

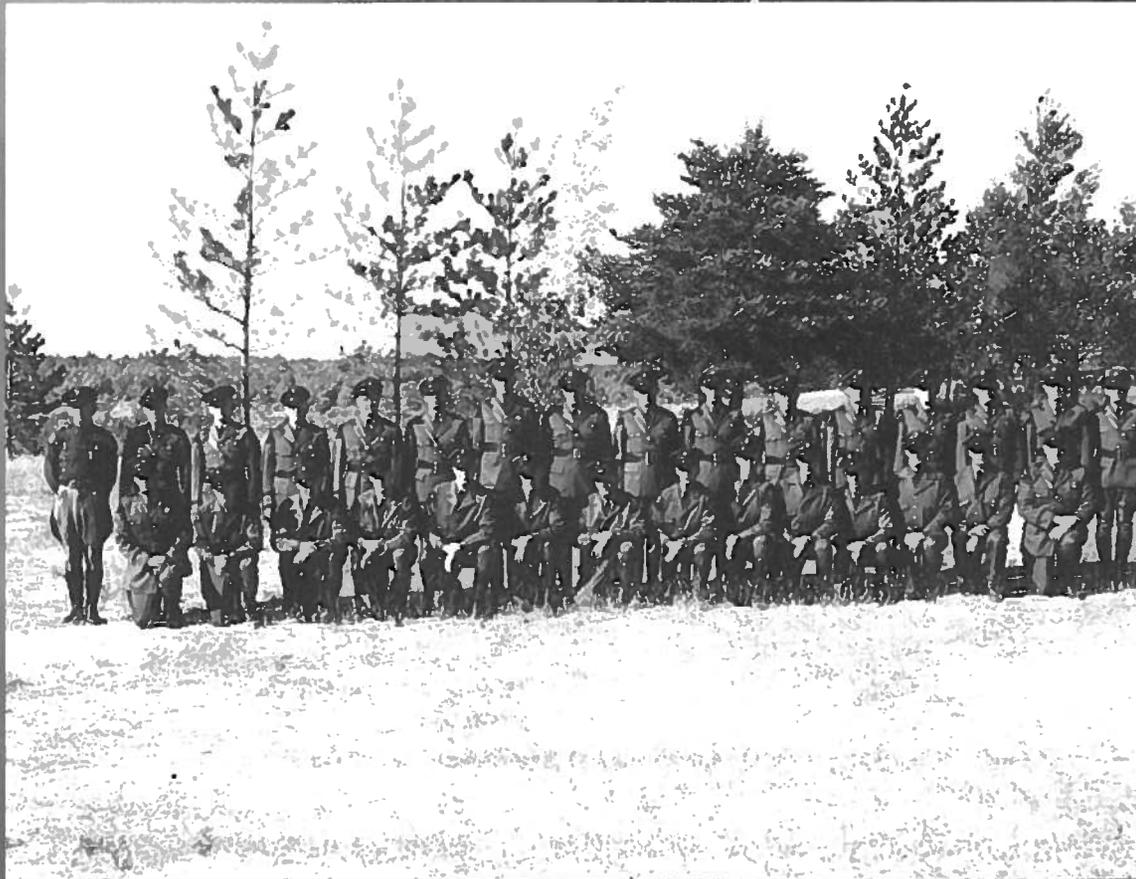
MDNR Law Enforcement



Tuesday March 10, 2015
House Appropriations Subcommittee on Natural Resources
Chief Gary Hagler



Michigan Conservation Officer History



Duties Then...

Fish Enforcement

Game Enforcement

Fire Officer Supervision

Forestry Enforcement

Commercial Fish Enforcement



Wildlife Diseases

Hunter Casualty Investigations

Emergency Response

Dog/Traps & Snares

Commercialization

Captive Wildlife

Great Lakes Netting

Endangered Species

Antiquities

ORV Safety

Boating Safety

Hunter Safety

ORV Enforcement

NRC Security Details

Snowmobile Safety

Homeland Security

Marine Patrol

Parks Enforcement

Environmental Protection

Litter Initiative

First Aid/CPR

Snowmobile Enforcement

Bait/Feed

Fish Enforcement

Wolf Depredation

Snowmobile Fatalities

Game Enforcement

Regulations Interpretation

Public Relations

Forestry Enforcement

Commercial Fish Enforcement

Urban Law Enforcement

Rural Law Enforcement

...and Now



Conservation Officer Areas of Responsibility

- ▣ **Protect Michigan's nearly 100,000 square miles of Land and Water mass**
 - 3,000 miles of shoreline along the Great Lakes
 - 11,000 inland lakes
 - 36,000 miles of rivers and streams
 - 12,000 miles of recreational trails
- ▣ **Provide public education at a variety of venues**
- ▣ **Contacted 366,750 Michigan citizens and visitors in 2013**



Rural Policing–Standing at the Ready

- ❑ **Specialized training and equipment will provide assistance especially in rural areas**
- ❑ **Vital part of law enforcement across the State of Michigan**



