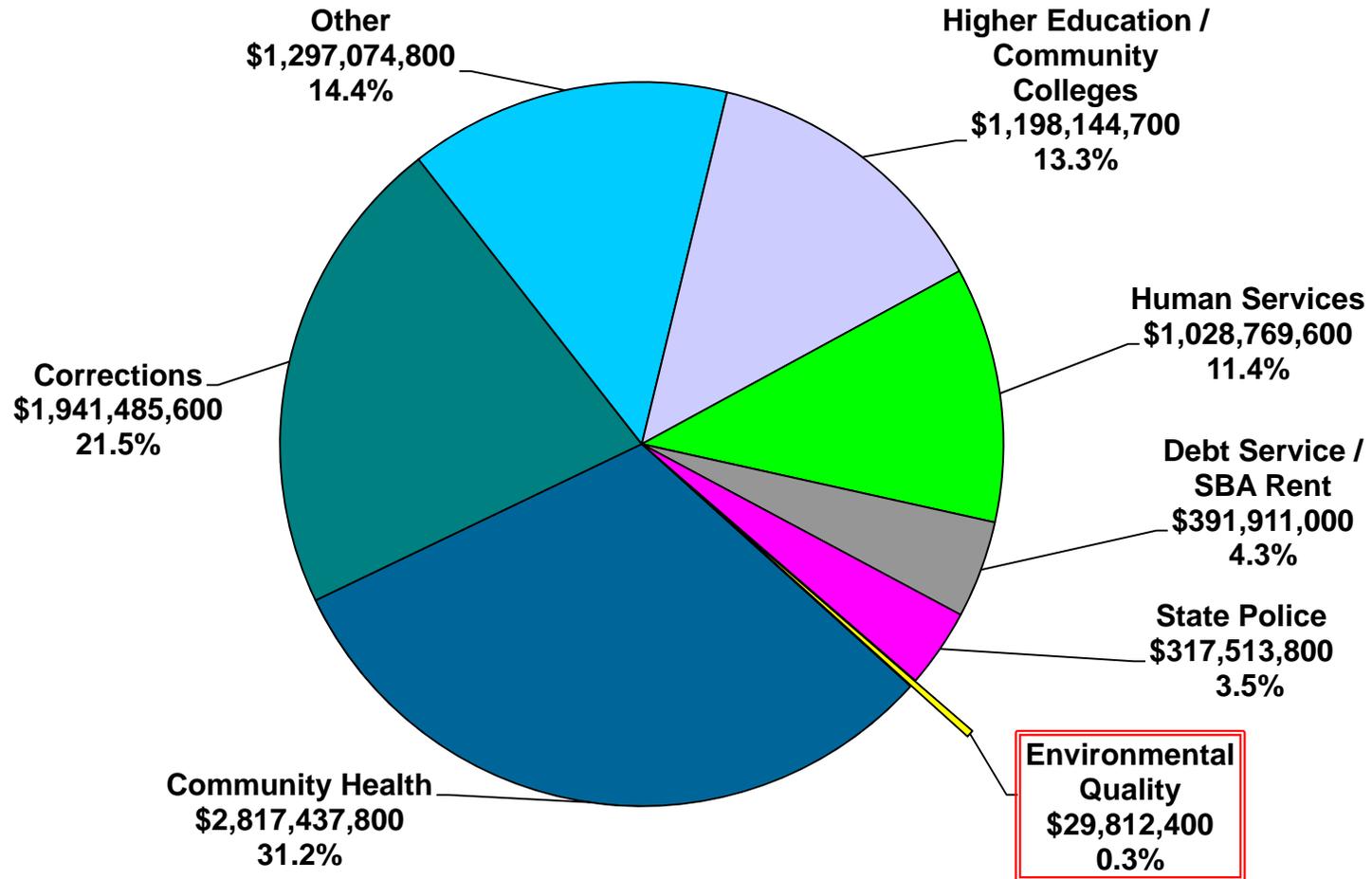


Notes: (1) FY 2009 amount does not include \$248.6 million in one-time American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (ARRA) funding. (2) FY 2010 and FY 2011 both include \$50.0 million new federal funding for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative; FY 2012 and FY 2013 include \$25.0 million. (3) FY 2011 includes \$70.0 million new SWQIF funding. (4) FY 2012 includes \$6.0 million GF/GP one-time boilerplate appropriation. (5) FY 2013 includes \$300,000 CMI boilerplate appropriation.

