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FY 1999-2000 Year-to-Date Gross Appropriation	\$399,709,300
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Changes from FY 1999-2000 Year-to-Date:

Items Included by the Senate and House

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| 1. Wetlands Enforcement. The Governor, House, and Senate provided a General Fund increase and 5.0 FTE positions for enhancing wetlands permitting and enforcement efforts. | 375,000 |
| 2. Groundwater Use Reporting. Great Lakes Protection Fund was appropriated by the House and Senate to develop a groundwater database to determine the impact of irrigation wells on groundwater aquifers and domestic water supplies. | 100,000 |
| 3. Scrap Tire Grants. The House and Senate increased Scrap Tire Regulatory Fund appropriations to fund grants to local communities to fund scrap tire fire suppression efforts. | 100,000 |
| 4. Volunteer River, Stream, and Creek Cleanup Program. The House and Senate provided General Fund for the cost of disposing of trash and other material from cleanup efforts. | 50,000 |
| 5. Pollution Prevention Programs. The Governor, House, and Senate provided increases to add pollution prevention staff to district offices; to assist small business in pollution prevention and energy conservation; and for grants to local agencies for waste generation reduction and pollution prevention promotion projects. The House and Senate provided funding to assist organizations and businesses with recycling and composting. | 971,200 |
| 6. Economic Adjustments. Includes \$31,200 for unclassified salaries. | 5,829,400 |
| 7. Other Changes. Adjustments to reflect the availability of various Federal and State restricted sources of financing; mandated inflationary adjustments; local public health base and economic adjustments; and Clean Michigan Initiative Administration funding were included. | (274,100) |

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| 8. Water Quality Monitoring. The House included \$2,700,000, \$1,500,000 in Clean Michigan Initiative Clean Water Fund (CMI) dollars and other State restricted funding, for water quality monitoring efforts. The Governor and Senate did not include this funding. Conference included \$2,500,000 in CMI funds. | 2,500,000 |
| 9. Scrap Tire Market Demonstration. The Governor and Senate included \$200,000, the House \$125,000 for a project to demonstrate the feasibility of using scrap tires for manufacturing support poles for guard rails and signs used on State roads. The Conference Committee deleted funding. | 0 |
| 10. Consent Agreement. The Governor, Senate, and Conference included funding from a Saginaw Bay and River consent agreement for surface water monitoring activities. | 150,000 |
| 11. Wetlands Inventory. The Senate and Conference deleted \$412,000 in Great Lakes Protection Fund dollars included by the House for a wetlands inventory. | 0 |
| 12. Air Quality Permitting. The Senate and Conference rejected the House proposed use of Scrap Tire Regulatory Fund revenue and the addition of 1.0 FTE position for assisting in the more timely processing of air quality permit applications from plants that use tire-derived fuels. | 0 |
| 13. Other Changes. The Senate and Conference shifted \$100,000 between two line items with a corresponding shift in fund sources in the Environment Assistance Division, and continued to provide \$108,000 in State restricted funds to provide the State match requirement for Federal EPA funds. | 0 |

Total Changes	\$9,801,500
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FY 2000-01 Conference Report Gross Appropriation	\$409,510,800
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Amount Over/(Under) GF/GP Target: \$0

Changes from FY 1999-2000 Year to Date:Items Included by the Senate and House

1. **Children's Health Report Implementation.** House language requiring the Department to submit a report, via the Internet, on efforts to implement the recommendations of the Michigan Environmental Science Board in its report, "Analysis of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality Administered Environmental Standard to Protect Children's Health" was included by the Senate. (Sec. 220)
2. **Scrap Tire Fire Suppression.** The Governor, House, and Senate deleted language allocating \$100,000 of the scrap tire grants appropriation to Benzie County for fire suppression expenses. The House and Senate included new language allocating \$100,000 from the scrap tire grants appropriation for grants to local communities to fund scrap tire fire suppression efforts when all other funding sources have been exhausted. (Sec. 1203)
3. **Reappropriation of Prior Year Balances.** The Governor retained, the House and Senate deleted current year language authorizing the Department to spend balances from prior year environmental cleanup and redevelopment program, and environmental protection bond fund appropriations on sites listed in this or prior appropriations acts.
4. **Laboratory Accreditation.** The Governor, House, and Senate deleted current year language requiring the Department to develop and implement a laboratory accreditation program in conformance with the National Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program.
5. **Out-of-State Waste Inspection.** The Governor, House, and Senate deleted language designating 1.0 FTE position and \$75,000 primarily for the inspection of out-of-state waste.

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6. **Wetlands Inventory.** The Senate modified House proposed language requiring the allocation of \$412,000 to inventory wetlands in counties contiguous to the Great Lakes, by eliminating the allocation and requiring the Department to make or cause to be made, a grant request for Great Lakes Protection Fund dollars for the purpose of conducting a wetlands inventory. The Conference Committee concurred with the Senate. (Sec. 303)
7. **Wetlands Designation.** The Senate and Conference did not concur with House proposed language requiring the Department to promulgate a rule designating all wetlands identified in a 1996 report, and located on State-owned property as essential to the preservation of the natural resources of the State.
8. **Air Quality Permitting.** The Senate and Conference did not include House proposed language requiring the allocation of \$60,000 in Scrap Tire Regulatory Fund revenue from the air quality appropriation for assisting in the processing of permit applications from plants that use tire-derived fuels. The Conference included language requiring the Department to develop and report on strategies for expanding the generation of tire-derived fuels. (Sec. 1003)
9. **Air Quality Program Reporting.** The Senate and Conference included language requiring quarterly reports on Air Quality Program expenditures and revenues, by fund source and program function. The Senate deleted language requiring a report on air quality permit backlogs. (Sec. 401)
10. **Non-Native Aquatic Nuisance Species.** The Senate and Conference included language requiring the Department, in conjunction with the Department of Natural Resources, to provide a report on the impact of non-native aquatic nuisance species and other non-native species on the environment and natural resources of the State. (Sec. 502)
11. **Solid Wastes Alternatives Program.** The Senate and Conference included language requiring a report summarizing the projects and expenditures of the Solid Waste Alternatives Program (SWAP), funded under the 1988 Environmental Protection Bond Initiative, and an assessment of the accomplishments of SWAP. (Sec. 902)
12. **Cleanup and Redevelopment Site Lists.** The Senate and Conference modified current year language listing sites to be funded under the Environmental Cleanup and Redevelopment Program and under the Leaking Underground Storage Tank Cleanup Program appropriations. (Sec. 705 and Sec. 804)
13. **4-H Youth Programs.** The Senate and Conference retained language that was deleted by the Governor and House allocating \$5,000 from the Environmental Education Fund to the Michigan State University Extension Service - 4-H Youth Programs for the Michigan Youth Conservation Council. (Sec. 221)

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