Life Safety, Resource Protection And Resource Based Economies

- ❑ Provide special training and equipment to execute life-saving rescues
- ❑ Achieve voluntary compliance and encourage safe and legal conduct
- ❑ Protect the hunters and anglers that spend \$4.8 billion annually in Michigan





Frank S. Wilson
1854 to 1908

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES



Julius A. Salmonson
1878 to 1908



Arvid Erickson
1896 to 1926



Maurice C. Luck
1908 to 1938



Carlyle B. Smith
1895 to 1943

1901 to 1947

1900 to 1957

1918 to 1972



Scott Averill
1946 to 1986

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2015 Strategic Investments

- **Resulted in additional Conservation Officer Academy**
- **Outcomes**
 - Increase capability for life-saving efforts and public safety
 - Increase number of patrol hours and miles driven
 - Increase assistance to local law enforcement agencies
 - Protect Michigan's world class natural resources
 - Increase customer contacts, outreach and educational opportunities

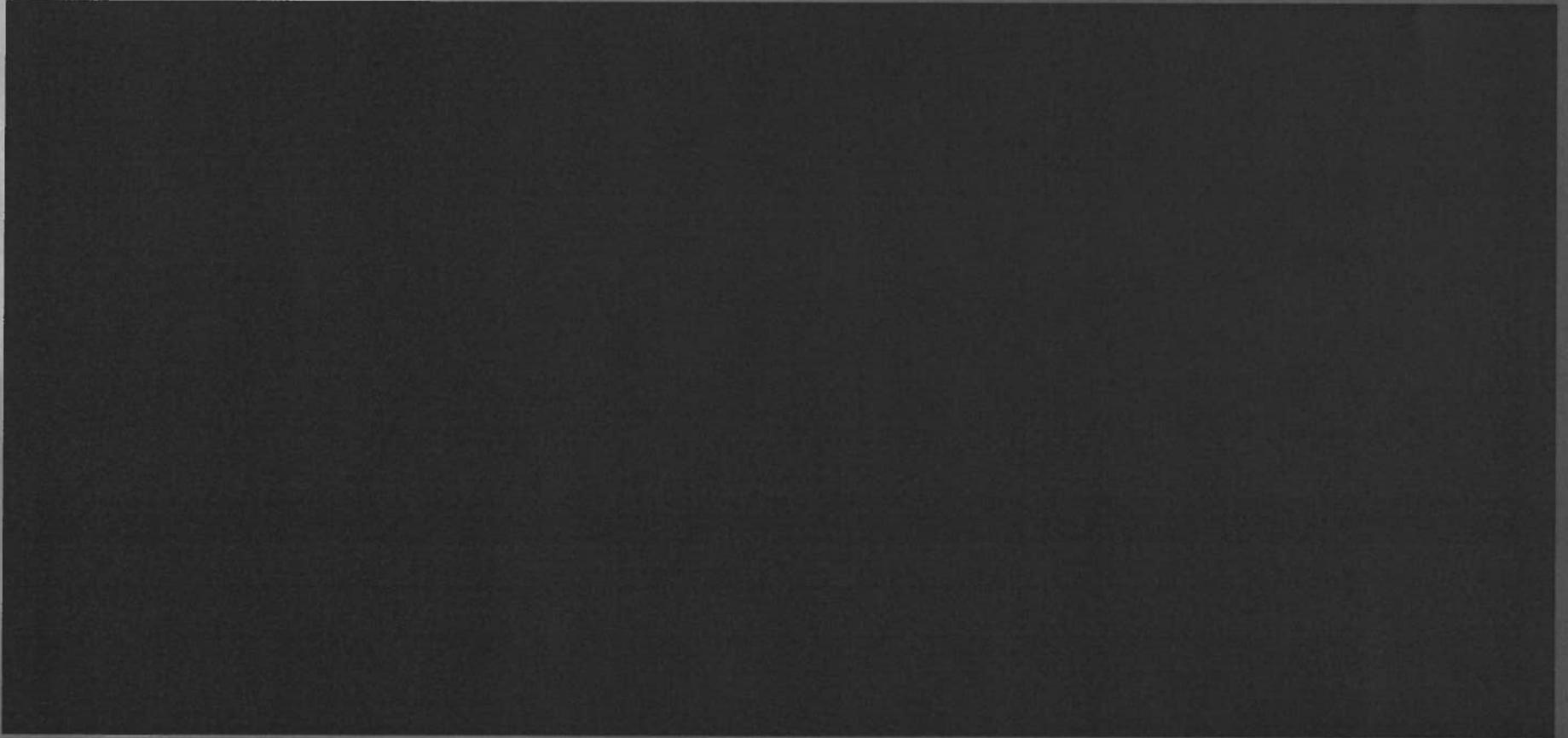


LED Law Enforcement Academy

- ❑ Each officer will participate in a 22-week officer academy
- ❑ Graduation is scheduled for June 5, 2015
- ❑ 18-week on-the-job field training probationary period
- ❑ Permanent assignment by Fall 2015



Shields of Gold



Questions?



