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**Fiscal Years 2026-2027** 







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#### General Information

The Railroad Commission of Texas serves our state by our stewardship of natural resources and the environment, our protection of personal and community safety, and our support of enhanced development and economic vitality for the benefit of Texans.

The Commission accomplishes this mission within the framework of four coordinated goals that:

- Oversee the development of the state's energy resources while protecting public health and the environment through an effective regulatory program that allows for the orderly and efficient development of oil and gas resources,
- Protect public safety in the operation of the Texas pipeline system through regulatory oversight of the pipeline industry by inspection, compliance, and educational activities, and in the regulation of the LPG/CNG/LNG alternative fuels industries,
- Protect the environment and consumers by ensuring that fossil fuel extraction and energy production, storage, and delivery minimize harmful effects on the state's natural resources, and that just and reasonable natural gas rates promote a safe and efficient supply of natural gas, and
- Provide the public access to information and facilitate efficiencies with regulated industries through communications and technologies that support effective regulatory programs, while preserving and increasing access to public information.

The Railroad Commission oversees and regulates many sectors of the state's energy industries, which are a vital pillar of the state's economy. The Commission provides a predictable, consistent, and sound regulatory environment that supports economic growth and long-term investment in Texas. This Legislative Appropriations Request reflects the Commission's primary funding priorities. While the Commission derives much of its funding from the state's energy industries, consistent funding for the Commission's regulatory responsibilities is critical to protecting public safety and the environment.

The Commission recognizes that ensuring the efficiency and effectiveness of its programs is more than allocating and expending resources responsibly. The Commission seeks to further develop systems, workforce, and infrastructure to address complicated and evolving challenges to the state's energy industries. Robust and secure information management systems, collaboration to develop innovative solutions, a highly skilled and diverse workforce, and a commitment to sustainability are the pillars that support of efficiency, transparency, accountability, and effectiveness of the Commission's programs. This request seeks funding necessary to implement these actions.

#### Governing Board Information

Three statewide officials elected to six-year staggered terms serve as Commissioners of the Railroad Commission of Texas. Current commissioners, their terms of office, and their hometowns are:

- Christi Craddick, Chairman, Dec. 17, 2012 to Dec. 31, 2024, Midland, Texas
- Wayne Christian, Commissioner, Jan. 9, 2017 to Dec. 31, 2028, Center, Texas
- Jim Wright, Commissioner, Jan. 4, 2021 to Dec. 31, 2026, Orange Grove, Texas

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#### Overview of Budget Request

The Railroad Commission prepared its funding request in compliance with the policy letter from Governor Greg Abbott and Lieutenant Governor Dan Patrick issued on July 25, 2024, and the policy letter from Speaker of the House Dade Phelan also issued on July 25. 2024, as well as instructions issued by the Governor's Office, Budget and Policy Division and the Legislative Budget Board. The request for the 2026-2027 biennium does not exceed the sum of those amounts expended in fiscal year 2024 and budgeted in fiscal year 2025 in General Revenue and General Revenue Dedicated Funds. The proposed request for general revenue-related funding follows a careful examination of agency funding priorities and seeks funding levels that will further the Commission's mission and goals.

The baseline biennial request totals \$466,560,272 with fee and surcharge generating sources comprising 34.9 percent, General Revenue as 41.2 percent, federal funds as 23.2 percent, and other sources comprising almost 0.7 percent of the request.

#### **External Factors**

The Railroad Commission provides necessary regulation and oversight of the state's energy industries, without which Texas would not have a vital pillar of its vibrant economy. The Commission's main functions are to protect the environment, public safety, and correlative rights of mineral interest owners, prevent waste of natural resources, and assure fair and equitable utility rates in natural gas distribution industries. Regulating dynamic industries that support the state's economy require the staffing, technological, and financial capacity to respond with agility to changing market and economic conditions that affect the industries the Commission regulates.

House Bill 3516 (87th Legislature, Regular Session, 2021) directed the Railroad Commission to encourage the commercial recycling of liquid oil and gas wastes, including produced water. Technological advances in water treatment and freshwater scarcity in parts of Texas refocused attention on the potential to treat produced water and recycle it for beneficial purposes. In January 2024, the Commission issued a framework for pilot programs that could greatly enhance environmental protection in Texas with the potential to recycle produced water safely and economically. Produced water is a byproduct of what comes to the surface during oil and gas production. The produced water recycling framework provides a regulatory pathway for operators to assess the effectiveness and the suitability of applying treated produced water for beneficial purposes, with the potential to reduce the amount of produced water that is injected back into the ground, which can help reduce incidents of seismicity, as well as developing a potential water source for above ground use. The Commission is focusing its attention on the effectiveness of treatment technologies and is examining proper methods for gathering, storing, treating, testing, and documenting how treated water quality evolves and is controlled in each pilot facility. Data management systems to collect produced water and injection data and make it available to industry, state regulators, and other interested parties are necessary to support this effort.

The Commission anticipates the federal reauthorization of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration's (PHMSA) pipeline safety programs. Potential changes with the reauthorization that may affect Commission programs include: rulemaking to establish minimum safety standards for the transportation and temporary storage incidental to transportation of carbon dioxide in a gaseous state, along with changes to facilitate the federal regulation of carbon dioxide pipelines, a study of existing natural gas pipeline systems that blend hydrogen into natural gas pipeline systems to inform a future rulemaking related to hydrogen-natural gas blending, updates to PHMSA's assessment criteria for State Damage Prevention Programs, and directs the U.S. Secretary of Transportation to estimate funding necessary to fund 80 percent of the costs of personnel, equipment, and activities for the State Pipeline Safety grant programs. The Commission's funding from PHMSA was approximately 55.62 percent of the program's cost to the State in calendar year 2023.

Funding from the 2021 Infrastructure and Investment Jobs Act (IIJA) supports or is anticipated to support several Commission programs including well plugging and site remediation activities at orphaned well sites across the state, the development of the Class VI Underground Injection Control (Geologic Sequestration of Carbon Dioxide) program, and the Commission's Brownfields program, as well as the abandoned mine lands program providing for remediation of pre-1977 mining sites in Texas. These

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new sources of federal funds are not without additional administrative burdens for the Commission. Specifically, funding for the Orphan Well Plugging Formula Grants includes the addition of Endangered Species Act Section 7 and National Historic Preservation Act Section 106 compliance along with new and significant oversight from the Department of the Interior's Orphaned Wells Program Office. These new compliance requirements and approvals significantly slowed the implementation of the federal well pluggings. During the first five months of the Formula Grant, the Commission plugged approximately 60 percent fewer wells than were plugged during the first five months of the Initial Grant. The Commission will staff up with compliance experts to ensure the federally funded pluggings reach a pace necessary to expend the grant funds by the expiration of the federal appropriations on September 30, 2030.

Federal funding for well plugging is best used for planned, standard plugging operations. Developing the administrative record necessary for compliance with various terms and conditions makes it difficult to use this funding for emergency, time sensitive plugging activities. The Commission faces significant cost pressure for the state managed orphaned well program from inflation and emergency wells. Recent inflationary pressure pushed the average cost to plug a well in fiscal year 2023 just over \$30,000 per well. This cost is nearly 50 percent higher than the fiscal year 2019 average cost of \$20,434 per well.

As the oil fields across Texas age, so too does the state's orphaned well population with aging wells potentially more vulnerable and requiring an emergency response. In fiscal year 2023, the Commission plugged 38 orphaned well under emergency circumstances, with an average cost of nearly \$250,000 per well. The costs and number of emergency wells have increased sharply over the last several years. With emergency well plugging costing nearly ten times the average cost to plug a well and an increasing number of emergency plugging jobs each year, options beyond federal funds or the regular appropriation of Oil and Gas Regulation and Cleanup funding will be critical to allow the Commission the ability to protect the state's surface and subsurface groundwater.

The Commission continues to develop information technology solutions, tools, and processes to enable easier access to records that concern various oil and gas exploration and development, determination of responsibility for the proper plugging of abandoned wells, applications to inject water into reservoirs for enhanced oil and gas production, and prevention and control of oil and gas pollution. The Commission relies on data tools to manage inspections of pipeline systems, alternative fuel installations, and surface mines, allowing staff to prioritize future inspections and track compliance. The Commission collects, maintains, and makes available to the public enormous amounts of information and data depending on agency systems and processes that operate with the highest level of efficiency and accessibility. This requires vigilance in continuous review and updating of its systems related to data collection and data management in the field and at headquarters. The RRC continually strives to make information more available and transparent to the public, particularly related to its Safety Program and Environmental and Consumer Protection activities.

Exceptional Items—(\$35,732,535)

Technology improvements continue to strengthen the Texas energy industries. To effectively regulate these industries throughout the economic cycle, the Commission must continue with its implementation of data-driven processes that analyze performance metrics of compliance and enforcement rates, public safety risks, and threats to the environment, while maintaining a strong field presence, for the protection of public safety and the environment. To advance this effort, the Commission proposes 9 exception items for the FY 2026-27 biennium:

Produced Water and Injection Data Reporting System

The increase in oil production in Texas over the last 15 years has led to a great increase in the amount of produced water from well sites. The oil and gas industry sees value in recycling the water and turning it into a resource rather than a waste product. Disposing of produced water by injecting it into deep geologic strata increases risks associated with overpressure such as surface breakouts that increase the drilling costs. The Railroad Commission proposes development of a new system that

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would collect produced water and injection data and make it available to industry, state regulators, and other interested parties. RRC requests 2 FTEs and \$7,685,824 for development of this system.

Oil and Gas Authorized Pit Registration System

The Oil and Gas Environmental Permits and Support Unit needs a new system for operators to provide more information about pits used to store or manage oil field fluids and oil and gas waste. The new system will allow operators to provide more complete information about the size, location, and uses than is currently collected. The Commission will inspect pits as part of its inspection process to ensure no oil and gas activities pollute surface or subsurface waters. The new system will also allow the data to be available online to the public. RRC request 2 FTEs and \$2,748,000 for development of this system.

Oversight and Safety Regulatory Filing and Permitting Systems

The Railroad Commission collects multiple reports with large amounts of data from natural gas utilities related to the sale of natural gas. The Commission uses this data to audit utility companies and ensure that the collected Natural Gas Utility Taxes are accurate. A new online filing system would make reporting easier for the utility companies and enhance the auditing capabilities of the Commission. Likewise, the Alternative Fuels Online System (AFOS) needs enhancements to streamline the permitting process for operators. RRC requests \$6,288,068 for these systems.

Site Remediation Program Support

The Oil and Gas Site Remediation Program needs two additional FTEs to review complex cleanup projects and respond to public information requests about cleanup activities. The RRC requests \$342,140 for the biennium for the salaries and operating costs for these FTEs.

New Kilgore District Office Building

The Railroad Commission requests \$3 million for the construction of a new 8,800 square foot building in Kilgore. The District Office has temporarily moved into leased space in Henderson. The previous building was not cost effective to renovate due to black mold, asbestos, and structural concerns.

GIS Cloud Upgrade

The Railroad Commission uses a geographic information system (GIS) extensively across the agency to effectively regulate the oil and gas industry and ensure critical infrastructure is prepared for weather emergencies. The RRC Public GIS Map Viewer allows the public to access this important data. The migration from the current GIS platform to a cloud-based platform offers more detailed reporting, faster data access, increased uptime, and new analytical tools for users and the general public. RRC requests \$2,142,778 for the system migration.

Microfilm Digitization

The Railroad Commission continues to make all oil and gas records available digitally online to the public for greater transparency. Records held at the district offices should be completely digitized by the end of fiscal year 2025. This project would digitize existing microfilm records in Austin for inclusion with existing digital resources

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available from the RRC website. RRC requests \$907,496 for this project.

#### Vehicle Replacements

During the 2026-27 biennium, the Commission will need to replace 82 trucks for field staff. The Railroad Commission replace vehicles in accordance with the guidelines of the Texas State Vehicle Fleet Management Plan from the Comptroller's Office of Vehicle Fleet Management. Vehicle replacements for the 2024-25 biennium were funded by the supplemental appropriations bill (SB 30, 88th Legislature, Regular Session, 2023). RRC requests \$4,889,831 for these new vehicles.

Data Center Services Adjustment

RRC requests an additional \$7.7M for Data Center Services (DCS) cost for the biennium. The latest forecast from the Department of Information Resources (DIR) for RRC's DCS cost is \$23M which is a 50.5% increase from the \$15.2M appropriated in the 2024-25 biennium. DIR's forecast is based on the current services that RRC receives as well as additional licenses and server cost necessary in the statewide data center for the next biennium.

Capital Budget—(\$40,844,771)

The Commission's capital budget request seeks capital authority totaling \$40,844,771 million for four capital projects. The Commission's 2026-27 appropriation request includes the following capital projects in the Base Level Request:

- Mainframe Transformation Phase IV—\$21,475,647
- Data Center Services (DCS)—\$15,280,374
- Inspection/Enforcement Tracking and Reporting System Phase V—\$3,000,000
- PC Refresh—\$1,088,750

Mainframe Transformation Phase IV—\$21,475,647

With this request the Commission will continue implementing modern, flexible, and scalable information technology systems that reduce dependence on mainframe systems. In the 20-21 biennium, the Commission began a phased approach and has continued to transition its oil and gas business processes off the mainframe to reduce dependency on mainframe technology.

During the 2026-27 biennium, with proposed Phase IV of the Mainframe Transformation, the Commission will continue to reduce its dependency on mainframe systems by modernizing processes and moving additional well management features to its cloud-based systems including:

- · Reclassifying wells
- Lease Management
- Field Management
- Well Testing Functionalities
- Support Functions that enable data integration

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The Commission will continue to expand the agency's central data repository to make reporting more efficient.

The evolution of the Commission's regulated industries, along with demands for wider access to Commission data, and legislative requirements are increasingly difficult to address with aging mainframe technologies. These challenges cannot be resolved in a single biennium. This project will leverage the foundation and framework established in the 20-21 biennium by adding additional business processes and data to continue the Commission's forward movement.

Data Center Services (DCS)—\$15,280,374

As more state agencies move away from mainframe technologies, Data Center Services costs will increase for those agencies still relying on mainframe systems. For the Commission, continuing the process to reduce dependency on its mainframe systems will avoid future costs. As additional mainframe processes and functions move away from mainframe systems, the Commission will realize this cost avoidance. As this transition progresses, the Commission must still rely on mainframe process to maintain its ability to regulate those industries under its jurisdiction.

Inspection/Enforcement Tracking and Reporting System Phase V—\$3,000,000

The Commission seeks \$3,000,000 capital budget authority to implement Phase V of the Inspection and Enforcement Tracking and Reporting system. The phase will focus on the Commission's online Texas Damage Reporting Form for pipeline damages.

PC Refresh—\$1,088,750

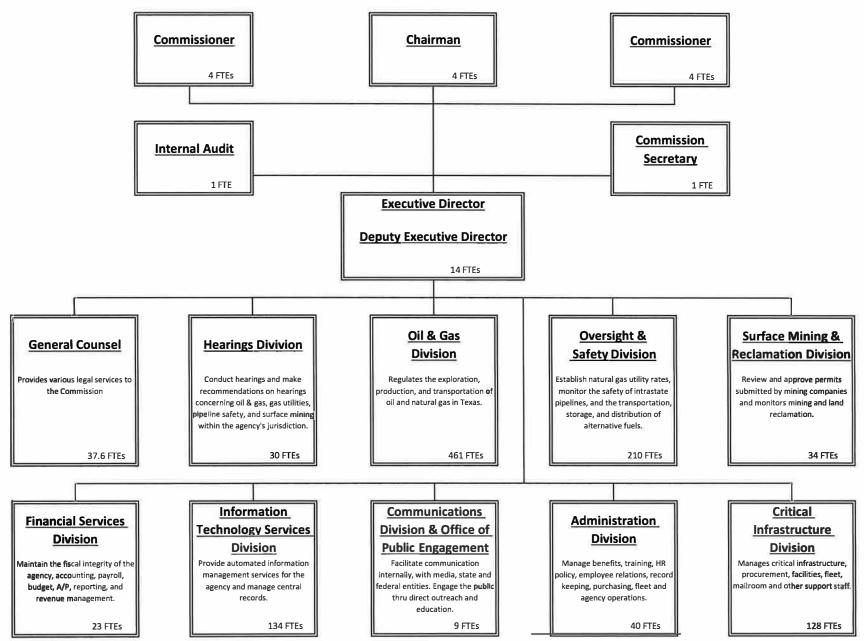
The Commission also requests capital authority in the amount of \$1,088,750 for PC replacement.

Authority to Conduct Background Checks

As the Commission seeks to add new FTEs to its organization, the authorization by Texas Government Code Sec. 411.1403 to obtain a criminal history record for an applicant for employment, as well as current or previous employees, consultants, contract employees, and others is a useful tool to ensure an efficient hiring process. The Commission is not currently conducting background checks as the agency reviews best practices and determines the most effective implementation plan based on organizational needs. The Commission uses the E-Verify system to confirm the eligibility of employees to work in the United States.

# Railroad Commission of Texas Organization Chart

(as of September 1, 2024)





# CERTIFICATE

# Agency Name Railroad Commission of Texas

This is to certify that the information contained in the agency Legislative Appropriations Request filed with the Legislative Budget Board (LBB) and the Office of the Governor, Budget and Policy Division, is accurate to the best of my knowledge and that the electronic submission to the LBB via the Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST) and the PDF file submitted via the LBB Document Submission application are identical.

Additionally, should it become likely at any time that unexpended balances will accrue for any account, the LBB and the Office of the Governor will be notified in writing in accordance with House Bill 1, Article IX, Section 7.01, Eighty-eighth Legislature, Regular Session, 2023.

Chief Executive Office or Presiding Judge Danny Sorrells	Board or Gonamission Chair  Christi Cradick
Signature Signature	Signature Signature
Danny Sorrells	Christi Craddick
Printed Name	Printed Name
Acting Executive Director	Chairman, Railroad Commission
Title	Title
08/30/2024	08/30/2024
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Chief Fingncial Officer  Pamela Darden	
Signature	
Pamela Darden, CPA	
Printed Name	
Chief Financial Officer	
Title	
08/30/2024	

#### **Budget Overview - Biennial Amounts**

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				455 Railroad Co	ommission						
			Α	ppropriation Yea	rs: 2026-27						EXCEPTIONAL
	GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS		GR DEDICATED FEDERAL		AL FUNDS OTHER FUNDS		ALL FUNDS		ITEM FUNDS		
	2024-25	2026-27	2024-25	2026-27	2024-25	2026-27	2024-25	2026-27	2024-25	2026-27	2026-27
Goal: 1. Oversee Oil and Gas Resource											
Development											
1.1.1. Energy Resource Development	40,059,302	44,860,951	18,102,860	15,396,135	640,000	640,000	852,000	1,204,000	59,654,162	62,101,086	11,734,846
Total, Goal	40,059,302	44,860,951	18,102,860	15,396,135	640,000	640,000	852,000	1,204,000	59,654,162	62,101,086	11,734,846
Goal: 2. Advance Safety Through											
Training, Monitoring, and Enforcement											
2.1.1. Pipeline Safety	12,475,474	4,612,350	8,875,528	13,233,178	6,520,000	6,520,000			27,871,002	24,365,528	1,185,089
2.1.2. Pipeline Damage Prevention	834,557	3,298,031	161,132	722,145	360,000	360,000			1,355,689	4,380,176	31,587
2.2.1. Regulate Alt Fuel Resources	7,084,860	6,869,636					1,840,000	1,840,000	8,924,860	8,709,636	4,597,843
Total, Goal	20,394,891	14,780,017	9,036,660	13,955,323	6,880,000	6,880,000	1,840,000	1,840,000	38,151,551	37,455,340	5,814,519
Goal: 3. Min. Harmful Effects of Energy											
Prod & Ensure Fair Rates for											
Consumers											
3.1.1. Oil/Gas Monitor & Inspections	59,634,758	57,070,542	17,747,903	13,886,380					77,382,661	70,956,922	3,379,471
3.1.2. Surface Mining Monitoring/Inspect	9,627,298	8,764,470			2,560,000	2,560,000			12,187,298	11,324,470	462,602
3.2.1. Oil&Gas Well Plugging &	22,271,145	29,595,075	115,962,168	109,358,890	129,458,747	95,148,584			267,692,060	234,102,549	9,366,875
Remediation											
3.2.2. Surface Mining Reclamation	882,075	876,268			3,400,000	3,400,000			4,282,075	4,276,268	76,008
3.3.1. Gas Utility Commerce	7,260,272	7,402,944					260,000	260,000	7,520,272	7,662,944	2,548,951
3.4.1. Weather Preparedness	28,628,944	25,422,200							28,628,944	25,422,200	1,300,619
Total, Goal	128,304,492	129,131,499	133,710,071	123,245,270	135,418,747	101,108,584	260,000	260,000	397,693,310	353,745,353	3 17,134,526
Goal: 4. Public Access to Information											
and Services											
4.1.1. Public Information And Services	3,490,853	4,101,564	1,765,119	1,224,448			100,000	100,000	5,355,972	5,426,012	1,048,654
Total, Goal	3,490,853	4,101,564	1,765,119	1,224,448			100,000	100,000	5,355,972	5,426,012	1,048,654
Total, Agency	192,249,538	192,874,031	162,614,710	153,821,176	142,938,747	108,628,584	3,052,000	3,404,000	500,854,995	458,727,791	35,732,545

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Total FTEs

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Goal / Objective / STRATEGY	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	Req 2026	Req 2027
1 Oversee Oil and Gas Resource Development					
Increase Opportunities for Oil and Gas Resource Development					
1 ENERGY RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT	26,247,915	33,727,569	25,926,593	33,665,334	28,435,752
TOTAL, GOAL 1	\$26,247,915	\$33,727,569	\$25,926,593	\$33,665,334	\$28,435,752
<ul> <li>Advance Safety Through Training, Monitoring, and Enforcement</li> <li>Improve Pipeline Safety</li> </ul>					
1 PIPELINE SAFETY	12,878,868	15,688,238	12,182,764	12,182,764	12,182,764
2 PIPELINE DAMAGE PREVENTION	741,120	665,601	690,088	3,690,088	690,088
2 Alternative Energy & Safety Through Regulation					
1 REGULATE ALT FUEL RESOURCES	6,928,138	4,570,042	4,354,818	4,354,818	4,354,818
TOTAL, GOAL 2	\$20,548,126	\$20,923,881	\$17,227,670	\$20,227,670	\$17,227,670

3 Min. Harmful Effects of Energy Prod & Ensure Fair Rates for Consumers

1 Reduce Occurrence of Environmental Violations

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Goal / Objective / STRATEGY	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	Req 2026	Req 2027
1 OIL/GAS MONITOR & INSPECTIONS	35,621,171	41,735,885	35,646,776	35,310,146	35,646,776
2 SURFACE MINING MONITORING/INSPECT	3,426,975	6,025,063	6,162,235	5,162,235	6,162,235
2 Identify and Abate Environmental Threats					
1 OIL&GAS WELL PLUGGING & REMEDIATION	87,383,285	102,777,037	164,915,023	116,904,798	117,197,751
2 SURFACE MINING RECLAMATION	2,005,008	2,143,941	2,138,134	2,138,134	2,138,134
3 Maintain Competitive Prices and Adequate Supplies for Consumers					
1 GAS UTILITY COMMERCE	3,500,051	3,688,800	3,831,472	3,831,472	3,831,472
4 Critical Infrastructure					
1 WEATHER PREPAREDNESS	15,226,824	14,917,844	13,711,100	12,711,100	12,711,100
TOTAL, GOAL 3	\$147,163,314	\$171,288,570	\$226,404,740	\$176,057,885	\$177,687,468
4 Public Access to Information and Services					
1 Increase Public Access to Information	2 002 105	2 (42 0(6	2.712.007	2.712.007	2.712.007
1 PUBLIC INFORMATION AND SERVICES	3,003,185	2,642,966	2,713,006	2,713,006	2,713,006

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Goal / Objective / STRATEGY	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	Req 2026	Req 2027
TOTAL, GOAL 4	\$3,003,185	\$2,642,966	\$2,713,006	\$2,713,006	\$2,713,006
TOTAL, AGENCY STRATEGY REQUEST	\$196,962,540	\$228,582,986	\$272,272,009	\$232,663,895	\$226,063,896
TOTAL, AGENCY RIDER APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST*				\$0	\$0
GRAND TOTAL, AGENCY REQUEST	\$196,962,540	\$228,582,986	\$272,272,009	\$232,663,895	\$226,063,896

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Goal / Objective / STRATEGY	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	Req 2026	Req 2027
METHOD OF FINANCING:					
General Revenue Funds:					
1 General Revenue Fund	90,760,807	99,514,881	92,734,657	96,437,015	96,437,016
SUBTOTAL	\$90,760,807	\$99,514,881	\$92,734,657	\$96,437,015	\$96,437,016
General Revenue Dedicated Funds:					
5155 Oil & Gas Regulation	73,770,665	89,707,638	72,907,072	80,210,588	73,610,588
SUBTOTAL	\$73,770,665	\$89,707,638	\$72,907,072	\$80,210,588	\$73,610,588
Federal Funds:					
555 Federal Funds	31,067,174	37,927,687	104,760,000	54,146,012	54,146,012
5041 GR Account-Railroad Comm	0	82,780	168,280	168,280	168,280
SUBTOTAL	\$31,067,174	\$38,010,467	\$104,928,280	\$54,314,292	\$54,314,292
Other Funds:					
666 Appropriated Receipts	1,363,894	1,350,000	1,350,000	1,350,000	1,350,000
827 Anthropogenic CO2 Storage Fund	0	0	352,000	352,000	352,000
SUBTOTAL	\$1,363,894	\$1,350,000	\$1,702,000	\$1,702,000	\$1,702,000
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING	\$196,962,540	\$228,582,986	\$272,272,009	\$232,663,895	\$226,063,896

<sup>\*</sup>Rider appropriations for the historical years are included in the strategy amounts.

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Agency code:	455	A	gency name: Railroad Con	nmission				
METHOD OF I	FINANCING		Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	Req 2026	Req 2027	
GENERAL	<u>REVENUE</u>							
1 G	eneral Revenue	Fund						
R	EGULAR APPR	OPRIATIONS						
	Regular Approp	priations from MOF Table (2022-23 GAA)	) \$55,474,034	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
	Regular Approp	priations from MOF Table (2024-25 GAA)	\$0	\$94,743,449	\$93,914,644	\$0	\$0	
R	IDER APPROPI	RIATION						
	Art IX, Sec 18.	28, Contingency for SB3 (27828) (2022-2	3 GAA) \$11,586,805	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
	Comments	s: Art IX, Sec 18.28, Contingency for SB3	(27828) (2022-23 GAA)					
		14, Contingency for HB1520 (27814) (202	\$714,780	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
	Comments	s: Art IX, Sec 18.14, Contingency for HB1	520 (27814) (2022-23 GAA)					
TI	RANSFERS							
	SB 30, 88th Le	g, Regular Session	\$435,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	

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Agency code:	455		Agency name:	Railroad Cor	nmission			
METHOD OF FIN	NANCING			Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	Req 2026	Req 2027
GENERAL RE	<u>EVENUE</u>							
	Comments	: Appn for Salary Increase (38901)						
SUP	PPLEMENTAL	, SPECIAL OR EMERGENCY APPROI	PRIATIONS					
SI	B 30, 88th Leg	g, Regular Session		\$541,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Comments	Sec. 6.02, Pipeline Safety (38602)						
SI	B 30, 88th Le	g, Regular Session		\$6,928,829	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Comments	:: Sec. 9.02A (19) Vehicles (38902)		90,928,829	φU	<b>90</b>	90	30
LAP	SED APPRO	PRIATIONS						
	egular Approp )20-21 GAA	oriations from MOF Table (2022-23 GA	A) - Capital - N	MFT Phase 1 UB	from			
	,			\$(750,245)	\$0	\$0	\$96,437,015	\$96,437,016
	Comments	s: Appn 56008						
Ro	egular Approp	oriations from MOF Table (2022-23 GA.		5(3,197,474)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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Agency code: 455	gency name: Railroad Con	mmission			
METHOD OF FINANCING	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	Req 2026	Req 2027
GENERAL REVENUE					
	\$0	\$(533,216)	\$(1,179,987)	\$0	\$0
<b>Comments:</b> 5% Salary Adjustment - Returned to CP increased for Fund 5155.	A for Fund 0001 and				
UNEXPENDED BALANCES AUTHORITY					
Art IX, Sec 14.05, UB Authority within the Same Biennin	um (2022-23 GAA)				
	\$24,332,726	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
SB 30, 88th Leg, Regular Session					
,	\$(4,747,416)	\$4,747,416	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Comments:</b> Sec. 9.02A (19) Vehicles (38902)					
CD 20, 994 Law Basadan Caraira					
SB 30, 88th Leg, Regular Session	\$(541,000)	\$541,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Comments: Sec. 6.02,88th Leg, Regular Session - P.	ipeline Safety (38602)				
SB 30, 88th Leg, Regular Session					
, , ,	\$(16,232)	\$16,232	\$0	\$0	\$0
Comments: Sec. 8.66: Mainframe Transformation					

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Agency code:	455	Agency name: Railroad Co	ommission			
METHOD OF FI	NANCING	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	Req 2026	Req 2027
GENERAL R	<u>EVENUE</u>					
TOTAL,	General Revenue Fund	\$90,760,807	\$99,514,881	\$92,734,657	\$96,437,015	\$96,437,016
TOTAL, ALL	GENERAL REVENUE	\$90,760,807	\$99,514,881	\$92,734,657	\$96,437,015	\$96,437,016
GENERAL R	EVENUE FUND - DEDICATED					
	Dedicated - Oil and Gas Regulation	on and Cleanup Account No. 5155				
F	Regular Appropriations from MOF	Table (2022-23 GAA) \$59,989,019	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
F	Regular Appropriations from MOF	Table (2024-25 GAA) \$0	\$77,728,084	\$71,170,183	\$80,210,588	\$73,610,588
RIL	DER APPROPRIATION					
V	/I-49, Rider 12, Appropriation: OC	RC Account Fees (2022-23 GAA) \$8,808,764	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
7	/I-59, Rider 12, Appropriation: OC	FRC Account Fees (2024-25 GAA)	\$1,449,131	\$0	\$0	\$0

