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### AT A GLANCE

- 535 employees across the state
- Analyzed over 3,700 dairy product samples and 2,200 meat and poultry samples in partnership with the MDA Laboratory Division
- Conducted over 3,100 manufactured food, 10,200 retail food, and 560 animal feed inspections to ensure the safety and quality of products manufactured and distributed in Minnesota.
- Issue about 1,500 phytosanitary certificates annually providing worldwide market access.
- Assisted Minnesota counties, townships, and cities with the enforcement of noxious weed issues
- Annual Agricultural Growth, Research, and Innovation (AGRI) \$14.354 million state investment in FY21 was matched by \$33 million in private investment
- 1,290 farms and farmers' markets licensed to use the Minnesota Grown logo
- In partnership with all Minnesota counties, collected nearly 660,000 pounds of waste pesticides in 2021

### PURPOSE

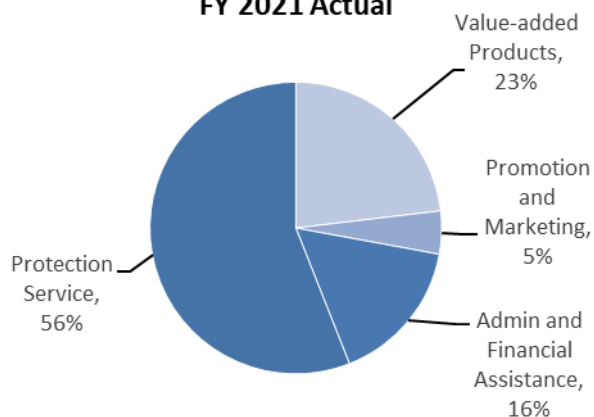
Our mission is to enhance Minnesotans' quality of life by ensuring the integrity of our food supply, the health of our environment, and the strength of our agricultural economy.

The Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) provides many services to Minnesota farmers, their consumers, and the agriculture economy. Among our many efforts, we:

- Invest in farmers through education and grants aimed at modernizing the family farm;
- Invest in the future of the agricultural economy with grants for research and value-added processing;
- Ensure that state and federal regulations for food and health safety are followed;
- Educate producers, suppliers, and consumers on proper production and handling of food products;
- Educate Minnesotans about environmental hazards to keep our farms, homes, businesses, and neighborhoods safe;
- Promote the consumption of Minnesota-grown foods; and
- Promote the export of Minnesota crops and livestock.

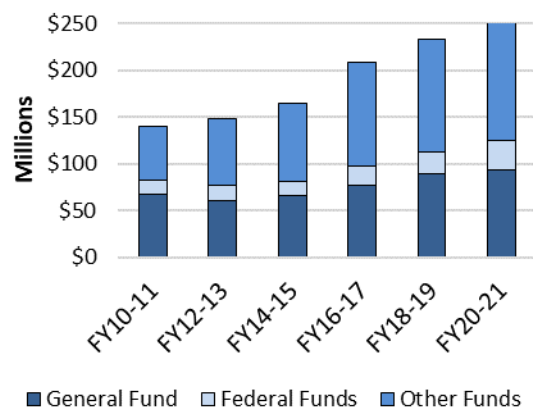
### BUDGET

**Spending by Program  
FY 2021 Actual**



Source: Budget Planning & Analysis System (BPAS)

**Historical Spending**



Source: Consolidated Fund Statement

Our budget comes from various sources. The most significant funding resources are split between fee revenues and general funds. Fee revenues must be spent to support the activities from which they are collected. The state's General Fund is used for various activities throughout the agency. A large portion of the general fund budget passes through MDA's Agricultural Growth, Research, and Innovation (AGRI) programs, Agriculture Research, Education, Extension, and Technology Transfer (AGREETT) program, and other assistance programs. Federal fund expenditures accounted for approximately 12 percent of MDA's budget spend and the Rural Finance Authority's revolving loan program accounted for just under 14 percent.

## **STRATEGIES**

We use a range of regulatory and voluntary strategies to support our mission. This includes the use of registration, labeling, licensing, permitting, inspection, and enforcement efforts. Additionally, we coordinate and conduct outreach activities such as workshops, conferences, and field demonstration projects.