Managing Michigan's Fisheries

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*Jim Dexter, Chief
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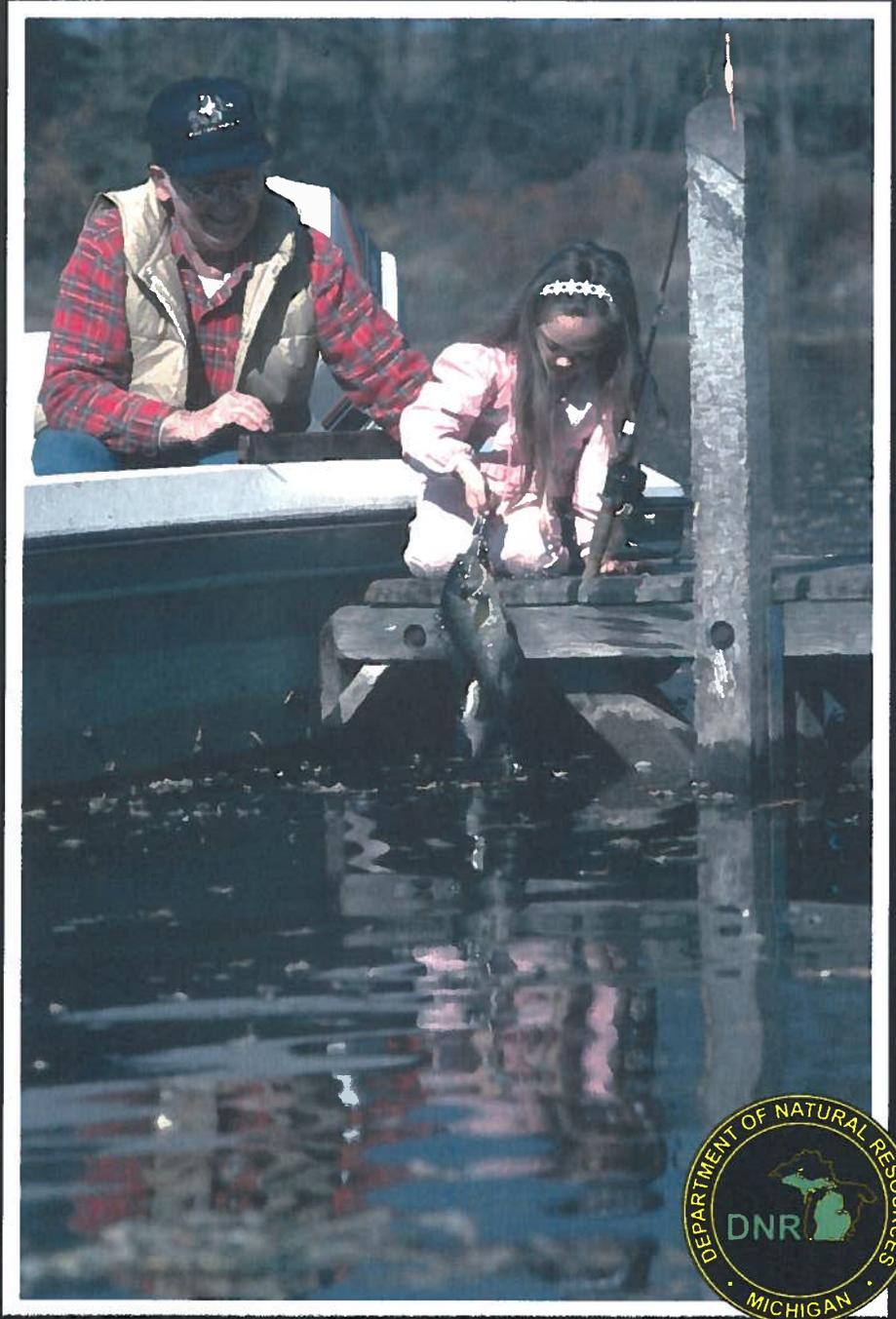
Economic Impact of Fishing

- 1.2 million anglers – 5th in the nation
- \$2.5 billion to Michigan's economy
- 38,000 direct jobs
- 11,000 lakes; 3,000 miles of Great Lakes shoreline; and 20,000 miles of trout/salmon streams
- Most diverse freshwater fishing in the world



Fisheries Division Mission

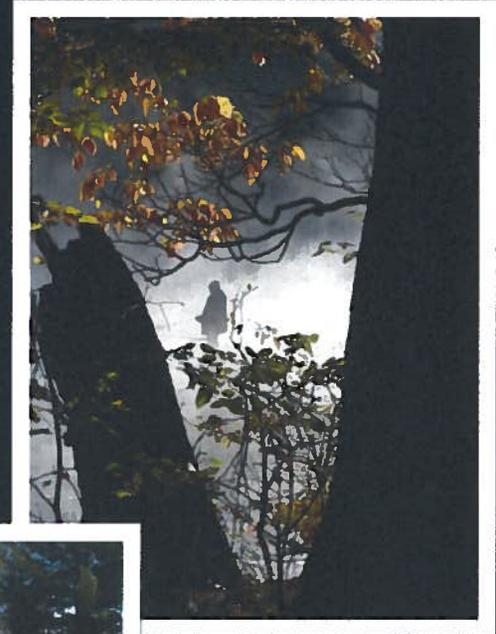
Enhancing
Michigan's
aquatic life and
habitat for
current and future
generations.