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Agency code: 455	Agency name: Railroad Com	mission			
METHOD OF FINANCING	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	Req 2026	Req 2027
GENERAL REVENUE FUND - DEDICATED					
TRANSFERS					
SB 30, 88th Leg, Regular Session	\$164,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Comments: SB 30, 88th Leg, Regular	r Session - Salary Increase				
Art IX, Sec 17.16, Appropriation for a Sal (2024-25 GAA)	ary Increase for General State Employees	\$810,307	\$1,736,889	\$0	\$0
Comments: 5% Salary Increase - Nee Fund 5155	eded to transfer funds to cover salaries in				
SUPPLEMENTAL, SPECIAL OR EMERGEN	NCY APPROPRIATIONS				
SB 30, 88th Leg, Regular Session	\$1,482,922	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Comments: Sec. 9.02 (19)(B) - Moto	r Vehicle Purchases				
LAPSED APPROPRIATIONS					
Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (	(2022-23 GAA) \$(14,751,279)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
UNEXPENDED BALANCES AUTHORITY					

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Agency code: 455	Agency name: Railroad Com	mission			
METHOD OF FINANCING	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	Req 2026	Req 2027
GENERAL REVENUE FUND - DEDICATED					
Rider 11 UB Between Fiscal Years (2022-23 GAA		r.o.	Φ0	ΦO	¢o.
Comments: 37262 MFT Ph 2	\$21,154,544	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Rider 11 UB Between Fiscal Years (2022-23 GAA	A) \$1,179	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Comments: 56008 MFT Ph 1					
Rider 14: UB: Acquisition of Info. Resources Tech	nnologies (2022-23 GAA) \$16,974	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Comments: 57002 PC Refresh					
Rider 11 UB Between Fiscal Years (2022-23 GAA	\$42,331	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Comments: Capital DCS 57150					
Rider 11 UB Between Fiscal Years (2022-23 GAA	\$254,678	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Comments: Capital Vehicles 57004					

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Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	Req 2026	Req 2027
\$6,327,649	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
\$(1,482,922)	\$1,482,922	\$0	\$0	\$0
\$(8,237,194)	\$8,237,194	\$0	\$0	\$0
on				
nup Account No. 5155				
\$73,770,665	\$89,707,638	\$72,907,072	\$80,210,588	\$73,610,588
\$73,770,665	\$89,707,638	\$72,907,072	\$80,210,588	\$73,610,588
\$164,531,472	\$189,222,519	\$165,641,729	\$176,647,603	\$170,047,604
	\$6,327,649 \$(1,482,922) \$(8,237,194) on anup Account No. 5155 \$73,770,665	\$6,327,649 \$0  \$(1,482,922) \$1,482,922  \$(8,237,194) \$8,237,194  on  anup Account No. 5155  \$73,770,665 \$89,707,638	\$6,327,649 \$0 \$0  \$(1,482,922) \$1,482,922 \$0  \$(8,237,194) \$8,237,194 \$0  on  inup Account No. 5155  \$73,770,665 \$89,707,638 \$72,907,072	Exp 2023         Est 2024         Bud 2025         Req 2026           \$6,327,649         \$0         \$0         \$0           \$(1,482,922)         \$1,482,922         \$0         \$0           \$(8,237,194)         \$8,237,194         \$0         \$0           \$0         \$0         \$0         \$0           \$0         \$0         \$0         \$0           \$0         \$0         \$0         \$0           \$0         \$0         \$0         \$0           \$0         \$0         \$0         \$0           \$0         \$0         \$0         \$0           \$0         \$0         \$0         \$0           \$0         \$0         \$0         \$0           \$0         \$0         \$0         \$0           \$0         \$0         \$0         \$0           \$0         \$0         \$0         \$0           \$0         \$0         \$0         \$0           \$0         \$0         \$0         \$0           \$0         \$0         \$0         \$0           \$0         \$0         \$0         \$0           \$0         \$0         \$0         \$0 </td

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REGULAR APPROPRIATIONS

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Agency code: 455	Agency name: Railroad (	Commission			
METHOD OF FINANCING	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	Req 2026	Req 2027
FEDERAL FUNDS  Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2022-23)	GAA) \$6,860,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2024-25	GAA) \$0	\$68,671,300	\$69,760,000	\$54,146,012	\$54,146,012
RIDER APPROPRIATION					
Art IX, Sec 13.01, Federal Funds/Block Grants (20.	22-23 GAA) \$1,177,290	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Comments: Pipeline Safety Base Grant CFDA	20.700				
Art IX, Sec 13.01, Federal Funds/Block Grants (20)	22-23 GAA) \$149,264	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Comments: UIC Grant CFDA 66.433					
Art IX, Sec 13.01, Federal Funds/Block Grants (20)  Comments: UIC Multipurpose Grant CFDA 66	\$12,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Art IX, Sec 13.01, Federal Funds/Block Grants (20)	22-23 GAA)				

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Agency code:	455	Agency na	ame: Railroad Con	mmission			
METHOD OF FI	NANCING		Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	Req 2026	Req 2027
FEDERAL F		State Damage Prevention Grant CFDA 20.720	\$54,774	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2		, Federal Funds/Block Grants (2022-23 GAA)	\$800,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1		AML IIJA CFDA 15.252  , Federal Funds/Block Grants (2022-23 GAA)					
	Comments:	IIJA Well Plugging Grant CFDA 15.018	\$24,748,545	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2		, Federal Funds/Block Grants (2022-23 GAA)  NPS Neches River CFDA 15.944	\$1,875,664	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2		, Federal Funds/Block Grants (2022-23 GAA)	\$132,958	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1		IIJA Brownfields CFDA 66.817 , Federal Funds/Block Grants (2024-25 GAA)					

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Agency code: 455	Agency name: Railroad Co	mmission			
METHOD OF FINANCING	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	Req 2026	Req 2027
FEDERAL FUNDS	\$0	\$1,316,603	\$0	\$0	\$0
Comments: AML IIJA Grant					
Art IX, Sec 13.01, Federal Funds/Block Grants (2024-2	25 GAA) \$0	\$246,173	\$0	\$0	\$0
Comments: Brownfield IIJA Grant					
Art IX, Sec 13.01, Federal Funds/Block Grants (2024-2	25 GAA) \$0	\$1,604,911	\$0	\$0	\$0
Comments: NPS Big Thicket IIJA Grant	30	\$1,004,711	φU	30°	<b>"</b> О
SUPPLEMENTAL, SPECIAL OR EMERGENCY APPROA	PRIATIONS				
SB 30, 88th Leg, Regular Session	\$1,088,700	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Comments:</b> Sec. 9.02A (19) Vehicles (38902)					
LAPSED APPROPRIATIONS					
Lapse - Coal A&E CFDA 15.250	\$(106,159)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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Agency code:	455	Agency name:	Railroad Com	mission			
METHOD OF F	FINANCING		Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	Req 2026	Req 2027
FEDERAL I	<u>FUNDS</u>						
	Lapse - AML CFDA 12.252						
			\$(967,908)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Lapse - B.1.1 Pipeline Safety	- O&S Pipeline Safety CFDA 20.720					
		\$	5(3,230,000)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Lapse - AML IIJA CFDA 15.2	.52					
	•		\$(210,000)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Lanca C 2 1 O&G Wall Plug	ging - DOI Well Plugging CFDA 15.018	Q				
	Lapse - C.2.1 O&G Well I lug	ging - DOI Well Hugging CFDA 13.016	\$(276,755)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Lapse - A.1.1 Energy Resourc	e Dev - UIC Grant	\$(320,000)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
U	NEXPENDED BALANCES AU	THORITY					
	Rider 11, Appropriation: Unex	spended Balances Between Fiscal Years	within the Biennius	m			
			\$367,501	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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Agency code: 455	Agency name: Railroad	Commission			
METHOD OF FINANCING	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	Req 2026	Req 2027
FEDERAL FUNDS  Comments: Sec. 9.02A (19) Vehicles (389)	\$(1,088,700) 902)	\$1,088,700	\$0	\$0	\$0
Rider 11, UB between Fiscal Years 2024-25 G.  Comments: IIJA Well Plugging Grant 1/1	\$0	\$(35,000,000)	\$35,000,000	\$0	\$0
TOTAL, Federal Funds	\$31,067,174	\$37,927,687	\$104,760,000	\$54,146,012	\$54,146,012
GR Account - Railroad Commission Federal  REGULAR APPROPRIATIONS  Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (202-					
TOTAL, GR Account - Railroad Commission Feder	al \$0	\$82,780 \$82,780	\$168,280 \$168,280	\$168,280 <b>\$168,280</b>	\$168,280 \$168,280
TOTAL, ALL FEDERAL FUNDS	\$31,067,174	\$38,010,467	\$104,928,280	\$54,314,292	\$54,314,292

#### **OTHER FUNDS**

Appropriated Receipts

REGULAR APPROPRIATIONS

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Agency code: 455 Agency 1	name: Railroad Co	mmission			
METHOD OF FINANCING	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	Req 2026	Req 2027
OTHER FUNDS					
Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2022-23 GAA)	\$1,350,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2024-25 GAA)	\$0	\$1,787,000	\$1,787,000	\$0	\$0
RIDER APPROPRIATION					
VI-52 RRC Rider 4	\$21,279	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
LAPSED APPROPRIATIONS					
Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2022-23 GAA)	\$(211,804)	\$0	\$0	\$1,350,000	\$1,350,000
Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2024-25 GAA)	\$0	\$(437,000)	\$(437,000)	\$0	\$0
UNEXPENDED BALANCES AUTHORITY					
Art VI-51, Rider 11, Appropriation: Unexpended Balances Between Biennium.	ween Fiscal Years within	n the			
	\$204,419	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
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Agency code: 455	Agency name: Railroad Co	ommission			
METHOD OF FINANCING	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	Req 2026	Req 2027
OTHER FUNDS					
TOTAL, Appropriated Receipts	\$1,363,894	\$1,350,000	\$1,350,000	\$1,350,000	\$1,350,000
827 Anthropogenic Carbon Dioxide Storage Tr REGULAR APPROPRIATIONS	rust Fund No. 827				
Regular Appropriations from MOF Tabl	e (2024-25 GAA) \$0	\$353,000	\$352,000	\$0	\$0
RIDER APPROPRIATION					
Art IX, Sec 18.11, Contingency for HB1	284 (27811) (2022-23 GAA) \$389,694	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
LAPSED APPROPRIATIONS					
Regular Appropriations from MOF Tabl	e (2022-23 GAA) \$(389,694)	\$0	\$0	\$352,000	\$352,000
Regular Appropriations from MOF Tabl	e (2024-25 GAA) \$0	\$(353,000)	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL, Anthropogenic Carbon Dioxide Stor	rage Trust Fund No. 827	\$0	\$352,000	\$352,000	\$352,000

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Agency code: 455	Agency name: Railroad Co	ommission			
METHOD OF FINANCING	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	Req 2026	Req 2027
TOTAL, ALL OTHER FUNDS	\$1,363,894	\$1,350,000	\$1,702,000	\$1,702,000	\$1,702,000
GRAND TOTAL	\$196,962,540	\$228,582,986	\$272,272,009	\$232,663,895	\$226,063,896

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Agency code: 455	Agency name: Railroad Com	mission			
METHOD OF FINANCING	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	Req 2026	Req 2027
FULL-TIME-EQUIVALENT POSITIONS					
REGULAR APPROPRIATIONS					
Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2022-23 GAA)	870.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2024-25 GAA)	0.0	1,124.6	1,124.6	1,124.6	1,124.6
RIDER APPROPRIATION					
Art IX, Sec 18.11(Contingency for HB1284 (2022-23 GAA)	3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Art IX, Sec 18.14(Contingency for HB1520 (2022-23 GAA)	7.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Art IX, Sec. Sec. 18.28 - Contingency for Senate Bill 3 (2022-23 GAA)	130.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
SUPPLEMENTAL, SPECIAL OR EMERGENCY APPROPRIAT	TIONS				
88R, SB 30 Sec 6.02(b) - Railroad Commission: Pipeline Transportation and Storage of Natural and Other Gases	0.0	10.0	10.0	0.0	0.0
LAPSED APPROPRIATIONS					
Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2022-23 GAA)	(41.7)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Regular Appropriations from MOF Table (2024-25 GAA)	0.0	(104.2)	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL, ADJUSTED FTES	968.9	1,030.4	1,134.6	1,124.6	1,124.6

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Agency code: 455	Agency name:	Agency name: Railroad Commission					
METHOD OF FINANCING		Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	Req 2026	Req 2027	
NUMBER OF 100% FEDERALLY FUNDED							
FTEs		0.0	61.0	61.0	61.0	61.0	

# 2.C. Summary of Base Request by Object of Expense

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OBJECT OF EXPENSE	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
1001 SALARIES AND WAGES	\$72,166,954	\$76,881,576	\$80,418,742	\$80,418,742	\$80,418,742
1002 OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS	\$1,549,935	\$1,632,900	\$1,677,713	\$1,677,713	\$1,677,713
2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES	\$42,366,221	\$55,322,925	\$40,956,869	\$49,556,882	\$41,456,869
2002 FUELS AND LUBRICANTS	\$1,523,738	\$1,580,469	\$1,580,469	\$1,580,469	\$1,580,469
2003 CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES	\$195,942	\$235,027	\$235,027	\$235,027	\$235,027
2004 UTILITIES	\$899,870	\$828,220	\$828,220	\$828,220	\$828,220
2005 TRAVEL	\$1,635,939	\$1,727,572	\$1,715,684	\$1,715,684	\$1,715,684
2006 RENT - BUILDING	\$1,195,529	\$1,067,496	\$1,067,496	\$1,067,496	\$1,067,496
2007 RENT - MACHINE AND OTHER	\$435,244	\$452,744	\$452,744	\$452,744	\$452,744
2009 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE	\$70,446,401	\$78,325,116	\$141,501,986	\$94,425,951	\$95,925,965
5000 CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	\$4,546,767	\$10,528,941	\$1,837,059	\$704,967	\$704,967
OOE Total (Excluding Riders)	\$196,962,540	\$228,582,986	\$272,272,009	\$232,663,895	\$226,063,896
OOE Total (Riders) Grand Total	\$196,962,540	\$228,582,986	\$272,272,009	\$232,663,895	\$226,063,896

# 2.D. Summary of Base Request Objective Outcomes

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Goal/ Objective / Outcome	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
Oversee Oil and Gas Resource Development  I Increase Opportunities for Oil and Gas Resource Development					
KEY 1 Percent of Oil and Gas Wells That Are Active					
2 Advance Safety Through Training, Monitoring, and Enforcement  1 Improve Pipeline Safety	65.00%	65.00%	65.00%	65.00%	65.00%
KEY 1 Average Number of Safety Violations					
2 Alternative Energy & Safety Through Regulation	0.71	0.85	0.80	0.80	0.80
1 Average Number of LPG/CNG/LNG Violations					
	0.89	0.90	1.30	1.30	1.30
2 Percent of LPG/CNG/LNG Inspections W/ Non-compli	iance Items				
3 Min. Harmful Effects of Energy Prod & Ensure Fair Rates for Consumers  1 Reduce Occurrence of Environmental Violations	40.15%	70.00%	68.00%	68.00%	68.00%
KEY 1 Percent of Oil and Gas Inspections That Identify Violat	tions				
2 Percent of Wells Not Inspected in Last Five Years	4.20%	5.00%	5.00%	5.00%	5.00%
	0.63%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%
3 Percent Of Total Well Population Inspected					
2 Identify and Abate Environmental Threats	38.00%	40.00%	37.50%	37.50%	37.50%
KEY 1 Percent of Known Orphaned Wells Plugged w/State-M	anaged Funds				
	22.20%	16.00%	17.50%	17.50%	17.50%
2 % Pollution Sites Inves., Assessed, Cleaned w/State-Ma	inaged Funds				
3 Maintain Competitive Prices and Adequate Supplies for Consumers		17.00%	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%
1 Average Texas Residential Gas Price as a Percent of Na	ntional Gas Price				
	112.00%	115.00%	115.00%	115.00%	115.00%

# 2.E. Summary of Exceptional Items Request

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Agency code: 455 Agency name: Railroad Commission

		2026			2027		Bien	nium
Priority Item	GR and GR/GR Dedicated	All Funds	FTEs	GR and GR Dedicated	All Funds	FTEs	GR and GR Dedicated	All Funds
1 Reporting System	\$4,749,846	\$4,749,846	2.0	\$2,935,978	\$2,935,978	2.0	\$7,685,824	\$7,685,824
2 Registration System	\$1,581,151	\$1,581,151	2.0	\$1,166,849	\$1,166,849	2.0	\$2,748,000	\$2,748,000
3 Filing/Permitting Systems	\$3,772,841	\$3,772,841		\$2,515,227	\$2,515,227		\$6,288,068	\$6,288,068
4 Site Remediation	\$171,070	\$171,070	2.0	\$171,070	\$171,070	2.0	\$342,140	\$342,140
5 Office Building	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000		\$0	\$0		\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000
6 GIS Cloud Upgrade	\$1,071,389	\$1,071,389		\$1,071,389	\$1,071,389		\$2,142,778	\$2,142,778
7 Microfilm Digitization	\$407,482	\$407,482		\$500,014	\$500,014		\$907,496	\$907,496
8 Vehicles	\$2,473,255	\$2,473,255		\$2,416,586	\$2,416,586		\$4,889,841	\$4,889,841
9 DCS	\$4,154,461	\$4,154,461		\$3,573,937	\$3,573,937		\$7,728,398	\$7,728,398
Total, Exceptional Items Request	\$21,381,495	\$21,381,495	6.0	\$14,351,050	\$14,351,050	6.0	\$35,732,545	\$35,732,545
Method of Financing								
General Revenue	\$21,381,495	\$21,381,495		\$14,351,050	\$14,351,050		\$35,732,545	\$35,732,545
General Revenue - Dedicated								
Federal Funds								
Other Funds								
	\$21,381,495	\$21,381,495		\$14,351,050	\$14,351,050		\$35,732,545	\$35,732,545
Full Time Equivalent Positions			6.0			6.0		

# 2.E. Summary of Exceptional Items Request

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Agency code: 455 Agency name: Railroad Commission

		2026		2027			Biennium		
Priority	Item	GR and GR/GR Dedicated	All Funds	FTEs	GR and GR Dedicated	All Funds	FTEs	GR and GR Dedicated	All Funds

**Number of 100% Federally Funded FTEs** 

0.0

0.0

# 2.F. Summary of Total Request by Strategy

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Goal/Objective/STRATEGY	Base 2026	Base 2027	Exceptional 2026	Exceptional 2027	Total Request 2026	Total Request 2027
1 Oversee Oil and Gas Resource Development						
1 Increase Opportunities for Oil and Gas Resource Development						
1 ENERGY RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT	\$33,665,334	\$28,435,752	\$7,019,765	\$4,715,081	\$40,685,099	\$33,150,833
TOTAL, GOAL 1	\$33,665,334	\$28,435,752	\$7,019,765	\$4,715,081	\$40,685,099	\$33,150,833
2 Advance Safety Through Training, Monitoring, and Enforcement						
1 Improve Pipeline Safety						
1 PIPELINE SAFETY	12,182,764	12,182,764	668,238	516,851	12,851,002	12,699,615
2 PIPELINE DAMAGE PREVENTION	3,690,088	690,088	16,722	14,865	3,706,810	704,953
2 Alternative Energy & Safety Through Regulation						
1 REGULATE ALT FUEL RESOURCES	4,354,818	4,354,818	2,692,685	1,905,158	7,047,503	6,259,976
TOTAL, GOAL 2	\$20,227,670	\$17,227,670	\$3,377,645	\$2,436,874	\$23,605,315	\$19,664,544
3 Min. Harmful Effects of Energy Prod & Ensure Fair Rates for Consume						
1 Reduce Occurrence of Environmental Violations						
1 OIL/GAS MONITOR & INSPECTIONS	35,310,146	35,646,776	2,495,001	884,470	37,805,147	36,531,246
2 SURFACE MINING MONITORING/INSPECT	5,162,235	6,162,235	265,936	196,666	5,428,171	6,358,901
2 Identify and Abate Environmental Threats						
1 OIL&GAS WELL PLUGGING & REMEDIATION	116,904,798	117,197,751	5,407,307	3,959,568	122,312,105	121,157,319
2 SURFACE MINING RECLAMATION	2,138,134	2,138,134	40,239	35,769	2,178,373	2,173,903
3 Maintain Competitive Prices and Adequate Supplies for Consumers						
1 GAS UTILITY COMMERCE	3,831,472	3,831,472	1,514,946	1,034,005	5,346,418	4,865,477
4 Critical Infrastructure						
1 WEATHER PREPAREDNESS	12,711,100	12,711,100	778,444	522,175	13,489,544	13,233,275
TOTAL, GOAL 3	\$176,057,885	\$177,687,468	\$10,501,873			

# 2.F. Summary of Total Request by Strategy

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Agency code:	455	Agency name:	Railroad Commission					_
Goal/Objective/ST	TRATEGY		Base 2026	<b>Base</b> 2027	Exceptional 2026	Exceptional 2027	Total Request 2026	Total Request 2027
4 Public Access to In	nformation and	Services						
1 Increase Public	Access to Inform	nation						
1 PUBLIC INFOR	RMATION AND	) SERVICES	\$2,713,006	\$2,713,006	\$482,212	\$566,442	\$3,195,218	\$3,279,448
TOTAL, G	OAL 4		\$2,713,006	\$2,713,006	\$482,212	\$566,442	\$3,195,218	\$3,279,448
TOTAL, AGENCY STRATEGY REQU			\$232,663,895	\$226,063,896	\$21,381,495	\$14,351,050	\$254,045,390	\$240,414,946
TOTAL, AGENCY APPROPRIATION								
GRAND TOTAL, A	AGENCY REQ	UEST	\$232,663,895	\$226,063,896	\$21,381,495	\$14,351,050	\$254,045,390	\$240,414,946

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# 2.F. Summary of Total Request by Strategy

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Agency code: 455	Agency name:	Railroad Commission					
Goal/Objective/STRATEGY		Base 2026	Base 2027	Exceptional 2026	Exceptional 2027	Total Request 2026	Total Request 2027
General Revenue Funds:							
1 General Revenue Fund		\$96,437,015	\$96,437,016	\$21,381,495	\$14,351,050	\$117,818,510	\$110,788,066
		\$96,437,015	\$96,437,016	\$21,381,495	\$14,351,050	\$117,818,510	\$110,788,066
General Revenue Dedicated Funds:							
5155 Oil & Gas Regulation		80,210,588	73,610,588	0	0	80,210,588	73,610,588
		\$80,210,588	\$73,610,588	\$0	\$0	\$80,210,588	\$73,610,588
Federal Funds:							
555 Federal Funds		54,146,012	54,146,012	0	0	54,146,012	54,146,012
5041 GR Account-Railroad Comm		168,280	168,280	0	0	168,280	168,280
		\$54,314,292	\$54,314,292	\$0	\$0	\$54,314,292	\$54,314,292
Other Funds:							
666 Appropriated Receipts		1,350,000	1,350,000	0	0	1,350,000	1,350,000
827 Anthropogenic CO2 Storage Fund		352,000	352,000	0	0	352,000	352,000
		\$1,702,000	\$1,702,000	\$0	\$0	\$1,702,000	\$1,702,000
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING		\$232,663,895	\$226,063,896	\$21,381,495	\$14,351,050	\$254,045,390	\$240,414,946
FULL TIME EQUIVALENT POSITION	s	1,124.6	1,124.6	6.0	6.0	1,130.6	1,130.6

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# 2.G. Summary of Total Request Objective Outcomes

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Agency co		name: Railroad Commissio	n			
Goal/ Obje	ective / Outcome				Total	Total
	BL 2026	BL 2027	Excp 2026	Excp 2027	Request 2026	Request 2027
1 1	Oversee Oil and Gas Resource Develop Increase Opportunities for Oil and Gas					
KEY	1 Percent of Oil and Gas Wells Th					
	65.00%	65.00%			65.00%	65.00%
2 1	Advance Safety Through Training, Mon Improve Pipeline Safety	nitoring, and Enforcement				
KEY	1 Average Number of Safety Viola	tions				
	0.80	0.80			0.80	0.80
2	Alternative Energy & Safety Through R	egulation				
	1 Average Number of LPG/CNG/I	NG Violations				
	1.30	1.30			1.30	1.30
	2 Percent of LPG/CNG/LNG Insp	ections W/ Non-compliance	Items			
	68.00%	68.00%			68.00%	68.00%
3 1	Min. Harmful Effects of Energy Prod & Reduce Occurrence of Environmental V		nmers			
KEY	1 Percent of Oil and Gas Inspectio	ns That Identify Violations				
	5.00%	5.00%			5.00%	5.00%
	2 Percent of Wells Not Inspected in	ı Last Five Years				
	1.00%	1.00%			1.00%	1.00%
	3 Percent Of Total Well Population	ı Inspected				
	37.50%	37.50%			37.50%	37.50%

# 2.G. Summary of Total Request Objective Outcomes

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Agency code: 455	S Agency	name: Railroad Commissio	n			
Goal/ Objective / C	Outcome BL 2026	BL 2027	Excp 2026	Excp 2027	Total Request 2026	Total Request 2027
2 Identi	fy and Abate Environmental Thre	eats				
KEY 1 l	Percent of Known Orphaned W	ells Plugged w/State-Manage	d Funds			
	17.50%	17.50%			17.50%	17.50%
2 9	% Pollution Sites Inves., Assesse	ed, Cleaned w/State-Manageo	d Funds			
	10.00%	10.00%			10.00%	10.00%
3 Maint	ain Competitive Prices and Adeq	uate Supplies for Consumers				
1 4	Average Texas Residential Gas l	Price as a Percent of National	l Gas Price			
	115.00%	115.00%			115.00%	115.00%

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## 455 Railroad Commission

GOAL: 1 Oversee Oil and Gas Resource Development

OBJECTIVE: 1 Increase Opportunities for Oil and Gas Resource Development Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 1 Promote Energy Resource Development Opportunities Service: 37 Income: A.2 Age: B.3

CODE DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
Output Measures:					
1 Number of Organizations Permitted or Renewed	7,399.00	7,100.00	7,100.00	7,100.00	7,100.00
KEY 2 Number of Drilling Permit Applications Processed	12,882.00	12,800.00	12,500.00	12,500.00	12,500.00
KEY 3 Number of Wells Monitored	438,363.00	435,000.00	435,000.00	435,000.00	435,000.00
Efficiency Measures:					
1 Average Number of Cases Completed Per Examiner	131.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
KEY 2 Average Number of Wells Monitored Per Analyst	33,720.00	33,400.00	33,500.00	33,500.00	33,500.00
3 Percent Permit Applications Processed within Time Frames	98.00%	98.00 %	98.00 %	98.00 %	98.00 %
KEY 4 Average Number of Days to Process a Drilling Permit	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00
Explanatory/Input Measures:					
1 Number of Active Oil and Gas Rigs	361.00	300.00	350.00	350.00	350.00
2 Annual Calendar Year Production of Texas Crude Oil	1,637,000,000.00	1,500,000,000.00	1,500,000,000.00	1,500,000,000.00	1,500,000,000.00
3 Annual Calendar Year Production of Texas Natural Gas	11,761,861,399.00	11,500,000,000.00	11,500,000,000.00	11,500,000,000.00	11,500,000,000.00
4 Number of Horizontal Drilling Permits Applications Processed	9,830.00	10,334.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	9,700.00
5 Number of Vertical Drilling Permit Applications Processed	3,082.00	2,150.00	2,100.00	2,100.00	2,000.00

# **Objects of Expense:**

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Exp 2023

\$10,286,707

\$13,005,882

\$219,851

\$2,597

\$28,733

\$117,219

\$47,712

\$294,478

\$46,376

\$19,634

\$2,178,726

\$26,247,915

\$14,486,239

\$14,486,239

\$10,977,897

Est 2024

\$12,470,990

\$19,060,484

\$266,284

\$2,597

\$31,233

\$44,369

\$94,838

\$166,445

\$48,876

\$19,634

\$1,521,819

\$33,727,569

\$24,785,406

\$24,785,406

\$8,372,163

GOAL: 1 Oversee Oil and Gas Resource Development

DESCRIPTION

OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS

FUELS AND LUBRICANTS

CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES

**RENT - MACHINE AND OTHER** 

OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE

SUBTOTAL, MOF (GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS)

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES

UTILITIES

TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE

5155 Oil & Gas Regulation

1 General Revenue Fund

**RENT - BUILDING** 

TRAVEL

PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES

SALARIES AND WAGES

CODE

1001

1002

2001

2002

2003

2004

2005

2006

2007

2009

5000

**Method of Financing:** 

**Method of Financing:** 

OBJECTIVE: 1 Increase Opportunities for Oil and Gas Resource Development Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 1 Promote Energy Resource Development Opportunities

Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
\$13,070,421	\$13,070,421	\$13,070,421
\$276,538	\$276,538	\$276,538
\$10,399,196	\$18,137,937	\$11,899,196
\$2,597	\$2,597	\$2,597
\$31,233	\$31,233	\$31,233
\$44,369	\$44,369	\$44,369
\$93,465	\$93,465	\$93,465
\$166,445	\$166,445	\$166,445
\$48,876	\$48,876	\$48,876
\$1,773,819	\$1,773,819	\$2,782,978
\$19,634	\$19,634	\$19,634
\$25,926,593	\$33,665,334	\$28,435,752

\$23,077,896

\$23,077,896

\$9,665,438

Income: A.2

Age: B.3

Service: 37

\$15,273,896

\$15,273,896

\$9,730,697

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\$21,783,055

\$21,783,055

\$5,730,697

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GOAL: 1 Oversee Oil and Gas Resource Development

OBJECTIVE: 1 Increase Opportunities for Oil and Gas Resource Development

STRATEGY: 1 Promote Energy Resource Development Opportunities

Service Categories:

Service: 37

Income: A.2 Age: B.3

CODE DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
SUBTOTAL, MOF (GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS - DEDICATED)	\$10,977,897	\$8,372,163	\$9,730,697	\$9,665,438	\$5,730,697
Method of Financing:					
555 Federal Funds					
66.433.000 State Underground Water S	\$481,264	\$320,000	\$320,000	\$320,000	\$320,000
CFDA Subtotal, Fund 555	\$481,264	\$320,000	\$320,000	\$320,000	\$320,000
SUBTOTAL, MOF (FEDERAL FUNDS)	\$481,264	\$320,000	\$320,000	\$320,000	\$320,000
Method of Financing:					
666 Appropriated Receipts	\$302,515	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$250,000
827 Anthropogenic CO2 Storage Fund	\$0	\$0	\$352,000	\$352,000	\$352,000
SUBTOTAL, MOF (OTHER FUNDS)	\$302,515	\$250,000	\$602,000	\$602,000	\$602,000
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCE (INCLUDING RIDERS)				\$33,665,334	\$28,435,752
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCE (EXCLUDING RIDERS)	\$26,247,915	\$33,727,569	\$25,926,593	\$33,665,334	\$28,435,752
FULL TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS:	160.4	171.1	175.0	175.0	175.0

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GOAL: 1 Oversee Oil and Gas Resource Development

OBJECTIVE: 1 Increase Opportunities for Oil and Gas Resource Development Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 1 Promote Energy Resource Development Opportunities

Age: B.3

Income: A.2

Service: 37

 CODE
 DESCRIPTION
 Exp 2023
 Est 2024
 Bud 2025
 BL 2026
 BL 2027

#### STRATEGY DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

The Texas Natural Resource Code Annotated Title 3 authorizes activities associated with Energy Resource Development, which include processing organization reports and certificates of compliance; issuing drilling permits; making groundwater advisory determinations; processing completion reports; issuing production allowables; implementing production incentives; and maintaining accurate maps. These activities support exploration and development by providing effective and efficient regulation. Success in this effort ensures the orderly and efficient development of oil and gas resources and the protection of public health and the environment.

#### EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS IMPACTING STRATEGY:

External factors impacting the strategy include commodity prices. From 2023 to 2024, the average price of West Texas Intermediate oil traded variably within a range from \$70.25 to \$89.43 per barrel and the average Henry Hub Spot price of natural gas was fairly stable, ranging from \$1.49 to \$3.29 per thousand cubic feet. As prices remain stable, the amount of industry activity can be expected to remain stable; about 12,431 drilling permits were issued in 2023, and the 2024 pace is about 12,800 permits. Other agency activities, such as production reporting and various maintenance processes, continued at high levels due to the existing inventory of oil and gas wells. As of June 30, 2024, there were 435,362 wells carried on the Commission's oil and gas well schedule.

Internal factors impacting this strategy include the need for funds to hire, train, and retain a strong, professional workforce. This challenge will continue to grow as an increasing number of experienced employees become eligible to retire over the next few years. Another internal factor impacting the strategy is the need for capital funding for new or enhanced automated systems. Updates of this nature are needed to ensure the Commission continually improves upon process efficiencies, accepts more filings online, and makes key data more readily accessible to stakeholders, including Commission employees, oil and gas operators, the general public, other state agencies, and agencies of the federal government.

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455	Railr	road Cor	mmission

GOAL: 1 Oversee Oil and Gas Resource Development

OBJECTIVE: 1 Increase Opportunities for Oil and Gas Resource Development

Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 1 Promote Energy Resource Development Opportunities

Service: 37

Income: A.2

Age: B.3

CODE DESCRIPTION

Exp 2023

Est 2024

**Bud 2025** 

BL 2026

BL 2027

## **EXPLANATION OF BIENNIAL CHANGE (includes Rider amounts):**

 STRATEGY BIENNIA Base Spending (Est 2024 + Bud 2025)	L TOTAL - ALL FUNDS  Baseline Request (BL 2026 + BL 2027)	BIENNIAL CHANGE		ATION OF BIENNIAL CHANGE Explanation(s) of Amount (must specify MOFs and FTEs)
\$59,654,162	\$62,101,086	\$2,446,924	\$(3,198,351)	Fund 0001 - GR redistribution of Base Budget
			\$352,000	HB1284 87th Leg CO2 Storage
			\$5,293,275	Fund 5155 - OGRC redistribution of Base Budget
			\$2,446,924	Total of Explanation of Biennial Change

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## 455 Railroad Commission

GOAL: 2 Advance Safety Through Training, Monitoring, and Enforcement

OBJECTIVE: 1 Improve Pipeline Safety Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 1 Ensure Pipeline Safety Service: 17 Income: A.2 Age: B.3

CODE DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
Output Measures:					
KEY 1 Number of Pipeline Safety Inspections Performed	1,693.00	2,300.00	1,750.00	2,100.00	2,100.00
2 Number of Pipeline Safety Violations Identified through	1,668.00	1,700.00	1,500.00	1,600.00	1,600.00
Inspections					
3 # Pipeline Accident Investigations or Complaint	244.00	250.00	170.00	250.00	250.00
Investigations					
4 Number of Pipeline Specialized Program Inspections	2,275.00	1,750.00	2,300.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Efficiency Measures:					
KEY 1 Average Number of Pipeline Field Inspections Per Field	88.23	85.00	85.00	85.00	85.00
Inspector					
Objects of Expense:					
1001 SALARIES AND WAGES	\$9,731,895	\$8,913,841	\$9,342,022	\$9,342,022	\$9,342,022
1002 OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS	\$207,663	\$190,273	\$197,718	\$197,718	\$197,718
2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES	\$702,442	\$901,238	\$901,238	\$901,238	\$901,238
2002 FUELS AND LUBRICANTS	\$220,853	\$220,853	\$220,853	\$220,853	\$220,853
2003 CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES	\$13,500	\$13,500	\$13,500	\$13,500	\$13,500
2004 UTILITIES	\$103,788	\$103,788	\$103,788	\$103,788	\$103,788
2005 TRAVEL	\$634,513	\$650,317	\$650,317	\$650,317	\$650,317
2006 RENT - BUILDING	\$53,962	\$53,962	\$53,962	\$53,962	\$53,962

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GOAL: 2 Advance Safety Through Training, Monitoring, and Enforcement

OBJECTIVE: 1 Improve Pipeline Safety Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 1 Ensure Pipeline Safety Service: 17 Income: A.2

CODE DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
2007 RENT - MACHINE AND OTHER	\$30,893	\$30,893	\$30,893	\$30,893	\$30,893
2009 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE	\$643,704	\$655,394	\$655,394	\$655,394	\$655,394
5000 CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	\$535,655	\$3,954,179	\$13,079	\$13,079	\$13,079
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE	\$12,878,868	\$15,688,238	\$12,182,764	\$12,182,764	\$12,182,764
Method of Financing:					
1 General Revenue Fund	\$5,542,541	\$6,169,299	\$6,306,175	\$2,306,175	\$2,306,175
SUBTOTAL, MOF (GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS)	\$5,542,541	\$6,169,299	\$6,306,175	\$2,306,175	\$2,306,175
Method of Financing:					
5155 Oil & Gas Regulation	\$2,899,037	\$6,258,939	\$2,616,589	\$6,616,589	\$6,616,589
SUBTOTAL, MOF (GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS - DEDICATED)	\$2,899,037	\$6,258,939	\$2,616,589	\$6,616,589	\$6,616,589
Method of Financing: 555 Federal Funds					
20.700.000 Pipeline Safety	\$4,437,290	\$3,260,000	\$3,260,000	\$3,260,000	\$3,260,000
CFDA Subtotal, Fund 555	\$4,437,290	\$3,260,000	\$3,260,000	\$3,260,000	\$3,260,000
SUBTOTAL, MOF (FEDERAL FUNDS)	\$4,437,290	\$3,260,000	\$3,260,000	\$3,260,000	\$3,260,000

Age: B.3

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GOAL: 2 Advance Safety Through Training, Monitoring, and Enforcement

OBJECTIVE: 1 Improve Pipeline Safety Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 1 Ensure Pipeline Safety Service: 17 Income: A.2 Age: B.3

CODE	DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	<b>Bud 2025</b>	BL 2026	BL 2027
TOTAL, ME	ETHOD OF FINANCE (INCLUDING RIDERS)				\$12,182,764	\$12,182,764
TOTAL, ME	THOD OF FINANCE (EXCLUDING RIDERS)	\$12,878,868	\$15,688,238	\$12,182,764	\$12,182,764	\$12,182,764
FULL TIME	E EOUIVALENT POSITIONS:	109.0	142.5	159.2	149.2	149.2

### STRATEGY DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Texas Utilities Code, Chapter 121, Texas Natural Resources Code, Chapters 117 and 118, and Texas Health and Safety Code, Section 756.126, authorize the activities associated with the Pipeline Safety Damage Prevention Program, which include all activities related to the enforcement of damage prevention that involves the "movement of earth" near pipeline facilities. The majority of the effort is spent reviewing damage reports filed by both excavators and pipeline operators and pursuing compliance through enforcement actions. Additionally, the program develops and presents educational programs to statewide stakeholders. The damage prevention program is also administered through a federal/state partnership with the U.S. Department of Transportation, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration. The federal Pipeline Safety Act allows state assumption of the intrastate regulatory and enforcement responsibilities through this partnership.

### EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS IMPACTING STRATEGY:

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GOAL: 2 Advance Safety Through Training, Monitoring, and Enforcement

OBJECTIVE: 1 Improve Pipeline Safety Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 1 Ensure Pipeline Safety Service: 17 Income: A.2 Age: B.3

CODE DESCRIPTION Exp 2023 Est 2024 Bud 2025 BL 2026 BL 2027

External factors that impact the Pipeline Safety Program include the federal Pipeline Safety Act, 49 USC 60101, et seq., Section 60107 limits the federal share of a state pipeline safety budget to up to 80 percent of the of the reasonable costs, based on agency performance. However, federal funding has not been sufficient to meet the prescribed funding level in prior years. General revenue funds therefore provide additional support for the Pipeline Safety Program. The remainder of the program is funded by pipeline safety and regulatory fees.

A pipeline safety fee is charged to all natural gas distribution and municipal operators on a per service line basis, pursuant to Texas Utilities Code, Sec. 121.211, which establishes the maximum fees. Pursuant to Texas Natural Resources Code, Sec. 81.071, pipeline permit registration fees are assessed on operators of intrastate transmission and gathering pipelines.

Internal factors impacting this strategy include continual new regulatory requirements with limited ability to expand inspection staff resources; lack of stable employee retention due to non-competitiveness with industry employment compensation; aging technology and equipment; as well as the limitations on capital funding needed to ensure a standard replacement schedule for equipment for inspectors (vehicles, computers, cell phones, and other items) and new or enhanced automated systems.

### **EXPLANATION OF BIENNIAL CHANGE (includes Rider amounts):**

	STRATEGY BIENNIA	L TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	BIENNIAL	EXPLAN	NATION OF BIENNIAL CHANGE
_	Base Spending (Est 2024 + Bud 2025)	Baseline Request (BL 2026 + BL 2027)	CHANGE	\$ Amount	Explanation(s) of Amount (must specify MOFs and FTEs)
	\$27,871,002	\$24,365,528	\$(3,505,474)	\$136,876	Fund 0001 - GR redistribution of Base Budget
				\$(3,642,350)	Fund 5155 - OGRC redistribution of Base Budget
			-	\$(3,505,474)	Total of Explanation of Biennial Change

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GOAL: 2 Advance Safety Through Training, Monitoring, and Enforcement

OBJECTIVE: 1 Improve Pipeline Safety Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 2 Pipeline Damage Prevention Service: 17 Income: A.2 Age: B.3

CODE	DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
Output M	Aeasures:					
KEY 1	Number of Excavation Damage Enforcement Cases ompleted	2,708.00	4,600.00	4,000.00	3,500.00	3,000.00
Objects of	of Expense:					
1001	SALARIES AND WAGES	\$500,002	\$521,274	\$546,334	\$546,334	\$546,334
1002	OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS	\$10,679	\$11,131	\$11,558	\$11,558	\$11,558
2001	PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES	\$98,151	\$57,249	\$57,249	\$3,057,249	\$57,249
2002	FUELS AND LUBRICANTS	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25
2003	CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES	\$706	\$706	\$706	\$706	\$706
2004	UTILITIES	\$2,982	\$2,982	\$2,982	\$2,982	\$2,982
2005	TRAVEL	\$17,406	\$17,406	\$17,406	\$17,406	\$17,406
2006	RENT - BUILDING	\$4,162	\$4,162	\$4,162	\$4,162	\$4,162
2007	RENT - MACHINE AND OTHER	\$1,977	\$1,977	\$1,977	\$1,977	\$1,977
2009	OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE	\$104,193	\$47,852	\$46,852	\$46,852	\$46,852
5000	CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	\$837	\$837	\$837	\$837	\$837
TOTAL,	OBJECT OF EXPENSE	\$741,120	\$665,601	\$690,088	\$3,690,088	\$690,088

**Method of Financing:** 

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GOAL: 2 Advance Safety Through Training, Monitoring, and Enforcement

OBJECTIVE: 1 Improve Pipeline Safety Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 2 Pipeline Damage Prevention Service: 17 Income: A.2 Age: B.3

CODE DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
1 General Revenue Fund	\$286,790	\$443,082	\$391,475	\$3,147,552	\$150,479
SUBTOTAL, MOF (GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS)	\$286,790	\$443,082	\$391,475	\$3,147,552	\$150,479
Method of Financing:					
5155 Oil & Gas Regulation	\$219,556	\$42,519	\$118,613	\$362,536	\$359,609
SUBTOTAL, MOF (GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS - DEDICATED)	\$219,556	\$42,519	\$118,613	\$362,536	\$359,609
Method of Financing: 555 Federal Funds					
20.720.000 State Damage Prevention Program	\$234,774	\$180,000	\$180,000	\$180,000	\$180,000
CFDA Subtotal, Fund 555	\$234,774	\$180,000	\$180,000	\$180,000	\$180,000
SUBTOTAL, MOF (FEDERAL FUNDS)	\$234,774	\$180,000	\$180,000	\$180,000	\$180,000
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCE (INCLUDING RIDERS)				\$3,690,088	\$690,088
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCE (EXCLUDING RIDERS)	\$741,120	\$665,601	\$690,088	\$3,690,088	\$690,088
FULL TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS:	5.6	5.5	6.0	6.0	6.0

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OBJECTIVE: 1 Improve Pipeline Safety Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 2 Pipeline Damage Prevention Service: 17 Income: A.2 Age: B.3

CODE DESCRIPTION Exp 2023 Est 2024 Bud 2025 BL 2026 BL 2027

#### STRATEGY DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Texas Utilities Code, Chapter 121, Texas Natural Resources Code, Chapters 117 and 118, and Texas Health and Safety Code, Section 756.126, authorize the activities associated with the Pipeline Safety Damage Prevention Program, which include all activities related to the enforcement of damage prevention that involves the "movement of earth" near pipeline facilities. The majority of the effort is spent reviewing damage reports filed by both excavators and pipeline operators to match the reports to the same event. Additionally, the program develops and presents educational programs to statewide stakeholders. The damage prevention program is also administered through a federal/state partnership with the U.S. Department of Transportation, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration. The federal Pipeline Safety Act allows state assumption of the intrastate regulatory and enforcement responsibilities through this partnership.

#### EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS IMPACTING STRATEGY:

There are several external factors that impact the Damage Prevention Program. In the federal Pipeline Safety Act, 49 USC 60101, et seq., Section 60107 limits the federal share of a state pipeline safety budget to up to 80 percent of the cost of the personnel, equipment, and activities the authority requires, based on agency performance. However, federal funding has not been sufficient to meet this funding level. Grants are limited to the appropriated funds available. If total state agency requests for grants exceed the funds available, the Administrator prorates each state agency's allocation to the maximum funding level available to each state based on actual expenses. General revenue funds therefore provide additional support for the Pipeline Safety Program. To fund the remainder of the program, a pipeline safety fee is charged to all natural gas distribution and municipal operators on a per service line basis, pursuant to Texas Utilities Code, Sec. 121.211, which establishes the maximum fees at \$1.00 per distribution service line. This statute also establishes an annual \$100 fee per master meter system. Pursuant to Commission rule 16 Tex. Admin. Code §8.201, the service line fee is currently \$1.00 per service line per year, and the master meter fee is \$100 per system. Internal factors impacting this strategy include limited access to modern computer software resources to streamline report submissions and enforcement, and staff expanding activities beyond in-office compliance reviews of damage reports to focus on education and outreach, and staff attrition

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OBJECTIVE: 1 Improve Pipeline Safety Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 2 Pipeline Damage Prevention Service: 17 Income: A.2 Age: B.3

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### **EXPLANATION OF BIENNIAL CHANGE (includes Rider amounts):**

Ba	STRATEGY BIENNIA se Spending (Est 2024 + Bud 2025)	L TOTAL - ALL FUNDS  Baseline Request (BL 2026 + BL 2027)	BIENNIAL CHANGE		ATION OF BIENNIAL CHANGE Explanation(s) of Amount (must specify MOFs and FTEs)
	\$1,355,689	\$4,380,176	\$3,024,487	\$(54,534)	Fund 0001 - GR redistribution of Base Budget
				\$79,021	Fund 5155 - OGRC redistribution of Base Budget
				\$3,000,000	IETRS Phase 5 Capital Project for Pipeline Damage Reporting moved from C.1.2. Surface Mining Monitoring & Inspections Project
				\$3,024,487	Total of Explanation of Biennial Change

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## 455 Railroad Commission

GOAL: 2 Advance Safety Through Training, Monitoring, and Enforcement

OBJECTIVE: 2 Alternative Energy & Safety Through Regulation

STRATEGY: 1 Regulate Alternative Fuel Resources

Service Categories:

Service: 36 Income: A.2 Age: B.3

CODE DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
Output Measures:					
KEY 1 # of LPG/LNG/CNG Safety Inspections Performed	19,434.00	18,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
2 # of LPG/LNG/CNG Safety Violations Identified through	25,744.00	22,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
Inspection					
3 Number of LPG/CNG/LNG Investigations	214.00	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
4 Number of LPG/CNG/LNG Exams Administered	39,029.00	41,676.00	33,000.00	33,000.00	33,000.00
5 # Attending LP-gas Training or Continuing Ed	4,362.00	4,000.00	4,500.00	4,500.00	4,500.00
Efficiency Measures:					
1 Average Number of LPG/CNG/LNG Safety Inspections Per Inspector	1,282.00	1,330.00	1,112.00	1,112.00	1,112.00
2 Percent of LPG/CNG/LNG Reports Processed w/ in 30 Days	12.00%	93.25 %	95.00 %	95.00 %	95.00 %
3 Percentage of Applications to Install LPG/CNG/LNG Facility Processed	100.00 %	100.00 %	95.00 %	95.00 %	95.00 %
Objects of Expense:					
1001 SALARIES AND WAGES	\$2,853,285	\$2,962,320	\$3,104,985	\$3,104,985	\$3,104,985
1002 OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS	\$60,993	\$63,311	\$65,628	\$65,628	\$65,628
2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES	\$3,408,570	\$418,435	\$418,435	\$418,435	\$418,435
2002 FUELS AND LUBRICANTS	\$76,977	\$76,977	\$76,977	\$76,977	\$76,977

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#### 455 Railroad Commission

Service: 36

Income: A.2

Age: B.3

GOAL: 2 Advance Safety Through Training, Monitoring, and Enforcement

Regulate Alternative Fuel Resources

OBJECTIVE: 2 Alternative Energy & Safety Through Regulation

STRATEGY:

SUBTOTAL, MOF (OTHER FUNDS)

Service Categories:

CODE DESCRIPTION Exp 2023 Est 2024 **Bud 2025 BL 2026** BL 2027 2003 CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES \$15,240 \$15,240 \$15,240 \$15,240 \$15,240 2004 UTILITIES \$34,589 \$34,589 \$34,589 \$34,589 \$34,589 2005 TRAVEL \$144,018 \$154,533 \$144,018 \$144,018 \$144,018 2006 **RENT - BUILDING** \$955 \$955 \$955 \$955 \$955 2007 \$17,351 \$17,351 \$17,351 \$17,351 \$17,351 **RENT - MACHINE AND OTHER** 2009 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE \$310,519 \$470,999 \$470,999 \$470,999 \$470,999 5000 CAPITAL EXPENDITURES \$5,641 \$355,332 \$5,641 \$5,641 \$5,641 \$4,570,042 TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE \$6,928,138 \$4,354,818 \$4,354,818 \$4,354,818 Method of Financing: \$3,650,042 1 General Revenue Fund \$6,046,759 \$3,434,818 \$3,434,818 \$3,434,818 \$3,650,042 SUBTOTAL, MOF (GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS) \$6,046,759 \$3,434,818 \$3,434,818 \$3,434,818 **Method of Financing:** \$920,000 \$920,000 \$920,000 666 Appropriated Receipts \$881,379 \$920,000 \$920,000 \$881,379 \$920,000 \$920,000 \$920,000

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GOAL: 2 Advance Safety Through Training, Monitoring, and Enforcement

OBJECTIVE: 2 Alternative Energy & Safety Through Regulation

Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 1 Regulate Alternative Fuel Resources

Service: 36

Income: A.2 Age: B.3

CODE	DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
TOTAL, MI	ETHOD OF FINANCE (INCLUDING RIDERS)				\$4,354,818	\$4,354,818
TOTAL, MI	ETHOD OF FINANCE (EXCLUDING RIDERS)	\$6,928,138	\$4,570,042	\$4,354,818	\$4,354,818	\$4,354,818
FULL TIMI	E EQUIVALENT POSITIONS:	38.2	41.5	44.0	44.0	44.0

#### STRATEGY DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Chapters 113 and 116 in the Texas Natural Resources Code authorize the Commission to oversee the safe storage, transportation, dispensing and use of liquefied petroleum gas (LPG/LP-gas), compressed natural gas (CNG), and liquefied natural gas (LNG).

The Alternative Fuels Safety Department annually issues approximately 7,300 licenses; registers approximately 5,600 transport cargo tank vehicles, and cylinder delivery units; certifies or registers approximately 22,000 individuals to perform jurisdictional alternative fuels activities; and provides LP-gas training to approximately 4,200 individuals. In addition to providing safety training, the department investigates accidents and complaints involving alternative fuels; responds to emergencies; presents alternative fuel safety training to emergency responders; and performs 19,600 safety inspections annually.

Safety inspections are conducted on-site and include both stationary facilities and mobile equipment. Stationary sites inspected are schools, health care centers, retail, commercial and industrial businesses, alternative fuels cylinder filling and service stations, and facilities utilizing stationary fuel-storage containers. Mobile equipment inspections include school buses, mass transit, transport cargo tanks, cylinder delivery vehicles, catering trucks, and industrial forklifts. The training provided to industry is focused on the regulations that persons performing regulated activities with LP-gas must know in order to perform these activities safely.

#### EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS IMPACTING STRATEGY:

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STRATEGY: 1 Regulate Alternative Fuel Resources

Service Categories:

Income: A.2

Age: B.3

CODE DESCRIPTION

Exp 2023

Est 2024

**Bud 2025** 

Service: 36

BL 2026

BL 2027

The activities performed by the Alternative Fuels Safety Department are funded through a combination of appropriated receipts and general revenue. The training and exam certification program is supported through fees collected for safety classes, exam certifications, and registrations. The on-site safety inspection and compliance activities of the field operations program are dependent upon revenue collected from licenses and permits issued, and registration of cargo tank transport vehicles. A decrease in the number of individuals requesting training, certification exams, or registration will have an adverse effect on the funding and operation of the training and certification program. A reduction in the number of licenses issued and cargo tank transport vehicles registered will result in less revenue for conducting on -site safety inspections that identify hazardous installations and implementing corrective enforcement action.

Internal factors impacting this strategy include low wage compensation, in-state and out-of-state travel, cost of maintaining vehicles and equipment, end-user computers, related peripheral items, new or enhanced automated software and database systems, and employee training and continuing education.

### **EXPLANATION OF BIENNIAL CHANGE (includes Rider amounts):**

STRATEGY BIENNIA	L TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	BIENNIAL	<b>EXPLAN</b>	ATION OF BIENNIAL CHANGE
Base Spending (Est 2024 + Bud 2025)	Baseline Request (BL 2026 + BL 2027)	CHANGE	\$ Amount	Explanation(s) of Amount (must specify MOFs and FTEs)
\$8,924,860	\$8,709,636	\$(215,224)	\$(215,224)	Fund 0001 - GR redistribution of Base Budget
			\$(215,224)	Total of Explanation of Biennial Change

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## 455 Railroad Commission

GOAL: 3 Min. Harmful Effects of Energy Prod & Ensure Fair Rates for Consumers

OBJECTIVE: 1 Reduce Occurrence of Environmental Violations

Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 1 Oil and Gas Monitoring and Inspections

Service: 36 Income: A.2 Age: B.3

CODE DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
Output Measures:					
KEY 1 Number of Oil and Gas Well and Facility Inspections Performed	424,952.00	430,000.00	425,000.00	425,000.00	425,000.00
2 Number of Enforcement Referrals for Legal Action	2,737.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
KEY 3 # Oil & Gas Environmental Permit Applications & Reports Processed	127,189.00	135,000.00	132,000.00	132,000.00	132,000.00
4 # of Actions Initiated through Issuance of Severance/Seal Orders (HQ)	64,497.00	100,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00
5 Number of District-initiated Issuance of Severance/seal Orders	952.00	800.00	800.00	800.00	800.00
6 # Of Well and Facility Inspections Performed with No Violation	390,639.00	415,000.00	375,000.00	375,000.00	375,000.00
Efficiency Measures:					
KEY 1 Avg # of Oil and Gas Well and Facility Inspections Performed	2,401.00	2,400.00	1,900.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Explanatory/Input Measures:					
KEY 1 # of UIC Wells and Other Facilities Subject to Regulation	79,633.00	80,000.00	80,000.00	80,000.00	80,000.00
2 Number of Statewide Rule Violations	32,099.00	28,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00
3 Number of Major Statewide Rule Violations	48.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00

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Service Categories:

Income: A.2

Age: B.3

## 455 Railroad Commission

GOAL: 3 Min. Harmful Effects of Energy Prod & Ensure Fair Rates for Consumers

OBJECTIVE: 1 Reduce Occurrence of Environmental Violations

STRATEGY: 1 Oil and Gas Monitoring and Inspections Service: 36

CODE	DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
4	Percent of Violations Corrected within 90 Days	35.00%	32.00 %	30.00 %	30.00 %	30.00 %
Objects of	of Expense:					
1001	SALARIES AND WAGES	\$19,417,707	\$20,195,500	\$21,166,386	\$21,166,386	\$21,166,386
1002	OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS	\$414,722	\$431,256	\$447,790	\$447,790	\$447,790
2001	PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES	\$9,113,569	\$15,063,622	\$10,082,756	\$9,746,126	\$10,082,756
2002	FUELS AND LUBRICANTS	\$792,103	\$792,103	\$792,103	\$792,103	\$792,103
2003	CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES	\$39,413	\$39,413	\$39,413	\$39,413	\$39,413
2004	UTILITIES	\$285,700	\$285,700	\$285,700	\$285,700	\$285,700
2005	TRAVEL	\$248,238	\$248,238	\$248,238	\$248,238	\$248,238
2006	RENT - BUILDING	\$541,614	\$541,614	\$541,614	\$541,614	\$541,614
2007	RENT - MACHINE AND OTHER	\$113,736	\$113,736	\$113,736	\$113,736	\$113,736
2009	OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE	\$1,881,363	\$1,996,652	\$1,896,652	\$1,896,652	\$1,896,652
5000	CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	\$2,773,006	\$2,028,051	\$32,388	\$32,388	\$32,388
TOTAL,	OBJECT OF EXPENSE	\$35,621,171	\$41,735,885	\$35,646,776	\$35,310,146	\$35,646,776
Method	of Financing:					
1	General Revenue Fund	\$32,167,697	\$29,836,725	\$29,798,033	\$27,735,029	\$29,335,513
SUBTO	TAL, MOF (GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS)	\$32,167,697	\$29,836,725	\$29,798,033	\$27,735,029	\$29,335,513

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GOAL: 3 Min. Harmful Effects of Energy Prod & Ensure Fair Rates for Consumers

OBJECTIVE: 1 Reduce Occurrence of Environmental Violations

Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 1 Oil and Gas Monitoring and Inspections

Service: 36

Income: A.2 Age: B.3

CODE	DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	<b>Bud 2025</b>	BL 2026	BL 2027
Mathad of I	Financing.					
Method of I	Oil & Gas Regulation	\$3,453,474	\$11,899,160	\$5,848,743	\$7,575,117	\$6,311,263
SUBTOTA	L, MOF (GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS - DEDICATED)	\$3,453,474	\$11,899,160	\$5,848,743	\$7,575,117	\$6,311,263
TOTAL, MI	ETHOD OF FINANCE (INCLUDING RIDERS)				\$35,310,146	\$35,646,776
TOTAL, MI	ETHOD OF FINANCE (EXCLUDING RIDERS)	\$35,621,171	\$41,735,885	\$35,646,776	\$35,310,146	\$35,646,776
FULL TIMI	E EQUIVALENT POSITIONS:	281.0	298.7	302.0	302.0	302.0

### STRATEGY DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

The Texas Natural Resource Code Annotated Title 3 authorizes oil and gas monitoring and inspection activities, which include conducting field inspections; witnessing tests; reviewing monitoring reports; processing applications; and issuing enforcement actions. Success in this effort ensures that oil and gas permitted activities comply with applicable state and federal regulations protecting the public and the state's surface and subsurface water resources.

### EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS IMPACTING STRATEGY:

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GOAL: 3 Min. Harmful Effects of Energy Prod & Ensure Fair Rates for Consumers

OBJECTIVE: 1 Reduce Occurrence of Environmental Violations Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 1 Oil and Gas Monitoring and Inspections Service: 36 Income: A.2

CODE DESCRIPTION Exp 2023 Est 2024 Bud 2025 BL 2026 BL 2027

External factors impacting the strategy include the large inventory of oil and gas wells. As of June 30, 2024, there were 435,362 wells carried on the Commission's oil and gas schedules.

Internal factors impacting this strategy include the need for funds to hire, train, and retain a strong, professional workforce. This challenge will continue to grow as an increasing number of experienced employees become eligible to retire over the next few years. Another internal factor impacting the strategy is the need for capital funding for new or enhanced automated systems. Updates of this nature are needed to ensure the Commission continually improves upon process efficiencies and makes key data more readily accessible to stakeholders, including Commission employees, oil and gas operators, the general public, other state agencies, and agencies of the federal government.