Our staff conduct inspections and verify samples to ensure that producers, processors, wholesalers, haulers, grocery and convenience stores, and other industry personnel are producing and handling dairy, food, meat, and feed products in a safe manner to protect them from unintended alteration and contamination.

We ensure that Minnesota plant products meet the import requirements of our trading partners, meet grading standards established in contracts, that seeds meet viability and purity standards, that general health standards are met for nursery stock, and that standards for freedom from harmful plant pests are met.

Our marketing and promotional initiatives offer producers technical and financial assistance on a variety of issues, including dairy and livestock development, business planning, and emerging water quality and conservation practices.

Our staff facilitates access to new markets through the Minnesota Grown Program, regional and domestic marketing opportunities, and support for international trade missions, market research, and export assistance. We also support the organic industry through education and direct financial support.

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Minnesota Statutes Chapter 17, (<https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/?id=17>) creates the Department of Agriculture and provides specific authority to the commissioner.

(Dollars in Thousands)

	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecast Base		Enacted Budget	
	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY24	FY25
<b><u>Expenditures by Fund</u></b>								
1000 - General	46,511	46,236	44,767	68,728	51,413	52,029	74,225	61,164
1251 - COVID-19 Minnesota	1,239	10						
2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue	1,474	1,250	1,185	1,229	1,247	1,267	1,247	1,267
2001 - Other Misc Special Revenue	6,068	6,308	6,425	7,360	7,412	7,650	7,412	7,650
2018 - Agriculture	41,351	41,188	39,854	46,292	46,743	46,183	49,195	52,962
2050 - Environment & Natural Resources	1,536	806	413	1,399				
2301 - Arts & Cultural Heritage	358	366	532	406			400	400
2302 - Clean Water	12,044	14,491	15,205	14,499			16,115	16,115
2403 - Gift		21	147	1,161	6	6	6	6
2801 - Remediation	1,690	1,846	2,205	2,431	2,396	2,402	2,396	2,402
3000 - Federal	10,144	9,760	12,006	20,115	22,423	20,264	22,498	20,339
3010 - Coronavirus Relief	74	12,459						
3015 - ARP-State Fiscal Recovery			5,993	7				
6000 - Miscellaneous Agency	61	364		2				
<b>Total</b>	<b>122,551</b>	<b>135,104</b>	<b>128,730</b>	<b>163,629</b>	<b>131,640</b>	<b>129,801</b>	<b>173,494</b>	<b>162,305</b>
Biennial Change				34,705		(30,918)		43,440
Biennial % Change				13		(11)		15
Enacted Budget Change from Base								74,358
Enacted Budget % Change from Base								28

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# Agency Financing by Fund

(Dollars in Thousands)

	Actual FY20	Actual FY21	Actual FY22	Estimate FY23	Forecast Base FY24 FY25		Enacted Budget FY24 FY25	
<b>1000 - General</b>								
Balance Forward In	6	3,785	14	11,650				
Direct Appropriation	55,059	53,808	74,504	68,011	62,334	62,950	99,037	72,235
Transfers In	3,474	1,685	502	3,108	173	204	173	204
Transfers Out	10,210	11,421	18,173	14,041	11,094	11,125	24,985	11,275
Cancellations		1,606	429					
Balance Forward Out	1,817	14	11,652					
<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>46,511</b>	<b>46,236</b>	<b>44,767</b>	<b>68,728</b>	<b>51,413</b>	<b>52,029</b>	<b>74,225</b>	<b>61,164</b>
Biennial Change in Expenditures			20,747		(10,053)		21,894	
Biennial % Change in Expenditures			22		(9)		19	
Enacted Budget Change from Base							31,947	
Enacted Budget % Change from Base							31	

## 1251 - COVID-19 Minnesota

Balance Forward In		10						
Direct Appropriation	4,202							
Balance Forward Out	2,963							
<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>1,239</b>	<b>10</b>						
Biennial Change in Expenditures				(1,249)		0		0
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				(100)				
Enacted Budget Change from Base								0
Enacted Budget % Change from Base								

