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For over 150 years, the Illinois State Scientific Surveys have applied cutting edge science for the people of Illinois, to build their economy, promote public health and safety, and steward their abundant resources. In FY 2009 the Surveys moved from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources to the University of Illinois.

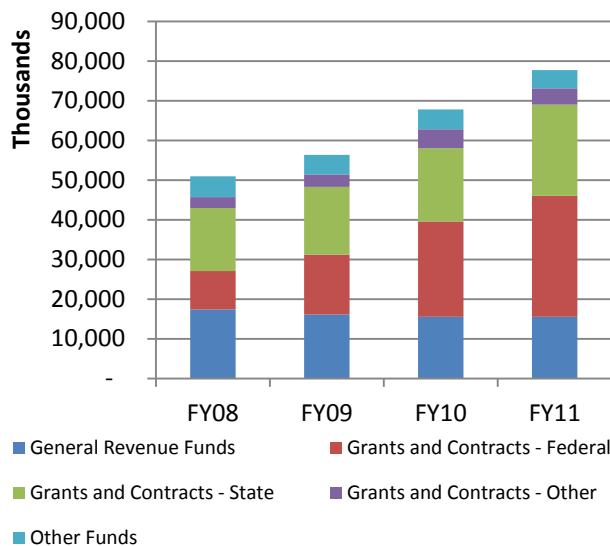
In FY 2011, \$15,826,500 in General Revenue Funding leveraged over \$62.1 million in external funding (federal, state agency, and private grants), a 4:1 return on the state’s investment. The direct and indirect impact of Institute expenditures on the state economy yields, conservatively, an estimated 11:1 return on GRF funding.

The Prairie Research Institute has a total FY 2011 payroll of more than \$44.4 million, supporting over 1000 staff. About 230 staff are supported directly by General Revenue Funds. The external funding supports an additional 620 staff, plus 150 students, who are either supervised or led by the GRF staff on hundreds of active Institute projects across the state of Illinois.

Without state funding, statutorily mandated and other projects will be seriously jeopardized. In particular:

- Strategies for controlling Asian Carp
- Four clean energy projects (two carbon sequestration projects with ADM in Decatur, mercury reduction from coal-fired power plants, and FutureGen 2.0) with a value of more than \$1.5 billion
- Much of the \$62.1 million in grant funding, which requires a state match
- Critical water-use planning for communities in northeastern Illinois and statewide, and the \$2.2 million flood plain mapping program just funded by FEMA
- Airborne disease vector monitoring (e.g., West Nile Virus, Chronic Wasting Disease, etc.) and prevention with research centered in the Institute.

Expenditures by Source, FY 2008-11



Return on State Funds, FY 2008-11
(External funds : GRF)