# DEQ Share of State GF/GP

DEQ makes up 0.3% of the total state GF/GP budget

FY 2012-13 GF/GP Total = \$9,022,149,700

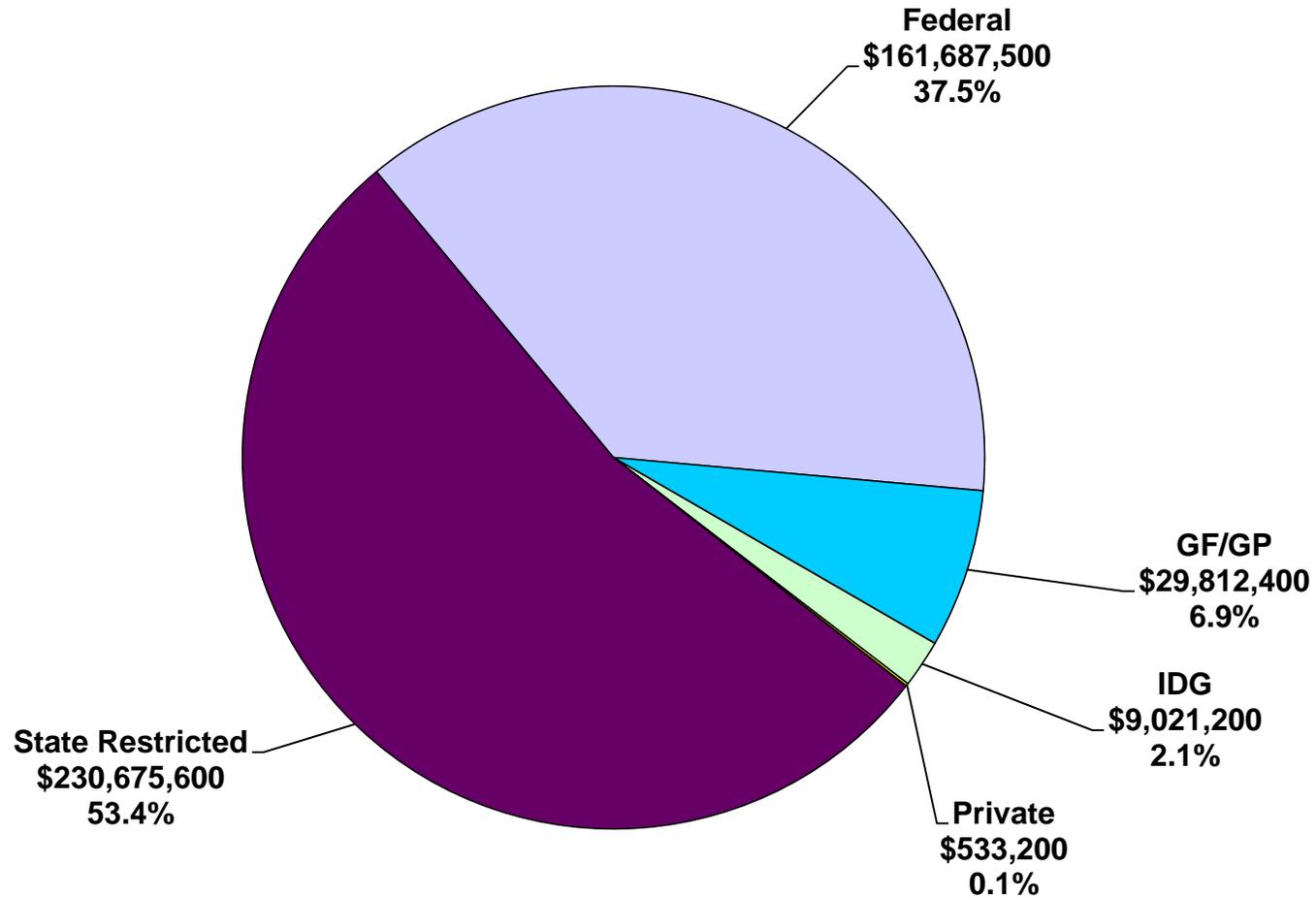


# **SOURCES OF FUNDING**

# DEQ Budget

State restricted funds and federal revenue represent 91% of funding in the DEQ budget.

FY 2012-13 Gross = \$431,729,900\*



\*Gross Appropriation includes \$300,000 CMI restricted funding appropriation by boilerplate.