## 2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue

Balance Forward In	7,860	7,032	7,804	9,668	5,890	2,700	5,890	2,700
Receipts	1,527	969	965	2,998	10,989	4,263	10,989	4,263
Transfers In	320	876	1,537	1,537	1,525	1,525	6,249	6,249
Transfers Out	200	716	38					
Net Loan Activity	(1,042)	894	584	(7,084)	(14,457)	(3,574)	(19,181)	(8,298)
Balance Forward Out	6,991	7,804	9,668	5,890	2,700	3,647	2,700	3,647
<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>1,474</b>	<b>1,250</b>	<b>1,185</b>	<b>1,229</b>	<b>1,247</b>	<b>1,267</b>	<b>1,247</b>	<b>1,267</b>
Biennial Change in Expenditures				(311)		100		100
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				(11)		4		4
Enacted Budget Change from Base								0

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# Agency Financing by Fund

(Dollars in Thousands)

	Actual FY20	Actual FY21	Actual FY22	Estimate FY23	Forecast Base FY24 FY25		Enacted Budget FY24 FY25	
Enacted Budget % Change from Base								0

## 2001 - Other Misc Special Revenue

Balance Forward In	7,416	7,469	7,697	7,238	7,013	6,380	7,013	6,380
Receipts	6,149	6,616	6,088	7,270	6,914	6,624	6,914	6,624
Internal Billing Receipts	6,149	6,616	6,088	7,270	6,914	6,624	6,914	6,624
Transfers In			2,869					
Transfers Out	66	80	2,990	135	135	135	135	135
Balance Forward Out	7,431	7,697	7,238	7,013	6,380	5,219	6,380	5,219
<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>6,068</b>	<b>6,308</b>	<b>6,425</b>	<b>7,360</b>	<b>7,412</b>	<b>7,650</b>	<b>7,412</b>	<b>7,650</b>
Biennial Change in Expenditures				1,409		1,277		1,277
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				11		9		9
Enacted Budget Change from Base								0
Enacted Budget % Change from Base								0

## 2018 - Agriculture

Balance Forward In	27,909	25,909	24,654	29,008	27,170	23,823	27,170	38,993
Receipts	28,535	29,919	30,709	34,958	33,900	34,317	38,431	38,948
Transfers In	11,939	11,720	15,847	12,138	11,807	11,807	25,698	11,957
Transfers Out	2,453	2,334	2,351	2,642	2,311	2,311	3,111	2,311
Balance Forward Out	24,579	24,027	29,005	27,170	23,823	21,453	38,993	34,625
<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>41,351</b>	<b>41,188</b>	<b>39,854</b>	<b>46,292</b>	<b>46,743</b>	<b>46,183</b>	<b>49,195</b>	<b>52,962</b>
Biennial Change in Expenditures				3,607		6,780		16,011
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				4		8		19
Enacted Budget Change from Base								9,231
Enacted Budget % Change from Base								10

## 2050 - Environment & Natural Resources

Balance Forward In	1,017	958	550	136				
Direct Appropriation	1,000			1,263	0	0	0	0
Cancellations	5	0	1					
Balance Forward Out	476	152	136					
<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>1,536</b>	<b>806</b>	<b>413</b>	<b>1,399</b>				

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(Dollars in Thousands)

	Actual FY20	Actual FY21	Actual FY22	Estimate FY23	Forecast Base FY24 FY25		Enacted Budget FY24 FY25	
Biennial Change in Expenditures				(529)		(1,812)		(1,812)
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				(23)		(100)		(100)
Enacted Budget Change from Base								0
Enacted Budget % Change from Base								

## 2301 - Arts & Cultural Heritage

Balance Forward In	21	73	143	6				
Direct Appropriation	400	400	400	400	0	0	400	400
Cancellations		10	5					
Balance Forward Out	63	98	6					
<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>532</b>	<b>406</b>			<b>400</b>	<b>400</b>
Biennial Change in Expenditures				214		(938)		(138)
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				30		(100)		(15)
Enacted Budget Change from Base								800
Enacted Budget % Change from Base								