Accomplishments

From Fiscal Year 2014

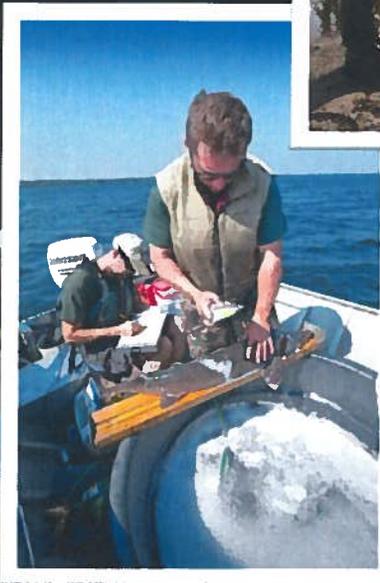
- Habitat improvement & research projects on major rivers.
 - Reconnected over 424 miles of river habitat.
- Stocked more than 22 million fish.



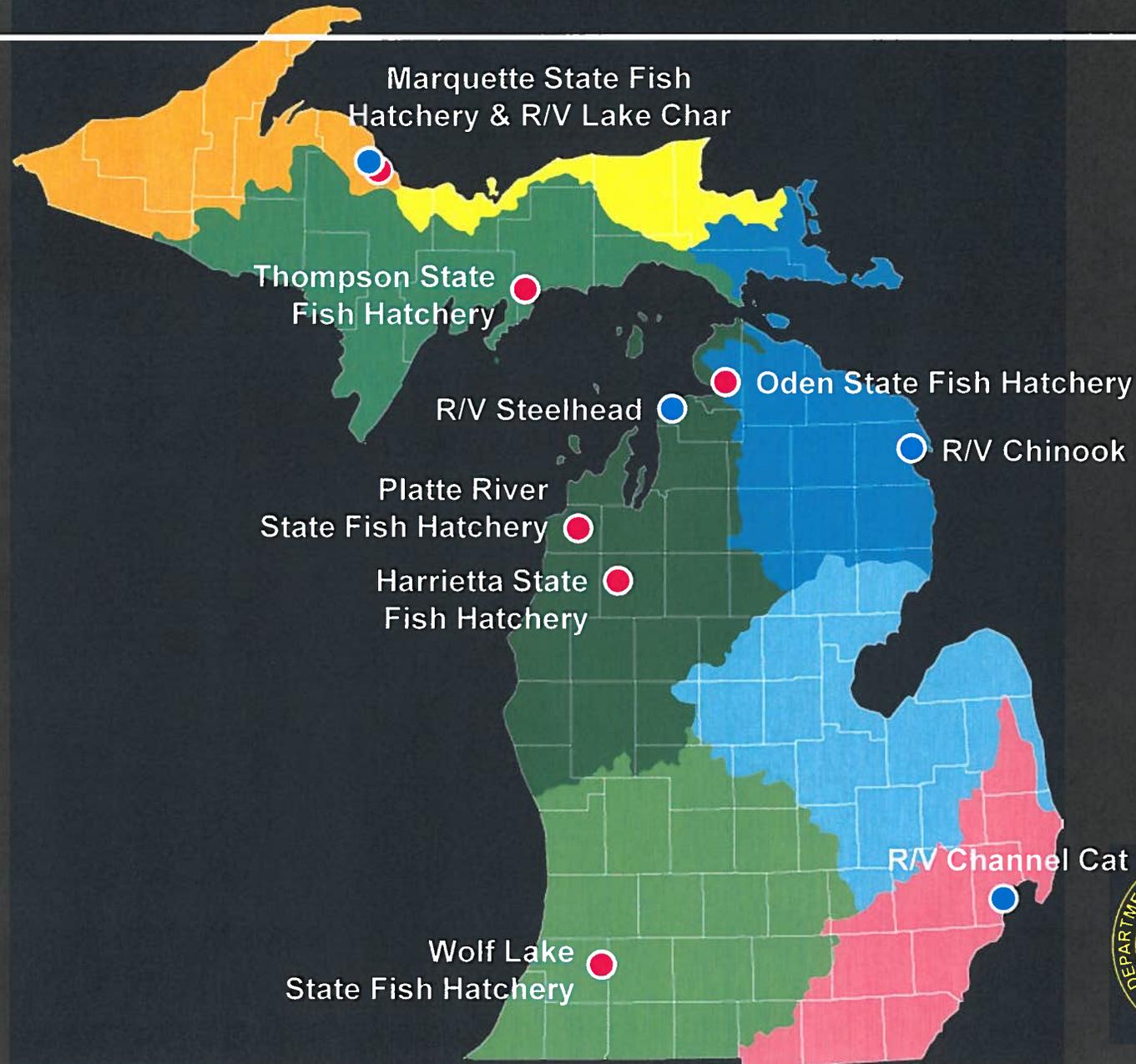
Accomplishments

From Fiscal Year 2014

- Welcomed 44,000 visitors to our hatcheries.
- Interviewed 45,000 anglers.
- Completed nearly 250 lake and stream surveys.



