



National Sustainable Agriculture Coalition

# **AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS CHART**

**FISCAL YEAR 2016**

**HOUSE AND SENATE COMMITTEES**

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<b>Program</b>	<b>FY 12 Final</b>	<b>FY 13 Final CR<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>FY 14 Omnibus<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>FY 15 Omnibus</b>	<b>Authorized FY 16 Level<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>FY 16 Obama Request<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>FY 16 House Committee<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>FY 16 Senate Committee<sup>2</sup></b>
SARE	19.2	17.7	22.7	22.7	60.0	22.7	22.7	22.7
ORG TRS	4.0	3.7	4.0	4.0	ss	4.0	4.0	4.0
OREI	<i>No limitation</i> 20.0#	<i>Pending FB Action</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 18.6# <i>(1.4m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 18.5# <i>(1.5m sequester cut)</i>	20.0 #	<i>No limitation</i> 20.0#	<i>No limitation</i> 20.0#	<i>No limitation</i> 20.0#
AFRI	264.0	274.8	316.4	325.0	700.0	450.0	335.0	325.0
SCRI	<i>No limitation</i> 50.0#	<i>Pending FB Action</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>	80.0 #	<i>No limitation</i> 80.0#	<i>No limitation</i> 80.0#	<i>No limitation</i> 80.0#
BFRDP	<i>No limitation</i> 19.0#	<i>Pending FB Action</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 18.6# <i>(1.4m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 18.5# <i>(1.5m sequester cut)</i>	20.0 #	<i>No limitation</i> 20.0#	<i>No limitation</i> 20.0#	<i>No limitation</i> 20.0#
FSOP	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.5	ss	5.0	5.0	2.5
2501 <sup>3</sup>	<i>No limitation</i> 20.0#	<i>Pending FB Action</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 9.3# + 0.0 <i>(0.7m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 9.3# + 0.0 <i>(0.7m sequester cut)</i>	10.0# + 20.0	<i>No limitation</i> 10.0# + 0.0	<i>No limitation</i> 10.0# + 0.0	<i>No limitation</i> 10.0# + 0.0
OA&O	1.2	1.3	1.2	1.2	2.0	1.2	1.2	1.2
ATTRA	2.25	2.1	2.25	2.5	5.0	2.1	2.5	2.5
RCDG	8.8	8.7	8.8	8.8	40.0	9.0 <sup>4</sup>	8.8 <sup>5</sup>	8.8 <sup>5</sup>
RMAP	0.0	4.0#	0.0	<i>No limitation</i> 2.8# + 0.0 <i>(0.2m sequester cut)</i>	3.0# + 40.0	<i>No limitation</i> + 2.65 for loans + 2.0 for grants	<i>No limitation</i> 3.0# + 0.0	<i>No limitation</i> 3.0# + 0.0
RBDG <sup>6</sup>	n/a	n/a	n/a	24.0	65.0	30.0	24.0	24.0
VAPG	14.0	13.8	15.0	<i>No limitation</i> + 10.75	63.0 / 5 yrs # + 40.0	<i>No limitation</i> + 10.0	<i>No limitation</i> + 10.0	<i>No limitation</i> + 10.75
B&I Local Food Loans	41.1	37.9	47.9	46.0	At least 5% of total B&I funding	37.9	46.0	46.0

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HFFI	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	125.0 / 5 yrs	12.75	0.0	1.0
REAP	22.0# + 3.4 = 25.4	45.2# + 3.1 = 48.3	3.5	<i>No limitation</i> 46.4# + 1.4 <i>(3.7m sequester cut)</i>	50.0#	<i>No limitation</i> 50.0# + 10.0 (split between loans and grants)	35.0# + 0.84 = 35.84 <i>Cut of 15.0</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 50.0# + 0.5 (for loans)
BCAP	17.0#	<i>Pending Farm Bill Action</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 23.2# <i>(1.8m sequester cut)</i>	21.2 # <i>CHIMPS cut of 2.0</i> <i>(1.8m sequester cut)</i>	25.0	<i>No limitation</i> 25.0#	12.0# <i>Cut of 13.0</i>	3.0# <i>Cut of 22.0</i>
FSMIP	1.2	1.2	1.4	1.2	ss	1.2	1.2	1.2
SCBG	<i>No limitation</i> 55.0#	<i>No limitation</i> 51.8# <i>(3.2m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 63.7# <i>(5.2m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 67.2# <i>(5.3m sequester cut)</i>	72.5 #	<i>No limitation</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 72.5#	<i>No limitation</i> 72.5#
NOP	7.0	7.0	8.0	?	ss	9.1	?	?
NOCCS	<i>n/a</i>	<i>Pending Farm Bill Action</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 10.7# <i>(0.8m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 10.7# <i>(0.8m sequester cut)</i>	11.5 #	<i>No limitation</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 11.5#	<i>No limitation</i> 11.5#
ODI	?	?	2.25	<i>No limitation</i> + ?	5.0# / 5 yrs + 5.0	<i>No limitation</i> + ?	<i>No limitation</i> + ?	<i>No limitation</i> + ?
FMLFPP	<i>No limitation</i> 10.0#	<i>Pending Farm Bill Action</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 27.8# <i>(2.2m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 27.8# <i>(2.2m sequester cut)</i>	30.0 # + 10.0	<i>No limitation</i> 30#	<i>No limitation</i> 30#	<i>No limitation</i> 30#
FMNP	16.5	15.3	16.5	16.5	ss	16.5	16.5	16.5
SR FMNP	<i>No limitation</i> 20.6#	<i>No limitation</i> 20.6#	<i>No limitation</i> 20.6#	<i>No limitation</i> 20.6#	20.6#	<i>No limitation</i> 20.6#	<i>No limitation</i> 20.6#	<i>No limitation</i> 20.6#
CFSA	<i>No limitation</i> 5.0#	<i>No limit</i> 5.0#	<i>No limit</i> 5.0#	<i>No limitation</i> 9.0#	9.0 #	<i>No limitation</i> 9.0 #	<i>No limitation</i> 9.0 #	<i>No limitation</i> 9.0 #
SMG	3.8	4.1	3.8	3.4	7.5	3.4	3.4	3.4

