



National Sustainable Agriculture Coalition

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS CHART

FISCAL YEAR 2017

HOUSE AND SENATE COMMITTEES

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Program	FY 14 Omnibus	FY 15 Omnibus	FY 16 Final	FY 17 Authorized Level ¹	FY 17 Obama Request ¹	FY17 House Committee	FY17 Senate Committee
SARE	22.7	22.7	24.7	60.0	30.0	24.7	27.0
ORG TRS	4.0	4.0	4.0	ss	4.0	4.0	4.0
OREI	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 18.6# <i>(1.4m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 18.5# <i>(1.5m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 18.6# <i>(1.4m sequester cut)</i>	20.0#	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 20.0#	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 18.6# <i>(1.4m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 18.6# <i>(1.4m sequester cut)</i>
AFRI	316.4	325.0	350.0	700.0	375.0 ²	375.0	375.0
SCRI	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 74.2# <i>(5.8m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 74.2# <i>(5.8m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 74.6# <i>(5.4m sequester cut)</i>	80.0#	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 80.0#	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 74.6# <i>(5.4m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 74.6# <i>(5.4m sequester cut)</i>
BFRDP	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 18.6# <i>(1.4m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 18.5# <i>(1.5m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 18.5# <i>(1.5m sequester cut)</i>	20.0#	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 20.0#	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 18.5# <i>(1.5m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 18.5# <i>(1.5m sequester cut)</i>
FSOP	0.0	2.5	5.0	ss	5.0	5.0	5.0
2501 ³	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 9.3# + 0.0 <i>(0.7m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 9.3# + 0.0 <i>(0.7m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 9.3# + 0.0 <i>(0.7m sequester cut)</i>	10.0# + 20.0	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 10.0# + 10.0	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 9.3# + 0.0 <i>(0.7m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 9.3# + 3.0 <i>(0.7m sequester cut)</i>
OA&O	1.2	1.2	1.2	2.0	1.2 ⁴	1.2	1.2
ATTRA	2.25	2.5	2.5	5.0	2.5	2.75	2.75
RCDG	8.8	8.8	8.8	40.0	9.0	8.8	8.8
RMAP	0.0	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 2.8# + 0.0 <i>(0.2m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 2.8# + 0.0 <i>(0.2m sequester cut)</i>	3.0# + 40.0	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 3.0# + 2.9 for loans + 2.0 for grants	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 2.8# + 0.0 <i>(0.2m sequester cut)</i>	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 2.8# + 0.0 <i>(0.2m sequester cut)</i>
RBDG ⁵	n/a	24.0	24.0	65.0	30.0	35.0	24.0
VAPG	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 58.5# ⁶ /5yrs + 15.0	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 58.5# ⁶ /5yrs + 10.75	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 58.5# ⁶ /5yrs + 10.75	63.0# ⁶ /5 yrs + 40.0	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 63.0# ⁶ /5yrs + 10.75	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 58.5# ⁶ /5yrs + 15.0	<i>No CHIMPS</i> 58.5# ⁶ /5yrs + 10.75
B&I Local Food Loans	47.9	46.0	46.0	At least 5% of total B&I funding	44.6	46.0	46.0