State Fish Hatcheries & Research Vessels



Lake Huron Research Vessel

New Research Vessel

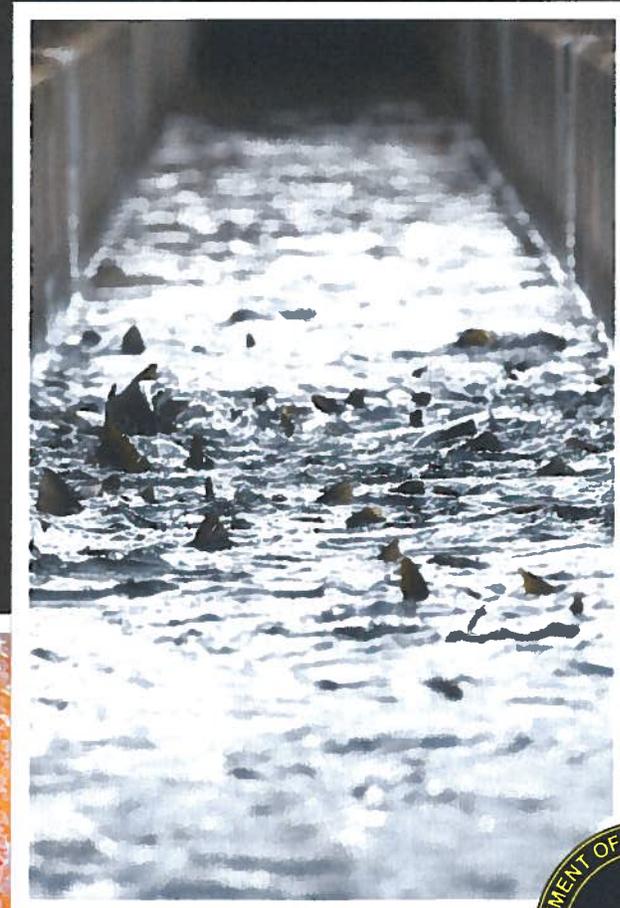
“R/V Tanner”

- 57-foot aluminum-hulled vessel
- Andersen Boat Works
- Anticipated delivery scheduled for April 2016
- 2.3 times faster vessel than its predecessor



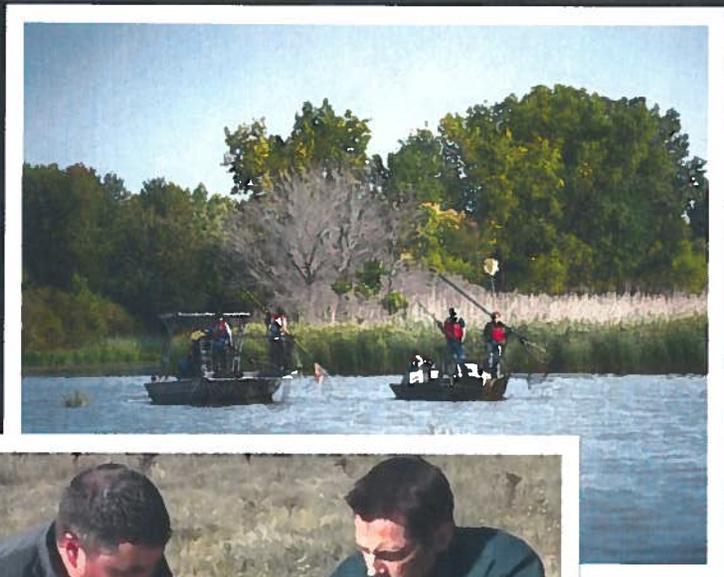
Challenges: Fish Production

- Capacity
- Facilities
- Little Manistee Weir



Challenges: Asian Carp

- Chicago Area Waterway System likely point of entry
- Early detection & surveillance monitoring
- Control options & technologies
- Education & outreach