## 2302 - Clean Water

Balance Forward In	5,087	7,444	9,475	4,379				
Direct Appropriation	11,010	10,710	10,120	10,120	0	0	20,839	20,839
Transfers Out		60					4,724	4,724
Cancellations	161		12					
Balance Forward Out	3,892	3,604	4,378					
<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>12,044</b>	<b>14,491</b>	<b>15,205</b>	<b>14,499</b>			<b>16,115</b>	<b>16,115</b>
Biennial Change in Expenditures				3,169		(29,704)		2,526
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				12		(100)		9
Enacted Budget Change from Base								32,230
Enacted Budget % Change from Base								

## 2403 - Gift

Balance Forward In	46	49	53	1,070	31	26	31	26
Receipts	1	25	1,163	122	1	1	1	1
Transfers In		4						
Transfers Out		4						

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# Agency Financing by Fund

(Dollars in Thousands)

	Actual FY20	Actual FY21	Actual FY22	Estimate FY23	Forecast Base FY24 FY25		Enacted Budget FY24 FY25	
Balance Forward Out	47	53	1,070	31	26	21	26	21
<b>Expenditures</b>		<b>21</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>1,161</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>
Biennial Change in Expenditures				1,287		(1,296)		(1,296)
Biennial % Change in Expenditures						(99)		(99)
Enacted Budget Change from Base								0
Enacted Budget % Change from Base								0

## 2801 - Remediation

Balance Forward In		13		32		3		3
Direct Appropriation	399	399	399	399	399	399	399	399
Open Appropriation	1,304	1,469	1,838	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
Cancellations		35						
Balance Forward Out	13		32		3		3	
<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>1,690</b>	<b>1,846</b>	<b>2,205</b>	<b>2,431</b>	<b>2,396</b>	<b>2,402</b>	<b>2,396</b>	<b>2,402</b>
Biennial Change in Expenditures				1,100		162		162
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				31		4		4
Enacted Budget Change from Base								0
Enacted Budget % Change from Base								0

## 3000 - Federal

Balance Forward In	2	0	1					
Receipts	10,147	9,760	12,005	20,115	22,423	20,264	22,498	20,339
Balance Forward Out	4	0						
<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>10,144</b>	<b>9,760</b>	<b>12,006</b>	<b>20,115</b>	<b>22,423</b>	<b>20,264</b>	<b>22,498</b>	<b>20,339</b>
Biennial Change in Expenditures				12,217		10,566		10,716
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				61		33		33
Enacted Budget Change from Base								150
Enacted Budget % Change from Base								0

## 3010 - Coronavirus Relief

Balance Forward In		7,562						
Direct Appropriation	6,600	6,771						
Transfers In		6						



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(Dollars in Thousands)

	Actual FY20	Actual FY21	Actual FY22	Estimate FY23	Forecast Base FY24 FY25		Enacted Budget FY24 FY25	
Transfers Out		6						
Cancellations		1,874						
Balance Forward Out	6,526							
<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>12,459</b>						
Biennial Change in Expenditures				(12,533)		0		0
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				(100)				
Enacted Budget Change from Base								0
Enacted Budget % Change from Base								

## 3015 - ARP-State Fiscal Recovery

Balance Forward In				7				
Direct Appropriation			6,000					
Balance Forward Out			7					
<b>Expenditures</b>			<b>5,993</b>	<b>7</b>				
Biennial Change in Expenditures				6,000		(6,000)		(6,000)
Biennial % Change in Expenditures						(100)		(100)
Enacted Budget Change from Base								0
Enacted Budget % Change from Base								

## 6000 - Miscellaneous Agency

Balance Forward In	227	2	2	2				
Receipts	(164)	364	0					
Balance Forward Out	2	2	2					
<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>364</b>		<b>2</b>				
Biennial Change in Expenditures				(423)		(2)		(2)
Biennial % Change in Expenditures				(100)				
Enacted Budget Change from Base								0
Enacted Budget % Change from Base								

## 8200 - Clean Water Revolving

Balance Forward In	8,213	11,039	13,040	17,104	9,660	660	9,660	660
Transfers In	5,500		1,000					
Net Loan Activity	(2,674)	2,001	3,064	(7,444)	(9,000)	(600)	(9,000)	(600)

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(Dollars in Thousands)

