

FY 2020 Agriculture Appropriations Bill

The House Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies released the FY 2020 Agriculture Appropriations bill report language today. This bill provides funding for the National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) and other USDA Agencies. The bill totals \$24.310 billion in discretionary funding, an approximately \$1.3 billion increase from the FY 2019 enacted level.

The bill provides \$1.018 billion in funding for Research and Education Activities, \$536.086 million for Extension Activities, and \$40 million for Integrated Activities. The bill also includes \$10 million for a new Scholarships at 1890 Institutions line and \$5 million for a new Research Equipment Grants line under Research and Education Activities. Finally, the bill includes language addressing the Specialty Crop Research Initiative’s matching challenges.

The bill supports the work of Land-grant Universities with increases across all six of APLU’s priorities, totaling \$65.380 million.

Account	FY 2019 Enacted	FY 2020 House	Difference	FY 2020 APLU Request
McIntire-Stennis	36.000	38.000	2.000	41.000
1890 Extension	48.620	57.000	8.380	57.000
Evans-Allen	58.000	67.000	9.000	67.000
Hatch Act	259.000	265.000	6.000	292.000
Smith-Lever	315.000	325.000	10.000	359.000
AFRI	415.000	445.000	30.000	440.000

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The following table provides the complete NIFA account level detail:

National Institute of Food and Agriculture				
FY 2020				
(All \$Millions)				
	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2020
Research and Education Activities	Final	Final	PBR	House
Hatch Act	243.701	259.000	243.238	265.000
McIntire-Stennis Cooperative Forestry Act	33.961	36.000	28.867	38.000
Research at 1890 Institutions (Evans-Allen Program)	54.185	58.000	53.817	67.000
Payments to the 1994 Institutions (tribal Colleges Education Equity Grants Program)	3.439	3.439	3.416	4.000
Education Grants for 1890 Institutions	19.336	19.336	18.710	23.009
Scholarships for 1890 Institutions				10.000

Competitive Facility Modernization Grants			50.000	0.000
Education Grants for Hispanic-Serving Institutions	9.219	9.219	9.156	20.000
Education Grants for Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian-Serving Institutions	3.194	3.194	0.000	4.000
Research Grants for 1994 Institutions	3.801	3.801	1.789	3.801
Capacity Building Grants for Non-Land-Grant Colleges of Agriculture	5.000	5.000	0.000	5.000
Grants for Insular Areas	2.000	2.000	0.000	2.700
Competitive Program for Native Alaskans, Native Hawaiians, and Insular Area Institutions			5.000	0.000
Agriculture and Food Research Initiative	400.000	415.000	500.000	445.000
Veterinary Medicine Loan Repayment	8.000	8.000	4.991	9.000
Veterinary Services Grant Program	2.500	3.000	0.000	3.000
Continuing Animal Health and Disease Research Program	4.000	4.000	0.000	4.000
Supplemental and Alternative Crops	0.825	1.000	0.000	1.000
Multicultural Scholars, Graduate Fellowship and Institution Challenge Grants	9.000	9.000	0.000	9.000
Secondary and 2-year Post-Secondary Education	0.900	0.900	0.000	0.900
Aquaculture Centers	5.000	5.000	0.000	5.000
Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education	35.000	37.000	19.009	45.000
Farm Business Management	2.000	2.000	0.000	2.250
Sun Grant Program	3.000	3.000	0.000	3.000
Research Equipment Grants				5.000
Alfalfa and Forage Research Program	2.250	3.000	0.000	5.000
Minor Crop Pest Management (IR-4)	11.913	11.913	0.000	12.000
Special Research Grants				
Global Change/UV Monitoring	1.405	1.405	0.000	1.405
Potato Research	2.500	2.750	0.000	3.250
Aquaculture Research	1.350	2.000	0.000	2.000
Necessary Expenses of Research & Education Activities				
Grants Management Systems	7.830	7.830	7.424	7.830
GSA Rent and DHS Security Expenses	0.000		0.000	
Federal Administration - Other Necessary Expenses	11.862	11.862	0.000	11.862
Alteration/Repair Expenses				
Single Account - General Administration				
Subtotal	887.171	927.649	974.715	1018.007
	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2020
Extension Activities	Final	Final	PBR	House
Smith-Lever Act, Sections 3(b) and (c) programs and Cooperative Extension	300.000	315.000	299.430	325.000
Extension Services at 1890 Institutions	45.620	48.620	47.310	57.000

Extension Services at 1994 Institutions	6.446	6.446	4.416	8.000
Facility Improvements at 1890 Institutions	19.730	19.730	0.000	23.529
Renewable Resources Extension Act	4.060	4.060	0.000	4.060
Rural Health and Safety Education Programs	3.000	3.000	2.000	3.500
Food Animal Residue Avoidance Database Program	2.500	2.500	0.000	2.500
Women and Minorities in STEM Fields	0.400	0.400	0.000	0.400
Food Safety Outreach Program	7.000	8.000	4.000	10.000
Food & Ag Service Learning	1.000	1.000	0.000	2.000
Farmer Stress Assistance Network		2.000	0.000	5.000
Smith-Lever Act, Section 3(d) programs:				
Food and Nutrition Education (EFNEP)	67.934	69.000	55.100	69.000
Farm Safety and Youth Farm Safety Education Programs	4.610	4.610	0.000	4.610
New Technologies for Agriculture Extension	1.550	1.550	0.000	1.550
Children, Youth, and Families at Risk	8.395	8.395	0.000	8.395
Federally Recognized Tribes Extension Program	3.039	3.039	3.018	3.200
Necessary Expenses of Extension Activities				
Agriculture in the K-12 Classroom	0.552	0.552	0.000	0.552
Federal Administration - Other Necessary Expenses for Ext. Activities	7.790	7.790	0.000	7.790
Federal Administration - Eliminated New Hires				
Federal Administration - Pay Costs				
Subtotal	483.626	505.692	415.274	536.086
	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2020
Integrated Activities	Final	Final	PBR	House
Methyl Bromide Transition Program	2.000	2.000	0.000	2.000
Organic Transition Program	5.000	6.000	0.000	8.000
Regional Rural Development Centers	2.000	2.000	1.697	2.000
Food and Agriculture Defense Initiative	8.000	8.000	0.000	8.000
Crop Protection / Pest Management Program	20.000	20.000	0.000	20.000
Subtotal	37.000	38.000	1.697	40.000
	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2020
Total NIFA	Final	Final	PBR	House
	1407.80	1471.341	1391.686	1594.093

Next Steps

The full House Appropriations Committee is expected to consider the bill on Tuesday, June 4.

The Senate Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee is currently scheduled to meet on June 11

to approve their version of the FY 2020 Agriculture Appropriations Bill.

As always, we will continue to keep you informed as further developments occur.

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