### **EXPLANATION OF BIENNIAL CHANGE (includes Rider amounts):**

STRATEGY BIENNIAL TOTAL - ALL FUNDS		BIENNIAL	EXPLAN	NATION OF BIENNIAL CHANGE	
Base Spending (Est 2024 + Bud 2025)	Baseline Request (BL 2026 + BL 2027)	CHANGE	\$ Amount	Explanation(s) of Amount (must specify MOFs and FTEs)	
\$77,382,661	\$70,956,922	\$(6,425,739)	\$(3,046,208)	Fund 0001 - GR redistribution of Base Budget	
			\$(3,379,531)	Fund 5155 - OGRC redistribution of Base Budget	
		_	\$(6,425,739)	Total of Explanation of Biennial Change	

Age: B.3

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GOAL: 3 Min. Harmful Effects of Energy Prod & Ensure Fair Rates for Consumers

OBJECTIVE: 1 Reduce Occurrence of Environmental Violations

STRATEGY: 2 Surface Mining Monitoring and Inspections

Service Categories:

Service: 36

Income: A.2

Age: B.3

CODE	DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
Output N	Aeasures:					
KEY 1	Number of Coal Mining Inspections Performed	392.00	390.00	400.00	390.00	395.00
2	Number of Coal Mining Permit Actions Processed	482.00	490.00	350.00	350.00	340.00
3	Percent of Uranium Exploration Sites Inspected Monthly	100.00 %	100.00 %	95.00 %	95.00 %	95.00 %
Efficienc	y Measures:					
	Average # Days to Process Uranium Exploration Permitting ctions	16.00	18.00	30.00	30.00	30.00
	Percent of Coal Permitting Actions within Statutory Time rames	100.00 %	100.00 %	90.00 %	95.00 %	100.00 %
Explanat	ory/Input Measures:					
1	Annual Calendar Year Production of Texas Lignite Coal	17,116,345.00	17,200,000.00	20,000,000.00	19,000,000.00	18,000,000.00
Objects of	of Expense:					
1001	SALARIES AND WAGES	\$2,825,456	\$3,043,643	\$3,189,915	\$3,189,915	\$3,189,915
1002	OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS	\$60,346	\$62,471	\$62,471	\$62,471	\$62,471
2001	PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES	\$308,882	\$2,327,939	\$2,620,627	\$1,620,627	\$2,620,627
2002	FUELS AND LUBRICANTS	\$13,941	\$13,941	\$13,941	\$13,941	\$13,941
2003	CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES	\$6,261	\$6,261	\$6,261	\$6,261	\$6,261
2004	UTILITIES	\$19,420	\$19,420	\$19,420	\$19,420	\$19,420

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## 455 Railroad Commission

GOAL: 3 Min. Harmful Effects of Energy Prod & Ensure Fair Rates for Consumers

OBJECTIVE: 1 Reduce Occurrence of Environmental Violations

STRATEGY: 2 Surface Mining Monitoring and Inspections

Service Categories:

Service: 36

Income: A.2 Age: B.3

CODE	DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
2005	TRAVEL	\$12,063	\$17,016	\$17,016	\$17,016	\$17,016
2006	RENT - BUILDING	\$347	\$347	\$347	\$347	\$347
2007	RENT - MACHINE AND OTHER	\$11,127	\$11,127	\$11,127	\$11,127	\$11,127
2009	OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE	\$164,421	\$216,399	\$216,399	\$216,399	\$216,399
5000	CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	\$4,711	\$306,499	\$4,711	\$4,711	\$4,711
TOTAL,	OBJECT OF EXPENSE	\$3,426,975	\$6,025,063	\$6,162,235	\$5,162,235	\$6,162,235
Method o	of Financing:					
1	General Revenue Fund	\$2,308,117	\$4,745,063	\$4,882,235	\$3,882,235	\$4,882,235
SUBTOT	TAL, MOF (GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS)	\$2,308,117	\$4,745,063	\$4,882,235	\$3,882,235	\$4,882,235
Method o	of Financing: Federal Funds 15.250.000 Regulation of Surface Coa	\$1,118,858	\$1,280,000	\$1,280,000	\$1,280,000	\$1,280,000
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	btotal, Fund 555	\$1,118,858	\$1,280,000	\$1,280,000	\$1,280,000	\$1,280,000
SUBTOT	TAL, MOF (FEDERAL FUNDS)	\$1,118,858	\$1,280,000	\$1,280,000	\$1,280,000	\$1,280,000

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GOAL: 3 Min. Harmful Effects of Energy Prod & Ensure Fair Rates for Consumers

OBJECTIVE: 1 Reduce Occurrence of Environmental Violations

Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 2 Surface Mining Monitoring and Inspections

Service: 36

Income: A.2 Age: B.3

CODE	DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
TOTAL, ME	ETHOD OF FINANCE (INCLUDING RIDERS)				\$5,162,235	\$6,162,235
TOTAL, ME	ETHOD OF FINANCE (EXCLUDING RIDERS)	\$3,426,975	\$6,025,063	\$6,162,235	\$5,162,235	\$6,162,235
FULL TIME	E EQUIVALENT POSITIONS:	38.7	40.5	41.0	41.0	41.0

### STRATEGY DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

The Texas Natural Resource Code Annotated Title 4 requires that the Commission issue surface coal mining permits and perform inspections of coal mining operations to ensure compliance with permits and the state regulations. Activities associated with Surface Mining monitoring and inspections include processing permit revision applications; performing compliance inspections; witnessing and evaluating tests for compliance with reclamation performance standards; evaluating monitoring reports; and issuing enforcement actions. Primacy in regulating the coal mining industry is authorized under the federal Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977. To ensure that the Texas coal mining industry is regulated to federal standards, this state program is funded through a 50/50 cost share annual grant through the U. S. Department of Interior. Success in this effort ensures that surface mining permitted activities comply with applicable state and federal regulations.

#### EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS IMPACTING STRATEGY:

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#### 455 Railroad Commission

GOAL: 3 Min. Harmful Effects of Energy Prod & Ensure Fair Rates for Consumers

OBJECTIVE: 1 Reduce Occurrence of Environmental Violations

Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 2 Surface Mining Monitoring and Inspections

Service: 36

Income: A.2

Age: B.3

CODE DESCRIPTION

Exp 2023

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**Bud 2025** 

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External factors impacting this strategy include the state's required program funding match at a ratio of not less than 50 percent. General Revenue funds used as state share match are collected from the regulated industry pursuant to Natural Resource Code §134.55. Low natural gas and oil prices are putting heavy pressure on the economics of using coal/lignite to generate electricity. Also, heavy regulatory pressure from the Environmental Protection Agency and proposed rulemaking from the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement could have significant impacts on the use of coal/lignite to generate electricity in Texas. All of these factors may reduce lignite production and may require adjustments to the regulatory fee structure to fund the program at its current level. In addition, the current federal administration budget proposal includes funding reductions for state coal/lignite regulatory programs which could result in a less than 50% match in FY 2023 and 2024.

Internal factors impacting this strategy include the Commission's inability to retain and/or hire qualified engineers and scientists due to noncompetitive state salaries. Continued capital funding is needed to ensure a standard replacement schedule for vehicles and end-user computers and related peripheral items. This has become increasingly critical with the rise of the COVID-19 pandemic and the shift toward a dominantly telework workforce with needs for additional computing equipment.

### **EXPLANATION OF BIENNIAL CHANGE (includes Rider amounts):**

STRATEGY BIENNIAL TOTAL - ALL FUNDS		BIENNIAL	EXPLAN	VATION OF BIENNIAL CHANGE
Base Spending (Est 2024 + Bud 2025)	Baseline Request (BL 2026 + BL 2027)	CHANGE	\$ Amount	Explanation(s) of Amount (must specify MOFs and FTEs)
\$12,187,298	\$11,324,470	\$(862,828)	\$2,137,172	Fund 0001 - GR redistribution of Base Budget
			\$(3,000,000)	C.1.2. Surface Mining Monitoring & Inspections Project IETRS Phase 4 moved to IETRS Phase 5 moved to B.1.2. for Pipeline Damage Prevention Project.
		•	\$(862,828)	Total of Explanation of Biennial Change

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## 455 Railroad Commission

GOAL: 3 Min. Harmful Effects of Energy Prod & Ensure Fair Rates for Consumers

OBJECTIVE: 2 Identify and Abate Environmental Threats

STRATEGY: 1 Oil and Gas Well Plugging and Remediation

Service Categories:

Service: 36 Income: A.2 Age: B.3

CODE DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027				
Output Measures:									
KEY 1 # Abandoned Sites Investigated, Assessed or Cleaned Up w/State Funds	239.00	400.00	325.00	250.00	250.00				
KEY 2 Number of Orphaned Wells Plugged with State-Managed Funds	1,750.00	1,450.00	1,700.00	1,700.00	1,700.00				
KEY 3 Tot Aggr Plugging Depth of Orphaned Wells Plugged w/State-Mnged Funds	3,627,668.00	2,350,000.00	3,500,000.00	3,500,000.00	3,500,000.00				
Efficiency Measures:									
<ol> <li>Avg Number of Days to Complete State-Managed</li> <li>Abandoned Site Clean-up</li> </ol>	65.00	55.00	50.00	50.00	50.00				
2 Avg # Days to Plug an Orphaned Well with State-Managed Funds	30.00	35.00	50.00	50.00	50.00				
Explanatory/Input Measures:									
1 # of Abandoned Sites That Are Candidates for State-Managed Cleanup	2,392.00	2,376.00	2,200.00	2,100.00	2,000.00				
2 Number of Complex Operator-initiated Cleanups	468.00	450.00	470.00	470.00	470.00				
3 Number of Orphaned Wells Approved for Plugging	1,989.00	2,200.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00				
4 # of Known Orphaned Wells	7,887.00	8,600.00	8,600.00	8,500.00	8,500.00				

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## 455 Railroad Commission

GOAL: 3 Min. Harmful Effects of Energy Prod & Ensure Fair Rates for Consumers

OBJECTIVE: 2 Identify and Abate Environmental Threats Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 1 Oil and Gas Well Plugging and Remediation Service: 36 Income: A.2 Age: B.3

CODE	DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
	# Wells Plugged by Operators without State-Managed	6,839.00	7,400.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00
	Percent Active Well Operators with Inactive Wells	47.00%	48.00 %	47.00 %	47.00 %	47.00 %
7	Number of Shut-in/Inactive Wells	149,538.00	149,500.00	149,000.00	149,000.00	149,000.00
Objects of	of Expense:					
1001	SALARIES AND WAGES	\$15,033,864	\$15,917,760	\$16,522,287	\$16,522,287	\$16,522,287
1002	OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS	\$329,154	\$341,427	\$347,851	\$347,851	\$347,851
2001	PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES	\$7,036,904	\$10,879,904	\$10,897,842	\$11,095,744	\$10,897,842
2002	FUELS AND LUBRICANTS	\$323,031	\$379,762	\$379,762	\$379,762	\$379,762
2003	CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES	\$72,803	\$109,388	\$109,388	\$109,388	\$109,388
2004	UTILITIES	\$169,618	\$170,818	\$170,818	\$170,818	\$170,818
2005	TRAVEL	\$217,785	\$249,785	\$249,785	\$249,785	\$249,785
2006	RENT - BUILDING	\$164,953	\$164,953	\$164,953	\$164,953	\$164,953
2007	RENT - MACHINE AND OTHER	\$146,487	\$161,487	\$161,487	\$161,487	\$161,487
2009	OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE	\$62,709,375	\$70,952,183	\$134,178,053	\$87,102,018	\$87,592,873
5000	CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	\$1,179,311	\$3,449,570	\$1,732,797	\$600,705	\$600,705
TOTAL,	OBJECT OF EXPENSE	\$87,383,285	\$102,777,037	\$164,915,023	\$116,904,798	\$117,197,751

**Method of Financing:** 

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Service: 36

Income: A.2

Age: B.3

# 455 Railroad Commission

GOAL: 3 Min. Harmful Effects of Energy Prod & Ensure Fair Rates for Consumers

OBJECTIVE: 2 Identify and Abate Environmental Threats

Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 1 Oil and Gas Well Plugging and Remediation

CODE DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
1 General Revenue Fund	\$9,320,316	\$9,524,608	\$12,746,537	\$13,951,822	\$15,643,253
SUBTOTAL, MOF (GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS)	\$9,320,316	\$9,524,608	\$12,746,537	\$13,951,822	\$15,643,253
Method of Financing:					
5155 Oil & Gas Regulation	\$54,814,526	\$61,981,962	\$53,980,206	\$55,378,684	\$53,980,206
SUBTOTAL, MOF (GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS - DEDICATED)	\$54,814,526	\$61,981,962	\$53,980,206	\$55,378,684	\$53,980,206
Method of Financing:					
555 Federal Funds					
15.018.120 IIJA Energy Comm. Revitalization Pg	\$23,128,443	\$31,067,687	\$97,900,000	\$47,286,012	\$47,286,012
66.817.000 State and Tribal Response Program	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$120,000
CFDA Subtotal, Fund 555	\$23,248,443	\$31,187,687	\$98,020,000	\$47,406,012	\$47,406,012
5041 GR Account-Railroad Comm	Φ0	<b>402.700</b>	#1 < 0. <b>2</b> 00	#1 CO 200	#1 CO 200
00.000.003 Salary Adjustments	\$0	\$82,780	\$168,280	\$168,280	\$168,280
CFDA Subtotal, Fund 5041	\$0	\$82,780	\$168,280	\$168,280	\$168,280
SUBTOTAL, MOF (FEDERAL FUNDS)	\$23,248,443	\$31,270,467	\$98,188,280	\$47,574,292	\$47,574,292

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#### 455 Railroad Commission

GOAL: Min. Harmful Effects of Energy Prod & Ensure Fair Rates for Consumers

OBJECTIVE: 2 Identify and Abate Environmental Threats Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 1 Oil and Gas Well Plugging and Remediation Income: A.2

Age: B.3

Service: 36

CODE	DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
TOTAL, M	ETHOD OF FINANCE (INCLUDING RIDERS)				\$116,904,798	\$117,197,751
TOTAL, M	ETHOD OF FINANCE (EXCLUDING RIDERS)	\$87,383,285	\$102,777,037	\$164,915,023	\$116,904,798	\$117,197,751
FULL TIM	E EQUIVALENT POSITIONS:	166.0	159.1	218.0	218.0	218.0

#### STRATEGY DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Sections 89.001-89.122, 91.113, and 91.651-91.661 of the Texas Natural Resources Code authorize activities associated with Oil and Gas Well Plugging and Site Remediation, which include: identifying, assessing, and prioritizing abandoned wells for state-managed plugging; and identifying, assessing, and prioritizing sites that require the use of state-managed funds for remediation. Success in this effort ensures that the highest priority wells are plugged, and the highest priority sites are remediated, thereby protecting the public and the state's surface and subsurface water resources.

## EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS IMPACTING STRATEGY:

External factors impacting this strategy include limited contractor availability related to industry demand for similar services. Most well plugging is performed by contractors engaged by well operators, with whom the Commission competes for available plugging services. Likewise, competition for site assessment and remediation services can increase the cost for such services during periods of strong industry activity. The availability of state and federal grant funds with which the Commission leverages other sources of funding can also impact this strategy.

Internal factors impacting this strategy include the need for funds to hire, train, and retain qualified professional staff. This challenge will continue to grow as an increasing number of experienced employees become eligible to retire over the next few years. Another internal factor impacting the strategy is the need for capital funding for new or enhanced automated systems. Updates of this nature are needed to ensure the Commission continually improves upon process efficiencies.

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## 455 Railroad Commission

GOAL: 3 Min. Harmful Effects of Energy Prod & Ensure Fair Rates for Consumers

1 Oil and Gas Well Plugging and Remediation

OBJECTIVE: 2 Identify and Abate Environmental Threats

Service Categories:

Income: A.2

Age: B.3

CODE DESCRIPTION

STRATEGY:

Exp 2023

Est 2024

**Bud 2025** 

Service: 36

BL 2026

BL 2027

## **EXPLANATION OF BIENNIAL CHANGE (includes Rider amounts):**

STRATEGY BIENNIAL TOTAL - ALL FUNDS		BIENNIAL	EXPLAN	ATION OF BIENNIAL CHANGE
 Base Spending (Est 2024 + Bud 2025)	Baseline Request (BL 2026 + BL 2027)	CHANGE	\$ Amount	Explanation(s) of Amount (must specify MOFs and FTEs)
\$267,692,060	\$234,102,549	\$(33,589,511)	\$7,323,930	Fund 0001 - GR redistribution of Base Budget
			\$(6,603,278)	Fund 5155 - OGRC redistribution of Base Budget
			\$(34,310,163)	Fund 5041 - Federal IIJA Grant Award moved to 2026
		_	\$(33,589,511)	Total of Explanation of Biennial Change

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# 455 Railroad Commission

GOAL: 3 Min. Harmful Effects of Energy Prod & Ensure Fair Rates for Consumers

OBJECTIVE: 2 Identify and Abate Environmental Threats

Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 2 Surface Mining Reclamation Service: 36 Income: A.2 Age: B.3

CODE	DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	<b>Bud 2025</b>	BL 2026	BL 2027
Explanat	tory/Input Measures:					
1	Percent of Abandoned Sites on Which Reclamation Has	95.00 %	95.00 %	95.00 %	95.00 %	95.00 %
В	een Initiated					
Objects of	of Expense:					
1001	SALARIES AND WAGES	\$567,212	\$584,116	\$612,477	\$612,477	\$612,477
1002	OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS	\$12,173	\$12,532	\$12,892	\$12,892	\$12,892
2001	PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES	\$1,239,287	\$1,358,489	\$1,323,961	\$1,323,961	\$1,323,961
2002	FUELS AND LUBRICANTS	\$7,660	\$7,660	\$7,660	\$7,660	\$7,660
2003	CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES	\$846	\$846	\$846	\$846	\$846
2004	UTILITIES	\$8,569	\$8,569	\$8,569	\$8,569	\$8,569
2005	TRAVEL	\$67,269	\$67,269	\$67,269	\$67,269	\$67,269
2006	RENT - BUILDING	\$141	\$141	\$141	\$141	\$141
2007	RENT - MACHINE AND OTHER	\$4,539	\$4,539	\$4,539	\$4,539	\$4,539
2009	OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE	\$95,390	\$97,858	\$97,858	\$97,858	\$97,858
5000	CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	\$1,922	\$1,922	\$1,922	\$1,922	\$1,922
TOTAL,	OBJECT OF EXPENSE	\$2,005,008	\$2,143,941	\$2,138,134	\$2,138,134	\$2,138,134

Method of Financing:

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Service: 36

Income: A.2

### 455 Railroad Commission

GOAL: 3 Min. Harmful Effects of Energy Prod & Ensure Fair Rates for Consumers

2 Identify and Abate Environmental Threats OBJECTIVE:

STRATEGY:

Service Categories:

2 Surface Mining Reclamation Age: B.3

CODE DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	<b>Bud 2025</b>	BL 2026	BL 2027
1 General Revenue Fund	\$458,463	\$443,941	\$438,134	\$438,134	\$438,134
SUBTOTAL, MOF (GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS)	\$458,463	\$443,941	\$438,134	\$438,134	\$438,134
Method of Financing:					
555 Federal Funds					
15.252.000 Abandoned Mine Land Recla	\$1,546,545	\$1,700,000	\$1,700,000	\$1,700,000	\$1,700,000
CFDA Subtotal, Fund 555	\$1,546,545	\$1,700,000	\$1,700,000	\$1,700,000	\$1,700,000
SUBTOTAL, MOF (FEDERAL FUNDS)	\$1,546,545	\$1,700,000	\$1,700,000	\$1,700,000	\$1,700,000
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCE (INCLUDING RIDERS)				\$2,138,134	\$2,138,134
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCE (EXCLUDING RIDERS)	\$2,005,008	\$2,143,941	\$2,138,134	\$2,138,134	\$2,138,134
FULL TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS:	7.5	7.7	7.5	7.5	7.5

STRATEGY DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

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#### 455 Railroad Commission

GOAL: 3 Min. Harmful Effects of Energy Prod & Ensure Fair Rates for Consumers

OBJECTIVE: 2 Identify and Abate Environmental Threats Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 2 Surface Mining Reclamation Service: 36 Income: A.2 Age: B.3

CODE DESCRIPTION Exp 2023 Est 2024 Bud 2025 BL 2026 BL 2027

The Texas Natural Resource Code Annotated Title 4 authorizes the Commission to participate to the fullest extent practicable in the Abandoned Mine Land (AML) program provided by Title IV of the federal Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977. Activities associated with Surface Mining Reclamation of abandoned mine lands include identifying, assessing, and prioritizing eligible abandoned mine lands for health, safety, and environmental problems, and, within the funding resources provided, executing reclamation contracts for the highest-priority sites. Success in this effort ensures mine lands are remediated, thereby protecting the general public health and the environment.

### EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS IMPACTING STRATEGY:

This program is part of a national program funded entirely with federal funds awarded by the federal Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSM). The annual grant awards are based on the federal fees collected from the active coal mining industry in Texas and Bipartisan Infrastructure Law of 2021 funding. External factors impacting this strategy would be the potential loss of federal funding from the OSM. OSM funding is currently achieved through omnibus appropriations which have allowed for continued funding of the AML program, but impacts to grant funding in the event of final budget passage are unknown at this time.

Internal factors impacting this strategy include aging technology equipment, as well as limited capital funding. Continued capital funding is needed to ensure a standard replacement schedule for end-user computers and related peripheral items. This has become increasingly critical with the rise of the COVID-19 pandemic and and the shift toward a dominantly telework workforce with needs for additional computing equipment.

#### **EXPLANATION OF BIENNIAL CHANGE (includes Rider amounts):**

	STRATEGY BIENNIAL TOTAL - ALL FUNDS		BIENNIAL	EXPLAN	NATION OF BIENNIAL CHANGE	
_	Base Spending (Est 2024 + Bud 2025)	Baseline Request (BL 2026 + BL 2027)	CHANGE	\$ Amount	Explanation(s) of Amount (must specify MOFs and FTEs)	
	\$4,282,075	\$4,276,268	\$(5,807)	\$(5,807)	Fund 0001 - GR redistribution of Base Budget	
			_	\$(5,807)	Total of Explanation of Biennial Change	

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# 455 Railroad Commission

GOAL: 3 Min. Harmful Effects of Energy Prod & Ensure Fair Rates for Consumers

OBJECTIVE: 3 Maintain Competitive Prices and Adequate Supplies for Consumers Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 1 Ensure Fair Rates and Compliance to Rate Structures

Service: 17 Income: A.2 Age: B.3

CODE DESCRIPTION	Exp 2	23 Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
Output Measures:					
1 Number of Audits Conducted	126.	00 126.00	140.00	140.00	140.00
KEY 2 Number of Gas Utility Dockets and Ca	ses Filed 70.	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
3 Number of Gas Utilities' Compliance,	Tariff and Escalator 139,405.	00 130,000.00	130,000.00	130,000.00	130,000.00
Filings					
Efficiency Measures:					
1 Average Number of Audits Per Auditor	15.	18.00	17.50	17.50	17.50
Objects of Expense:					
1001 SALARIES AND WAGES	\$2,853,4	\$2,968,572	\$3,111,244	\$3,111,244	\$3,111,244
1002 OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS	\$60,9	\$60,935	\$60,935	\$60,935	\$60,935
2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERV	ICES \$248,3	\$318,587	\$318,587	\$318,587	\$318,587
2002 FUELS AND LUBRICANTS	\$1	\$140	\$140	\$140	\$140
2003 CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES	\$3,0	04 \$3,004	\$3,004	\$3,004	\$3,004
2004 UTILITIES	\$15,8	35 \$15,835	\$15,835	\$15,835	\$15,835
2005 TRAVEL	\$29,8	13 \$29,813	\$29,813	\$29,813	\$29,813
2006 RENT - BUILDING	\$26,8	\$26,840	\$26,840	\$26,840	\$26,840
2007 RENT - MACHINE AND OTHER	\$10,9	08 \$10,908	\$10,908	\$10,908	\$10,908
2009 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE	\$246,1	72 \$249,548	\$249,548	\$249,548	\$249,548

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GOAL:	3	Min. Harmful Effects of Energy Prod & Ensure Fair Rates for Consumers	
OBJECTIVE:	3	Maintain Competitive Prices and Adequate Supplies for Consumers	Service Categories:

1 Ensure Fair Rates and Compliance to Rate Structures

STRATEGY:

STRATEGY DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Service: 17 Income: A.2 Age: B.3

CODE DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
5000 CAPITAL EXPENDITURES TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE	\$4,618	\$4,618	\$4,618	\$4,618	\$4,618
	<b>\$3,500,051</b>	<b>\$3,688,800</b>	<b>\$3,831,472</b>	<b>\$3,831,472</b>	<b>\$3,831,472</b>
Method of Financing:  1 General Revenue Fund SUBTOTAL, MOF (GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS)	\$3,370,051	\$3,558,800	\$3,701,472	\$3,701,472	\$3,701,472
	<b>\$3,370,051</b>	<b>\$3,558,800</b>	<b>\$3,701,472</b>	<b>\$3,701,472</b>	<b>\$3,701,472</b>
Method of Financing: 666 Appropriated Receipts SUBTOTAL, MOF (OTHER FUNDS)	\$130,000	\$130,000	\$130,000	\$130,000	\$130,000
	<b>\$130,000</b>	<b>\$130,000</b>	<b>\$130,000</b>	<b>\$130,000</b>	<b>\$130,000</b>
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCE (INCLUDING RIDERS)				\$3,831,472	\$3,831,472
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCE (EXCLUDING RIDERS) FULL TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS:	\$3,500,051	\$3,688,800	\$3,831,472	\$3,831,472	\$3,831,472
	32,3	33.4	35.4	35.4	35.4

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#### 455 Railroad Commission

GOAL: 3 Min. Harmful Effects of Energy Prod & Ensure Fair Rates for Consumers

OBJECTIVE: 3 Maintain Competitive Prices and Adequate Supplies for Consumers Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 1 Ensure Fair Rates and Compliance to Rate Structures

Service: 17 Income: A.2

Age: B.3

CODE DESCRIPTION Exp 2023 Est 2024 Bud 2025 BL 2026 BL 2027

The Texas Utilities Code, Chapters 101-105, 121-124, and 141, and the Texas Administrative Code, Chapters 2 and 7, authorize activities associated with Natural Gas Utility Compliance, which include staff participation in contested rate cases, review of non-contested filings, and auditing regulated gas utilities to ensure that proper gas utility taxes are paid, gas utility books and records are maintained and reported in accordance with regulatory requirements, and that approved rates for natural gas service are charged to consumers. Staff also administers the gas utility electronic tariff filing process, facilitates the resolution of natural gas utility consumer complaints, and regulates propane distribution system rates. These activities ensure that gas utility and propane distribution system rates promote safe, efficient, and reliable transportation and distribution of gas at a reasonable cost. The Commission administers an informal complaint process to help resolve disputes between parties regarding negotiated natural gas transportation rates, reducing costs to parties and the Commission.

### EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS IMPACTING STRATEGY:

External factors impacting this strategy include the number, breadth, and complexity of cases presented to the Commission and the number of electronic tariff filings and consumer complaints received. Internal factors include obtaining the necessary funding to ensure a standard replacement schedule for end-user computers and related peripheral items, as well as new or enhanced automated systems. Updates of this nature are needed to ensure the Commission continually improves process efficiencies.

#### **EXPLANATION OF BIENNIAL CHANGE (includes Rider amounts):**

STRATEGY BIENNIAL TOTAL - ALL FUNDS		BIENNIAL	EXPLAN	VATION OF BIENNIAL CHANGE
Base Spending (Est 2024 + Bud 2025)	Baseline Request (BL 2026 + BL 2027)	CHANGE	\$ Amount	Explanation(s) of Amount (must specify MOFs and FTEs)
\$7,520,272	\$7,662,944	\$142,672	\$142,672	Fund 0001 - GR redistribution of Base Budget
			\$142,672	Total of Explanation of Biennial Change

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GOAL: 3 Min. Harmful Effects of Energy Prod & Ensure Fair Rates for Consumers

OBJECTIVE: 4 Critical Infrastructure Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 1 Critical Infrastructure Weather Preparedness Service: 33 Income: A.2 Age: B.3

CODE DESCRIPTION		Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
		<u> </u>				
Output Measures:						
KEY 1 Number of Weatherization Inspections	Conducted	7,276.00	7,092.00	7,100.00	7,234.00	7,379.00
KEY 2 Number of Facilities Out of Weatheriz	ation Compliance	14.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00
Explanatory/Input Measures:						
KEY 1 Total Number of Designated Critical I	nfrastructure Facilities	32,186.00	38,231.00	39,400.00	39,378.00	40,559.00
2 Percent of Facilities Required to Weat	herize That Are	0.00%	0.00 %	0.00 %	0.00 %	0.00 %
Non-compliant						
Objects of Expense:						
1001 SALARIES AND WAGES		\$6,717,638	\$7,874,310	\$8,254,433	\$8,254,433	\$8,254,433
1002 OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS		\$143,892	\$162,701	\$162,701	\$162,701	\$162,701
2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERV	ICES	\$6,724,197	\$4,711,668	\$3,711,668	\$2,711,668	\$2,711,668
2002 FUELS AND LUBRICANTS		\$86,312	\$86,312	\$86,312	\$86,312	\$86,312
2003 CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES		\$12,373	\$12,373	\$12,373	\$12,373	\$12,373
2004 UTILITIES		\$135,351	\$135,351	\$135,351	\$135,351	\$135,351
2005 TRAVEL		\$213,368	\$194,603	\$194,603	\$194,603	\$194,603
2006 RENT - BUILDING		\$107,836	\$107,836	\$107,836	\$107,836	\$107,836
2007 RENT - MACHINE AND OTHER		\$42,899	\$42,899	\$42,899	\$42,899	\$42,899
2009 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE		\$1,024,796	\$1,184,762	\$984,762	\$984,762	\$984,762

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### 455 Railroad Commission

Service: 33

Income: A.2

Age: B.3

GOAL: 3 Min. Harmful Effects of Energy Prod & Ensure Fair Rates for Consumers

OBJECTIVE: 4 Critical Infrastructure Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 1 Critical Infrastructure Weather Preparedness

CODE DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
5000 CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	\$18,162	\$405,029	\$18,162	\$18,162	\$18,162
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE	\$15,226,824	\$14,917,844	\$13,711,100	\$12,711,100	\$12,711,100
Method of Financing:					
1 General Revenue Fund	\$15,226,824	\$14,917,844	\$13,711,100	\$12,711,100	\$12,711,100
SUBTOTAL, MOF (GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS)	\$15,226,824	\$14,917,844	\$13,711,100	\$12,711,100	\$12,711,100
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCE (INCLUDING RIDERS)				\$12,711,100	\$12,711,100
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCE (EXCLUDING RIDERS)	\$15,226,824	\$14,917,844	\$13,711,100	\$12,711,100	\$12,711,100
FULL TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS:	105.5	104.1	120.0	120.0	120.0

### STRATEGY DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Provisions in House Bill 3648 and Senate Bill 3 define natural gas facilities that would be designated as critical gas suppliers and critical customers. Critical gas suppliers include, but are not limited to, gas wells, oil leases that produce gas, natural gas pipeline facilities, underground natural gas storage facilities and saltwater disposal facilities. Critical customers, which are a subset of critical gas suppliers, are facilities that require electricity to operate. Activities associated with critical infrastructure ensure the natural gas industry consistently incorporates weatherization and reliability standards and practices to achieve uninterruptible natural gas production throughout the calendar year including periods of severe weather. Success requires communication, inspections, processing applications, and monitoring reports.

