



National Sustainable Agriculture Coalition

# **AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS CHART**

**FISCAL YEAR 2015**

**FINAL OMNIBUS**

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<b>Program</b>	<b>FY 11 Final <sup>1</sup></b>	<b>FY 12 Final</b>	<b>FY 13 Final CR<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>FY 14 Omnibus<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Authorized FY 15 Level<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>FY 15 Obama Request</b>	<b>FY 15 House Full Committee</b>	<b>FY 15 Senate Full Committee</b>	<b>FY 15 Omnibus</b>
SARE	14.5	14.5	13.4	Included in 22.7 total	40.0	Included in 22.7 total	Included in 22.7 total	Included in 22.7 total	Included in 22.7 total
SARE-Match	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Part of the 40.0 above	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
SARE-PDP	4.7	4.7	4.3	Included in 22.7 total	20.0	Included in 22.7 total	Included in 22.7 total	Included in 22.7 total	Included in 22.7 total
SARE - Total	19.2	19.2	17.7	22.7	60.0	22.7	22.7	22.7	22.7
ORG TRS	4.0	4.0	3.7	4.0	n/a	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
OREI	<i>No limitation</i> 20.0#	<i>No limitation</i> 20.0#	<i>Pending FB Action</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 18.6# <i>(1.4m sequester cut)</i>	20.0#	<i>No limitation</i> 20.0#	<i>No limitation</i> 18.5# <i>(1.5m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 18.5# <i>(1.5m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 18.5# <i>(1.5m sequester cut)</i>
AFRI	265.0	264.0	274.8	316.4	700.0	325.0	325.0	325.0	325.0
SCRI	<i>No limitation</i> 50.0#	<i>No limitation</i> 50.0#	<i>Pending FB Action</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 74.2# <i>(5.8m sequester cut)</i>	80.0#	<i>No limitation</i> 80.0#	<i>No limitation</i> 74.2# <i>(5.8m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 74.2# <i>(5.8m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 74.2# <i>(5.8m sequester cut)</i>
BFRDP	<i>No limitation</i> 19.0#	<i>No limitation</i> 19.0#	<i>Pending FB Action</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 18.6# <i>(1.4m sequester cut)</i>	20.0#	<i>No limitation</i> 20.0#	<i>No limitation</i> 18.5# <i>(1.5m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 18.5# <i>(1.5m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 18.5# <i>(1.5m sequester cut)</i>
FSOP	n/a	0.0	0.0	0.0	ss	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
2501 <sup>4</sup>	<i>No limitation</i> 20.0#	<i>No limitation</i> 20.0#	<i>Pending FB Action</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 9.3# <i>(0.7m sequester cut)</i>	10.0# + 20.0	<i>No limitation</i> 10.0#	<i>No limitation</i> 9.3# <i>(0.7m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 9.3# <i>(0.7m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 9.3# <i>(0.7m sequester cut)</i>
OA&O	1.4	1.2	1.3	1.2	2.0	1.2	0.8	1.2	1.2
ATTRA	0.0	2.25	2.1	2.25	5.0	2.1	2.5	2.25	2.5
RCDG	11.4	8.8	8.7	8.8	40.0	0.0 <sup>5</sup>	8.8 <sup>6</sup>	8.8 <sup>6</sup>	8.8 <sup>6</sup>
RMAP	<i>No limitation</i> + 0 = 4.0#	0.0	4.0#	0.0	3.0# + 40.0	<i>No limitation</i> + 3.3 for loans + non-delineated sum for grants	<i>No limitation</i> 2.8# + 0.0 <i>(0.2m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 2.8# + 0.0 <i>(0.2m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 2.8# + 0.0 <i>(0.2m sequester cut)</i>

