

## FY 2020 Agriculture Appropriations Bill

On Thursday, September 19, the Senate Appropriations Committee approved the FY 2020 Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill. The top-line spending for bill was increased to \$23.1 billion, 0.4% over the FY 2019 level and 5% lower than the House-passed bill. NIFA funding totals \$1.485 billion, \$13.39 million above FY 2019, with \$937.649 million for Research and Education Activities, \$509.082 million for Extension Activities, and \$38 million for Integrated Activities. AFRI received a \$10 million increase and APLU's remaining core priorities were funded at FY 2019 levels.

In addition to the funding outlined above, the bill includes \$9.5 million to NIFA and \$15 million to ERS for transition costs and other expenses related to the relocation of employees and certain operations to the Kansas City metropolitan area. The bill also provides an additional \$5 million for NIFA to conduct a pilot program to provide grants to nonprofit organizations for programs and services to establish and enhance farming and ranching opportunities for military veterans.

Finally, the Committee directs that all institutions that receive extension activity funding seek to ensure that an equitable percentage of their overall extension work reaches minority, socially disadvantaged, and tribal communities. The Committee directs NIFA to evaluate the distribution of extension resources to these three populations and report to the committee.

The table below highlights the pending funding for APLU's six core priority lines:

Account	FY 2019 Enacted	FY 2020 House	FY 2020 Senate	Difference	FY 2020 APLU Request
McIntire-Stennis	36.000	38.000	36.000	0.000	41.000
1890 Extension	48.620	57.000	48.620	0.000	57.000
Evans-Allen	58.000	67.000	58.000	0.000	67.000
Hatch Act	259.000	265.000	259.000	0.000	292.000
Smith-Lever	315.000	325.000	315.000	0.000	359.000
AFRI	415.000	460.000	425.000	10.000	460.000

The following table provides the complete NIFA account level details:

### National Institute of Food and Agriculture FY 2020 (All \$Millions)

	FY 2019 Enacted	FY 2020 PBR	FY 2020 House	FY 2020 Senate
<b>Research and Education Activities</b>				
Hatch Act	259.000	243.238	265.000	259.000
McIntire-Stennis Cooperative Forestry Act	36.000	28.867	38.000	36.000
Research at 1890 Institutions (Evans-Allen Program)	58.000	53.817	69.000	58.000
Payments to the 1994 Institutions (tribal Colleges Education Equity Grants Program)	3.439	3.416	4.000	3.439
Education Grants for 1890 Institutions	19.336	18.710	23.009	19.336
Scholarships at 1890 Institutions			10.000	
Competitive Facility Modernization Grants		50.000	0.000	