Challenges: Grants

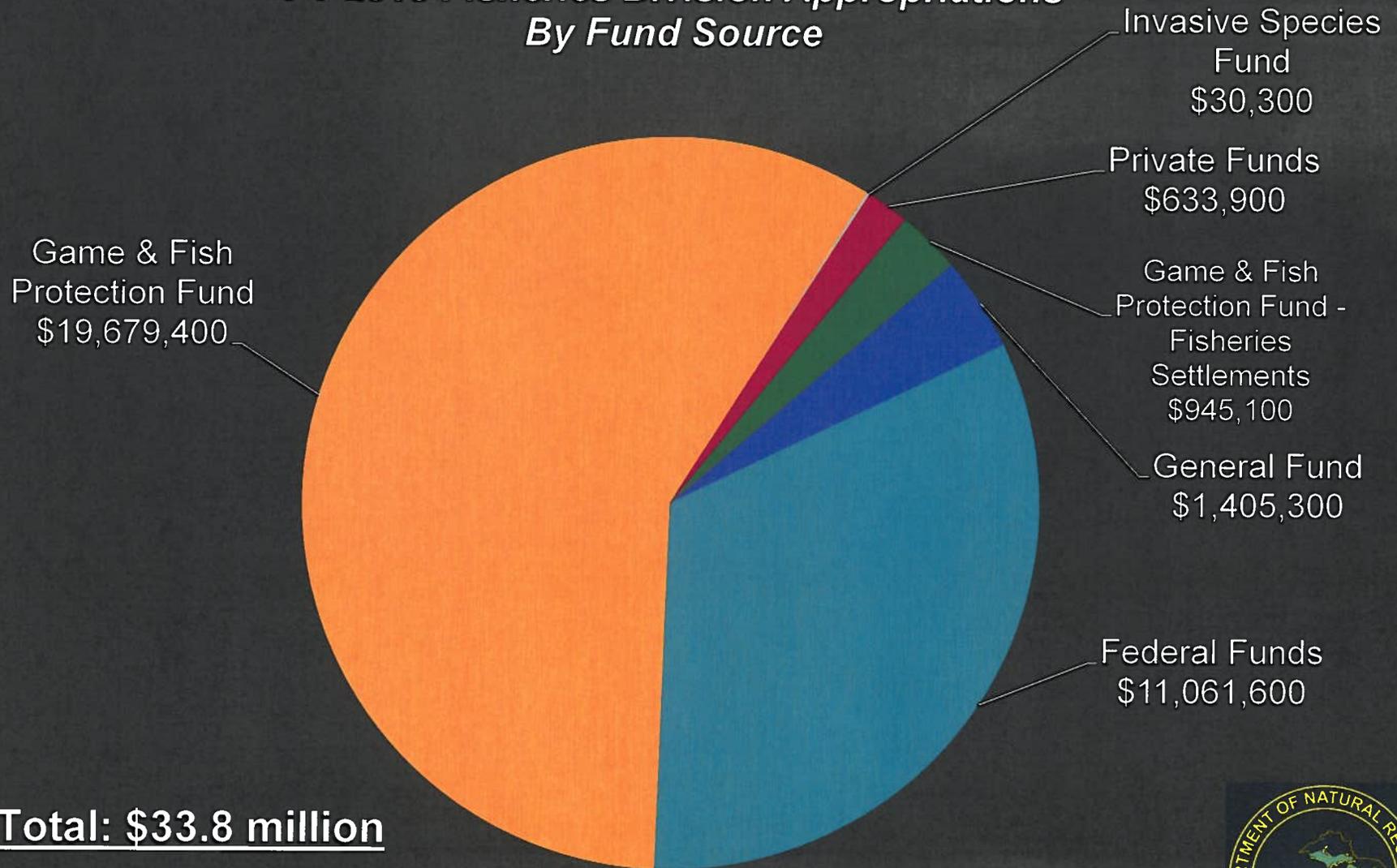
- Hugely popular
- Demand exceeds available resources
- Partnership opportunities