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RBDG <sup>7</sup>	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	65.0	Included as non-delineated sum in larger request	<i>Proposal not accepted</i>	26.6	24.0
VAPG	18.9	14.0	13.8	15.0	63.0 / 5 yrs # + 40.0	<i>No limitation + 11.0</i>	<i>No limitation + 10.75</i>	<i>No limitation + 15.0</i>	<i>No limitation + 10.75</i>
B&I Local Food Loans	49.7	41.1	37.9	47.9	At least 5% of total B&I funding	29.6	44.0	47.9	46.0
HFFI	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	125.0 / 5 yrs	13.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
REAP	<i>No limitation 70# + 5 = 75</i>	22.0# + 3.4 = 25.4	45.2# + 3.1 = 48.3	3.5	50.0#	<i>No limitation + 10 (split between loans and grants)</i>	30.0# + 3.5 <i>CHIMPS cut of 16.3 (3.7m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation 46.4# + 1.3 (3.7m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation 46.4# + 1.4 (3.7m sequester cut)</i>
BCAP	<i>Cut \$29 m to \$112 m#</i>	17.0#	<i>Pending Farm Bill Action</i>	<i>No limitation 23.2# (1.8m sequester cut)</i>	25.0	<i>No limitation</i>	15.0# <i>CHIMPS cut of 8.2 (1.8m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation 23.2# (1.8m sequester cut)</i>	21.2 # <i>CHIMPS cut of 2.0 (1.8m sequester cut)</i>
FSMIP	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.4	ss	1.0	1.2	1.4	1.2
SCBG	<i>No limitation 55.0#</i>	<i>No limitation 55.0#</i>	<i>No limitation 51.8# (3.2m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation 63.7# (5.2m sequester cut)</i>	72.5#	<i>No limitation</i>	<i>No limitation 67.2# (5.3m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation 67.2# (5.3m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation 67.2# (5.3m sequester cut)</i>
NOP	7.0	7.0	7.0	8.0	ss	?	8.0	?	?
NOCCS	<i>n/a (full 22.0# allocated in 09)</i>	<i>n/a</i>	<i>Pending Farm Bill Action</i>	<i>No limitation 10.7# (0.8m sequester cut)</i>	11.5	<i>No limitation</i>	<i>No limitation 10.7# (0.8m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation 10.7# (0.8m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation 10.7# (0.8m sequester cut)</i>
ODI	0.75	?	?	2.25	5.0# / 5 yrs + 5.0	<i>No limitation + ?</i>	<i>No limitation + ?</i>	<i>No limitation + ?</i>	<i>No limitation + ?</i>
FMLFPP	<i>No limitation 10.0#</i>	<i>No limitation 10.0#</i>	<i>Pending Farm Bill Action</i>	<i>No limitation 27.8# (2.2m sequester cut)</i>	30.0# + 10.0	<i>No limitation</i>	<i>No limitation 27.8# (2.2m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation 27.8# (2.2m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation 27.8# (2.2m sequester cut)</i>
FMNP	20.0	16.5	15.3	16.5	ss	16.5	16.5	16.5	16.5
SR FMNP	<i>No limitation 20.6#</i>	<i>No limitation 20.6#</i>	<i>No limitation 20.6#</i>	<i>No limitation 20.6#</i>	20.6#	<i>No limitation</i>	<i>No limitation 20.6#</i>	<i>No limitation 20.6#</i>	<i>No limitation 20.6#</i>
CFSA	<i>No limitation 6.0#</i>	<i>No limitation 5.0#</i>	<i>No limit 5.0#</i>	<i>No limit 5.0#</i>	9.0#	<i>No limitation</i>	<i>No limitation 9.0#</i>	<i>No limitation 9.0#</i>	<i>No limitation 9.0#</i>