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CODE DESCRIPTION Exp 2023 Est 2024 Bud 2025 BL 2026 BL 2027

### EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS IMPACTING STRATEGY:

Internal factors impacting this strategy include the availability of appropriate technology to communicate with customers and stakeholders to responsively track, store and retrieve applications, inspections, and monitoring reports. A second internal factor is the availability of consistent funding to modernize and maintain databases to ensure efficient data processing of regulatory data, immediate public access, and secure storage of electronic filing and inspection information. This includes enhancement and upgrade investments for the entire lifecycle of information technology requirements. One external factor affecting this strategy includes the ability to access facilities in an efficient manner, which would affect the timeline for the total number of inspections conducted within any given year.

#### **EXPLANATION OF BIENNIAL CHANGE (includes Rider amounts):**

	STRATEGY BIENNIAL TOTAL - ALL FUNDS		BIENNIAL	EXPLAN	IATION OF BIENNIAL CHANGE
_	Base Spending (Est 2024 + Bud 2025)	Baseline Request (BL 2026 + BL 2027)	CHANGE	\$ Amount	Explanation(s) of Amount (must specify MOFs and FTEs)
	\$28,628,944	\$25,422,200	\$(3,206,744)	\$(3,206,744)	Fund 0001 - GR redistribution of Base Budget (Prof Fees, Capital, OOO)
			_	\$(3,206,744)	Total of Explanation of Biennial Change

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# 455 Railroad Commission

GOAL: 4 Public Access to Information and Services

OBJECTIVE: 1 Increase Public Access to Information

STRATEGY: 1 Public Information and Services

Service Categories:

Service: 37

Income: A.2 Age: B.3

CODE	DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
Output M	leasures:					
	Number of Documents Provided to Customers by Info rvices	160,750.00	99,659.00	100,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00
	Number of Reports Provided to Customers from Electronic sta Records	16,194,003.00	11,938,739.00	12,000,000.00	12,000,000.00	12,000,000.00
	Number of Railroad Commission Records Imaged from on-digital Formats	8,809,612.00	15,965,883.00	12,000,000.00	12,000,000.00	12,000,000.00
Objects of	f Expense:					
1001	SALARIES AND WAGES	\$1,379,756	\$1,429,250	\$1,498,238	\$1,498,238	\$1,498,238
1002	OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS	\$29,527	\$30,579	\$31,631	\$31,631	\$31,631
2001	PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES	\$479,983	\$225,310	\$225,310	\$225,310	\$225,310
2002	FUELS AND LUBRICANTS	\$99	\$99	\$99	\$99	\$99
2003	CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES	\$3,063	\$3,063	\$3,063	\$3,063	\$3,063
2004	UTILITIES	\$6,799	\$6,799	\$6,799	\$6,799	\$6,799
2005	TRAVEL	\$3,754	\$3,754	\$3,754	\$3,754	\$3,754
2006	RENT - BUILDING	\$241	\$241	\$241	\$241	\$241
2007	RENT - MACHINE AND OTHER	\$8,951	\$8,951	\$8,951	\$8,951	\$8,951
2009	OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE	\$1,087,742	\$931,650	\$931,650	\$931,650	\$931,650
5000	CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	\$3,270	\$3,270	\$3,270	\$3,270	\$3,270

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# 455 Railroad Commission

GOAL:	4 Public Access to Information and Services					
OBJECTIVE:	1 Increase Public Access to Information			Service Categori	ies:	
STRATEGY:	1 Public Information and Services			Service: 37	Income: A.2	Age: B.3
CODE	DESCRIPTION	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
TOTAL, OBJI	ECT OF EXPENSE	\$3,003,185	\$2,642,966	\$2,713,006	\$2,713,006	\$2,713,006
Method of Fina	ancing:					
1 Gen	eral Revenue Fund	\$1,547,010	\$1,440,071	\$2,050,782	\$2,050,782	\$2,050,782
SUBTOTAL, N	MOF (GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS)	\$1,547,010	\$1,440,071	\$2,050,782	\$2,050,782	\$2,050,782
Method of Fina	ancing:					
5155 Oil 6	& Gas Regulation	\$1,406,175	\$1,152,895	\$612,224	\$612,224	\$612,224
SUBTOTAL, M	MOF (GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS - DEDICATED)	\$1,406,175	\$1,152,895	\$612,224	\$612,224	\$612,224
Method of Fina						
666 App	propriated Receipts	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000
SUBTOTAL, N	MOF (OTHER FUNDS)	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000
TOTAL, METI	HOD OF FINANCE (INCLUDING RIDERS)				\$2,713,006	\$2,713,006
TOTAL, METI	HOD OF FINANCE (EXCLUDING RIDERS)	\$3,003,185	\$2,642,966	\$2,713,006	\$2,713,006	\$2,713,006
FULL TIME E	QUIVALENT POSITIONS:	24.7	26.3	26.5	26.5	26.5

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GOAL: 4 Public Access to Information and Services

OBJECTIVE: 1 Increase Public Access to Information Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 1 Public Information and Services Service: 37 Income: A.2 Age: B.3

CODE DESCRIPTION Exp 2023 Est 2024 Bud 2025 BL 2026 BL 2027

#### STRATEGY DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

The Texas Natural Resource Code Annotated Title 3 authorizes activities associated with Public Information and Services, which include collecting, maintaining, and preserving oil and gas data; providing efficient public access to this information; and offering regulated industries a means to conduct their business electronically. Success in this effort ensures that valuable information is available to the public, stakeholders and other government agencies at a reasonable cost.

### EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS IMPACTING STRATEGY:

Internal factors impacting this strategy include the availability of appropriate technology for document preservation and more efficient means of public access. A second internal factor is the availability of ongoing funding to modernize and maintain databases needed to provide public access and preservation as well as more efficient processing of valuable regulatory data, and expanded electronic filing options for the regulated industries, which must be completed to realize the full deployment of planned technology enhancements. Additionally, technology can transform how the Commission serves Texans. Proper planning, investment, and management of information technology (IT) resources can help the Commission leaders prepare for and take advantage of the rapid evolution that continues to improve government services. Updates of this nature are needed to ensure the Commission continually improves process efficiencies.

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GOAL: 4 Public Access to Information and Services

OBJECTIVE: 1 Increase Public Access to Information

1 Public Information and Services

Service Categories:

Income: A.2

Age: B.3

CODE DESCRIPTION

STRATEGY:

Exp 2023

Est 2024

**Bud 2025** 

Service: 37

**BL 2026** 

**BL 2027** 

# **EXPLANATION OF BIENNIAL CHANGE (includes Rider amounts):**

	STRATEGY BIENNIA	<u>L TOTAL - ALL FUNDS</u>	BIENNIAL	EXPLAN	IATION OF BIENNIAL CHANGE
_	Base Spending (Est 2024 + Bud 2025) Baseline Request (BL 2026 + BL 2027)		CHANGE	\$ Amount	Explanation(s) of Amount (must specify MOFs and FTEs)
	\$5,355,972	\$5,426,012	\$70,040	\$610,711	
					Fund 0001 - GR redistribution of Base Budget
				\$(540,671)	Fund 5155 - OGRC redistribution of Base Budget
			_	\$70,040	Total of Explanation of Biennial Change

Agency Code:		Agency Name:	Prepared By:	Date:		Request Level:			
455		Railroad Commission of Texas	Martin Powel	8/30/202	8/30/2024				
Current Rider Number	Page Number in 2024-25 GAA	Proposed Rider Language							
1	VI-53-54	Performance Measure Targets. The follow made by this Act be utilized in the most effi- and service standards established by this Ac- each item of appropriation.	cient and effective manner possible to ac	hieve the intended mission of the F	ailroad Commiss	ion. In order to achieve	the objectives		
				<del>2024</del>	<u>2026</u>	<del>2025</del>	<u>2027</u>		
		A. Goal: ENERGY RESOURCES							
		Outcome (Results/Impact):							
		Percent of Oil and Gas Wells That Are Activ		<del>68%</del>	<u>65%</u>	<del>69%</del>	<u>65%</u>		
		A.1.1. Strategy: ENERGY RESOURCE DI	EVELOPMENT						
		Output (Volume):							
		Number of Drilling Permit Applications Pro	ocessed	15,400	12,500	15,000	<u>12,500</u>		
		Number of Wells Monitored		440,440	435,000	440,440	435,000		
		Efficiencies:							
		Average Number of Wells Monitored Per A	nalyst	<del>36,600</del>	33,500	<del>36,600</del>	<u>33,500</u>		
		The average Number of Staff Days Required Application During the Reporting Period	d to Review and Process a Drilling Permi	t 3	<u>3</u>	3	<u>3</u>		
		B. Goal: SAFETY PROGRAMS							
		Outcome (Results/Impact):							
		Average Number of Pipeline Safety Violatic through Inspections	ons Per Equivalent 100 Miles of Pipe Ide	ntified 0.50	0.80	<del>0.50</del>	0.80		
		B.1.1. Strategy: PIPELINE SAFETY							
		Output (Volume):							
		Number of Pipeline Safety Inspections Perfo	ormed	<del>1.750</del>	2,100	<del>1,750</del>	2,100		
		Efficiencies:		,,,,,		,,,,,			
		Average Number of Pipeline Field Inspection	ons per Field Inspector	<del>85</del>	<u>85</u>	<del>85</del>	<u>85</u>		
		B.1.2. Strategy: PIPELINE DAMAGE PRE	EVENTION		_		_		
		Output (Volume)							
		Number of Excavation Damage Enforcement	nt Cases Completed	<del>2,200</del>	3,500	2,100	3,500		
		B.2.1. Strategy: REGULATE ALTERNAT	IVE ENERGY						
		Output (Volume)							
		Number of LPG/CNG/LNG Safety Inspection	ons Performed	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000		

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Current Rider Number	Page Number in 2024-25 GAA	Proposed Rider Language						
		C. Goal: ENVIRONMENTAL AND CONSU	JMER PROTECTION					
		Outcome (Results/Impact):	ome (Results/Impact):					
		Percentage of Oil and Gas Facility Inspection	ercentage of Oil and Gas Facility Inspections That Identify Environmental Violations		<u>5%</u>	<del>5%</del>	<u>5%</u>	
		Percentage of Known Orphaned Wells Plugg	ed with State-Managed Funds	<del>20.0%</del>		<del>20.0%</del>		
		C.1.1. Strategy: OIL/GAS MONITOR & INS	SPECTIONS					
		Output (Volume):						
		Number of Oil and Gas Facility Inspections P		<del>355,000</del>	425,000	<del>360,000</del>	425,000	
		Number of Oil and Gas Environmental Permi Efficiencies:	Number of Oil and Gas Environmental Permit Applications and Reports Processed Efficiencies:		132,000	110,000	132,000	
		Average Number of Oil and Gas Facility Insp	vections Performed Per District Office Staff	1,900	<u>2,000</u>	1,900	<u>2,000</u>	
		Explanatory:						
		Number of UIC Wells and Other Facilities Su	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	90,000	80,000	90,000	80,000	
		C.1.2. Strategy: SURFACE MINING MONI	TORING/INSPECT					
		Output (Volume):			•••			
		Number of Coal Mining Inspections Performe C.2.1. Strategy: OIL AND GAS REMEDIA		400	<u>390</u>	400	<u>395</u>	
		Output (Volume):						
		Number of Abandoned Pollution Sites Invest of State-Managed Funds	igated, Assessed, or Cleaned Up with the Use	4 <del>00</del>	<u>250</u>	400	<u>250</u>	
		C.2.2. Strategy: OIL AND GAS WELL PLU	GGING					
		Output (Volume)						
		Number of Orphaned Wells Plugged with the	Use of State-Managed Funds	<del>2,000</del>	1,700	2,200	<u>1,700</u>	
		Total Aggregate Plugging Depth of Orphaned Wells Plugged with the Use of State Managed Funds (in Linear Feet)		4,000,000	3,500,000	4,400,000	3,500,000	
		C.3.1. Strategy: GAS UTILITY COMPLIAN	C.3.1. Strategy: GAS UTILITY COMPLIANCE					
		Output (Volume):						
		Number of Gas Utility Dockets Filed		80	<u>50</u>	80	<u>50</u>	

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455		Railroad Commission of Texas	)24	Baseline			
Current Rider Number	Page Number in 2024-25 GAA		Propose	ed Rider Language			
		C.4.1. Strategy: WEATHER PREPAREDNESS	1. Strategy: WEATHER PREPAREDNESS				
		itical Infrastructure Weather Preparedness					
		Output (Volume):	put (Volume):				
		Number of Weatherization Inspections Conducted	umber of Weatherization Inspections Conducted			<del>7,100</del>	<u>7,379</u>
		Number of Facilities Out of Weatherization Complian	nce	<del>665</del>	<u>3</u>	<del>640</del>	<u>3</u>
		Explanatory Total Number of Designated Critical Infrastructure F D. Goal: PUBLIC ACCESS TO INFO AND SERVIO		<del>73,500</del>	<u>39,378</u>	73,500	40,559
		D.1.1 Strategy: PUBLIC INFORMATION AND SE	RVICES				
		Output (Volume):	utput (Volume):				
		Sumber of Documents Provided to Customers by Information Services 191,000			100,000	191,000	100,000
		Updated to reflect new performance measure goals	for the 2026-2027 biennium.				

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455		Railroad Commission of Texas	Martin Powel	8/30/202	24	Base	ine		
Current Rider Number	Page Number in 2024-25 GAA	Proposed Rider Language							
2	VI-54	Capital Budget. Funds appropriated above may be e capital expenditures, subject to the aggregate dollar r					pended on other		
				<del>2024</del>	<u>2026</u>	<del>2025</del>	<u>2027</u>		
		a. Acquisition of Information Resource Technologi	es						
		(1) PC Refresh		544,375	544,375	544,375	544,375		
		(2) Mainframe Transformation - Phase 3 4		14,016,774	14,016,774	7,458,873	7,458,873		
		(3) Electricity Supply Chain Mapping Automation		2,000,000		1,000,000			
		Total, Acquisition of Information Resource Technology	ogies	16,561,149	14,561,149	9,003,248	8,003,248		
		b. Transportation Items							
		(1) Vehicle Acquisition		1,785,468	<u>0</u>	0	0		
		c. Acquisition of Capital Equipment and Items							
		(1) Optical Gas Imaging		<del>719,468</del>		θ			
		d. Data Center/Shared Technology Services							
		(1) Data Center Services (DCS)		7,411,243	7,411,243	7,869,131	7,869,131		
		e. Legacy Modernization							
		(1) Inspection/Enforcement Tracking and Reporting	System Phase 4– 5	2,000,000	3,000,000	1,000,000	<u>0</u>		
		Total, Capital Budget		28,477,328	24,972,392	17,872,379	15,872,379		
		Method of Financing (Capital Budget):							
		General Revenue Fund		11,929,075	9,706,682	7,882,027	7,167,386		
		GR Dedicated – Oil and Gas Regulation and		16,548,253	15,265,710	9,990,352	8,704,993		
		Cleanup Account No. 5155							
		Total, Method of Financing		28,477,328	24,972,392	17,872,379	15,872,379		
		This rider has been updated to reflect the appropria	ntion request for the 2026-27 biennium	i.					

Agency Code:		Agency Name:	Prepared By:	Date:	Request Level:
455		Railroad Commission of Texas	Martin Powel	8/30/2024	Baseline
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3	VI-55	Alternative Fuels Licensing Program related to Natural Resources Code §§113.082, 113.0 appropriations made above in Strategy B.2.1 with these programs. Direct costs for the Alt fiscal year 2025 2027 and "other direct and i	ctions: LPG/CNG/LNG Fees. Fees, fines and of to activities in the liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) 13.093, 113.094, 113.131, 116.032, 116.03, Regulate Alternative Fuel Energy Resources, a ternative Fuels Licensing Program are estimated ndirect costs" are estimated to be \$659,519 in finute collections are insufficient to offset the cost	G), compresses natural gas (CNG), and liqu 034, and 116.072 shall cover, at a minimum as well as the "other direct and indirect cost to be \$2,151,071 \$1,928,365 in fiscal year 2024 2026 and \$644,235 in fiscal	refied natural gas (LNG) industries pursuant in the cost of General Revenue is made elsewhere in this Act associated 2024 2026 and \$2,151,071 \$1,928,365 in I year 2025 2027.
		Comptroller of Public Accounts reduce the a	appropriation authority provided above to be wit	thin the amount of revenue expected to be a	vailable.
		All fees collected in excess of the Comptroll Commission to be spent on the Alternative F	` •	) are appropriated to the Railroad	
		This rider has been updated for the 2026-2	7 biennium.		
4	VI-55	Regulate Alternative Fuel Energy Resources fees assessed and collected pursuant to Natu to licensees and certificate holders. In addition	pressed Natural Gas (CNG) Training and Exp., is \$1,000,000 \$1,367,000 in each fiscal year oral Resources Code, §§113.088 and 116.034. The onto amounts appropriated above, any additional oral results and the Committee of the Com	f the biennium in Appropriated Receipts (R hese amounts may only be used for the pur al amounts collected by the Railroad Comn	Revenue Object Codes 3245 and 3722) from pose of providing training and examinations mission pursuant to Natural Resources Code,
		This rider has been updated for the 2026-2	7 biennium.		
5	VI-55-56	ons and Permits. Fees, fines and other Coal/Uranium Mining Applications and oppopriations made above in Strategy C.1.2, this program. Direct costs for the Coal 382,235 \$2,139,572 in fiscal year 2024 ear 2024 and \$419,142 in fiscal year			
		1 2	nue collections are insufficient to offset the cos appropriation authority provided above to be wit	, ,	
		All fees collected in excess of the Comptroll spent on the Surface Mining Program that go	tte (Revenue Object Code 3329) are approp	riated to the Railroad Commission to be	
		This rider has been updated for the 2026-2	7 biennium.		

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455		Railroad Commission of Texas	Martin Powel	8/30/2024	Baseline					
Current Rider Number	Page Number in 2024-25 GAA		Proposed Rider	Language						
6	VI-56	Appropriations Limited to Revenue Collection operation of the Pipeline Safety/Inspections Pr §121.211 shall cover, at a minimum, the cost of B.1.1, Ensure Pipeline Safety, and Strategy B.1 program. Direct costs for the Pipeline Safety a year 2025 2027 and "other direct and indirect of the Pipeline Safety and "other direct and "other d	ogram and the Underground Damage Preventi- f the General Revenue-Dedicated Oil and Gas .2, Pipeline Damage Prevention, as well as the nd Regulatory Program are estimated to be \$6 costs" are estimated to be \$2,419,336 in fiscal	on Program, pursuant to Natural Resources Regulation and Cleanup Account No. 515: e other "direct and indirect costs" made else 982,125 \$6,809,973 in fiscal year 2024 202 year 2024 2026 and \$2,436,305 in fiscal yes identified by this provision, the Legislative	Code §81.071 and Utilities Code 5 appropriations made above in Strategy ewhere in this Act associated with this 26 and \$6,976,198 \$6,809,943 in fiscal ar 2025 2027.  Be Budget Board may direct that the					
		Comptroller of Public Accounts reduce the app	propriation authority provided above to be with	nin the amount of revenue expected to be av	/allable.					
		This rider has been updated for the 2026-27 i	oiennium.							
7	VI-56	Capital Budget Expenditures: Federal Fund Commission may expend Federal Funds and A Budget. The Railroad Commission shall notify Appropriated Receipts collected in excess of the items listed in Rider 2, Capital Budget.	ppropriated Receipts collected in excess of the the Legislative Budget Board, the Comptrolle	e amounts identified in the agency's bill patter of Public Accounts, and the Governor upon	tern on items listed in Rider 2, Capital on receipt of Federal Funds and					
		No change.  Appropriation: Anthropogenic Carbon Dioxide Storage Trust Fund Revenues. In addition to the amounts appropriated above, any revenues received in the Anthropogenic								
8	VI-56	Appropriation: Anthropogenic Carbon Diox Carbon Dioxide Storage Trust Fund No. 827 (6 the 2024-25 2026-27 biennium are appropriate of: (1) permitting, monitoring, and inspecting a Water Code, Chapter 27, Subchapter C-1, and	Other Funds) (estimated to be \$100,000 353,00 d to the Railroad Commission. In accordance inthropogenic carbon dioxide injection wells for	90 in Fiscal year 2024 2026 and \$100,000 with Water Code, Chapter 27, Subchapter or geologic storage and geologic storage fac	353,000 in fiscal year 2025 2027) during C-1, these funds shall be used for the costs					
		The Railroad Commission shall notify the Leg- Dioxide Storage Trust Fund No. 827 (Other Fu			ue received in the Anthropogenic Carbon					
		This rider has been updated for the 2026-27 l	oiennium.							
Oil and Gas Division Permitting Efficiencies. Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy D.1.1, Public Information and Services, the Railroad Comm information regarding staffing levels in its Oil and Gas Division in both its Austin office and in each district office. The information shall detail how the staffing levels sufficient to review and respond to disposal or injection well permits applications within 30 days of receipts, all other permits applications of receipt, and issue final decisions on contested case oil and gas permitting matters within 60 business days of the hearing date.										
		No change.								

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455		Railroad Commission of Texas	Martin Powel	8/30/2024	Baseline				
Current Rider Number	Page Number in 2024-25 GAA		Proposed Rider	Language					
10	VI-56	agency resources and transfer such amounts a The Railroad Commission shall provide prior	Transfer Authority. Notwithstanding limitations on appropriation transfers contained in the General Provisions of this Act, the Railroad Commission is authorized to direct agency resources and transfer such amounts appropriated above between appropriation line items.  The Railroad Commission shall provide prior notification to the Legislative Budget Board, the Governor, and the Comptroller of Public Accounts regarding transfers of amounts appropriated above between appropriation line items if the amount exceeds 20 percent of the appropriation line item from which the transfer is made for the fiscal year.						
		No change.							
11	VI-56		veen Fiscal Years within the Biennium. Any ommission are appropriated for the same purpo	- ·	· —				
		This rider has been updated for the 2026-27	biennium.						
12	VI-57		d Cleanup Account Fees. In addition to the am Oil and Gas Regulation and Cleanup Account N						
		•	gislative Budget Board, the Governor, and the C No. 5155 exceed the amount identified in the	•					
		No change.							
13	Operational Stability Contingency. In the event that the sum of available unencumbered and unobligated balances in the General Revenu and Cleanup Account No. 5155 (estimated to be \$44.5 million at the beginning of the 2024-25 2026-27 biennium) and the revenue deposit								
		This rider has been updated for the 2026-27	biennium.						
14	VI-57	Unexpended Balances Appropriation: Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies. Out of amounts appropriated to the Railroad Commission for the 2022-23 2022 biennium for capital budget items included in the Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies and the Legacy Modernization categoryies, any unobligated and unexperbalances remaining as of August 31, 2023 2025, (estimated to be \$0) are appropriated for the fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2023 2025, for the same purpose.							
		This rider has been updated for the 2026-27	biennium.						

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Agency Code:		Agency Name:	Prepared By:	Date:	Request Level:			
455		Railroad Commission of Texas	Martin Powel	8/30/2024	Baseline			
Current Rider Number	Page Number in 2024-25 GAA		Proposed Rid	er Language				
15	VI-57	Account No. 5155 for each fiscal year of the the additional General Revenue, the Legislar Commission from appropriations made else Contingent upon the receipt of revenue in the utilize additional General Revenue funds, puthe General Revenue method of finance shall	by Contingency. In the event that revenues control be been that revenues control be been to the amount are less than 90.0 percent of the amount ive Budget Board and the Governor may direct where in this Act.  The General Revenue-Dedicated Oil and Gas Resending receipt of revenue, in an amount not to less that the utilized for the purpose of temporary cash counts to ensure all borrowed funds are reimbed.	ounts appropriated in this Act, including oth the transfer of sufficient amounts of General gulation and Cleanup Account No. 5155, the exceed \$25.0 million per fiscal year. The Ge flow needs. The transfer and reimbursemen	er direct and indirect costs and repayment of al Revenue funds to the Railroad Railroad Commission may temporarily neral Revenue amounts transferred above t of funds shall be made under procedures			
		This rider has been updated for the 2026-2	7 biennium.					
16	VI-54	year 2026 <del>2024</del> and \$47,286,012 <del>\$62,900,0</del> purpose of plugging orphaned oil and gas w	formational Listing: Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act Funds. Amounts appropriated above to the Railroad Commission include \$47,286,012 \$61,811,300 in fiscal ar 2026 2024 and \$47,286,012 \$62,900,000 in fiscal year 2027 2025 in Federal Funds provided through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021 (IIJA) for the urpose of plugging orphaned oil and gas wells. In addition, an estimated 946 1,000 wells in fiscal year 2026 2024 and 950 1,200 wells in fiscal year 2027 2025 are anticipated to plugged using these IIJA funds and are included in the performance measure targets for the "Number of Orphaned Funds" in Rider 1, Performance Measure Targets.					
		This rider has been updated for the 2026-2	7 biennium.					
17	VI-54	· ·	5. The Railroad Commission may utilize funds for advanced modeling to draw siesmic responseismic events.		* .			
		No change.						
18	<del>VI-5</del> 4	2024 and \$858,894 in fiscal your 2025 from not use these funds to execute a contract with	nts appropriated above to the Railroad Commis the General Revenue Fund for the purpose of th the Department of Information Resources ur ompleted at an institution of higher education i	digitizing certain historical records, reports, less the Railroad Commission has consulted	and forms. The Railroad Commission shall- with institutions of higher education and			
		Rider no longer necessary. This exception	al item is complete.					
19	VI-54	Services, the agency shall publish enforcement to operators. The agency shall also make available to the state of the stat	Public Information. Out of amounts appropria ent data on its website quarterly, including inspailable on its website quarterly trends in its enficiolations identified and sent for enforcement for	pection and enforcement activities, violations or or cement data, including the number of com-	s identified, and the final penalties assessed plaints received and how the complaints			

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Agency code: 455 Agency name: Railroad Commission

CODE DESCRIPTION	Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name: Produced Water and Injection Data Reporting System		
Item Priority: 1		
IT Component: Yes		
Anticipated Out-year Costs: Yes		
Involve Contracts > \$50,000: Yes		
Includes Funding for the Following Strategy or Strategies: 01-01-01 Promote Energy Resource Development Opport	tunities	
BJECTS OF EXPENSE:		
1001 SALARIES AND WAGES	274,132	274,132
1002 OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS	4,112	4,112
2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES	4,441,602	2,627,734
2009 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE	30,000	30,000
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE	\$4,749,846	\$2,935,978
IETHOD OF FINANCING:		
1 General Revenue Fund	4,749,846	2,935,978
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING	\$4,749,846	\$2,935,978
ULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS (FTE):	2.00	2.00

### **DESCRIPTION / JUSTIFICATION:**

The increase in oil production in Texas over the last 15 years has led to a great increase in the amount of produced water from well sites. The oil and gas industry sees value in recycling the water and turning it into a resource rather than a waste product. Disposing of produced water by injecting it into deep geologic strata increases risks associated with overpressure such as surface breakouts that increase the drilling costs. RRC proposes development of a new system that would collect produced water and injection data and make it available to industry, state regulators, and other interested parties.

## **EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS:**

The industry needs data on the potential for opportunities that the produced water as a treated or recycled resource brings to Texas. The Texas Produced Water Consortium and Texas Water Development Board are coordinating work on developing produced water as a resource in water-scarce areas of Texas.

This also will improve operators' access to temporal and spatial data from other operators in shared operating areas, which will help them manage their own operational affairs regarding drilling and production safety, inter-operator coordination, reservoir management, and conflict resolution.

Industry is supportive of RRC developing these tools and capabilities. They understand it is necessary and important for RRC to have this data and for the industry to provide it.

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CODE DESCRIPTION Excp 2026 Excp 2027

### PCLS TRACKING KEY:

n/a

### DESCRIPTION OF IT COMPONENT INCLUDED IN EXCEPTIONAL ITEM:

This Produced Water Management System will provide a method for oil and gas operators to submit the required data online and RRC staff to review and analyze the submitted data. This system will provide Oil and Gas staff with the data necessary to implement strategies that assist in facilitating the management of produced water as a resource. RRC information technology staff, the Department of Information Resources (DIR), and the State Data Center contractor will be involved with the development and implementation of this project. Additional contracted resources will be selected and engaged in the project effort in accordance with state procurement requirements.

#### IS THIS IT COMPONENT RELATED TO A NEW OR CURRENT PROJECT?

NEW

### **STATUS:**

New Project

### **OUTCOMES:**

This project will provide the resources necessary to modernize several produced water data management tools.

#### **OUTPUTS:**

This project supports all agency output measures.

#### TYPE OF PROJECT

Licensing / Permitting / Monitoring / Enforcement

#### ALTERNATIVE ANALYSIS

n/a

### ESTIMATED IT COST

2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	<b>Total Over Life of Project</b>
\$0	\$0	\$4,749,849	\$2,935,978	\$308,244	\$308,244	\$308,244	\$8,610,559
\$ SCALABILITY							
2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	Total Over Life of Project
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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CODE	DESCRIPTION						Excp 2026	Excp 2027
FTE								
	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	
	0.0	0.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	

# **DESCRIPTION OF ANTICIPATED OUT-YEAR COSTS:**

Maintenance and support costs for all new IT implementations that would be approximately 20% of the initial cost in year 3 (first year after the biennium to implement it), 15% in year 4, and 10% every year thereafter plus continued cost for FTE salaries and operating costs.