# **STATE SPENDING**

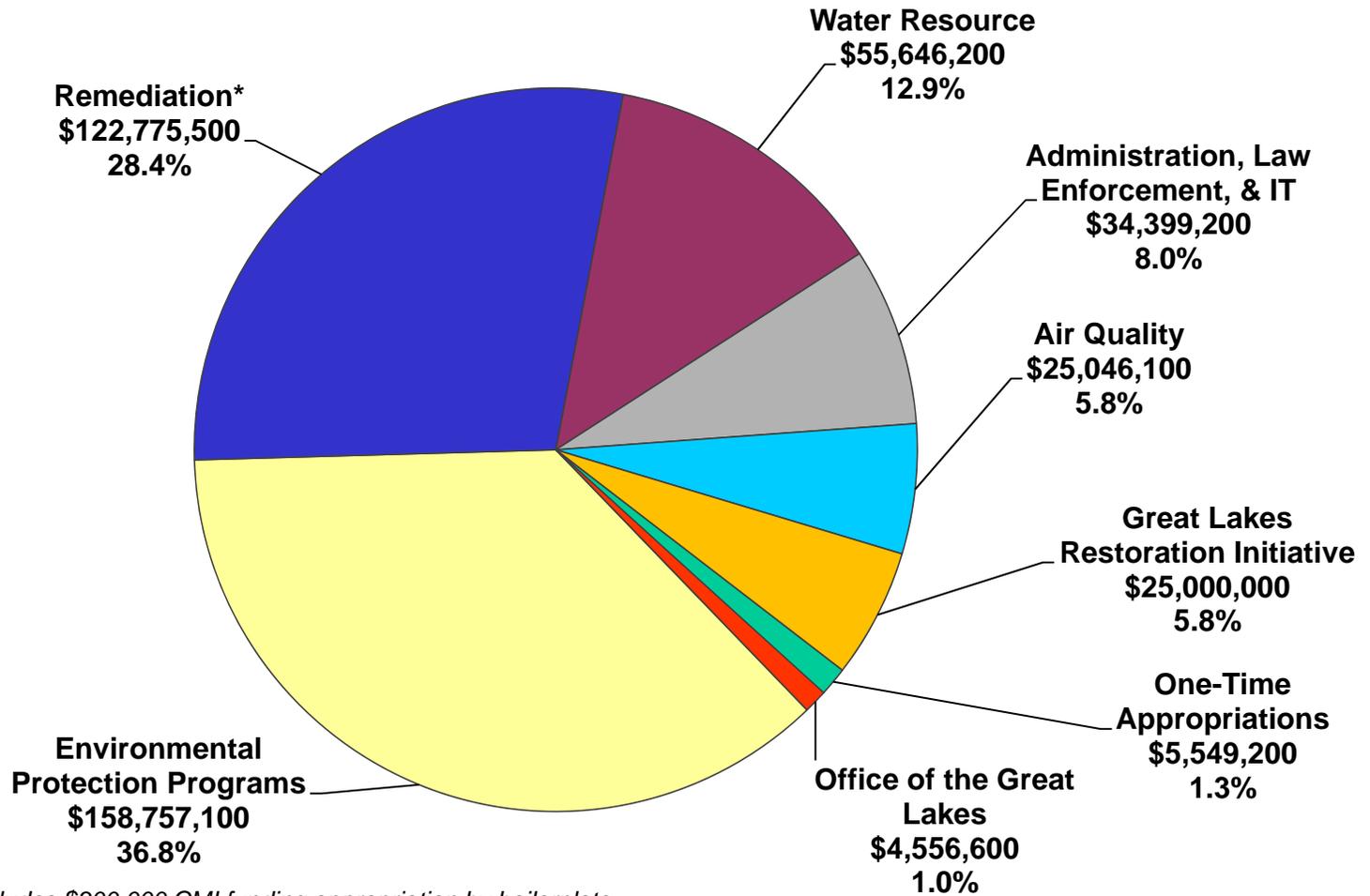
# DEQ Appropriations

The DEQ budget is allocated into the following major spending areas:

- Administration/ Law Enforcement/ IT
- Office of the Great Lakes
- Water Resource
- Air Quality
