

Budget Brief – Utah Geological Survey

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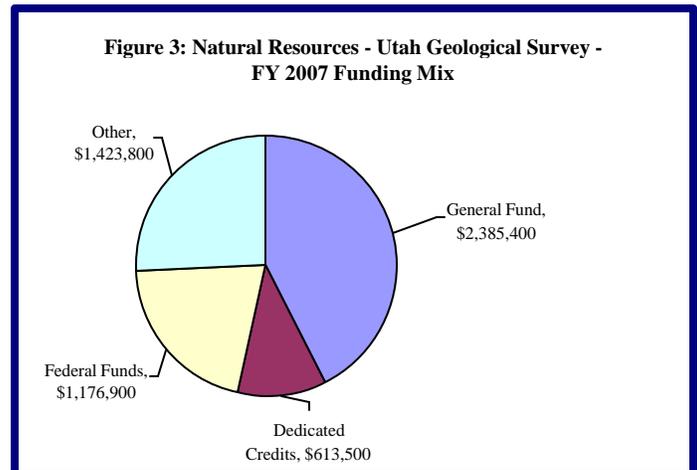
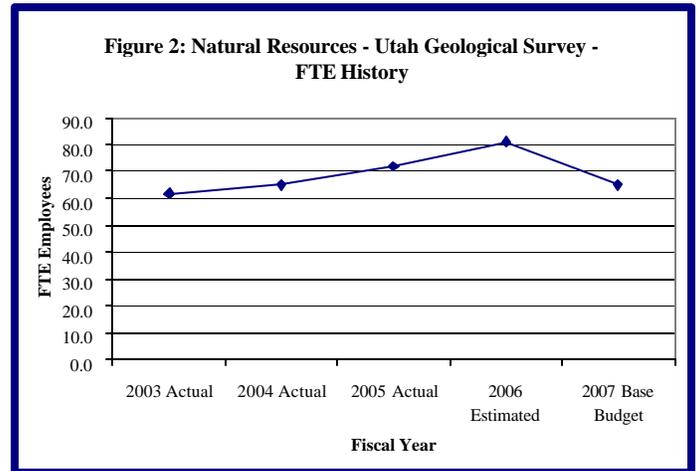
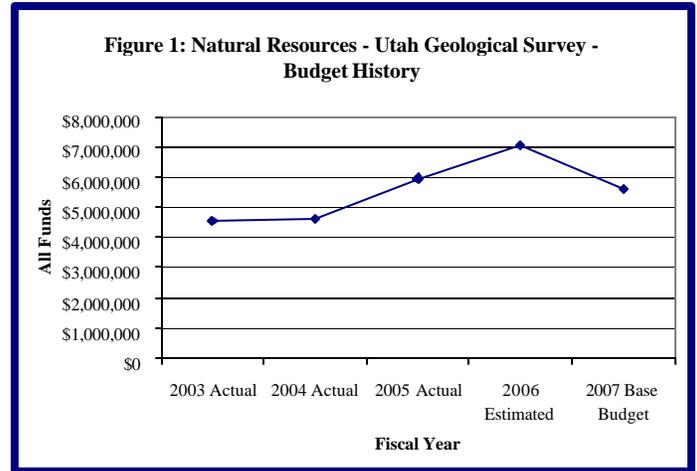
SUMMARY

The Utah Geological Survey (UGS) is an applied scientific agency that creates, interprets, and provides information about Utah’s geologic environment, resources, and hazards, to promote safe, beneficial, and wise use of the land. The Survey does not have regulatory power except in areas concerning paleontology.

ISSUES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Groundwater Analysis

The UGS’s ground water section needs additional resources to continue to provide information to agencies regarding best practices and protection of ground water resources. The Legislature appropriated to the division one-time funding for FY 2005 and FY 2006. The division is requesting for FY 2007 an ongoing appropriation of \$122,000 from the General Fund for groundwater analysis. This amount will be shared equally with the Division of Water Rights. The Analyst recommends the Committee place this request on its priority list for the Executive Appropriations Committee.