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SMG	4.2	3.8	4.1	3.8	7.5	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4
DFO	475.0	475.0	438.6	575.0	350.0	1500.0	1500.0	1500.00	1500.00
GFO	1500.0	1500.0	1385.0	2000.0	1000.0	2000.0	2000.0	2000.00	2000.00
DOL	950.0	1050.0	969.6	1195.6	850.0	1252.0	1252.0	1252.00	1252.00
GOL-U	1500.0	1500.0	1385.0	1500.0	2000.0	1393.4	1393.4	1393.4	1393.4
GOL-S	144.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	750.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Con Loan-D	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	150.0 <i>cumulative total for direct and guaranteed</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Con Loan - G	0.0	150.0	138.3	150.0	150.0 <i>cumulative total for direct and guaranteed</i>	150.0	150.0	150.0	150.0
BFR IDA	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.0	2.5	0.0	2.5	0.0
CONS OPS	872.2	828.2	767.3	812.9	ss	814.8	843.1	849.3	846.4
CSP	649.0# <i>CHIMPS cut of 39.0</i>	768.5# <i>CHIMPS cut of 75.5</i>	1036.2# <i>(63.8m sequester cut)</i>	1057.0# <i>(82.0m sequester cut)</i>	10 m acres/year#	<i>No limitation</i>	1166.0# CHIMPS cut of 15.9 <i>(93.1m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 1181.9# <i>(93.1m sequester cut)</i>	23 % cut CHIMPS cut of 7.0 in FY15; 402.0 FY15-24 <i>(93.1m sequester cut)</i>
EQIP	1238.0# <i>CHIMPS cut of 350.0</i>	1400.0# <i>CHIMPS cut of 248.5</i> <i>(101.5 sequester cut)</i>	1400.0# <i>CHIMPS cut of 248.5</i>	1350.0# <i>CHMIPS cut of 274.0</i> <i>(126m sequester cut)</i>	1,600	Limited to 1,350 <i>Cut of 250.0</i>	1391.0# CHIMPS cut of 92.2 <i>(116.8m sequester cut)</i>	1350.0# CHIMPS cut of 133.2 <i>(116.8m sequester cut)</i>	1347.0# CHIMPS cut of 136.2 <i>(116.8m sequester cut)</i>
RCPP <sup>8</sup>	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	331.0 <sup>9</sup>	<i>No limitation</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 323.7# <i>(7.3m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 323.7# <i>(7.3m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 323.7# <i>(7.3m sequester cut)</i>
ACEP <sup>10</sup>	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	425.0	<i>No limitation</i>	365.0# CHIMPS cut of 29.0 <i>(31.0m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 394.0# <i>(31.0m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 394.0# <i>(31.0m sequester cut)</i>
AMA	<i>No limitation</i> 15.0#	2.5# for NRCS <i>CHIMPS cut of 5.0</i>	2.5# for NRCS <i>CHIMPS cut of 4.6</i> <i>(0.4m sequester cut)</i>	13.8# <i>(1.2m sequester cut)</i>	15.0#	<i>No limitation</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 13.9# <i>(1.1m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 13.9# <i>(1.1m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 13.9# <i>(1.1m sequester cut)</i>

**KEY -- Program Name (Lead Agency at USDA)**

SARE	Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education – Research and Education grants (NIFA)
SARE – Match	SARE Federal State Matching Grant Program (NIFA)
SARE-PDP	SARE - Professional Development Program grants (NIFA)
SARE – total	Combined total for Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education -- SARE (NIFA)
ORG TRS	Organic Transition Research Program (NIFA)
OREI	Organic Agriculture Research and Extension Initiative (NIFA)
AFRI	Agriculture and Food Research Initiative (NIFA)
SCRI	Specialty Crop Research Initiative (NIFA)
BFRDP	Beginning Farmer and Rancher Development Program (NIFA)
FSOP	Food Safety Outreach Program
OASDFR (2501)	Outreach and Assistance for Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers (NIFA)
OA&O	Office of Advocacy and Outreach – made up of two divisions = Beginning Farmer and Small Farms Group, and Minority Farmer Group
ATTRA	Appropriate Technology Transfer for Rural Areas (RBCS)
RCDG	Rural Cooperative Development Grants (RBCS)
RMAP	Rural Micro-entrepreneur Assistance Program (RBCS)
RBDG	Rural Business Development Grants (RBCS)
VAPG	Value-Added Producer Grants (RBCS)
HFFI	Healthy Food Financing Initiative (Office of the Secretary)
REAP	Rural Energy for America, formerly Renewable Energy Systems and Energy Efficiency Improvements Program (RBCS)
FSMIP <sup>1</sup>	Federal-State Market Improvement Program (AMS)
SCBG	Specialty Crop Block Grants (AMS)
NOP	National Organic Program and related spending on national organic standards (AMS)
NOCCS	National Organic Certification Cost Share (AMS)
ODI	Organic Production and Marketing Data Collection Initiative, or Organic Data Initiative for short (AMS, ERS, NASS)
FMLFPP	Farmers Market and Local Food Promotion Program (AMS)
FMNP	WIC Farmers Market Nutrition Program (FNS)
SR FMNP	Seniors Farmers Market Nutrition Program (FNS)
CFSA	Community Food Security Act - includes Community Food Grants and Healthy Urban Food Enterprise Development Center (CSREES)
SMGs	State Mediation Grants (FSA)
DFO	Direct Farm Ownership Loans (FSA)
GFO	Guaranteed Farm Ownership Loans (FSA)
DOL	Direct Operating Loans (FSA)
GOL-U	Guaranteed Operating Loans – unsubsidized (FSA)
GOL-S	Guaranteed Operating Loans – subsidized (FSA)
CON-D	Conservation Loans – Direct (FSA)
CON-G	Conservation Loans – Guaranteed (FSA)
BFR IDA	Beginning Farmer and Rancher Individual Development Account Program (FSA)
CONS OPS	Conservation Operations (includes Conservation Technical Assistance) (NRCS)
CSP	Conservation Stewardship Program (NRCS)