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DFO	475.0	438.6	575.0	1500.00	350.0	1500.0	1500.0	1500.0
GFO	1500.0	1385.0	2000.0	2000.00	1000.0	2000.0	2000.0	2000.0
DOL	1050.0	969.6	1195.6	1252.00	850.0	1252.0	1252.0	1252.0
GOL-U	1500.0	1385.0	1500.0	1393.4	2000.0	1393.4	1393.4	1393.4
GOL-S	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	750.0	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
Con Loan –G	150.0	138.3	150.0	150.0	150.0 <i>cumulative total for direct and guaranteed</i>	150.0	150.0	150.0
BFR IDA	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.0	2.5	0.0	0.0
CONS OPS	828.2	767.3	812.9	846.4	ss	831.2	832.9	855.0
CSP	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>	23 % cut CHIMPS cut of 7.0 in FY15; 402.0 FY15-24 <i>(93.1m sequester cut)</i>	10 m new acres/year #	Limited to 7 m new acres <i>Ten-year cut of \$486.0</i>	Limited to 7.741 m new acres <i>Five-year cut of roughly \$200.0</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 10 m new acres #
EQIP	1400.0# <i>CHIMPS cut of 248.5 (101.5 sequester cut)</i>	1400.0# <i>CHIMPS cut of 248.5</i>	1350.0# <i>CHMIPS cut of 274.0 (126m sequester cut)</i>	1347.0# CHIMPS cut of 136.2 <i>(116.8m sequester cut)</i>	1,650.0 #	Limited to 1,350.0 <i>Cut of 373.0 (includes carry-over from FY15)</i>	Limited to 1,350.0 <i>Cut of 300.0</i>	Limited to 1,347.0 <i>Cut of 303.0</i>
RCPP <sup>7</sup>	n/a	n/a	n/a	<i>No limitation</i> 323.7# <i>(7.3m sequester cut)</i>	236.0 <sup>8</sup> #	No limitation 236.0 <sup>8</sup> #	201.0 <sup>8</sup> # <i>Cut of 35.0 via EQIP and CSP</i>	214.8 <sup>8</sup> # <i>Cut of 21.2 via EQIP</i>
ACEP <sup>9</sup>	n/a	n/a	n/a	<i>No limitation</i> 394.0# <i>(31.0m sequester cut)</i>	450.0 #	No limitation 450.0 #	No limitation 450.0 #	No limitation 450.0 #
AMA	2.5# for NRCS <i>CHIMPS cut of 5.0</i>	2.5# for NRCS <i>CHIMPS cut of 4.6 (0.4m sequester cut)</i>	13.8# <i>(1.2m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No limitation</i> 13.9# <i>(1.1m sequester cut)</i>	10.0 #	No limitation 10.0 #	No limitation 10.0 #	No limitation 10.0 #

**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)

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CONS OPS	Conservation Operations (includes Conservation Technical Assistance) (NRCS)
CSP	Conservation Stewardship Program (NRCS)
EQIP	Environmental Quality Incentives Program (NRCS)
AMA	Agricultural Management Assistance Program (NRCS, RMA, AMS)
ACEP	Agricultural Conservation Easement Program (NRCS)
RCPP	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.

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<sup>1</sup> Amounts are inclusive of sequestration cuts.

<sup>2</sup> Amounts shown do not reflect sequestration cuts.

<sup>3</sup> Section 2501 is shorthand for “Outreach and Assistance for Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers”.

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- <sup>4</sup> The FY16 budget request includes \$10 million for VAPG and \$2.1 million for ATTRA, which are both funded through RCDG. The budget request includes \$9 million for the main portion of the RCDG program, which includes \$3 million for coop development centers targeting socially disadvantaged producers.
- <sup>5</sup> Includes \$3 million for coop development centers targeting socially disadvantaged producers.
- <sup>6</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>7</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>8</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>9</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).