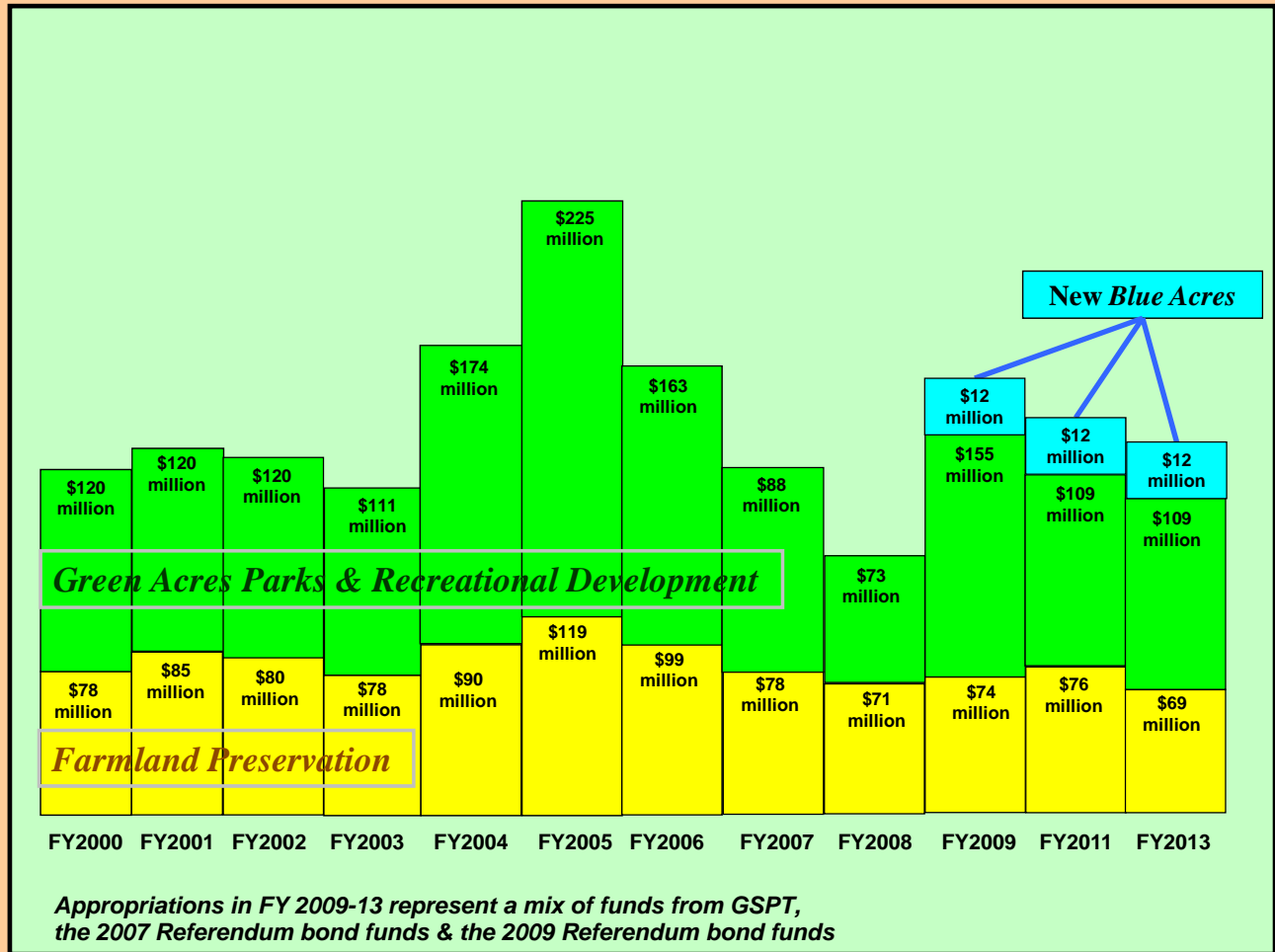




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GSPT Land Conservation Appropriations *tracked year-by-year Fiscal Year 2000 thru Fiscal Year 2013*



The 1998 Garden State Preservation Trust constitutional amendment, plus the funding approved by the voters in the 2007 & 2009 ballot referenda, established and maintained New Jersey's landmark preservation program as the largest in the nation for a geographic area of this size. The funds flow through the GSPT to its two partnering State agencies:

- **The Green Acres Program, a division of the Department of Environmental Protection to preserve natural lands and recreational parks.**
- **The Farmland Preservation Program, administered by the independent State Agriculture Development Committee, to acquire the development rights on privately owned farmland.**
- **The Blue Acres Program, also administered by the DEP Office of Green Acres, to acquire flood-prone private property on the coast and in the Delaware, Raritan and Passaic River watersheds.**

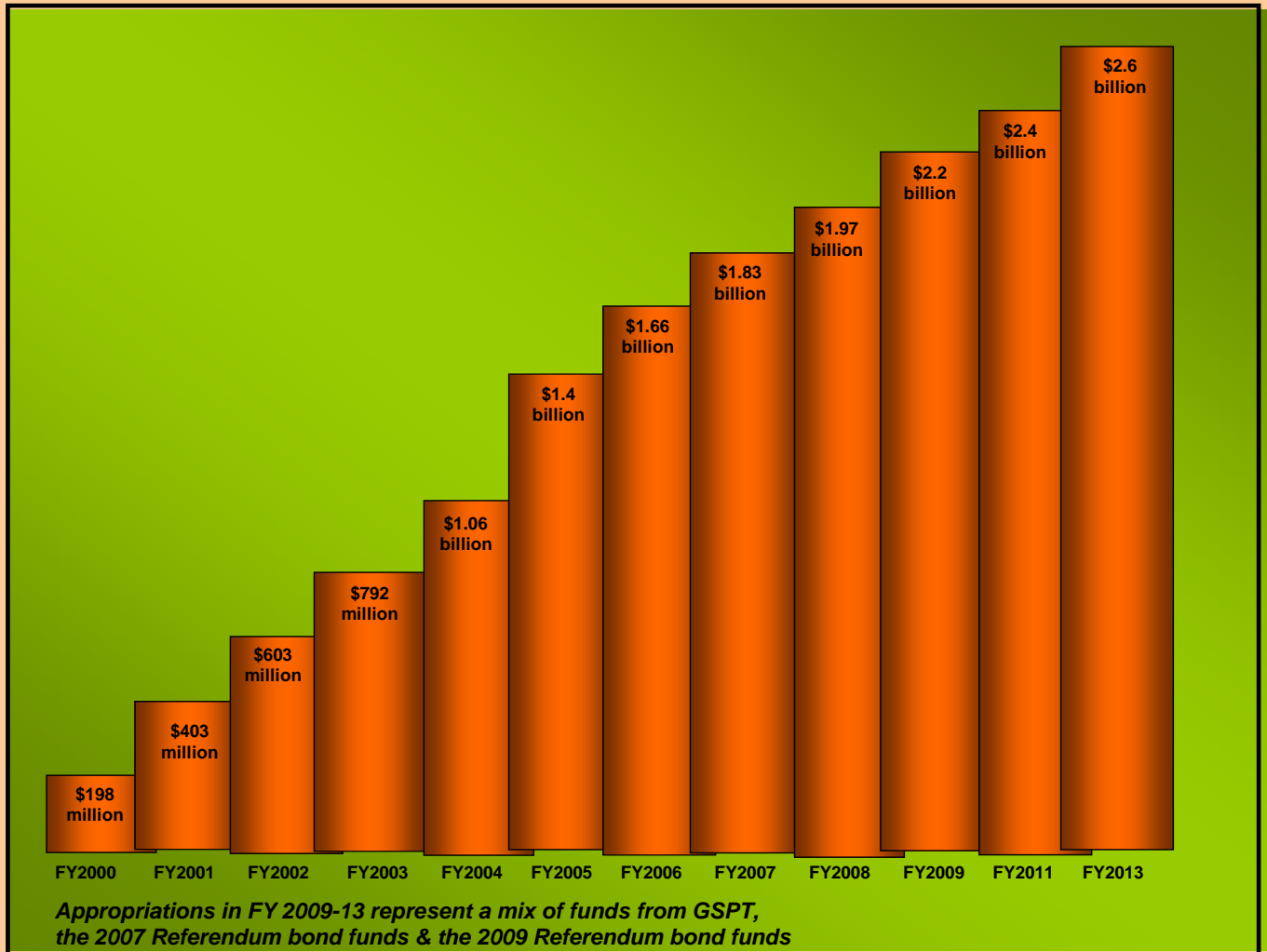
In partnership with county governments, municipalities and conservation land trusts, these agencies are preserving acreage faster than land is being lost to development.