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EQIP	Environmental Quality Incentives Program (NRCS)
AMA	Agricultural Management Assistance Program (NRCS, RMA, AMS)
ACEP	Agricultural Conservation Easement Program (NRCS)
RCPPI	Regional Conservation Partnership Initiative (NRCS)
AWEP	Agricultural Water Enhancement Program, formerly Ground and Surface Water Conservation (formerly administered by NRCS)
CBWI	Chesapeake Bay Watershed Initiative (formerly administered by)
FRPP	Farm and Ranch Land Protection Program (formerly administered by NRCS)
WHIP	Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program (formerly administered by NRCS)
WRP	Wetlands Reserve Program (formerly administered by NRCS)
GRP	Grasslands Reserve Program (formerly administered by NRCS/FSA)

## NOTES ON CHART:

**n/a** = not applicable

**ss** = authorized at “such sums as may be appropriated” rather than a specific dollar amount

**#** = Items with number sign (#) are “mandatory” programs funded directly via the farm bill through the Commodity Credit Corporation or directly from the Treasury that do not need to be appropriated, though sometimes appropriators raid the mandatory funding via “limitations” provisions. Some mandatory accounts receive the same funding level each year, but others vary by year.

**Discretionary Programs.** These programs are authorized by the 2008 Farm Bill, an earlier farm bill, or another agricultural authorization bill for which the actual funding level for the program in any given year is determined by the annual appropriations bill. Discretionary programs also include programs without specific authorizations that are started by USDA under more general authorities.

**Mandatory Programs.** These programs were provided mandatory (direct) funding in the 2008 Farm Bill, 2002 Farm Bill, or some earlier authorization bill, not normally subject to change in the appropriations bill. However, over the years, the appropriations committee has sometimes made use of a technique to limit or eliminate mandatory spending by not providing appropriated funds to pay for the salaries and expenses of USDA staff to implement the program. This allows the appropriators to kill or limit the program in question and then spend the money saved on discretionary programs.

**No Limitation** means that the mandatory funding provided by the farm bill (see the shaded columns) was left intact at the farm bill level for mandatory funding.

**CHIMPS** = Change In Mandatory Program Spending, which refers to cuts that appropriations bills make to “mandatory” (also known as “direct” or “non-discretionary”) spending.

<sup>1</sup> Amounts in this column do not reflect an additional 0.2% across the board cut to all programs in the FY 11 final bill.

<sup>2</sup> Amounts are inclusive of sequestration cuts.

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- <sup>4</sup> Section 2501 is shorthand for “Outreach and Assistance for Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers”.
- <sup>5</sup> The FY15 budget request includes \$11 million for VAPG, \$2.1 million for ATTRA, and \$3 million for coop development centers targeting socially disadvantaged producers, all of which are funded through RCDG. However, the budget request does not include any funding for the main portion of the RCDG program.
- <sup>6</sup> Includes \$3 million for coop development centers targeting socially disadvantaged producers.
- <sup>7</sup> The 2014 Farm Bill combined the Rural Business Enterprise Grants (RBEG) program and the Rural Business Opportunity Grants (RBOG) program to create the “Rural Business Development Grants” program. Both RBEG and RBOG received annual appropriations in previous years.
- <sup>8</sup> The 2014 Farm Bill combined the Agricultural Water Enhancement Program (AWEP), Chesapeake Bay Watershed Initiative (CBWI), Great Lakes Conservation Initiative (GLCI), and Cooperative Conservation Partnership Initiative (CCPI) to create the Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP).
- <sup>9</sup> Funding for RCPP consists of a \$100 million per year baseline, plus 7 percent of the funding available for CSP, EQIP, and ACEP. The \$100 million per year baseline comes from permanent baseline funding for AWEP and CBWI, which were folded into RCPP in the 2014 Farm Bill. Prior to the 2014 Farm Bill, AWEP had \$56 million per year and CBWI had \$47 million per year. The 2014 Farm Bill transferred \$100 million per year of that combined baseline to RCPP.
- <sup>10</sup> The 2014 Farm Bill combined the Grassland Reserve Program (GRP), Wetlands Reserve Program (WRP), and the Farm and Ranch Land Protection Program (FRPP) to create the Agricultural Conservation Easement Program (ACEP).