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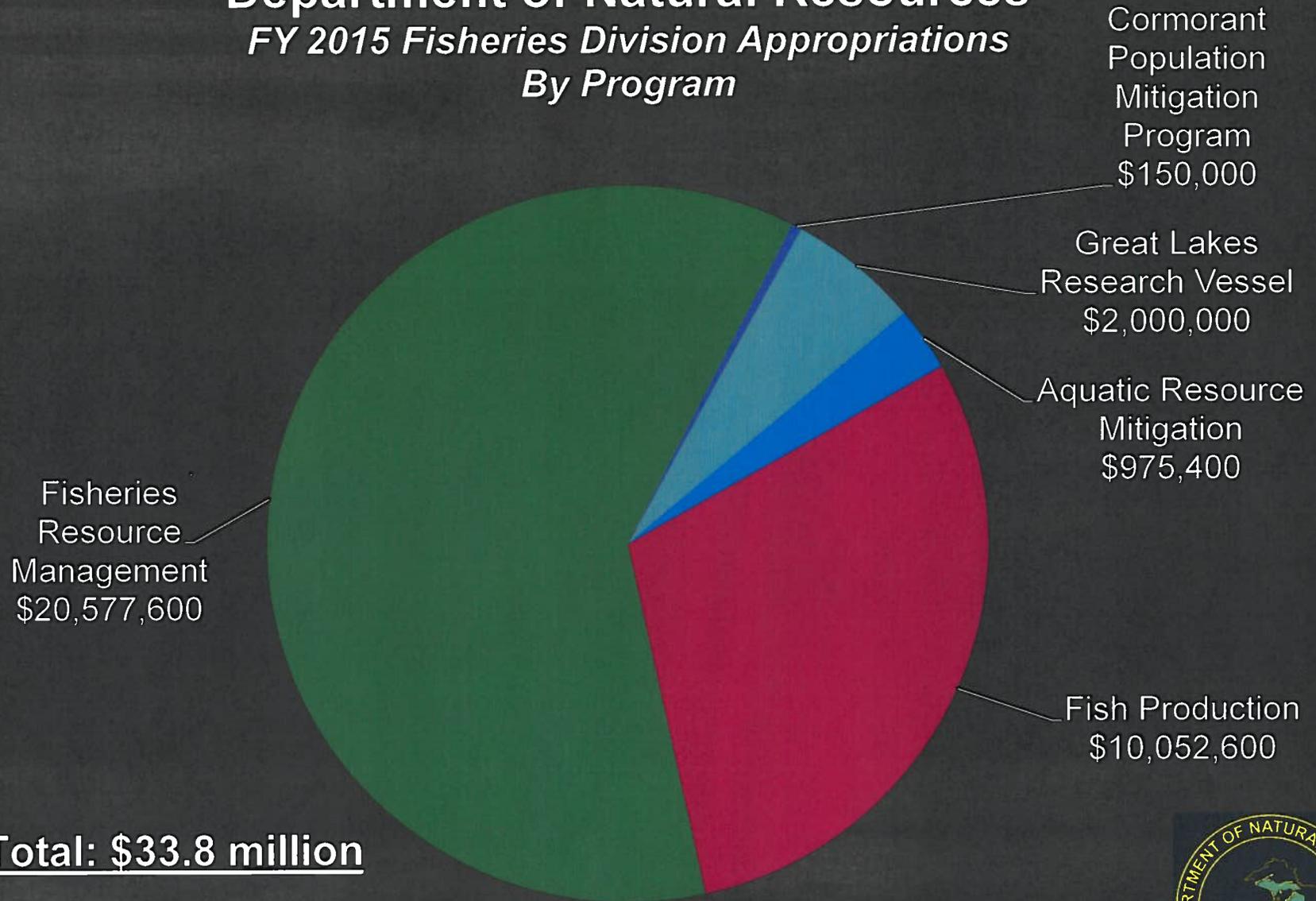
By Fund Source



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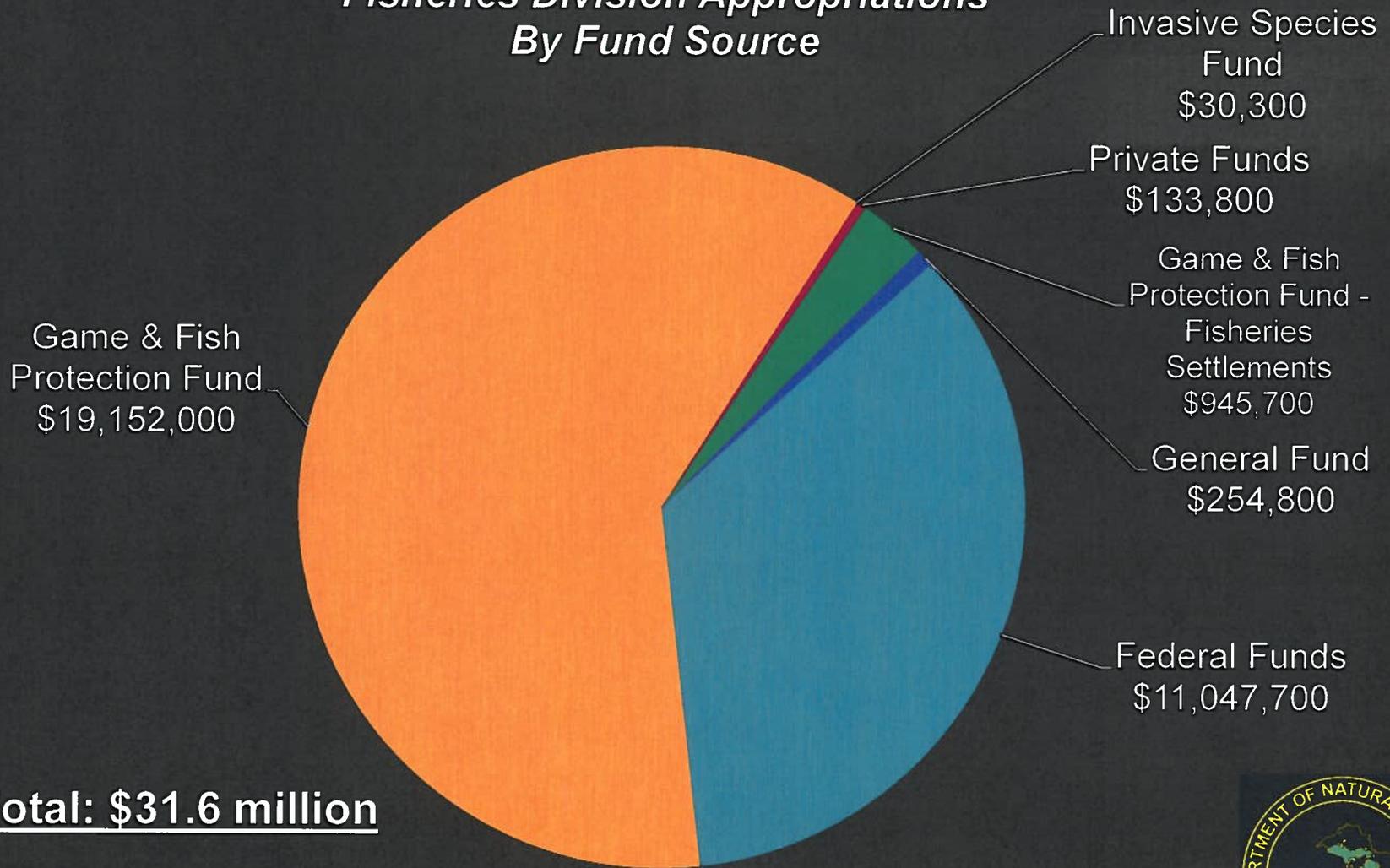
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Total: \$33.8 million