# ESTIMATED ANTICIPATED OUT-YEAR COSTS FOR ITEM:

_	2028	2029	2030
	\$1,700,097	\$1,352,134	\$1,004,170

APPROXIMATE PERCENTAGE OF EXCEPTIONAL ITEM: 92.00%

**CONTRACT DESCRIPTION:** 

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Agency code: 455 Agency name: Railroad Commission

CODE DESCRIPTION	Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name: Oil and Gas Authorized Pit Registration System		
Item Priority: 2		
IT Component: Yes		
Anticipated Out-year Costs: Yes		
Involve Contracts > \$50,000: Yes		
Includes Funding for the Following Strategy or Strategies: 01-01-01 Promote Energy Resource Development Opportunities		
JECTS OF EXPENSE:		
1001 SALARIES AND WAGES	274,132	274,132
1002 OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS	4,112	4,112
2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES	1,272,907	858,605
2009 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE	30,000	30,000
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE	\$1,581,151	\$1,166,849
ETHOD OF FINANCING:		
1 General Revenue Fund	1,581,151	1,166,849
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING	\$1,581,151	\$1,166,849

### **DESCRIPTION / JUSTIFICATION:**

The Oil and Gas Environmental Permits and Support Unit needs a new system for operators to provide more information about pits used to store or manage oil field fluids and oil and gas waste. The new system will allow operators to provide more complete information about the size, location, and uses than is currently collected. RRC will inspect the pits as part of its inspection process to ensure no oil and gas activities pollute surface or subsurface waters. The new system will also allow the data to be available online to the public.

## **EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS:**

Operators are authorized to use certain pits during normal oil and gas operations, but the RRC has no knowledge of the existence, size, location, or use of these pits. A system is needed that allows operators to register and RRC to track authorized pits.

Currently, the regulated industry must mail, fax or email documents to submit the required information. Industry, legislators, and the public have asked for more access to Commission data.

## PCLS TRACKING KEY:

n/a

### DESCRIPTION OF IT COMPONENT INCLUDED IN EXCEPTIONAL ITEM:

This project will develop an online registration system that allows the regulated community to provide key data regarding authorized pits. RRC information technology staff,

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the Department of Information Resources (DIR), and the State Data Center contractor will be involved with the development and implementation of this project. Additional contracted resources will be selected and engaged in the project effort in accordance with state procurement requirements.

### IS THIS IT COMPONENT RELATED TO A NEW OR CURRENT PROJECT?

NEW

#### **STATUS:**

New Project

### **OUTCOMES:**

This project RRC and the public will be informed on the location, type, and characteristics of authorized pits.

### **OUTPUTS:**

This project supports all agency output measures.

### TYPE OF PROJECT

Licensing / Permitting / Monitoring / Enforcement

## ALTERNATIVE ANALYSIS

n/a

#### ESTIMATED IT COST

2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	<b>Total Over Life of Project</b>
\$0	\$0	\$1,581,151	\$1,166,849	\$857,844	\$720,444	\$583,044	\$4,909,332
SCALABILITY							
2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	Total Over Life of Project
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE							
2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	
0.0	0.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	

## **DESCRIPTION OF ANTICIPATED OUT-YEAR COSTS:**

Maintenance and support costs for all new IT implementations that would be approximately 20% of the initial cost in year 3 (first year after the biennium to implement it),

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15% in year 4, and 10% every year thereafter plus continued cost for FTE salaries and operating costs.

# ESTIMATED ANTICIPATED OUT-YEAR COSTS FOR ITEM:

2028	2029	2030
\$857,844	\$720,444	\$583,044

 ${\bf APPROXIMATE\ PERCENTAGE\ OF\ EXCEPTIONAL\ ITEM:}$ 

92.00%

**CONTRACT DESCRIPTION:** 

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CODE DESCRIPTION Excp 2026 Excp 2027

Item Name: Oversight and Safety Regulatory Filing and Permitting Systems

Item Priority: 3
IT Component: Yes
d Out-year Costs: Yes

Agency name: Railroad Commission

Anticipated Out-year Costs: Yes Involve Contracts > \$50,000: Yes

**Includes Funding for the Following Strategy or Strategies:** 02-02-01 Regulate Alternative Fuel Resources

03-03-01 Ensure Fair Rates and Compliance to Rate Structures

**OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:** 

Agency code:

455

2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES 3,772,841 2,515,227
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE \$3,772,841 \$2,515,227

METHOD OF FINANCING:

1 General Revenue Fund 3,772,841 2,515,227

TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING \$3,772,841 \$2,515,227

#### **DESCRIPTION / JUSTIFICATION:**

RRC collects multiple reports with large amounts of data from natural gas utilities related to the sale of natural gas. RRC uses this data to audit utility companies and ensure that the collected Natural Gas Utility Taxes are accurate. A new online filing system would make reporting easier for the utility companies and enhance the auditing capabilities of RRC. Likewise, the Alternative Fuels Online System (AFOS) needs enhancements to streamline the permitting process for operators.

#### **EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS:**

Currently, RRC does not have online filing capabilities for the Gas Utility Annual Reports. Each year we receive approximately 10,000 pages of documents that must be scanned for later retrieval and certain data must be manually entered from the reports. The regulated community must email or mail common carrier pipeline tariff filings and the Commission does not have a system to store, analyze, and efficiently make them available on the Commission's website or provide historical data to the public. The natural gas tariff filing system is restrictive, outdated, inefficient, and does not provide reports that are easily by the public or operators/gas utilities. The proposed rule changes are supported by industry along with the system changes needed to support those rule changes.

#### PCLS TRACKING KEY:

n/a

#### DESCRIPTION OF IT COMPONENT INCLUDED IN EXCEPTIONAL ITEM:

This project will include two major components from the agency's Oversight and Safety division, the Alternative Fuels Online Filing System (AFOS) and the Gas Utility Regulatory Filings and Auditing System. The Oversight and Safety Regulatory Filing and Permitting project will modernize the current Alternative Fuels online system and develop a new Gas Utilities' Audit and Market Oversight online system. This project would enhance the current version of AFOS to allow the Alternative Fuels regulated community to submit company licensing and individual certification data online. It would also account for modifications to the AFOS system that will address approved

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rule-changes. This project will also provide a more user-friendly and efficient online filing system that enables the gas utilities community to comply with regulatory requirements. The project will provide functionality to create and track consumer complaints online. Currently, the regulated industry must mail, fax or email documents to submit the required information. Industry, legislators, and the public have asked for more access to Commission data. RRC information technology staff, the Department of Information Resources (DIR), and the State Data Center contractor will be involved with the development and implementation of this project. Additional contracted resources will be selected and engaged in the project effort in accordance with state procurement requirements.

### IS THIS IT COMPONENT RELATED TO A NEW OR CURRENT PROJECT?

NEW

#### STATUS:

n/a

### **OUTCOMES:**

The system will enhance management's ability to establish and measure the attainment of productivity criteria, and to strategically allocate RRC resources. Benefits will also result from the inherent savings of time and money associated with electronic filing and scheduling and more accurate data.

#### **OUTPUTS:**

This project supports all agency output measures.

### TYPE OF PROJECT

Licensing / Permitting / Monitoring / Enforcement

#### ALTERNATIVE ANALYSIS

n/a

#### ESTIMATED IT COST

2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	<b>Total Over Life of Project</b>
\$0	\$0	\$3,772,841	\$2,515,227	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,288,068
SCALABILITY							
2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	<b>Total Over Life of Project</b>
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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FTE

 2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

## **DESCRIPTION OF ANTICIPATED OUT-YEAR COSTS:**

This project will include two major components from the agency's Oversight and Safety division, the Alternative Fuels Online Filing System (AFOS) and the Gas Utility Regulatory Filings and Auditing System. The Oversight and Safety Regulatory Filing and Permitting project will modernize the current Alternative Fuels online system and develop a new Gas Utilities' Audit and Market Oversight online system. This project would enhance the current version of AFOS to allow the Alternative Fuels regulated community to submit company licensing and individual certification data online. It would also account for modifications to the AFOS system that will address approved rule-changes. This project will also provide a more user-friendly and efficient online filing system that enables the gas utilities community to comply with regulatory requirements. The project will provide functionality to create and track consumer complaints online. Currently, the regulated industry must mail, fax or email documents to submit the required information. Industry, legislators, and the public have asked for more access to Commission data. RRC information technology staff, the Department of Information Resources (DIR), and the State Data Center contractor will be involved with the development and implementation of this project. Additional contracted resources will be selected and engaged in the project effort in accordance with state procurement requirements.

#### ESTIMATED ANTICIPATED OUT-YEAR COSTS FOR ITEM:

 2028	2029	2030
\$1,257,614	\$943,210	\$628,807

APPROXIMATE PERCENTAGE OF EXCEPTIONAL ITEM: 100.00%

**CONTRACT DESCRIPTION:** 

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Agency code: 455 Agency name: Railroad Commission

CODE DESCRIPTION	Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name: Site Remediation Program Support		
Item Priority: 4		
IT Component: No		
Anticipated Out-year Costs: Yes		
Involve Contracts > \$50,000: No		
Includes Funding for the Following Strategy or Strategies: 03-02-01 Oil and Gas Well Plugging and Remediation		
DBJECTS OF EXPENSE:		
1001 SALARIES AND WAGES	138,000	138,000
1002 OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS	2,070	2,070
2005 TRAVEL	1,000	1,000
2009 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE	30,000	30,000
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE	\$171,070	\$171,070
IETHOD OF FINANCING:		
1 General Revenue Fund	171,070	171,070
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING	\$171,070	\$171,070
ULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS (FTE):	2.00	2.00

### **DESCRIPTION / JUSTIFICATION:**

The Oil and Gas Site Remediation Program needs two additional FTEs to review complex cleanup projects and respond to public information requests about cleanup activities.

## **EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS:**

Critical need for experienced FTEs with specialized skillset to monitor complex cleanups in sensitive areas. Site Remediation workload has increased due to non-project review activities and to successful outreach programs.

## PCLS TRACKING KEY:

# **DESCRIPTION OF ANTICIPATED OUT-YEAR COSTS:**

On-going salaries and operating costs for support staff.

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ESTIMATED ANTICIPATED OUT-YEAR COSTS FOR ITEM:

2028	2029	2030
\$171,070	\$171,070	\$171,070

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CODE DESCRIPTION Excp 2026 Excp 2027

Item Name: New Kilgore District Office Building

Item Priority: 5
IT Component: No

Anticipated Out-year Costs: Yes Involve Contracts > \$50,000: Yes

**Includes Funding for the Following Strategy or Strategies:** 03-01-01 Oil and Gas Monitoring and Inspections

03-02-01 Oil and Gas Well Plugging and Remediation

**OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:** 

5000 CAPITAL EXPENDITURES 3,000,000 0

TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE \$3,000,000 \$0

METHOD OF FINANCING:

1 General Revenue Fund 3,000,000 0

TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING \$3,000,000 \$0

#### **DESCRIPTION / JUSTIFICATION:**

RRC requests funding for the construction of a new 8,800 square foot building in Kilgore. The District Office has temporarily moved into leased space in Henderson. The previous building was not cost effective to renovate due to black mold, asbestos, and structural concerns.

#### **EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS:**

RRC is currently having to lease space in Henderson, Texas.

## PCLS TRACKING KEY:

### **DESCRIPTION OF ANTICIPATED OUT-YEAR COSTS:**

Building maintenance costs

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ESTIMATED ANTICIPATED OUT-YEAR COSTS FOR ITEM:

 2028
 2029
 2030

 \$15,000
 \$15,000
 \$15,000

APPROXIMATE PERCENTAGE OF EXCEPTIONAL ITEM: 100.00%

**CONTRACT DESCRIPTION:** 

Construction contract.

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Agency code: 455 Agency name: Railroad Commission

CODE DESCRIPTION			Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:	GIS Clo	ud Upgrade		
Item Priority:	6			
IT Component:	Yes			
Anticipated Out-year Costs:				
Involve Contracts > \$50,000:				
<b>Includes Funding for the Following Strategy or Strategies:</b>	01-01-01	Promote Energy Resource Development Opportunities		
	02-01-01	Ensure Pipeline Safety		
	02-01-02	Pipeline Damage Prevention		
	02-02-01	Regulate Alternative Fuel Resources		
	03-01-01	Oil and Gas Monitoring and Inspections		
	03-01-02	Surface Mining Monitoring and Inspections		
	03-02-01	Oil and Gas Well Plugging and Remediation		
	03-02-02	Surface Mining Reclamation		
	03-03-01	Ensure Fair Rates and Compliance to Rate Structures		
	03-04-01	Critical Infrastructure Weather Preparedness		
	04-01-01	Public Information and Services		
BJECTS OF EXPENSE:				
2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES			1,071,389	1,071,389
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE		_	\$1,071,389	\$1,071,389
ETHOD OF FINANCING:				
1 General Revenue Fund			1,071,389	1,071,389
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING		_	\$1,071,389	\$1,071,389

### **DESCRIPTION / JUSTIFICATION:**

RRC uses a geographic information system (GIS) extensively across the agency to effectively regulate the oil and gas industry and ensure critical infrastructure is prepared for weather emergencies. The RRC Public GIS Map Viewer allows the public to access this important data. The migration from the current GIS platform to a cloud-based platform offers more detailing reporting, faster data access, increased uptime, and new analytical tools for users and the general public.

### **EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS:**

Impacts all ArcGIS Users in RRC to include Drilling Permits mapping, Underground Injection Control Seismicity projects, Well and Survey mapping, Pipeline mapping and Groundwater mapping and regulation. Users will benefit from the new features and improvements with the latest version of software giving them enhanced data visualization

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capabilities and improved performance. Moving to ArcGIS Online can allow for increased accessibility. Regulated Community will be able to interact with maps and data in a more intuitive and user-friendly way. Users can expect improved performance and uptime for services they rely on.

### PCLS TRACKING KEY:

n/a

#### DESCRIPTION OF IT COMPONENT INCLUDED IN EXCEPTIONAL ITEM:

Modernize the Commission's Public Geographic Information System (GIS) Map Viewer to provide division by division, business by business reporting lines. This will allow agency staff to use GIS data to create more intricate map views and produce data sets customized for specific business functions. This will provide better visibility of GIS data for consumers, increase data reliability, and allow users to download the data for their specific needs. This project will modernize the GIS infrastructure to the cloud and allow faster upgrades, faster GIS data sets display and more target GIS functions with better uptime, disaster recovery and scalability.

### IS THIS IT COMPONENT RELATED TO A NEW OR CURRENT PROJECT?

NEW

#### **STATUS:**

n/a

#### **OUTCOMES:**

Impacts all ArcGIS Users in RRC to include Drilling Permits mapping, Underground Injection Control Seismicity projects, Well and Survey mapping, Pipeline mapping and Groundwater mapping and regulation. Users will benefit from the new features and improvements with the latest version of software giving them enhanced data visualization capabilities and improved performance.

### **OUTPUTS:**

This project supports all agency output measures.

#### TYPE OF PROJECT

Cloud Computing

### ALTERNATIVE ANALYSIS

n/a

#### ESTIMATED IT COST

 2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	Total Over Life of Project
\$0	\$0	\$1,071,389	\$1,071,389	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$2,742,778

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2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	Total Over Life of Project
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE							
2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	
0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	

## **DESCRIPTION OF ANTICIPATED OUT-YEAR COSTS:**

System maintenance

ESTIMATED ANTICIPATED OUT-YEAR COSTS FOR ITEM:

2028	2029	2030
\$200,000	\$200,000	\$200,000

APPROXIMATE PERCENTAGE OF EXCEPTIONAL ITEM:

100.00%

**CONTRACT DESCRIPTION:** 

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CODE DESCRIPTION Excp 2026 Excp 2027

Item Name: Microfilm Digitization

Item Priority: 7
IT Component: No

Anticipated Out-year Costs: No Involve Contracts > \$50,000: Yes

**Includes Funding for the Following Strategy or Strategies:** 04-01-01 Public Information and Services

**OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:** 

 2009
 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE
 407,482
 500,014

 TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE
 \$407,482
 \$500,014

METHOD OF FINANCING:

1 General Revenue Fund 407,482 500,014

TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING \$407,482 \$500,014

#### **DESCRIPTION / JUSTIFICATION:**

RRC continues to make all oil and gas records available digitally online to the public for greater transparency. Records held at the district offices should be completely digitized by the end of fiscal year 2025. This project would digitize existing microfilm records in Austin from inclusion with existing digital resources available from the RRC website.

#### **EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS:**

Digitizing the records will allow the public to view historical records online instead of having to travel to the Austin headquarters. With the addition of historical records, the public has access to a greater range of permits, completions, plugging, and other forms used to permit and regulate oil and gas wells.

Digitizing the records and making them available online will also increase RRC staff efficiency and response time because there will not always be a need for research staff to retrieve the physical records to fulfill requests.

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APPROXIMATE PERCENTAGE OF EXCEPTIONAL ITEM: 100.00%

**CONTRACT DESCRIPTION:** 

Deliverable-Based Contracts

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Agency code: 455 Agency name: Railroad Commission

CODE DESCRIPTION			Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:	Vehicle F	Replacements		
Item Priority:	8			
IT Component:	No			
Anticipated Out-year Costs:	Yes			
Involve Contracts > \$50,000:	Yes			
Includes Funding for the Following Strategy or Strategies:	02-01-01	Ensure Pipeline Safety		
	02-02-01	Regulate Alternative Fuel Resources		
	03-01-02	Surface Mining Monitoring and Inspections		
	03-02-01	Oil and Gas Well Plugging and Remediation		
	03-04-01	Critical Infrastructure Weather Preparedness		
JECTS OF EXPENSE:				
5000 CAPITAL EXPENDITURES			2,473,255	2,416,586
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE			\$2,473,255	\$2,416,586
ETHOD OF FINANCING:				
1 General Revenue Fund			2,473,255	2,416,586
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING			\$2,473,255	\$2,416,586

### **DESCRIPTION / JUSTIFICATION:**

RRC will need to replace 82 trucks for field staff during the 2026-27 biennium. RRC replaces vehicles in accordance with the guidelines of the Texas State Vehicle Fleet Management Plan from the Comptroller's Office of Vehicle Fleet Management.

### **EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS:**

Vehicle replacements for the 2024-25 biennium were funded by the supplemental appropriations bill (SB 30, 88th Legislature, Regular Session). This eliminated the line item in the agency's capital budget rider.

### PCLS TRACKING KEY:

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Agency code: 455 Agency name: Railroad Commission

CODE DESCRIPTION Excp 2026 Excp 2027

## **DESCRIPTION OF ANTICIPATED OUT-YEAR COSTS:**

On-going vehicle replacements on normal replacement life cycle.

## ESTIMATED ANTICIPATED OUT-YEAR COSTS FOR ITEM:

2028	2029	2030
\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000

APPROXIMATE PERCENTAGE OF EXCEPTIONAL ITEM: 100.00%

**CONTRACT DESCRIPTION:** 

Comptroller Smartbuy contract.

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Agency code: 455 Agency name: Railroad Commission

CODE DESCRIPTION			Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:	Data Cer	nter Services Adjustment		
Item Priority:	9			
IT Component:	No			
Anticipated Out-year Costs:	Yes			
Involve Contracts > \$50,000:	No			
	01-01-01	Promote Energy Resource Development Opportunities		
	02-01-01	Ensure Pipeline Safety		
	02-01-02	Pipeline Damage Prevention		
	02-02-01	Regulate Alternative Fuel Resources		
	03-01-01	Oil and Gas Monitoring and Inspections		
	03-01-02	Surface Mining Monitoring and Inspections		
	03-02-01	Oil and Gas Well Plugging and Remediation		
	03-02-02	Surface Mining Reclamation		
	03-03-01	Ensure Fair Rates and Compliance to Rate Structures		
	03-04-01	Critical Infrastructure Weather Preparedness		
	04-01-01	Public Information and Services		
BJECTS OF EXPENSE:				
2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES			4,154,461	3,573,937
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE			\$4,154,461	\$3,573,93
ETHOD OF FINANCING:				
1 General Revenue Fund			4,154,461	3,573,937
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING			\$4,154,461	\$3,573,937

### **DESCRIPTION / JUSTIFICATION:**

RRC requests an additional funding for Data Center Services (DCS) cost for the biennium. The latest forecast from the Department of Information Resources (DIR) for RRC's DCS cost is \$23M which is a 50.5% increase from the \$15.2M appropriated in the 2024-25 biennium. DIR's forecast is based on the current services that RRC receives as well as additional licenses and server cost necessary in the statewide data center for the next biennium.

### **EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS:**

RRC is utilizing more services in the data center as progress is made migrating systems off the existing mainframe-based systems.

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Agency code: 455 Agency name: Railroad Commission

CODE DESCRIPTION Excp 2026 Excp 2027

PCLS TRACKING KEY:

## **DESCRIPTION OF ANTICIPATED OUT-YEAR COSTS:**

Continued services that RRC receives from DIR as well as additional licenses and server cost necessary in the statewide data center.

### ESTIMATED ANTICIPATED OUT-YEAR COSTS FOR ITEM:

2028	2029	2030
\$3,864,200	\$3,864,200	\$3,864,200

Agency code: 455	Agency name: Railroad Commission		
Code Description		Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:	Produced Water and Injection Data Reporting	System	
Allocation to Strategy:	1-1-1 Promote Energy Resour	ce Development Opportunities	
<b>OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:</b>			
1001	SALARIES AND WAGES	274,132	274,132
1002	OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS	4,112	4,112
2001	PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES	4,441,602	2,627,734
2009	OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE	30,000	30,000
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXP	ENSE	\$4,749,846	\$2,935,978
METHOD OF FINANCING	G:		
1	General Revenue Fund	4,749,846	2,935,978
TOTAL, METHOD OF FIN	MANCING	\$4,749,846	\$2,935,978
FULL-TIME EQUIVALEN	T POSITIONS (FTE):	2.0	2.0

Agency code: 455	Agency name: Railroad Commission		
Code Description		Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:	Oil and Gas Authorized Pit Registration System	n	
Allocation to Strategy:	1-1-1 Promote Energy Resource	ee Development Opportunities	
<b>OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:</b>			
1001	SALARIES AND WAGES	274,132	274,132
1002	OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS	4,112	4,112
2001	PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES	1,272,907	858,605
2009	OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE	30,000	30,000
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXP	ENSE	\$1,581,151	\$1,166,849
METHOD OF FINANCING	G:		
1	General Revenue Fund	1,581,151	1,166,849
TOTAL, METHOD OF FIN	MANCING	\$1,581,151	\$1,166,849
FULL-TIME EQUIVALEN	T POSITIONS (FTE):	2.0	2.0

Agency code: 455	Agency name: Rai	lroad Commission		
Code Description			Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:	Oversight and Sa	afety Regulatory Filing and Perm	nitting Systems	
Allocation to Strategy:	2-2-1	Regulate Alternative Fuel F	Resources	
<b>OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:</b>				
2001 PF	OFESSIONAL FEES AND S	ERVICES	2,366,070	1,577,380
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENS	E		\$2,366,070	\$1,577,380
METHOD OF FINANCING:				
1 Gen	eral Revenue Fund		2,366,070	1,577,380
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINAN	CING		\$2,366,070	\$1,577,380

Agency code:	455	Agency name: Ra	nilroad Commission		
Code Description				Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:		Oversight and	Safety Regulatory Filing and Pern	nitting Systems	
Allocation to	Strategy:	3-3-1	Ensure Fair Rates and Con	npliance to Rate Structures	
OBJECTS OF EX		PROFESSIONAL FEES AND	SERVICES	1,406,771	937,847
TOTAL, OBJEC			SERVICES	\$1,406,771	\$937,847
METHOD OF FI	NANCING:				
	1 Gei	neral Revenue Fund		1,406,771	937,847
TOTAL, METHO	OD OF FINAN	NCING		\$1,406,771	\$937,847

Agency code: 455	Agency name: Railro	ad Commission	
Code Description		Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:	Site Remediation Pr	rogram Support	
Allocation to Strategy:	3-2-1	Oil and Gas Well Plugging and Remediation	
<b>OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:</b>			
1001	SALARIES AND WAGES	138,000	138,000
1002	OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS	2,070	2,070
2005	TRAVEL	1,000	1,000
2009	OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE	30,000	30,000
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXI	PENSE	\$171,070	\$171,070
METHOD OF FINANCIN	G:		
1	General Revenue Fund	171,070	171,070
TOTAL, METHOD OF FI	NANCING	\$171,070	\$171,070
FULL-TIME EQUIVALEN	NT POSITIONS (FTE):	2.0	2.0

Agency code:	455	Agency name: Rai	lroad Commission		
Code Description				Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:		New Kilgore Di	strict Office Building		
Allocation to St	trategy:	3-1-1	Oil and Gas Monitoring and	d Inspections	
OBJECTS OF EXP	PENSE:				
	5000 C	APITAL EXPENDITURES		1,500,000	0
TOTAL, OBJECT	OF EXPENS	SE		\$1,500,000	\$0
METHOD OF FIN	ANCING:				
	1 Gen	eral Revenue Fund		1,500,000	0
TOTAL, METHOD	OF FINAN	CING		\$1,500,000	\$0

Agency code: 4	155	Agency name:	Railroad Commission		
Code Description				Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:		New Kilgore	e District Office Building		
Allocation to Sta	rategy:	3-2-1	Oil and Gas Well Plugging a	nd Remediation	
OBJECTS OF EXP	ENSE:				
	5000	CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	S	1,500,000	0
TOTAL, OBJECT (	OF EXI	PENSE		\$1,500,000	\$0
METHOD OF FINA	ANCIN	G:			
	1	General Revenue Fund		1,500,000	0
TOTAL, METHOD	OF FI	NANCING		\$1,500,000	\$0

Agency code:	455	Agency name: F	tailroad Commission		
Code Description				Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:		GIS Cloud U <sub>I</sub>	grade		
Allocation to	Strategy:	1-1-1	Promote Energy Resource	Development Opportunities	
OBJECTS OF EX	XPENSE:				
	2001	PROFESSIONAL FEES ANI	SERVICES	141,209	141,209
TOTAL, OBJEC	T OF EXPE	NSE		\$141,209	\$141,209
METHOD OF FI	INANCING:	:			
	1 0	General Revenue Fund		141,209	141,209
TOTAL, METHO	OD OF FINA	ANCING		\$141,209	\$141,209

Agency code: 455	5	Agency name: Rai	lroad Commission		
Code Description				Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:		GIS Cloud Upgr	ade		
Allocation to Strat	tegy:	2-1-1	Ensure Pipeline Safety		
OBJECTS OF EXPEN	NSE:				
20	001 PRO	FESSIONAL FEES AND S	ERVICES	78,640	78,640
TOTAL, OBJECT OF	EXPENSE			\$78,640	\$78,640
METHOD OF FINAN	CING:				
	1 Genera	l Revenue Fund		78,640	78,640
TOTAL, METHOD O	F FINANCI	NG		\$78,640	\$78,640

Agency code:	455	Agency name: R	ailroad Commission		
Code Description				Ехср 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:		GIS Cloud Upg	grade		
Allocation to	Strategy:	2-1-2	Pipeline Damage Prevention		
OBJECTS OF E	XPENSE:				
	2001 PI	ROFESSIONAL FEES AND	SERVICES	3,428	3,428
TOTAL, OBJEC	T OF EXPENS	SE		\$3,428	\$3,428
METHOD OF FI	INANCING:				
	1 Gen	eral Revenue Fund		3,428	3,428
TOTAL, METHO	OD OF FINAN	CING		\$3,428	\$3,428

Agency code:	455	Agency name:	Railroad Commission		
Code Description				Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:		GIS Cloud U	pgrade		
Allocation to	Strategy:	2-2-1	Regulate Alternative Fuel Resource	ces	
OBJECTS OF EX	KPENSE:				
	2001 PI	ROFESSIONAL FEES AN	D SERVICES	26,785	26,785
TOTAL, OBJECT	Γ OF EXPENS	SE		\$26,785	\$26,785
METHOD OF FI	NANCING:				
	1 Gen	eral Revenue Fund		26,785	26,785
TOTAL, METHO	DD OF FINAN	CING		\$26,785	\$26,785

Agency code:	455	Agency name: R	ailroad Commission		
Code Description				Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:		GIS Cloud Up	grade		
Allocation to	Strategy:	3-1-1	Oil and Gas Monitoring and	Inspections	
OBJECTS OF E	XPENSE:				
	2001	PROFESSIONAL FEES AND	SERVICES	203,992	203,992
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE		\$203,992	\$203,992		
METHOD OF F	INANCING:				
	1 Ge	eneral Revenue Fund		203,992	203,992
TOTAL, METHO	OD OF FINA	NCING		\$203,992	\$203,992

Agency code:	455	Agency name: F	Railroad Commission		
Code Description				Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:		GIS Cloud U <sub>I</sub>	ograde		
Allocation to St	trategy:	3-1-2	Surface Mining Monitoring	g and Inspections	
OBJECTS OF EXP	PENSE:				
	2001	PROFESSIONAL FEES ANI	O SERVICES	31,177	31,177
TOTAL, OBJECT	OF EXPEN	NSE		\$31,177	\$31,177
METHOD OF FIN	ANCING:				
	1 Ge	eneral Revenue Fund		31,177	31,177
TOTAL, METHOL	OF FINA	NCING		\$31,177	\$31,177

Agency code:	455	Agency name: Ra	ilroad Commission		
Code Description				Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:		GIS Cloud Upg	rade		
Allocation to	Strategy:	3-2-1	Oil and Gas Well Plugging	and Remediation	
OBJECTS OF E	XPENSE:				
	2001	PROFESSIONAL FEES AND	SERVICES	462,519	462,519
TOTAL, OBJEC	T OF EXPE	NSE		\$462,519	\$462,519
METHOD OF FI	INANCING:				
	1 G	eneral Revenue Fund		462,519	462,519
TOTAL, METHO	OD OF FINA	ANCING		\$462,519	\$462,519

Agency code:	455	Agency name: Rai	lroad Commission		
Code Description				Ехср 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:		GIS Cloud Upgr	ade		
Allocation to	Strategy:	3-2-2	Surface Mining Reclamation		
OBJECTS OF E	XPENSE:				
	2001 PI	ROFESSIONAL FEES AND S	ERVICES	8,250	8,250
TOTAL, OBJEC	T OF EXPENS	SE		\$8,250	\$8,250
METHOD OF FI	INANCING:				
	1 Gen	eral Revenue Fund		8,250	8,250
TOTAL, METHO	OD OF FINAN	CING		\$8,250	\$8,250

Agency code:	455	Agency name: Ra	ilroad Commission		
Code Description				Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:		GIS Cloud Upg	rade		
Allocation to	Strategy:	3-3-1	Ensure Fair Rates and Comp	pliance to Rate Structures	
OBJECTS OF E	XPENSE:				
	2001	PROFESSIONAL FEES AND	SERVICES	22,178	22,178
TOTAL, OBJEC	T OF EXPEN	NSE		\$22,178	\$22,178
METHOD OF FI	INANCING:				
	1 Ge	eneral Revenue Fund		22,178	22,178
TOTAL, METHO	OD OF FINA	NCING		\$22,178	\$22,178