Program	FY 14 Omnibus	FY 15 Omnibus	FY 16 Final	FY 17 Authorized Level ¹	FY 17 Obama Request ¹	FY17 House Committee	FY17 Senate Committee
HFFI	0.0	0.0	0.0	125.0 / 5 yrs	1.0	0.0	1.0
REAP	3.5	No CHIMPS 46.4# + 1.4 (3.7m sequester cut)	No CHIMPS 46.6# + 0.5 (loans) (3.4 sequester cut)	50.0# + 20.0	No CHIMPS 50.0# + 18.5	No CHIMPS 46.6# + 0.5 (loans) (3.4 sequester cut)	No CHIMPS 46.6# + 0.352 (loans) (3.4 sequester cut)
BCAP	No CHIMPS 23.2# (1.8m sequester cut)	21.2# CHIMPS cut of 2.0 (1.8m sequester cut)	3.0# CHIMPS cut of 20.3 (1.7 sequester cut)	25.0#	No CHIMPS 25.0#	3.0# CHIMPS cut of 20.3 (1.7 sequester cut)	3.0# CHIMPS cut of 20.3 (1.7 sequester cut)
FSMIP	1.4	1.2	1.2	ss	1.2	1.2	1.2
SCBG	No CHIMPS 63.7# (5.2m sequester cut)	No CHIMPS 67.2# (5.3m sequester cut)	No CHIMPS 67.6# (4.9m sequester cut)	72.5#	No CHIMPS 72.5#	No CHIMPS 67.6# (4.9m sequester cut)	No CHIMPS 67.6# (4.9m sequester cut)
NOP	No CHIMPS 4.6# ⁷ /5yrs + 8.0	No CHIMPS 4.6# ⁷ /5yrs + 9.1	No CHIMPS 4.6# ⁷ /5yrs + 9.1	5.0# ⁷ /5yrs + ss	No CHIMPS 5.0# ⁷ /5yrs + 9.1	No CHIMPS 4.6# ⁷ /5yrs + 9.1	No CHIMPS 4.6# ⁷ /5yrs + ?
NOCCS	No CHIMPS 10.7# (0.8m sequester cut)	No CHIMPS 10.7# (0.8m sequester cut)	No CHIMPS 10.7# (0.8m sequester cut)	11.5 #	No CHIMPS 11.5 #	No CHIMPS 10.7# (0.8m sequester cut)	No CHIMPS 10.7# (0.8m sequester cut)
ODI	No CHIMPS 4.6# ⁷ /5 yrs + 2.25	No CHIMPS 4.6# ⁷ /5 yrs + ?	No CHIMPS 4.6# ⁷ /5 yrs + 0.0	5.0# ⁷ /5 yrs + 5.0	No CHIMPS 5.0# ⁷ /5 yrs + 0.0	No CHIMPS 4.6# ⁷ /5 yrs + 0.0	No CHIMPS 4.6# ⁷ /5 yrs + 0.0
FMLFPP	No CHIMPS 27.8# (2.2m sequester cut)	No CHIMPS 27.8# (2.2m sequester cut)	No CHIMPS 28.0# (2.0m sequester cut)	30.0# + 10.0	No CHIMPS 30.0#	No CHIMPS 28.0# (2.0m sequester cut)	No CHIMPS 28.0# (2.0m sequester cut)
FMNP	16.5	16.5	18.5	ss	16.5	18.5	16.5
SR FMNP	No CHIMPS 19.1# (1.5m sequester cut)	No CHIMPS 19.1# (1.5m sequester cut)	No CHIMPS 19.2# (1.4m sequester cut)	20.6#	No CHIMPS 20.6#	No CHIMPS 19.2# (1.4m sequester cut)	No CHIMPS 19.2# (1.4m sequester cut)
CFSA ⁸	No CHIMPS 5.0#	No CHIMPS 9.0#	No CHIMPS 9.0#	9.0#	No CHIMPS 9.0#	No CHIMPS 9.0#	No CHIMPS 9.0#
SMG	3.8	3.4	3.4	7.5	3.4	3.4	3.9