- Remediation (Environmental Cleanups)
- Environmental Protection Programs
- Great Lakes Restoration Initiative

# DEQ Appropriations

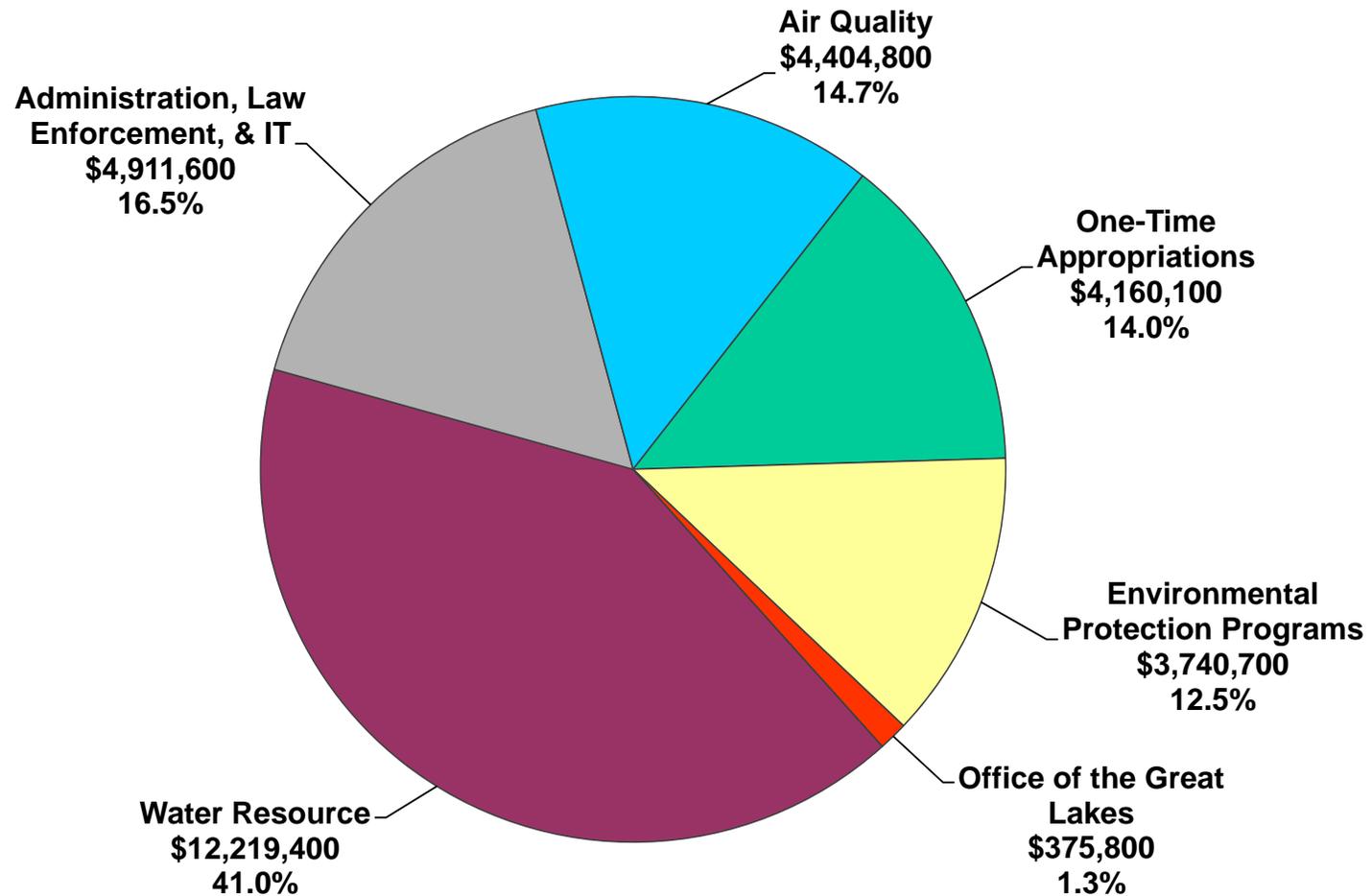
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# DEQ GF/GP Appropriations by Category