Agency code:	455	Agency name:	Railroad Commission		
Code Description				Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:		GIS Cloud U <sub>l</sub>	ograde		
Allocation to	Strategy:	3-4-1	Critical Infrastructure Weath	ner Preparedness	
OBJECTS OF E	XPENSE:				
	2001 PI	ROFESSIONAL FEES ANI	O SERVICES	77,890	77,890
TOTAL, OBJEC	T OF EXPENS	SE		\$77,890	\$77,890
METHOD OF F	INANCING:				
	1 Gen	eral Revenue Fund		77,890	77,890
TOTAL, METH	OD OF FINAN	CING		\$77,890	\$77,890

Agency code:	455	Agency name:	Rail	road Commission		
Code Description					Excp 2026	Ехср 2027
Item Name:		GIS Clo	ıd Upgra	de		
Allocation to	Strategy:	4	-1-1	Public Information and Services		
OBJECTS OF E	XPENSE:					
	2001	PROFESSIONAL FEES	AND S	ERVICES	15,321	15,321
TOTAL, OBJEC	T OF EXI	PENSE			\$15,321	\$15,321
METHOD OF FI	INANCIN	G:				
	1	General Revenue Fund			15,321	15,321
TOTAL, METHO	OD OF FI	NANCING			\$15,321	\$15,321

Agency code:	455	Agency name: <b>F</b>	Cailroad Commission		
Code Description				Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:		Microfilm Dig	gitization		
Allocation to	Strategy:	4-1-1	Public Information and Services		
OBJECTS OF EX	XPENSE:				
	2009	OTHER OPERATING EXPE	NSE	407,482	500,014
TOTAL, OBJEC	T OF EXPEN	SE		\$407,482	\$500,014
METHOD OF FI	NANCING:				
	1 Ger	neral Revenue Fund		407,482	500,014
TOTAL, METHO	OD OF FINAN	NCING		\$407,482	\$500,014

Agency code:	455	Agency name: Ra	ilroad Commission		
Code Description				Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:		Vehicle Replace	ments		
Allocation to	Strategy:	2-1-1	Ensure Pipeline Safety		
OBJECTS OF EX	PENSE:				
	5000 CA	PITAL EXPENDITURES		284,661	175,884
TOTAL, OBJECT	OF EXPENSE			\$284,661	\$175,884
METHOD OF FIR	NANCING:				
	1 Gener	ral Revenue Fund		284,661	175,884
TOTAL, METHO	D OF FINANC	ING		\$284,661	\$175,884

Agency code:	455	Agency name: Ra	nilroad Commission		
Code Description				Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:		Vehicle Replace	ements		
Allocation to	Strategy:	2-2-1	Regulate Alternative Fuel Resources		
OBJECTS OF EX	XPENSE:				
	5000 C	CAPITAL EXPENDITURES		195,968	211,645
TOTAL, OBJEC	T OF EXPEN	SE	-	\$195,968	\$211,645
METHOD OF FI	NANCING:				
	1 Gei	neral Revenue Fund	_	195,968	211,645
TOTAL, METHO	OD OF FINAN	NCING	_	\$195,968	\$211,645

Agency code:	455	Agency name: Ra	ilroad Commission		
Code Description				Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:		Vehicle Replace	ements		
Allocation to	Strategy:	3-1-2	Surface Mining Monitoring	and Inspections	
OBJECTS OF EX	XPENSE:				
	5000 C	APITAL EXPENDITURES		113,864	61,487
TOTAL, OBJEC	T OF EXPENS	SE		\$113,864	\$61,487
METHOD OF FI	NANCING:				
	1 Gen	neral Revenue Fund		113,864	61,487
TOTAL, METHO	DD OF FINAN	ICING		\$113,864	\$61,487

Agency code:	455	Agency name: Ra	ilroad Commission		
Code Description				Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:		Vehicle Replace	ements		
Allocation to S	Strategy:	3-2-1	Oil and Gas Well Plugging	and Remediation	
OBJECTS OF EX	PENSE:				
	5000 CA	APITAL EXPENDITURES		1,480,237	1,783,110
TOTAL, OBJECT	OF EXPENS	E		\$1,480,237	\$1,783,110
METHOD OF FIR	NANCING:				
	1 Gene	eral Revenue Fund		1,480,237	1,783,110
TOTAL, METHO	D OF FINAN	CING		\$1,480,237	\$1,783,110

Agency code: 455		Agency name:	Railroad Commission		
Code Description				Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:		Vehicle Re	placements		
Allocation to Strate	gy:	3-4-	-1 Critical Infrastructure Weath	ner Preparedness	
OBJECTS OF EXPEN	SE:				
50	00 CAPIT	AL EXPENDITUR	ES	398,525	184,460
TOTAL, OBJECT OF	EXPENSE			\$398,525	\$184,460
METHOD OF FINANC	CING:				
	1 General I	Revenue Fund		398,525	184,460
TOTAL, METHOD OI	FINANCING	G		\$398,525	\$184,460

Agency code:	455	Agency name:	Railroad Commission		
Code Description	1			Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:		Data Center	Services Adjustment		
Allocation to	Strategy:	1-1-1	Promote Energy Resource l	Development Opportunities	
OBJECTS OF E	XPENSE:				
	2001 P	PROFESSIONAL FEES AN	ID SERVICES	547,559	471,045
TOTAL, OBJEC	CT OF EXPEN	SE		\$547,559	\$471,045
METHOD OF F	INANCING:				
	1 Ger	neral Revenue Fund		547,559	471,045
TOTAL, METHO	OD OF FINAN	NCING		\$547,559	\$471,045

Agency code: 455 Agency name: Railroad Commission		
Code Description	Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name: Data Center Services Adjustment		
Allocation to Strategy: 2-1-1 Ensure Pipeline Safety		
OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:		
2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES	304,937	262,327
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE	\$304,937	\$262,327
METHOD OF FINANCING:		
1 General Revenue Fund	304,937	262,327
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING	\$304,937	\$262,327

Agency code: 455	Agency name: Rail	road Commission		
Code Description			Excp 2026	Exep 2027
Item Name:	Data Center Serv	ices Adjustment		
Allocation to Strategy:	2-1-2	Pipeline Damage Prevention		
<b>OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:</b>				
2001 PRO	FESSIONAL FEES AND S	ERVICES	13,294	11,437
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE			\$13,294	\$11,437
METHOD OF FINANCING:				
1 General Revenue Fund TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING		13,294	11,437	
			\$13,294	\$11,437

Agency code:	455	Agency name: R	ailroad Commission		
Code Description				Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:		Data Center So	ervices Adjustment		
Allocation to	Strategy:	2-2-1	Regulate Alternative Fuel Re	esources	
OBJECTS OF EX	EPENSE:				
	2001 PI	ROFESSIONAL FEES AND	SERVICES	103,862	89,348
TOTAL, OBJECT	T OF EXPENS	SE		\$103,862	\$89,348
METHOD OF FIR	NANCING:				
	1 Gen	eral Revenue Fund		103,862	89,348
TOTAL, METHO	D OF FINAN	CING		\$103,862	\$89,348

Agency code: 455	Agency name: Rai	lroad Commission		
Code Description			Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:	Data Center Serv	vices Adjustment		
Allocation to Strategy:	3-1-1	Oil and Gas Monitoring an	d Inspections	
<b>OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:</b>				
2001 P	ROFESSIONAL FEES AND S	SERVICES	791,009	680,478
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE		\$791,009	\$680,478	
METHOD OF FINANCING:				
1 Ger	eral Revenue Fund		791,009	680,478
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINAN	CING		\$791,009	\$680,478

Agency code: 455	Agency name: F	Railroad Commission		
Code Description			Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:	Data Center S	ervices Adjustment		
Allocation to Strategy	3-1-2	Surface Mining Monitoring	and Inspections	
OBJECTS OF EXPENSE	:			
2001	PROFESSIONAL FEES ANI	O SERVICES	120,895	104,002
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EX	<b>YPENSE</b>		\$120,895	\$104,002
METHOD OF FINANCI	NG:			
1	General Revenue Fund		120,895	104,002
TOTAL, METHOD OF F	INANCING		\$120,895	\$104,002

Agency code: 455	Agency name: Railroad Co	mmission	
Code Description		Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:	Data Center Services Adj	ustment	
Allocation to Strategy:	3-2-1 Oil	and Gas Well Plugging and Remediation	
<b>OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:</b>			
2001 PRO	FESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICE	S 1,793,481	1,542,869
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE		\$1,793,481	\$1,542,869
METHOD OF FINANCING:			
1 General Revenue Fund TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING		1,793,481	1,542,869
		\$1,793,481	\$1,542,869

Agency code: 455	Agency name:	Railroad Commission		
Code Description			Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:	Data Cento	r Services Adjustment		
Allocation to Strate	gy: 3-2	-2 Surface Mining Reclamation		
OBJECTS OF EXPENS	SE:			
200	1 PROFESSIONAL FEES A	ND SERVICES	31,989	27,519
TOTAL, OBJECT OF I	EXPENSE		\$31,989	\$27,519
METHOD OF FINANC	ING:			
1 General Revenue Fund		31,989	27,519	
TOTAL, METHOD OF	FINANCING		\$31,989	\$27,519

Agency code: 455	Agency name: Rai	lroad Commission		
Code Description			Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:	Data Center Serv	rices Adjustment		
Allocation to Strategy:	3-3-1	Ensure Fair Rates and Compli	iance to Rate Structures	
<b>OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:</b>				
2001	PROFESSIONAL FEES AND S	ERVICES	85,997	73,980
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXP	ENSE		\$85,997	\$73,980
METHOD OF FINANCING	G:			
1	General Revenue Fund		85,997	73,980
TOTAL, METHOD OF FIN	NANCING		\$85,997	\$73,980

Agency code: 455	Agency name: Rai	lroad Commission		
Code Description			Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:	Data Center Ser	vices Adjustment		
Allocation to Strategy:	3-4-1	Critical Infrastructure Weather Pr	eparedness	
<b>OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:</b>				
2001 P	ROFESSIONAL FEES AND S	SERVICES	302,029	259,825
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPEN	SE		\$302,029	\$259,825
METHOD OF FINANCING:				
1 Ger	neral Revenue Fund		302,029	259,825
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINAN	NCING		\$302,029	\$259,825

Agency code: 455	Agency name: Rail	road Commission		
Code Description			Excp 2026	Excp 2027
Item Name:	Data Center Serv	ices Adjustment		
Allocation to Strategy:	4-1-1	Public Information and Services		
OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:				
2001 PROF	ESSIONAL FEES AND SI	ERVICES	59,409	51,107
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE		· -	\$59,409	\$51,107
METHOD OF FINANCING:				
1 General 1	Revenue Fund	_	59,409	51,107
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING		\$59,409	\$51,107	

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Agency Code:	455 Agency name: Railroad Commissio	n	
GOAL:	1 Oversee Oil and Gas Resource Development		
OBJECTIVE:	1 Increase Opportunities for Oil and Gas Resource Development	Service Categories:	
STRATEGY:	1 Promote Energy Resource Development Opportunities	Service: 37 Income: A.2 A	age: B.3
CODE DESCRI	PTION	Excp 2026	Ехср 2027
OBJECTS OF EX	PENSE:		
1001 SALAR	IES AND WAGES	548,264	548,264
1002 OTHER	PERSONNEL COSTS	8,224	8,224
2001 PROFE	SSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES	6,403,277	4,098,593

### METHOD OF FINANCING:

1 General Revenue Fund 7,019,765 4,715,081

Total, Method of Finance \$7,019,765 \$4,715,081

## **FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS (FTE):**

2009 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE

Total, Objects of Expense

## **EXCEPTIONAL ITEM(S) INCLUDED IN STRATEGY:**

Produced Water and Injection Data Reporting System

Oil and Gas Authorized Pit Registration System

GIS Cloud Upgrade

Data Center Services Adjustment

60,000

4.0

\$4,715,081

60,000

4.0

\$7,019,765

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Agency Code: 455 Agency name: Railroad Commission

GOAL: 2 Advance Safety Through Training, Monitoring, and Enforcement

OBJECTIVE: 1 Improve Pipeline Safety Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 1 Ensure Pipeline Safety Service: 17 Income: A.2 Age: B.3

**CODE DESCRIPTION** Excp 2026 Excp 2027 **OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:** 2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES 340,967 383,577 5000 CAPITAL EXPENDITURES 175,884 284,661 Total, Objects of Expense \$668,238 \$516,851 **METHOD OF FINANCING:** 1 General Revenue Fund 668,238 516,851

## **EXCEPTIONAL ITEM(S) INCLUDED IN STRATEGY:**

**Total, Method of Finance** 

GIS Cloud Upgrade

Vehicle Replacements

Data Center Services Adjustment

\$516,851

\$668,238

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Agency Code: 455 Agency name: Railroad Commission

GOAL: 2 Advance Safety Through Training, Monitoring, and Enforcement

OBJECTIVE: 1 Improve Pipeline Safety Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 2 Pipeline Damage Prevention Service: 17 Income: A.2 Age: B.3

CODE DESCRIPTION Excp 2026 Excp 2027

**OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:** 

2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES 16,722 14,865

Total, Objects of Expense \$16,722 \$14,865

**METHOD OF FINANCING:** 

1 General Revenue Fund 16,722 14,865

Total, Method of Finance \$16,722 \$14,865

## EXCEPTIONAL ITEM(S) INCLUDED IN STRATEGY:

GIS Cloud Upgrade

Data Center Services Adjustment

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Agency Code: 455 Agency name: Railroad Commission

GOAL: 2 Advance Safety Through Training, Monitoring, and Enforcement

OBJECTIVE: 2 Alternative Energy & Safety Through Regulation Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 1 Regulate Alternative Fuel Resources Service: 36 Income: A.2 Age: B.3

**CODE DESCRIPTION** Excp 2026 Excp 2027 **OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:** 1,693,513 2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES 2,496,717 5000 CAPITAL EXPENDITURES 195,968 211,645 Total, Objects of Expense \$2,692,685 \$1,905,158 **METHOD OF FINANCING:** 1 General Revenue Fund 2,692,685 1,905,158

## **EXCEPTIONAL ITEM(S) INCLUDED IN STRATEGY:**

**Total, Method of Finance** 

Oversight and Safety Regulatory Filing and Permitting Systems

GIS Cloud Upgrade

Vehicle Replacements

Data Center Services Adjustment

\$1,905,158

\$2,692,685

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Agency Code: 455 Agency name: **Railroad Commission** 

3 Min. Harmful Effects of Energy Prod & Ensure Fair Rates for Consumers GOAL:

OBJECTIVE: 1 Reduce Occurrence of Environmental Violations Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 1 Oil and Gas Monitoring and Inspections Service: 36 Income: A.2 B.3 Age:

**CODE DESCRIPTION** Excp 2026 Excp 2027 **OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:** 

884,470 2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES 995,001 5000 CAPITAL EXPENDITURES 0 1,500,000

Total, Objects of Expense \$2,495,001 \$884,470

**METHOD OF FINANCING:** 

1 General Revenue Fund 884,470 2,495,001

**Total, Method of Finance** \$2,495,001 \$884,470

### **EXCEPTIONAL ITEM(S) INCLUDED IN STRATEGY:**

New Kilgore District Office Building

GIS Cloud Upgrade

Data Center Services Adjustment

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Agency Code:	455	Agency name:	Railroad Commission			
GOAL:	3 Min. Harmful Effects of Energy Prod &	Ensure Fair Rates	for Consumers			
OBJECTIVE:	1 Reduce Occurrence of Environmental V	iolations		Service Categorie	es:	
STRATEGY:	2 Surface Mining Monitoring and Inspect	ions		Service: 36	Income: A.2	Age: B.3
CODE DESCRI	PTION			E	Excp 2026	Excp 2027
OBJECTS OF EX	KPENSE:					
2001 PROFE	SSSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES				152,072	135,179
5000 CAPIT.	AL EXPENDITURES				113,864	61,487
Total, O	Objects of Expense				\$265,936	\$196,666
METHOD OF FI	NANCING:					
1 General Revenue Fund					265,936	196,666

## **EXCEPTIONAL ITEM(S) INCLUDED IN STRATEGY:**

**Total, Method of Finance** 

GIS Cloud Upgrade

Vehicle Replacements

Data Center Services Adjustment

\$196,666

\$265,936

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Agency Code:	455	Agency name:	<b>Railroad Commission</b>
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GOAL: 3 Min. Harmful Effects of Energy Prod & Ensure Fair Rates for Consumers

OBJECTIVE: 2 Identify and Abate Environmental Threats Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 1 Oil and Gas Well Plugging and Remediation Service: 36 Income: A.2 Age: B.3

CODE DESCRIPTION	Excp 2026	Excp 2027
OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:		
1001 SALARIES AND WAGES	138,000	138,000
1002 OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS	2,070	2,070
2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES	2,256,000	2,005,388
2005 TRAVEL	1,000	1,000
2009 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE	30,000	30,000
5000 CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	2,980,237	1,783,110
Total, Objects of Expense	\$5,407,307	\$3,959,568
METHOD OF FINANCING:		
1 General Revenue Fund	5,407,307	3,959,568
Total, Method of Finance	\$5,407,307	\$3,959,568

FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS (FTE):

## **EXCEPTIONAL ITEM(S) INCLUDED IN STRATEGY:**

Site Remediation Program Support

New Kilgore District Office Building

GIS Cloud Upgrade

Vehicle Replacements

Data Center Services Adjustment

2.0

2.0

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Service Categories:

\$40,239

Agency Code: 455 Agency name: Railroad Commission

OBJECTIVE: 2 Identify and Abate Environmental Threats

3 Min. Harmful Effects of Energy Prod & Ensure Fair Rates for Consumers

STRATEGY: 2 Surface Mining Reclamation Service: 36 Income: A.2

 CODE DESCRIPTION
 Excp 2026
 Excp 2027

 OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:
 35,769

 2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES
 40,239
 35,769

 Total, Objects of Expense
 \$40,239
 \$35,769

 METHOD OF FINANCING:
 40,239
 35,769

## **EXCEPTIONAL ITEM(S) INCLUDED IN STRATEGY:**

**Total, Method of Finance** 

GIS Cloud Upgrade

GOAL:

Data Center Services Adjustment

B.3

\$35,769

Age:

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Agency Code:	455 Agency name: Railroad Commission		
GOAL:	3 Min. Harmful Effects of Energy Prod & Ensure Fair Rates for Consumers		
OBJECTIVE:	3 Maintain Competitive Prices and Adequate Supplies for Consumers	Service Categories:	
STRATEGY:	1 Ensure Fair Rates and Compliance to Rate Structures	Service: 17 Income: A.2 A	ge: B.3
CODE DESCRI	PTION	Excp 2026	Excp 2027
OBJECTS OF EX	XPENSE:		
2001 PROFE	ESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES	1,514,946	1,034,005
Total, 0	Objects of Expense	\$1,514,946	\$1,034,005
METHOD OF FI	NANCING:		
1 Genera	l Revenue Fund	1,514,946	1,034,005
Total, I	Method of Finance	\$1,514,946	\$1,034,005

## **EXCEPTIONAL ITEM(S) INCLUDED IN STRATEGY:**

Oversight and Safety Regulatory Filing and Permitting Systems

GIS Cloud Upgrade

Data Center Services Adjustment

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Agency Code: 455 Agency name: Railroad Commission

GOAL: 3 Min. Harmful Effects of Energy Prod & Ensure Fair Rates for Consumers

OBJECTIVE: 4 Critical Infrastructure Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 1 Critical Infrastructure Weather Preparedness Service: 33 Income: A.2 Age: B.3

**CODE DESCRIPTION** Excp 2026 Excp 2027 **OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:** 2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES 379,919 337,715 5000 CAPITAL EXPENDITURES 184,460 398,525 **Total, Objects of Expense** \$778,444 \$522,175 **METHOD OF FINANCING:** 1 General Revenue Fund 778,444 522,175

## **EXCEPTIONAL ITEM(S) INCLUDED IN STRATEGY:**

**Total, Method of Finance** 

GIS Cloud Upgrade

Vehicle Replacements

Data Center Services Adjustment

\$522,175

\$778,444

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Agency Code:	455	Agency name:	Railroad Commission		
GOAL:	4 Public Access to Information and Service	ces			
OBJECTIVE:	1 Increase Public Access to Information			Service Categories:	
STRATEGY:	1 Public Information and Services			Service: 37 Income: A.2 Aş	ge: B.3
CODE DESCRI	PTION			Excp 2026	Excp 2027
OBJECTS OF EX	XPENSE:				
2001 PROFI	ESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES			74,730	66,428
2009 OTHE	R OPERATING EXPENSE			407,482	500,014
				<del></del>	\$566,442

## **EXCEPTIONAL ITEM(S) INCLUDED IN STRATEGY:**

GIS Cloud Upgrade

Microfilm Digitization

Data Center Services Adjustment

1 General Revenue Fund

**Total, Method of Finance** 

566,442

\$566,442

482,212

\$482,212

Agency o		Agency name: Railroad C	ommission		
Category	y Code / Category Name  Project Sequence/Project Id/ Name  OOE / TOF / MOF CODE	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
5005	Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies				
	1/1 PC Refresh  OBJECTS OF EXPENSE  Capital				
General	2009 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE	\$544,375	\$544,375	\$544,375	\$544,375
	Capital Subtotal OOE, Project 1	\$544,375	\$544,375	\$544,375	\$544,375
	Subtotal OOE, Project 1	\$544,375	\$544,375	\$544.375	\$544.375
	TYPE OF FINANCING				
	<u>Capital</u>				
General	CA 1 General Revenue Fund	\$123,137	\$301,258	\$301,258	\$301,258
General	CA 5155 Oil & Gas Regulation	\$421,238	\$243,117	\$243,117	\$243,117
	Capital Subtotal TOF, Project 1	\$544,375	\$544,375	\$544,375	\$544,375
	Subtotal TOF, Project 1	\$544,375	\$544,375	\$544,375	\$544,375
	4/4 Mainframe Transformation Phase 3 OBJECTS OF EXPENSE Capital				
General	2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES	\$21,520,997	\$7,458,873	\$0	\$0
	Capital Subtotal OOE, Project 4	\$21,520,997	\$7,458,873	\$0	\$0
	Subtotal OOE, Project 4	\$21,520,997	\$7,458,873	\$0	\$0
	TYPE OF FINANCING				
	<u>Capital</u>				
General	CA 1 General Revenue Fund	\$4,351,721	\$3,049,887	\$0	\$0

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Agency code: 455	Agency name: Railroad C	ommission		
Category Code / Category Name				
Project Sequence/Project Id/ Name OOE / TOF / MOF CODE	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
General CA 5155 Oil & Gas Regulation	\$17,169,276	\$4,408,986	\$0	\$0
Capital Subtotal TOF, Project 4	\$21,520,997	\$7,458,873	\$0	\$0
Subtotal TOF, Project 4	\$21,520,997	\$7,458,873	\$0	\$0
5/5 Mainframe Transformation Phase 4 OBJECTS OF EXPENSE				
Capital General 2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES	\$0	\$0	\$14,016,774	\$7,458,873
Capital Subtotal OOE, Project 5	\$0	\$0	\$14,016,774	\$7,458,873
Subtotal OOE, Project 5	\$0	\$0	\$14.016.774	\$7.458.873
TYPE OF FINANCING <u>Capital</u>				
General CA 1 General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$2,304,000	\$2,303,889
General CA 5155 Oil & Gas Regulation	\$0	\$0	\$11,712,774	\$5,154,984
Capital Subtotal TOF, Project 5	\$0	\$0	\$14,016,774	\$7,458,873
Subtotal TOF, Project 5	\$0	\$0	\$14,016,774	\$7,458,873
Capital Subtotal, Category 5005 Informational Subtotal, Category 5005	\$22,065,372	\$8,003,248	\$14,561,149	\$8,003,248
Total, Category 5005	\$22,065,372	\$8,003,248	\$14,561,149	\$8,003,248

5006 Transportation Items

7/7 Vehicle Replacements

OBJECTS OF EXPENSE

Agency code: 455	Agency name: Railroad C	ommission		
Category Code / Category Name  Project Sequence/Project Id/ Name  OOE / TOF / MOF CODE	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
<u>Capital</u>				
General 5000 CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	\$9,104,506	\$1,132,092	\$0	\$0
Capital Subtotal OOE, Project 7	\$9,104,506	\$1,132,092	\$0	\$0
Subtotal OOE, Project 7	\$9,104,506	\$1,132,092	\$0	\$0
TYPE OF FINANCING				
<u>Capital</u>				
General CA 1 General Revenue Fund	\$6,532,884	\$0	\$0	\$0
General CA 555 Federal Funds	\$1,088,700	\$1,132,092	\$0	\$0
General CA 5155 Oil & Gas Regulation	\$1,482,922	\$0	\$0	\$0
Capital Subtotal TOF, Project 7	\$9,104,506	\$1,132,092	\$0	\$0
Subtotal TOF, Project 7	\$9,104,506	\$1,132,092	\$0	\$0
Capital Subtotal, Category 5006 Informational Subtotal, Category 5006	\$9,104,506	\$1,132,092	\$0	\$0
Total, Category 5006	\$9,104,506	\$1,132,092	\$0	\$0
7000 Data Center/Shared Technology Services				
6/6 Data Center Services (DCS) OBJECTS OF EXPENSE				
<u>Capital</u>				
General 2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES	\$7,411,243	\$7,869,131	\$7,411,243	\$7,869,131
Capital Subtotal OOE, Project 6	\$7,411,243	\$7,869,131	\$7,411,243	\$7,869,131
Subtotal OOE, Project 6	\$7,411,243	\$7,869,131	\$7,411,243	\$7,869,131

Agency code: 455	Agency name: Railroad C	ommission		
Category Code / Category Name				
Project Sequence/Project Id/ Name OOE / TOF / MOF CODE	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
TYPE OF FINANCING				
<u>Capital</u>				
General CA 1 General Revenue Fund	\$1,677,308	\$4,562,239	\$4,101,424	\$4,562,239
General CA 5155 Oil & Gas Regulation	\$5,733,935	\$3,306,892	\$3,309,819	\$3,306,892
Capital Subtotal TOF, Project 6	\$7,411,243	\$7,869,131	\$7,411,243	\$7,869,13
Subtotal TOF, Project 6	\$7,411,243	\$7,869,131	\$7,411,243	\$7,869,13
Capital Subtotal, Category 7000 Informational Subtotal, Category 7000	\$7,411,243	\$7,869,131	\$7,411,243	\$7,869,13
Total, Category 7000	\$7,411,243	\$7,869,131	\$7,411,243	\$7,869,13
9500 Legacy Modernization				
2/2 Inspection/Enforcement Tracking and Reporting System Phase 4 OBJECTS OF EXPENSE				
<u>Capital</u>				
General 2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES	\$2,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$0
Capital Subtotal OOE, Project 2	\$2,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$
Subtotal OOE, Project 2	\$2,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$0
TYPE OF FINANCING Capital				
general CA 1 General Revenue Fund	\$2,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$0
Capital Subtotal TOF, Project 2	\$2,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$
Subtotal TOF, Project 2	\$2,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$0	<u> </u>

Agency code: 455		Agency name: Railroad (	Commission		
Category Code / Category Name					
Project Sequence/Project Id/ Name OOE / TOF / MOF CODE		Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027
3/3 Inspection/Enforcement Trackin System - Phase 5 OBJECTS OF EXPENSE Capital	ng and Reporting				
General 2001 PROFESSIONAL FEES AND S	SERVICES	\$0	\$0	\$3,000,000	\$0
Capital Subtotal OOE, Project	3	\$0	\$0	\$3,000,000	\$0
Subtotal OOE, Project 3	_	\$0	\$0	\$3,000,000	\$0
TYPE OF FINANCING  Capital	_				
General CA 1 General Revenue Fund		\$0	\$0	\$3,000,000	\$0
Capital Subtotal TOF, Project	3	\$0	\$0	\$3,000,000	\$0
Subtotal TOF, Project 3	_	\$0	\$0	\$3,000,000	\$0
Capital Subtotal, Category 9500 Informational Subtotal, Category	9500	\$2,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$3,000,000	\$0
Total, Category 9500	_	\$2,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$3,000,000	\$0
AGENCY TOTAL -CAPITAL		\$40,581,121	\$18,004,471	\$24,972,392	\$15,872,379
AGENCY TOTAL -INFORMATIONAL AGENCY TOTAL	_	\$40,581,121	\$18,004,471	\$24,972,392	\$15,872,379

Agency code: 455	Agency name: Railroad (	Commission		
Category Code / Category Name				
Project Sequence/Project Id/ Name	T	D	BL 2026	D7 404-
OOE / TOF / MOF CODE	Est 2024	Bud 2025	DL 2020	BL 2027
METHOD OF FINANCING:				
<u>Capital</u>				
General 1 General Revenue Fund	\$14,685,050	\$8,913,384	\$9,706,682	\$7,167,386
General 555 Federal Funds	\$1,088,700	\$1,132,092		\$0
	¢24 907 271		\$0	\$0
General 5155 Oil & Gas Regulation	\$24,807,371	\$7,958,995	\$15,265,710	\$8,704,993
Total, Method of Financing-Capital	\$40,581,121	\$18,004,471	\$24,972,392	\$15,872,379
Total, Method of Financing	\$40,581,121	\$18,004,471	\$24,972,392	\$15,872,379
TYPE OF FINANCING:				
<u>Capital</u>				
General CA CURRENT APPROPRIATIONS	\$40,581,121	\$18,004,471	\$24,972,392	\$15,872,379
Total, Type of Financing-Capital	\$40,581,121	\$18,004,471	\$24,972,392	\$15,872,379
Total,Type of Financing	\$40,581,121	\$18,004,471	\$24,972,392	\$15,872,379

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Agency Code: 455 Agency name: Railroad Commission

Category Number: 5005 Category Name: ACQUISITN INFO RES TECH.

Project number: 1 Project Name: PC Refresh

#### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

#### **General Information**

This project supports the purchase of PCs, laptops, tablets, other personal computing devices, and associated equipment. This equipment is necessary to support the Commission in performing regulatory tasks.

**PLCS Tracking Key** 

Number of Units / Average Unit Cost varies

**Estimated Completion Date** August 31, 2027

Additional Capital Expenditure Amounts Required 2028 2029

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Type of Financing CA CURRENT APPROPRIATIONS

Projected Useful Life \$1,088,750
Estimated/Actual Project Cost \$1,088,750
Length of Financing/ Lease Period none

**ESTIMATED/ACTUAL DEBT OBLIGATION PAYMENTS** 

Total over

2026 2027 2028 2029 project life

 $0 \qquad 0 \qquad 0 \qquad 0$ 

REVENUE GENERATION / COST SAVINGS

REVENUE COST FLAG
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**Explanation:** Replacement and upgrade of outdated equipment used within the agency is needed due to obsolescence, growth and changes in our technical

environment.

