Legal Title
Fisheries Restoration Account, Fish and Game Preservation Fund

Legal Citation/Authority
Chapter 1236, Statutes of 1985
Fish and Game Code section 2762

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Purpose
This fund was created to support the construction, operation and administration of projects designed to maintain and restore fishery resources and their habitat that have been damaged by past water diversions and projects and other development activities. Projects may include, but shall not be limited to, the acquisition of lands, restoration of habitat, restoration or creation of spawning areas, kelp restoration, artificial reef construction, construction of fish screens or fish ladders, stream rehabilitation, and installation of pollution control facilities. Chapter 937/87 also authorizes the department to advance partial funding, of up to 50% of the amount contracted for, to project contractors if the Director of Fish and Game makes specified findings.

Administering Agency/Organization Code
Department of Fish and Game/ Org 3600

Major Revenue Source
A transfer from the Fish and Game Preservation Fund in the amount of $5,000,000 for each of the 1985-86 and 1986-87 fiscal years from revenues, moneys and remittances deposited by the California Water Commission pursuant to Section 6217, which amounts shall be transferred after the allocation is made to the California Water Fund, but before the allocation is made to the Central Valley Water Project Construction Fund.

Disposition of Funds (upon abolishment)
Pursuant to Government Code 16346, absent language that identifies a successor fund, any balance remaining in this fund upon abolishment shall be transferred to the General Fund.

Appropriation Authority
Section 2762 of the Fish and Game Code provides that the moneys in the account are "hereby appropriated for each of the 1985-86 and 1986-87 fiscal years to the department for expenditure pursuant to subdivision (b)."
Chapter 867, Statutes of 1986 added the 1987-88 fiscal year to the years in which those funds may be expended.

Abolished January 1996

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Chapter 1325, Statutes of 1987 provides for a transfer of $5,000,000 in the 1988-89 fiscal year for use in the same priority for expenditure in fiscal years 1986-87 to 1990-91, inclusive, for those restoration purposes. The bill further expresses the intent of the Legislature that any subsequent transfers to the account be made in the annual budget acts.

**State Appropriations Limit**
Always Excluded.

**Comments/Historical Information**
Chapter 617, Statutes of 1993 amended the provisions for this fund and added an abolishment date of July 1, 1994.