Education Grants for Hispanic-Serving Institutions	9.219	9.156	20.000	9.219
Education Grants for Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian-Serving Institutions	3.194	0.000	4.000	3.194
Research Grants for 1994 Institutions	3.801	1.789	3.801	3.801
Capacity Building Grants for Non Land-Grant Colleges of Agriculture	5.000	0.000	5.000	5.000
Grants for Insular Areas	2.000	0.000	2.700	2.000
Competitive Program for Native Alaskans, Native Hawaiians, and Insular Area Institutions		5.000	0.000	
Agriculture and Food Research Initiative	415.000	500.000	460.000	425.000
Veterinary Medicine Loan Repayment	8.000	4.991	9.000	8.000
Veterinary Services Grant Program	3.000	0.000	3.000	3.000
Continuing Animal Health and Disease Research Program	4.000	0.000	4.000	4.000
Supplemental and Alternative Crops	1.000	0.000	1.000	1.000
Multicultural Scholars, Graduate Fellowship and Institution Challenge Grants	9.000	0.000	9.000	9.000
Secondary and 2-year Post-Secondary Education	0.900	0.000	0.900	0.900
Aquaculture Centers	5.000	0.000	5.000	5.000
Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education	37.000	19.009	45.000	37.000
Farm Business Management	2.000	0.000	2.250	2.000
Sun Grant Program	3.000	0.000	3.000	3.000
Research Equipment Grants			5.000	
Alfalfa and Forage Research Program	3.000	0.000	5.000	3.000
Minor Crop Pest Management (IR-4)	11.913	0.000	12.000	11.913
Special Research Grants				
Global Change/UV Monitoring	1.405	0.000	1.405	1.405
Potato Research	2.750	0.000	3.250	2.750
Aquaculture Research	2.000	0.000	2.000	2.000
Necessary Expenses of Research & Education Activities				
Grants Management Systems	7.830	7.424	7.830	7.830
GSA Rent and DHS Security Expenses		0.000		
Federal Administration - Other Necessary Expenses	11.862	29.298	11.862	11.862
Alteration/Repair Expenses		9.500		
Single Account - General Administration		19.798		
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>927.649</b>	<b>974.715</b>	<b>1035.007</b>	<b>937.649</b>
	<b>FY 2019</b>	<b>FY 2020</b>	<b>FY 2020</b>	<b>FY 2020</b>
<b>Extension Activities</b>	<b>Enacted</b>	<b>PBR</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Senate</b>
Smith-Lever Act, Sections 3(b) and (c) programs and Cooperative Extension	315.000	299.430	325.000	315.000
Extension Services at 1890 Institutions	48.620	47.310	57.000	48.620
Extension Services at 1994 Institutions	6.446	4.416	8.000	6.446
Facility Improvements at 1890 Institutions	19.730	0.000	23.529	19.730

Renewable Resources Extension Act	4.060	0.000	4.060	4.060
Rural Health and Safety Education Programs	3.000	2.000	4.500	4.000
Food Animal Residue Avoidance Database Program	2.500	0.000	2.500	2.500
Women and Minorities in STEM Fields	0.400	0.000	0.400	0.400
Food Safety Outreach Program	8.000	4.000	10.000	8.000
Food & Ag Service Learning	1.000	0.000	2.000	1.000
Farmer Stress Assistance Network	2.000		10.000	3.000
Smith-Lever Act, Section 3(d) programs:				
Food and Nutrition Education (EFNEP)	69.000	55.100	69.000	70.000
Farm Safety and Youth Farm Safety Education Programs	4.610	0.000	4.610	5.000
New Technologies for Agriculture Extension	1.550	0.000	1.550	1.550
Children, Youth, and Families at Risk	8.395	0.000	8.395	8.395
Federally Recognized Tribes Extension Program	3.039	3.018	3.200	3.039
Necessary Expenses of Extension Activities				
Agriculture in the K-12 Classroom	0.552	0.000	0.552	0.552
Federal Administration - Other Necessary Expenses for Ext. Activities	7.790	0.000	7.790	7.790
Federal Administration - Eliminated New Hires				
Federal Administration - Pay Costs				
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>505.692</b>	<b>415.274</b>	<b>542.086</b>	<b>509.082</b>
	<b>FY 2019</b>	<b>FY 2020</b>	<b>FY 2020</b>	<b>FY 2020</b>
<b>Integrated Activities</b>	<b>Enacted</b>	<b>PBR</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Senate</b>
Methyl Bromide Transition Program	2.000	0.000	2.000	2.000
Organic Transition Program	6.000	0.000	8.000	6.000
Regional Rural Development Centers	2.000	1.697	2.000	2.000
Food and Agriculture Defense Initiative	8.000	0.000	8.000	8.000
Crop Protection / Pest Management Program	20.000	0.000	20.000	20.000
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>38.000</b>	<b>1.697</b>	<b>40.000</b>	<b>38.000</b>
	<b>FY 2019</b>	<b>FY 2020</b>	<b>FY 2020</b>	<b>FY 2020</b>
<b>Total NIFA</b>	<b>Enacted</b>	<b>PBR</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Senate</b>
	<b>1471.341</b>	<b>1391.686</b>	<b>1617.093</b>	<b>1484.731</b>

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