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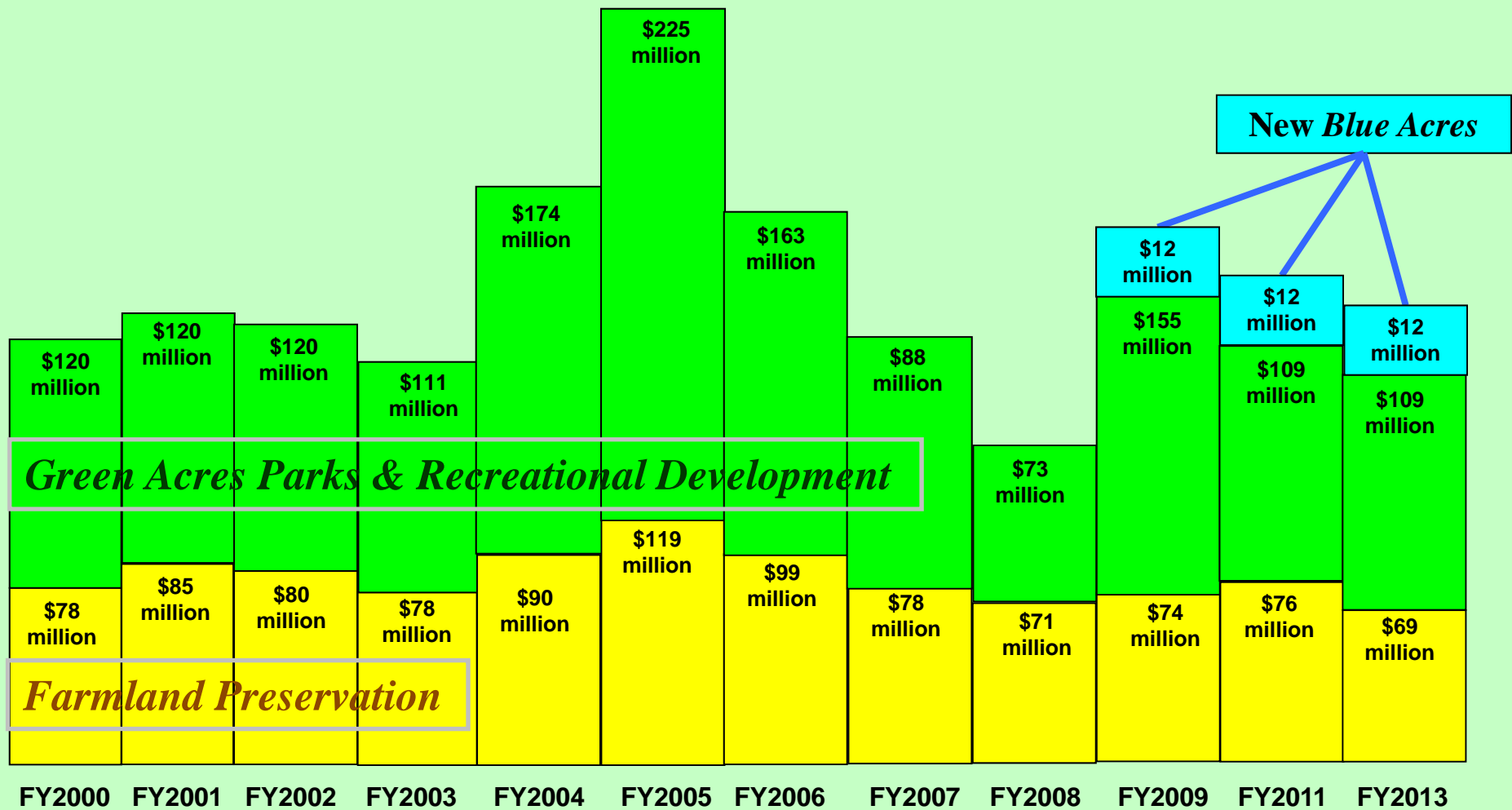
Cumulative from Fiscal Year 2000 thru Fiscal Year 2013



The voters of New Jersey from 1998 to 2009 committed an unprecedented \$2.6 billion to land preservation, conservation and recreational development. The Garden State Preservation Trust serves as the independent gatekeeper of those funds by

- **setting financial strategies**
- **measuring balances**
- **monitoring expenditures**
- **reviewing project recommendations**
- **approving appropriations**
- **advocating policies for the efficient use of funds**

The GSPT pursues its mission in alliance with the Department of Treasury, with State conservation and preservation agencies, and with New Jersey's fascinating, diverse universe of nonprofit land trusts, conservation organizations and county agencies.



Appropriations in FY 2009-13 represent a mix of funds from GSPT, the 2007 Referendum bond funds & the 2009 Referendum bond funds