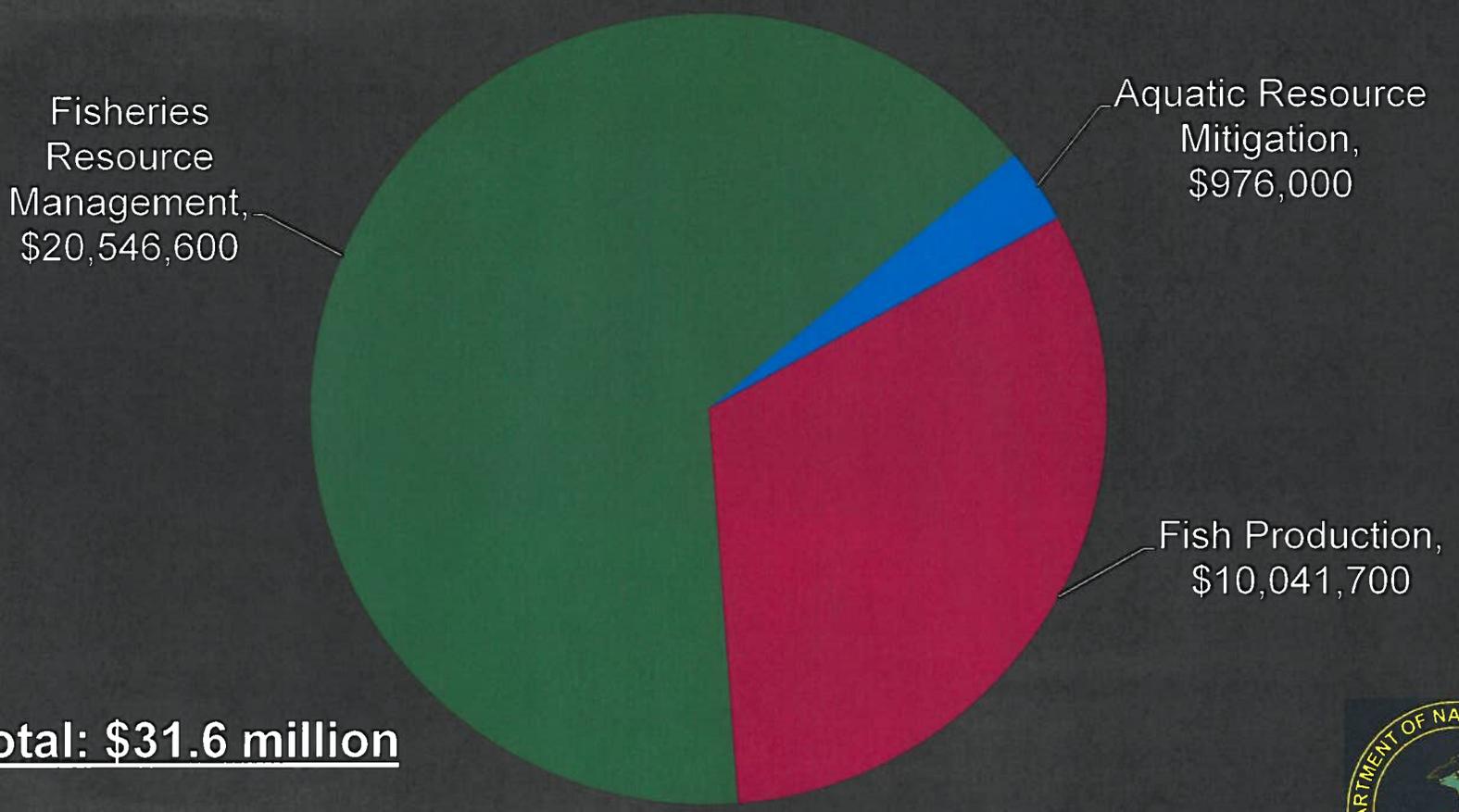
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