**Project Location:** Statewide

**Beneficiaries:** Railroad Commission staff, industry, other governmental agencies, and the citizens of Texas.

### Frequency of Use and External Factors Affecting Use:

Project assets will be used daily.

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Agency Code:455Agency name:Railroad CommissionCategory Number:9500Category Name:Legacy ModernizationProject number:2Project Name:IETRS and Reporting System Phase 4

#### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

#### **General Information**

The Inspection/Enforcement Tracking and Reporting System - Phase 4 project continues the phased approach to modernize agency systems over multiple biennia. In the FY24-FY25 biennium, the Surface Mining will be built on this existing framework.

#### **PLCS Tracking Key**

Number of Units / Average Unit Cost Varies

**Estimated Completion Date** August 31, 2025

Additional Capital Expenditure Amounts Required 2028 2029

0

Type of Financing CA CURRENT APPROPRIATIONS

Projected Useful Life 8 years
Estimated/Actual Project Cost \$3,000,000

Length of Financing/ Lease Period 0

ESTIMATED/ACTUAL DEBT OBLIGATION PAYMENTS Total over

2026 2027 2028 2029 project life
0 0 0 0

REVENUE GENERATION / COST SAVINGS

REVENUE COST FLAG MOF CODE AVERAGE AMOUNT

**Explanation:** The Railroad Commission seeks to improve efficiency and transparency by implementing an online system that allows the pipeline industry to submit

damage reports, submit violation payments, and to respond to non-compliance items. Staff will have the ability to review and process these

submissions.

**Project Location:** Statewide

**Beneficiaries:** Commission staff, industry, other governmental agencies, and the citizens of Texas.

#### Frequency of Use and External Factors Affecting Use:

Project assets will be used daily. Currently, the regulated industry must mail, email, or fax documents to submit required information. Industry, legislators, and the public have asked for more access to Commission data. The systems in this project will make more information easily available to both the agency and the public.

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Agency Code:455Agency name:Railroad CommissionCategory Number:9500Category Name:Legacy ModernizationProject number:3Project Name:IETRS and Reporting System Phase 5

#### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

#### **General Information**

The Inspection/Enforcement Tracking and Reporting System - Phase 5 The project continues the phased approach to modernize agency systems over multiple biennia. In the FY26-FY27 biennium, the Texas Damage Reporting Form (TDRF) will be built on this existing framework.

PLCS Tracking Key n/a
Number of Units / Average Unit Cost varies

**Estimated Completion Date** August 31, 2027

Additional Capital Expenditure Amounts Required 2028 2029

0

0

Type of Financing CA CURRENT APPROPRIATIONS

Projected Useful Life 8 years
Estimated/Actual Project Cost \$3,000,000

Length of Financing/ Lease Period 0

ESTIMATED/ACTUAL DEBT OBLIGATION PAYMENTS Total over

2026 2027 2028 2029 project life

REVENUE GENERATION / COST SAVINGS

REVENUE COST FLAG MOF CODE AVERAGE AMOUNT

**Explanation:** The Railroad Commission seeks to improve efficiency and transparency by implementing an online system that allows the pipeline industry to submit

damage reports, submit violation payments, and respond to non-compliance items. . Staff will have the ability to review and process these

submissions.

**Project Location:** Statewide

**Beneficiaries:** Commission staff, industry, other governmental agencies, and the citizens of Texas.

#### Frequency of Use and External Factors Affecting Use:

Project assets will be used daily. Currently, the regulated industry must mail, email, or fax documents to submit required information. Industry, legislators, and the public have asked for more access to Commission data. The systems in this project will make more information easily available to both the agency and the public.

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Agency Code: 455 Agency name: Railroad Commission
Category Number: 5005 Category Name: ACQUISITN INFO RES TECH.
Project number: 4 Project Name: Mainframe Transformation Phase 3

#### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

#### **General Information**

One of the goals of the RRC IT modernization program is to reduce dependence on mainframe systems. Dependence on mainframe technology hampers RRC's ability to implement modern, flexible, and scalable systems. Using a phased approach, the Mainframe Transformation project will reduce RRC's dependence on mainframe technology over the next two to three biennia. In this biennium, RRC will add to a newly architecture for agency IT offerings, including:

- An enterprise data model/repository to support the agency's business processes,
- Increased well management functionality to allow online submission and review of operator changes and updates,
- Enhanced data transparency by modernizing the production reporting process,
- More efficient processes for submission of annual reports, gas utility tax reports and payments by natural gas utilities, which will streamline the audit process,
- Modernized and more efficient processes of tariff and compliance submissions by operators, and data management of consumer complaints,
- Data integration with the new framework,
- Improved reporting capabilities within the data warehouse, and,
- Identification of obsolete or redundant business processes.

PLCS Tracking Key n/a
Number of Units / Average Unit Cost varies

**Estimated Completion Date** August 31, 2025

Additional Capital Expenditure Amounts Required 2028 2029

0

Type of Financing CA CURRENT APPROPRIATIONS

Projected Useful Life 8 tears

Estimated/Actual Project Cost \$21,475,647 Length of Financing/ Lease Period none

ESTIMATED/ACTUAL DEBT OBLIGATION PAYMENTS

Total over project life

2026 2027 2028 2029 project me

REVENUE GENERATION / COST SAVINGS

REVENUE COST FLAG MOF CODE AVERAGE AMOUNT

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**Explanation:** RRC is reducing dependence on mainframe systems which hampers the ability to implement modern, flexible, and scalable systems. In the 20-21

biennium, RRC began a phased approach to transition business processes off the mainframe. In 2024-25, RRC will added to the architecture:

An enterprise data model/repository,

Increased well management functionality, Enhanced data transparency,

More efficient processes for operator reports.

**Project Location:** Statewide

**Beneficiaries:** Railroad Commission Staff, industry, other governmental agencies, and the citizens of Texas.

#### Frequency of Use and External Factors Affecting Use:

Project Assets will be used daily. New industry techniques, demands for wider access to Commission data, and legislative requirements have continued to require changes within the Mainframe making it more complex, expensive, and difficult to modernize. Industry, legislators, and the public have asked for more access to Commission data. Providing information from the mainframe is extremely difficult, making real-time access impossible for most of the Commission's information.

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Agency Code: 455 Agency name: Railroad Commission

Category Number: 5005 Category Name: ACQUISITN INFO RES TECH.
Project number: 5 Project Name: Mainframe Transformation Phase 4

#### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

#### **General Information**

In this biennium, RRC will add to a newly implemented architecture for agency IT offerings, including:

In the 26/27 biennium, we will continue to reduce our mainframe dependency on the mainframe by modernizing:

Well Management

Lease/Field Management

Well Testing

Support Functions for data integration

Expand the agency's central data repository

The evolution of RRC's regulated community, demands for wider access to Commission data and legislative requirements are more difficult to address using the current aging mainframe technologies. These challenges cannot be resolved in a single biennium. This project will build on the framework established in the 20-21 biennium by adding business functions and data to move the Commission forward.

As agencies move off the mainframe, DCS costs for the remaining agencies will rise. For RRC, beginning the process to leave the mainframe will avoid future cost increases. Without this project, challenges faced by RRC to keep up with its regulated industries will increase.

PLCS Tracking Key n/a
Number of Units / Average Unit Cost varies

Estimated Completion Date August 31, 2027

Additional Capital Expenditure Amounts Required 2028 2029

0 0

Type of Financing CA CURRENT APPROPRIATIONS

Projected Useful Life 8 years

**Estimated/Actual Project Cost** \$21,475,647 **Length of Financing/ Lease Period** none

ESTIMATED/ACTUAL DEBT OBLIGATION PAYMENTS

Total over

2026 2027 2028 2029 project life

REVENUE GENERATION / COST SAVINGS

REVENUE COST FLAG MOF CODE AVERAGE AMOUNT

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Well Management

Lease / Field Management

Well Testing

Support Functions that enable data integration Expand the agency's central data repository

**Project Location:** Statewide

**Beneficiaries:** Railroad Commission staff, industry, other governmental agencies, and the citizens of Texas.

#### Frequency of Use and External Factors Affecting Use:

Project assets will be used daily. New industry techniques, demands for wider access to Commission data, and legislative requirements have continued to require changes within the mainframe making it more complex, expensive, and difficult to modernize. Industry, legislators, and the public have asked for more access to Commission data.

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Agency Code: 455 Agency name: Railroad Commission

Category Number: 7000 Category Name: Data Center/Shared Technology Svcs
Project number: 6 Project Name: Data Center Services (DCS)

#### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

#### **General Information**

Texas Government Code §2054.375, Subchapter L. Statewide Technology Centers requires DIR to manage consolidated statewide data centers and identify agencies for participation. The Railroad Commission was identified for participation and is required to have an interagency agreement with the Department of Information Resources (DIR) for Data Center Services. The Data Center Services program includes transformation and consolidation of facilities, server platforms, mainframes, data storage management, and data center print and mail. To maintain compliance, RRC requests adequate funding to support the Commission's projected use of the Data Center Services and Shared Services as contracted in fiscal years 2022 and 2023. The requested amount represents the Data Center and Shared Services costs necessary to deliver applications and computer services to maintain current operations.

**PLCS Tracking Key** 

Number of Units / Average Unit Cost varies

Estimated Completion Date August 31, 2025

Additional Capital Expenditure Amounts Required 2028 2029

0

Type of Financing CA CURRENT APPROPRIATIONS

Projected Useful Life 2 years
Estimated/Actual Project Cost \$12,612,118

Length of Financing/ Lease Period none

ESTIMATED/ACTUAL DEBT OBLIGATION PAYMENTS

Total over

2026 2027 2028 2029 project life
0 0 0 0 0 0 0

REVENUE GENERATION / COST SAVINGS

REVENUE COST FLAG MOF CODE AVERAGE AMOUNT

**Explanation:** The agency is required to use DIR-managed Data Center Services.

**Project Location:** Statewide

**Beneficiaries:** Railroad Commission staff, industry, other governmental agencis, and the citizens of Texas.

Frequency of Use and External Factors Affecting Use:

Project assets will be used daily.

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Agency Code:455Agency name:Railroad CommissionCategory Number:5006Category Name:TRANSPORTATION ITEMSProject number:7Project Name:Vehicle Replacements

#### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

#### **General Information**

Commission staff travel extensively for emergency response, monitoring and inspection of regulated industries, and industry training. Staff inspect oil and gas facilities, intrastate pipelines, LP-Gas systems, natural gas critical infrastructure, and coal surface mining locations. The RRC fleet must be maintained and replaced under a regular schedule to be responsive to emergency situations, minimize employees downtime, and reduce maintenance costs.

PLCS Tracking Key n/a
Number of Units / Average Unit Cost varies

Estimated Completion Date August 31, 2027

Additional Capital Expenditure Amounts Required 2028 2029

0

Type of Financing CA CURRENT APPROPRIATIONS

Projected Useful Life 5 years
Estimated/Actual Project Cost \$3,355,486
Length of Financing/ Lease Period none

ESTIMATED/ACTUAL DEBT OBLIGATION PAYMENTS

Total over project life

2026 2027 2028 2029 project me

REVENUE GENERATION / COST SAVINGS

REVENUE COST FLAG MOF CODE AVERAGE AMOUNT

**Explanation:** This fleet must be maintained and replaced under a regular schedule to be responsive to emergency situations, minimize employee downtime, and

reduce maintenance costs.

**Project Location:** Statewide

**Beneficiaries:** Railroad Commission staff and the citizens of Texas.

#### Frequency of Use and External Factors Affecting Use:

Assets will be used daily

#### 6.A. Historically Underutilized Business Supporting Schedule

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Agency Code: 455 Agency: Railroad Commission

#### COMPARISON TO STATEWIDE HUB PROCUREMENT GOALS

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#### A. Fiscal Year - HUB Expenditure Information

						Total					Total
Statewide	Procurement		HUB E	xpenditures	s FY 2022	Expenditures		<b>HUB Ex</b>	penditures F	Y 2023	Expenditures
<b>HUB Goals</b>	Category	% Goal	% Actual	Diff	Actual \$	FY 2022	% Goal	% Actual	Diff	Actual \$	FY 2023
11.2%	Heavy Construction	11.2 %	0.0%	-11.2%	\$0	\$0	11.2 %	0.0%	-11.2%	\$0	\$0
21.1%	<b>Building Construction</b>	21.1 %	100.0%	78.9%	\$14,551	\$14,551	21.1 %	56.0%	34.9%	\$10,237	\$18,277
32.9%	Special Trade	32.9 %	13.1%	-19.8%	\$2,554	\$19,481	32.9 %	25.2%	-7.7%	\$8,617	\$34,154
23.7%	Professional Services	23.7 %	100.0%	76.3%	\$182,227	\$182,227	23.7 %	100.0%	76.3%	\$825,651	\$825,651
26.0%	Other Services	26.0 %	32.5%	6.5%	\$6,191,058	\$19,078,519	26.0 %	22.7%	-3.3%	\$6,371,162	\$28,056,883
21.1%	Commodities	21.1 %	35.1%	14.0%	\$1,143,250	\$3,257,280	21.1 %	97.2%	76.1%	\$1,601,754	\$1,648,066
	<b>Total Expenditures</b>		33.4%		\$7,533,640	\$22,552,058		28.8%		\$8,817,421	\$30,583,031

#### B. Assessment of Attainment of HUB Procurement Goals

#### **Attainment:**

The Commission attained or exceeded five of six of the applicable statewide HUB procurement goals in FY 2022 and four of six of the applicable statewide HUB procurement goals in FY 2023.

#### Applicability:

The Heavy Construction, Building Construction, and Special Trade Construction categories are not generally applicable to agency operations.

#### **Factors Affecting Attainment:**

Special Trade Construction statewide goals were not met because these services are generally not procured the commission. Other Services statewide goals were not met because this is generally well plugging and site remediation companies all over Texas and there are very few HUB certified companies that perform this type of work.

#### C. Good-Faith Efforts to Increase HUB Participation

#### Outreach Efforts and Mentor-Protégé Programs:

The agency participates in external HUB Economic Opportunity Forums with the purpose of identifying HUBs capable of providing goods and services and to make procurement opportunities available.

## **HUB Program Staffing:**

The RRC has a dedicated HUB Coordinator and a HUB assistant that promotes the HUB program internally and externally at economic forums.

### 6.A. Historically Underutilized Business Supporting Schedule

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#### **Current and Future Good-Faith Efforts:**

The RRC is dedicated and committed to including Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs) in the procurement process through four key elements:

- (1) executive management support;
- (2) a strong emphasis on HUB vendor solicitation;
- (3) HUB vendor outreach; and
- (4) educating RRC employees on the HUB program. The agency strives to exceed the overall statewide average percentage of HUB participation. The agency will use good faith efforts to solicit HUB vendors on contract solicitations and will utilize a qualified and capable HUB vendor for all contracts of any dollar amount threshold.

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CFDA/ALN NUN	MBER/ STRATEGY	Exp 2023	Est 2024	<b>Bud 2025</b>	BL 2026	BL 2027
00.000.003	Salary Adjustments					
3 - 2	- 1 OIL&GAS WELL PLUGGING & REMEDIATI	0	82,780	168,280	168,280	168,280
	TOTAL, ALL STRATEGIES	\$0	\$82,780	\$168,280	\$168,280	\$168,280
	ADDL FED FNDS FOR EMPL BENEFITS	0	0	0	0	0
	TOTAL, FEDERAL FUNDS	<u> </u>	\$82,780	\$168,280	\$168,280	\$168,280
	ADDL GR FOR EMPL BENEFITS	<u>\$0</u>			<u> </u>	
<b>15.018.120</b> 3 - 2	IIJA Energy Comm. Revitalization Pg - 1 OIL&GAS WELL PLUGGING & REMEDIATI	23,128,443	31,067,687	97,900,000	47,286,012	47,286,012
	TOTAL, ALL STRATEGIES	\$23,128,443	\$31,067,687	\$97,900,000	\$47,286,012	\$47,286,012
	ADDL FED FNDS FOR EMPL BENEFITS	0	0	0	0	(
	TOTAL, FEDERAL FUNDS	\$23,128,443	\$31,067,687	\$97,900,000	\$47,286,012	\$47,286,012
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<b>5.250.000</b> 3 - 1	Regulation of Surface Coa - 2 SURFACE MINING MONITORING/INSPECT	1,118,858	1,280,000	1,280,000	1,280,000	1,280,000
	TOTAL, ALL STRATEGIES	\$1,118,858	\$1,280,000	\$1,280,000	\$1,280,000	\$1,280,000
	ADDL FED FNDS FOR EMPL BENEFITS	0	0	0	0	(
	TOTAL, FEDERAL FUNDS	\$1,118,858	\$1,280,000	\$1,280,000	\$1,280,000	\$1,280,000
	ADDL GR FOR EMPL BENEFITS	<u> </u>			<u> </u>	
3 - 2	Abandoned Mine Land Recla 2 SURFACE MINING RECLAMATION	1,546,545	1,700,000	1,700,000	1,700,000	1,700,000
	TOTAL, ALL STRATEGIES	\$1,546,545	\$1,700,000	\$1,700,000	\$1,700,000	\$1,700,000
	ADDL FED FNDS FOR EMPL BENEFITS	0	0	0	0	(
	TOTAL, FEDERAL FUNDS	\$1,546,545	\$1,700,000	\$1,700,000	\$1,700,000	\$1,700,000
	ADDL GR FOR EMPL BENEFITS	<u> </u>			<u> </u>	
<b>20.700.000</b> 2 - 1	Pipeline Safety - 1 PIPELINE SAFETY	4,437,290	3,260,000	3,260,000	3,260,000	3,260,000

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CFDA/ALN NUMBER/ STRATEGY	Exp 2023	Est 2024	<b>Bud 2025</b>	BL 2026	BL 202
TOTAL, ALL STRATEGIES	\$4,437,290	\$3,260,000	\$3,260,000	\$3,260,000	\$3,260,000
ADDL FED FNDS FOR EMPL BENEFITS	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL, FEDERAL FUNDS	\$4,437,290	\$3,260,000	\$3,260,000	\$3,260,000	\$3,260,00
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0.720.000 State Damage Prevention Program					
2 - 1 - 2 PIPELINE DAMAGE PREVENTION	234,774	180,000	180,000	180,000	180,00
TOTAL, ALL STRATEGIES	\$234,774	\$180,000	\$180,000	\$180,000	\$180,00
ADDL FED FNDS FOR EMPL BENEFITS	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL, FEDERAL FUNDS	\$234,774	\$180,000	\$180,000	\$180,000	\$180,00
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6.433.000 State Underground Water S					
1 - 1 - 1 ENERGY RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT	481,264	320,000	320,000	320,000	320,00
TOTAL, ALL STRATEGIES	\$481,264	\$320,000	\$320,000	\$320,000	\$320,00
ADDL FED FNDS FOR EMPL BENEFITS	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL, FEDERAL FUNDS	\$481,264	\$320,000	\$320,000	\$320,000	\$320,00
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6.817.000 State and Tribal Response Program					
3 - 2 - 1 OIL&GAS WELL PLUGGING & REMEDIATI	120,000	120,000	120,000	120,000	120,00
TOTAL, ALL STRATEGIES	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$120,00
ADDL FED FNDS FOR EMPL BENEFITS	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL, FEDERAL FUNDS	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$120,00
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CFDA/ALN N	UMBER/ STRATEGY	Exp 2023	Est 2024	Bud 2025	BL 2026	BL 2027	
SUMMARY LIS	STING OF FEDERAL PROGRAM AMOUNTS						
00.000.003	Salary Adjustments	0	82,780	168,280	168,280	168,280	
15.018.120	IIJA Energy Comm. Revitalization Pg	23,128,443	31,067,687	97,900,000	47,286,012	47,286,012	
15.250.000	Regulation of Surface Coa	1,118,858	1,280,000	1,280,000	1,280,000	1,280,000	
15.252.000	Abandoned Mine Land Recla	1,546,545	1,700,000	1,700,000	1,700,000	1,700,000	
20.700.000	Pipeline Safety	4,437,290	3,260,000	3,260,000	3,260,000	3,260,000	
20.720.000	State Damage Prevention Program	234,774	180,000	180,000	180,000	180,000	
66.433.000	State Underground Water S	481,264	320,000	320,000	320,000	320,000	
66.817.000	State and Tribal Response Program	120,000	120,000	120,000	120,000	120,000	
TOTAL, ALL ST	TRATEGIES	\$31,067,174	\$38,010,467	\$104,928,280	\$54,314,292	\$54,314,292	
TOTAL, ADDL	FED FUNDS FOR EMPL BENEFITS	0	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL, F	FEDERAL FUNDS	\$31,067,174	\$38,010,467	<u>\$104,928,280</u>	\$54,314,292	\$54,314,292 _	
TOTAL, ADDL	GR FOR EMPL BENEFITS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	

## SUMMARY OF SPECIAL CONCERNS/ISSUES

**BL 2027** 

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Exp 2023 Est 2024 Bud 2025 BL 2026

#### CFDA/ALN NUMBER/ STRATEGY

#### **Assumptions and Methodology:**

#### CFDA 15.018

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021 provided funding to address orphan wells. The Commission will receive the initial grant of \$25 million in FY 2023. In FY 2024, the Commission will receive the phase one of the formula grant. The Texas portion of the formula grant is estimate to be \$318.7 million.

#### CFDA 15.250 and 15.252

The Commission's Surface Mining Division receives 100% federal funding for the reclamation of abandoned mines in the state and 50% federal funding for the environmental regulation of current coal mining activities.

#### CFDA 20.700

The Commission's Pipeline Safety program falls under a federal/state partnership program administered by the U.S. Department of Transportation. The percent of funding is determined through a performance based allocation formula. Grant funds are now authorized to enhance the program with funding up to 80% of the enhanced program's costs. Enhanced funding is contingent on available funds to increase the state share equally with the increased federal share.

#### CFDA 66.433

Federal funding for the Oil and Gas Underground Injection Control (UIC) program was created on the basis of a 75% federal share with a 25% general revenue state share. Due to federal funding limitations, the state share represents closer to 75% of the UIC funding.

#### CFDA 66.817

The Commission's Oil and Gas division receives 100% federal funding to build and maintain an inventory of potential Brownfields sites and conduct a limited number of site assessments. Funding is anticipated to continue.

#### **Potential Loss:**

#### CFDA 20.700

The federal pipeline funding program is based on a 50% matching program, limited by the total amount of federal funds available. The Commission's programs are graded between 96% and 100%, however limited federal funding levels use up to 80% of the state's request as a base from which to apply grading ratios, resulting in a reduced funding level of the state's program.

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Agency Code:	_					
FUND/ACCOUN	<u>T</u>	Act 2023	Exp 2024	Est 2025	Est 2026	Est 2027
1 General R	Revenue Fund					
Beginn	ing Balance (Unencumbered):	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Estimat	ted Revenue:					
30	O35 Commercial Transportation Fees	2,665,554	2,980,000	2,900,000	2,900,000	2,900,000
32	234 Gas Utility Pipeline Tax	40,196,141	39,800,000	39,800,000	39,800,000	39,800,000
32	246 Compressed Natural Gas Licenses	61,095	52,500	55,000	55,000	55,000
33	314 Oil & Gas Well Violations	1,629,375	2,828,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000
33	329 Surface Mining Permits	2,285,553	2,423,000	2,350,000	2,350,000	2,350,000
37	717 Civil Penalties	15,200	0	0	0	0
38	Sale of Motor Vehicle/Boat/Aircraft	73,482	165,976	20,000	20,000	20,000
Sı	ubtotal: Actual/Estimated Revenue	46,926,400	48,249,476	46,625,000	46,625,000	46,625,000
To	otal Available	\$46,926,400	\$48,249,476	\$46,625,000	\$46,625,000	\$46,625,000
Ending Fund/Acc	count Balance	<del>\$46,926,400</del>	\$48,249,476	\$46,625,000	\$46,625,000	\$46,625,000

### REVENUE ASSUMPTIONS:

The Railroad Commission General Revenue collections are unappropriated and swept by the Comptroller of Public Accounts.

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Agency Code: 455 Agency name: Railroad Commission					
FUND/ACCOUNT	Act 2023	Exp 2024	Est 2025	Est 2026	Est 2027
666 Appropriated Receipts					
Beginning Balance (Unencumbered):	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Estimated Revenue:					
3045 Railroad Commission Svs Fees	208	327	320	320	320
3245 Compressed Nat Gas Train & Exams	96,863	127,315	75,000	75,000	75,000
3719 Fees/Copies or Filing of Records	45,705	47,867	48,000	48,000	48,000
3722 Conf, Semin, & Train Regis Fees	1,401,841	1,786,632	1,400,000	1,400,000	1,400,000
3752 Sale of Publications/Advertising	2,554	1,864	2,500	2,500	2,500
3754 Other Surplus/Salvage Property	6,172	3,390	0	0	0
3802 Reimbursements-Third Party	0	234,876	100,000	100,000	100,000
3839 Sale of Motor Vehicle/Boat/Aircraft	24,455	55,313	10,000	10,000	10,000
Subtotal: Actual/Estimated Revenue	1,577,798	2,257,584	1,635,820	1,635,820	1,635,820
Total Available	\$1,577,798	\$2,257,584	\$1,635,820	\$1,635,820	\$1,635,820
DEDUCTIONS:					
Expended/Budgeted	(1,371,735)	(2,038,400)	(1,410,820)	(1,410,820)	(1,410,820)
Benefits	(187,631)	(205,000)	(205,000)	(205,000)	(205,000)
Statewide Cost Allocation	(18,432)	(14,184)	(20,000)	(20,000)	(20,000)
Total, Deductions	\$(1,577,798)	\$(2,257,584)	\$(1,635,820)	\$(1,635,820)	\$(1,635,820)
Ending Fund/Account Balance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

#### **REVENUE ASSUMPTIONS:**

Conference, Seminar & Training Registration Fees (COBJ 3722) includes the annual Railroad Commission Regulatory Conference, the Oil and Gas Regulatory Forums, and the LP Gas Training Fees (Rider 4). The Commission assumes all revenues will be expended as intended.

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FUND/ACCOUNT	Act 2023	Exp 2024	Est 2025	Est 2026	Est 2027
888 Earned Federal Funds	0.0	40	40		40
Beginning Balance (Unencumbered):	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Estimated Revenue:					
3702 Fed Receipts-Earned Federal Funds	2,683,580	2,877,214	2,415,000	2,415,000	2,415,000
Subtotal: Actual/Estimated Revenue	2,683,580	2,877,214	2,415,000	2,415,000	2,415,000
Total Available	\$2,683,580	\$2,877,214	\$2,415,000	\$2,415,000	\$2,415,000
DEDUCTIONS:					
87th Leg SB 1 RS - Article IX Section 13.10	(2,200,000)	0	0	0	0
88th Leg HB 1 RS - Article IX	0	(2,200,000)	(2,200,000)	0	0
89th Leg SB 1 RS - Article IX	0	0	0	(2,200,000)	(2,200,000)
Benefits	(331,138)	(212,668)	(215,000)	(215,000)	(215,000)
Total, Deductions	\$(2,531,138)	\$(2,412,668)	\$(2,415,000)	\$(2,415,000)	\$(2,415,000)
Ending Fund/Account Balance	<b>\$152,442</b>	\$464,546	\$0	\$0	\$0

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TUND/ACCOUNT	Act 2023	Exp 2024	Est 2025	Est 2026	Est 202
5155 Oil & Gas Regulation					
Beginning Balance (Unencumbered):	\$53,183,008	\$52,601,192	\$40,999,185	\$44,394,507	\$25,150,887
Estimated Revenue:					
3310 Oil and Gas Surcharges	22,362,287	22,087,552	22,930,000	22,930,000	22,930,000
3313 Oil & Gas Well Drilling Permit	6,530,494	6,333,858	6,500,000	6,500,000	6,500,000
3314 Oil & Gas Well Violations	11,980,642	14,574,297	14,000,000	14,000,000	14,000,000
3338 Organization Report Fees	3,695,920	3,578,954	3,470,000	3,470,000	3,470,000
3339 Voluntary Cleanup Program Fees	28,756	19,109	17,000	17,000	17,000
3369 Reimburse for Well Plugging Costs	1,425,593	2,231,139	1,400,000	1,200,000	1,200,000
3373 Injection Well Regulation	51,680	38,640	50,000	36,000	36,000
3381 Oil-Field Cleanup Reg Fee - Oil	11,130,784	10,762,962	10,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000
3382 RR Commission - Rule Except Fee	1,512,760	1,414,161	1,400,000	1,400,000	1,400,000
3383 Oil-Field Cleanup Reg Fee-Gas	8,638,095	7,703,598	7,850,000	7,850,000	7,850,000
3384 Oil & Gas Compl Cert Reissue Fee	1,134,616	1,406,002	1,200,000	1,200,000	1,200,000
3393 Abandoned Well Site Eqpt Disposal	2,722,146	1,643,771	2,000,000	1,600,000	1,600,000
3553 Pipeline Safety Inspection Fees	10,830,418	10,876,187	11,000,000	11,000,000	11,000,000
3592 Waste Disp Fac, Genrtr, Trnsprters	221,860	202,130	185,000	190,000	190,000
3727 Fees - Administrative Services	1,286,675	412,675	500,000	500,000	500,000
3767 Supply, Equip, Service - Fed/Other	0	984,799	200,000	200,000	200,000
Subtotal: Actual/Estimated Revenue	83,552,726	84,269,834	82,702,000	82,093,000	82,093,000
Total Available	\$136,735,734	\$136,871,026	\$123,701,185	\$126,487,507	\$107,243,887
DEDUCTIONS:					
Expended/Budgeted	(73,770,665)	(89,707,638)	(72,907,072)	(94,931,015)	(94,937,016)
Transfer - SWCAP	(633,453)	(274,362)	(275,000)	(275,000)	(275,000)
Transfer - Employee Benefits	(4,315,091)	(4,624,605)	(4,324,605)	(4,624,605)	(4,624,605)
Benefits for Retired Employees (ERS Shared Cash)	(4,415,333)	(1,264,986)	(1,500,000)	(1,500,000)	(1,500,000)
Total, Deductions	\$(83,134,542)	\$(95,871,591)	\$(79,006,677)	\$(101,330,620)	\$(101,336,621)
Ending Fund/Account Balance	\$53,601,192	\$40,999,435	\$44,694,508	\$25,156,887	\$5,907,266

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