

# **OLYMPIC REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

## **MISSION**

In 1980, Lake Placid and the surrounding areas hosted the Winter Olympic Games. The following year, the Olympic Regional Development Authority was established to create and administer a post-Olympic program for the Lake Placid facilities. These facilities include: the Olympic Ice Center; the Olympic Speedskating Oval; the Whiteface Mountain Ski Area and Veterans' Memorial Highway; the Mt. Van Hoevenberg Complex that includes bobsled and luge runs, cross-country ski trails and a biathlon range; the Olympic Ski Jumping Complex; and the U.S. Olympic Training Center. In 1984, the Olympic Regional Development Authority's responsibility expanded to include the management of the Gore Mountain Ski Center in North Creek, Warren County.

## **ORGANIZATION AND STAFFING**

The Authority is governed by a ten-member Board of Directors, consisting of the commissioners of Economic Development, Environmental Conservation, Parks and seven other members appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate. The Governor selects one member as Chair. Board members serve without compensation.

## **BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS**

The 2010-11 Executive Budget recommends \$6.6 million for the Olympic Regional Development Authority, which is approximately 21 percent of its \$32.4 million operating budget. This is a decrease of \$1.6 million from the 2009-10 budget. This net change primarily reflects increases in revenues generated at the ski facilities and other Olympic venues, as well as enhanced operational efficiencies. In addition to \$6.2 million in State Operations funding and \$354,000 for the Winter Sports Education and Olympic Training Center Special Revenue Funds recommended in the Executive Budget, the Authority receives \$24.9 million from marketing, ticket sales, fees and other revenues; and over \$900,000 from the Town of North Elba.

The Authority has a **workforce of 197**, a decrease of **3** from the 2009-10 budget, and employs up to 1,072 full- and part-time hourly workers, depending on the season.

## **PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

### **OLYMPIC FACILITIES**

The Olympic Regional Development Authority manages one of four primary sites (the others being in California, Colorado and Utah) for year-round training of America's Olympic athletes. The Authority hosts numerous national and international athletic and entertainment events. In 2009, major events included: the NCAA Division III Men's Ice Hockey Championships; ISI Winter Classic; Smuckers Stars on Ice; Disney on Ice; Four Nations Men's and Women's Cup (USA Hockey); U.S. Figure Skating Adult and Junior Nationals; World Championships in bobsled, skeleton and luge; Freestyle World Cup aerial competition; Nordic Jumping Championships; and several festivals and shows.

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## SKI FACILITIES

The Authority also manages the Gore and Whiteface Mountain ski centers, two major downhill ski facilities that received more than 415,000 visitors in 2009.

### ALL FUNDS APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Category	Available 2009-10	Appropriations Recommended 2010-11	Change	Reappropriations Recommended 2010-11
State Operations	8,226,000	6,576,000	(1,650,000)	0
Aid To Localities	0	0	0	0
Capital Projects	0	0	0	0
Total	8,226,000	6,576,000	(1,650,000)	0

### STATE OPERATIONS ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY FUND TYPE APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Fund Type	Available 2009-10	Recommended 2010-11	Change
General Fund	7,826,000	6,222,000	(1,604,000)
Special Revenue Funds - Other	400,000	354,000	(46,000)
Total	8,226,000	6,576,000	(1,650,000)

### STATE OPERATIONS ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Program	Available 2009-10	Recommended 2010-11	Change
Operations			
General Fund	7,826,000	6,222,000	(1,604,000)
Special Revenue Funds - Other	400,000	354,000	(46,000)
Total	8,226,000	6,576,000	(1,650,000)

### STATE OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND SUMMARY OF PERSONAL SERVICE APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES 2010-11 RECOMMENDED (dollars)

Program	Total		Personal Service Regular (Annual Salaried)	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Operations	3,765,000	(445,000)	3,765,000	(445,000)
Total	3,765,000	(445,000)	3,765,000	(445,000)

**STATE OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND  
SUMMARY OF NONPERSONAL SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE UNDISTRIBUTED  
APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES  
2010-11 RECOMMENDED  
(dollars)**

<b>Program</b>	<b>Total</b>		<b>Supplies and Materials</b>	
	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Change</b>
Operations	2,457,000	(1,159,000)	921,000	(979,000)
Total	<u>2,457,000</u>	<u>(1,159,000)</u>	<u>921,000</u>	<u>(979,000)</u>

<b>Program</b>	<b>General State Charges</b>	
	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Change</b>
Operations	1,536,000	(180,000)
Total	<u>1,536,000</u>	<u>(180,000)</u>

**STATE OPERATIONS - OTHER THAN GENERAL FUND  
SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES  
2010-11 RECOMMENDED  
(dollars)**

<b>Program</b>	<b>Total</b>		<b>Personal Service</b>	
	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Change</b>
Operations	354,000	(46,000)	151,000	(19,000)
Total	<u>354,000</u>	<u>(46,000)</u>	<u>151,000</u>	<u>(19,000)</u>

<b>Program</b>	<b>Nonpersonal Service</b>	
	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Change</b>
Operations	203,000	(27,000)
Total	<u>203,000</u>	<u>(27,000)</u>