FY 2012-13 GF/GP = \$29,812,400



# **MAJOR BUDGET ISSUES**

# DEQ Major Programs

The DEQ budget supports the following major programs:

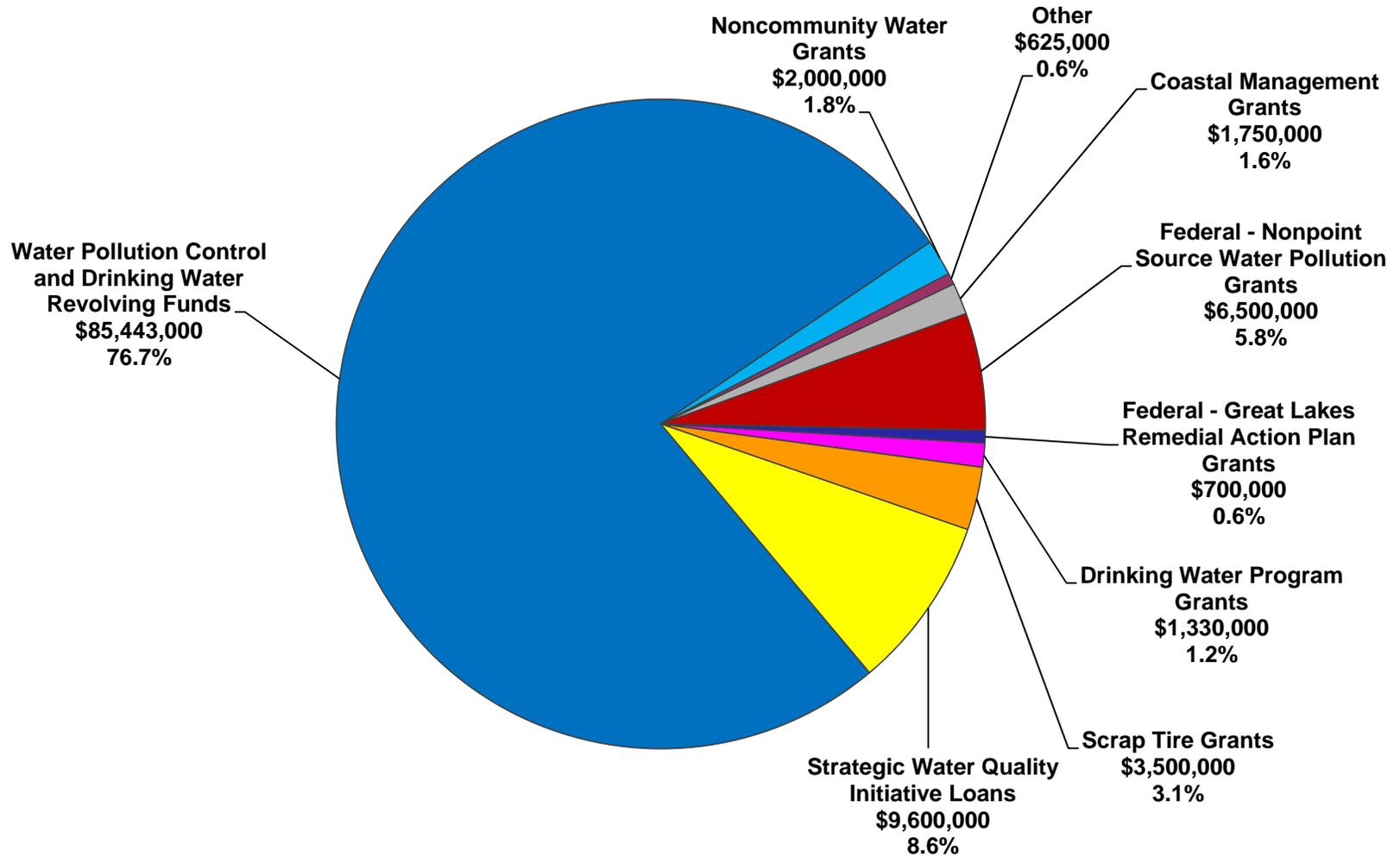
- **Office of the Great Lakes** – lead state agency for the policies and programs to protect and guide the management of the Great Lakes.
- **Surface Water** – protects the water quality of the state’s surface waters, issues permits for the discharge of industrial and municipal waste waters, inspects wastewater treatment facilities, and monitors large scale water withdrawals.
- **Air Quality** – protects the state’s air quality through monitoring air pollution emissions, inspecting emission sources, and issuing air quality permits.
- **Environmental Protection Programs** – regulates the disposal of hazardous and non-hazardous solid and liquid wastes, scrap tires, radioactive materials, and the land application of processed solid waste.
- **Environmental Cleanups** – promotes the cleanup and reuse of contaminated properties through response activities at contamination sites and funds the cleanup of leaking underground storage tanks.

# DEQ Grants and Loan Programs

- **The DEQ awards grants, administers loan programs and distributes payments to local units of government and nonprofit organizations.**
- **In FY 2013, these grant and loan programs have been moved in the appropriation bill to the specific DEQ division which administers that program area.**
- **25.8% of total department funding is distributed to communities and nonprofit organizations through these programs (\$111.4 million).**
- **There are 14 environmental grant/loan programs. 77% of the funding is for the Water Pollution Control and Drinking Water Revolving Fund which fund water pollution and drinking water capital project loans.**
- **Environmental grants also fund pollution prevention programs, Great Lakes research, radon detection programs, septage waste transportation programs, and scrap tire removal.**

# DEQ Grant Programs

FY 2012-13 Gross = \$111,448,000



# DEQ Revenue

- For FY 2012-13, the DEQ budget totals \$431.7 million. Of that amount, only 6.9% is GF/GP funding (\$29.8 million).
- From FY 1999-2000 to FY 2012-13, GF/GP funding has decreased by 69.1%: from \$96.3 million to \$29.8 million.
- 53.4% of funding is from state restricted revenue (mainly license and permit fees).
- The largest restricted fund appropriation is from the Refined Petroleum Fund (RFP) – \$49.0 million. The RFP receives a fee of 7/8<sup>th</sup> of one cent for each gallon of refined petroleum sold in the state.

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