BUDGET DETAIL***Budget Recommendation***

At this time the Executive Appropriations Committee (EAC) has not allocated any General Funds beyond the agencies' base budgets. The Analyst recommends the Appropriations Subcommittee consider the Analyst's recommendations in the Issues and Recommendations section of this Budget Brief and develop a funding priority list for the EAC. None of the requests for funding increase are built in the tables and charts of this Budget Brief.

The Analyst recommends for the Utah Geological Survey line item for FY 2007 a base budget appropriation of \$5,599,600, with \$2,385,400 from the General Fund (see Budget Detail Table).

Intent Language

It is the intent of the Legislature that the Utah Geological Survey's Mineral Lease funds be nonlapsing.

BUDGET DETAIL TABLE

Natural Resources - Utah Geological Survey						
	FY 2005	FY 2006		FY 2006		FY 2007*
Sources of Finance	Actual	Appropriated	Changes	Revised	Changes	Base Budget
General Fund	2,190,700	2,385,400	0	2,385,400	0	2,385,400
General Fund, One-time	142,600	116,500	0	116,500	(116,500)	0
Federal Funds	676,200	2,089,500	(220,700)	1,868,800	(691,900)	1,176,900
Dedicated Credits Revenue	868,100	698,800	152,200	851,000	(237,500)	613,500
Federal Mineral Lease	1,685,800	1,609,200	90,800	1,700,000	(300,000)	1,400,000
Beginning Nonlapsing	609,000	351,700	(141,800)	209,900	(109,100)	100,800
Closing Nonlapsing	(209,900)	(138,100)	37,300	(100,800)	23,800	(77,000)
Total	\$5,962,500	\$7,113,000	(\$82,200)	\$7,030,800	(\$1,431,200)	\$5,599,600
Programs						
Administration	610,600	2,195,800	(1,450,600)	745,200	(141,100)	604,100
Technical Services	596,900	525,500	(29,800)	495,700	(18,900)	476,800
Geologic Hazards	746,000	598,300	190,800	789,100	(108,000)	681,100
Board	900	6,200	0	6,200	(2,700)	3,500
Geologic Mapping	903,000	692,500	105,500	798,000	(155,700)	642,300
Energy and Minerals	1,442,800	1,838,600	(384,500)	1,454,100	(246,700)	1,207,400
Environmental	1,005,600	658,900	358,300	1,017,200	(259,000)	758,200
Information and Outreach	656,700	597,200	77,700	674,900	(118,000)	556,900
State Energy Program	0	0	1,050,400	1,050,400	(381,100)	669,300
Total	\$5,962,500	\$7,113,000	(\$82,200)	\$7,030,800	(\$1,431,200)	\$5,599,600
Categories of Expenditure						
Personal Services	4,354,200	4,020,900	1,192,100	5,213,000	(871,500)	4,341,500
In-State Travel	49,000	39,800	15,500	55,300	(12,500)	42,800
Out of State Travel	30,300	28,900	14,000	42,900	(9,100)	33,800
Current Expense	856,100	2,667,700	(1,988,800)	678,900	(146,500)	532,400
DP Current Expense	282,700	223,100	(46,800)	176,300	(4,200)	172,100
DP Capital Outlay	48,900	0	0	0	0	0
Capital Outlay	121,300	0	86,000	86,000	(86,000)	0
Other Charges/Pass Thru	220,000	132,600	645,800	778,400	(301,400)	477,000
Total	\$5,962,500	\$7,113,000	(\$82,200)	\$7,030,800	(\$1,431,200)	\$5,599,600
Other Data						
Budgeted FTE	71.6	60.0	20.9	80.9	(15.9)	65.0

*Does not include amounts in excess of subcommittee's state fund allocation that may be recommended by the Fiscal Analyst.