Program	FY 14 Omnibus	FY 15 Omnibus	FY 16 Final	FY 17 Authorized Level ¹	FY 17 Obama Request ¹	FY17 House Committee	FY17 Senate Committee
DFO	575.0	1500.00	1500.0	350.0	1500.0	1500.0	1500.0
GFO	2000.0	2000.00	2000.0	1000.0	2000.0	2000.0	2000.0
DOL	1195.6	1252.00	1252.0	850.0	1460.0	1460.0	1460.0
GOL-U	1500.0	1393.4	1393.4	2000.0	1432.4	1432.4	1432.4
Con Loan-D	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	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	5.0	1.5	0.0	0.0
CONS OPS	812.9	846.4	850.9	ss	860.4	855.3	864.5
CSP	1057.0# <i>(82.0m sequester cut)</i>	23 % cut CHIMPS cut of 7.0 in FY15; 402.0 FY15-24 <i>(plus 93.1m sequester cut)</i>	No CHIMPS 10.0 m new acres# <i>(61.2m sequester cut)</i>	10 m new acres/year#	No CHIMPS 10.0 m new acres#	20% cut to 8.0 m new acres# <i>(acreage cut = \$180m over 5 years) (61.2m sequester cut)</i>	No CHIMPS 10.0 m new acres#
EQIP	1350.0# <i>CHMIPS cut of 274.0 (plus 126m sequester cut)</i>	1347.0# CHIMPS cut of 136.2 <i>(plus 116.8m sequester cut)</i>	Limited to 1329.0# <i>CHMIPS cut of 208.8 (plus 112.2 sequester cut)</i>	1650.0#	No CHIMPS 1650.0#	Limited to 1425.0# <i>CHMIPS cut of 112.8 + permanent rescission of 98.0 (incl. 112.2 sequester cut)</i>	Limited to 1347.0# <i>CHMIPS cut of 190.8 (incl. 112.2 sequester cut)</i>
RCPP ⁹	n/a	No CHIMPS 323.7# <i>(7.3m sequester cut)</i>	198.5# <i>Cut of 37.5¹⁰ via CHIMPS and sequester</i>	313.5# ¹⁰	No CHIMPS 313.5#	267.0# <i>Cut of 46.5¹⁰ via CHIMPS and sequester</i>	285.5# <i>Cut of 28.0¹⁰ via CHIMPS and sequester</i>
ACEP ¹¹	n/a	No CHIMPS 394.0# <i>(31.0m sequester cut)</i>	No CHIMPS 419.4# <i>(30.6m sequester cut)</i>	500.0#	No CHIMPS 500.0#	No CHIMPS 419.4# <i>(30.6m sequester cut)</i>	No CHIMPS 419.4# <i>(30.6m sequester cut)</i>
AMA	13.8# <i>(1.2m sequester cut)</i>	No CHIMPS 13.9# <i>(1.1m sequester cut)</i>	No CHIMPS 9.3# <i>(0.7m sequester cut)</i>	10.0#	No CHIMPS 10.0#	Limited to 5.0# <i>CHMIPS cut of 4.3 (0.7m sequester cut)</i>	No CHIMPS 10.0#

KEY -- Program Name (Lead Agency at USDA)

SARE	Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (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 ¹	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)
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)
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 2014 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 2014 Farm Bill, 2008 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.

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

¹ Amounts in this column do not reflect sequestration cuts.

² The FY 17 Budget Request also includes a request for \$375 million in mandatory funds for AFRI

³ Section 2501 is shorthand for “Outreach and Assistance for Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers”

⁴ An additional \$10 million is included within OAO to support the 2501 program

⁵ 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.

⁶ The 2014 Farm Bill provides \$63 million in mandatory funding over 5 years. This figure does not reflect an annual amount. Sequestration is applied once to the entire 5-year pot, using the FY 2014 sequestration rate of 7.2 percent. This leaves \$58,464,000 available for FY 2014-2018. In FY 2014, USDA did not spend any of the available mandatory money. It did spend \$15 million in discretionary funding, however. USDA chose to spend

\$23.25 million of this mandatory money in FY 2015, and \$33.25 in FY 2016. These levels were combined with \$10.75 million in annual discretionary spending for a total of \$34 million in FY 2015 and \$44 million in FY 2016. Of the \$58.464 million in mandatory budget authority available for FY 2014-2018, there is \$6.5 million remaining for FY 2017-2018, in addition to any discretionary funding appropriated in those years.

⁷ The 2014 Farm Bill provides \$5 million in mandatory funding over 5 years. This figure does not reflect an annual amount. Sequestration is applied once to the entire 5-year pot, using the FY 2014 sequestration rate of 7.2 percent. This leaves \$4.6 million available for FY 2014-2018.

⁸ Not subject to sequestration.

⁹ 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).

¹⁰ 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.

¹¹ 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).