	Actual FY20	Actual FY21	Actual FY22	Estimate FY23	Forecast Base		Enacted Budget	
					FY24	FY25	FY24	FY25
Balance Forward Out	11,039	13,040	17,104	9,660	660	60	660	60

## 8250 - Rural Finance Administration

Balance Forward In	4,917	4,185	3,434	4,914	2,554	1,916	2,554	1,916
Receipts	85	24	22	17	83	83	83	83
Transfers In		900	8,810					
Transfers Out		900	6,310					
Net Loan Activity	(1,212)	(775)	(1,042)	(2,377)	(721)	(681)	(721)	(681)
Balance Forward Out	3,790	3,434	4,914	2,554	1,916	1,318	1,916	1,318

(Dollars in Thousands)

	FY23	FY24	FY25	Biennium 2024-25
<b>Direct</b>				
<b>Fund: 1000 - General</b>				
<b>FY2023 Appropriations</b>	<b>65,011</b>	<b>65,011</b>	<b>65,011</b>	<b>130,022</b>
<b>Base Adjustments</b>				
All Other One-Time Appropriations		(3,085)	(2,219)	(5,304)
Current Law Base Change		408	158	566
Approved Transfer Between Appropriation		0	0	0
<b>Forecast Base</b>	<b>65,011</b>	<b>62,334</b>	<b>62,950</b>	<b>125,284</b>
<b>Change Items</b>				
Maintain Current Service Levels		4,000	3,000	7,000
RFA Capacity Increase		150	150	300
Meat Processing Liaison		75	75	150
MDA IT Modernization		500	500	1,000
Emerging Farmers Office Expansion		600	600	1,200
Food Licensing Modernization		(1,886)	(3,827)	(5,713)
Grain Indemnity Fund		10,000		10,000
Soil Health Equipment Grants		625	625	1,250
Replenish the Ag Emergency Account		1,000		1,000
Expansion of AGRI Meat Processing Grants		1,000	1,000	2,000
Noxious Weed Grants for Local Units of Government		150	150	300
Grants for Farmers Market Hubs		100	100	200
Biofuels Infrastructure Investment		375	375	750
Increase Second Harvest Milk Allocation		250	250	500
Expanded International Trade Support		150	150	300
Farm Safety, Health, and Wellness		100	100	200
Expanded Eligibility for Farm to School		1,150	1,150	2,300
The Good Acre LEAFF Program		300	300	600
Pass-Through Grants to Agricultural Organizations		314	312	626
Funding for the Pollinator Research Account		800		800
Legalizing Adult Use Cannabis	3,000	411	411	822
Urban and Youth Agriculture		2,000	2,000	4,000
Good Food Access Program		1,000	1,000	2,000
Forever Green		172	172	344
Living Cover Crop Grants		250	250	500
PFAS Pesticide Report and Regulatory Outline		125	125	250
Farm Business Management MAELC		250	250	500
Deep Winter Greenhouse Program		350	350	700
Cooperative Grants		200	200	400
Heritage Oilseed Research		300	300	600
Meat Processing Hiring Incentives		222	322	544
DAIRI Program		4,000		4,000

(Dollars in Thousands)

	FY23	FY24	FY25	Biennium 2024-25
MN Ag Education Leadership Council MAELC		100	100	200
Community Development Financial Institution TA Grants		275		275
Repeal Statutory Appropriation Oriented Strand Board Incentive			(1,500)	(1,500)
Wolf-Livestock Conflict Prevention Program		45	45	90
Farm Down Payment Assistance Grants		250	250	500
Green Fertilizer Production Facilities		7,000		7,000
<b>Total Enacted Budget</b>	<b>68,011</b>	<b>99,037</b>	<b>72,235</b>	<b>171,272</b>
<b>Fund: 2050 - Environment &amp; Natural Resources</b>				
<b>FY2023 Appropriations</b>	<b>1,263</b>	<b>1,263</b>	<b>1,263</b>	<b>2,526</b>
<b>Base Adjustments</b>				
One-Time Legacy Fund Appropriations		(1,263)	(1,263)	(2,526)
<b>Forecast Base</b>	<b>1,263</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total Enacted Budget</b>	<b>1,263</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Fund: 2301 - Arts &amp; Cultural Heritage</b>				
<b>FY2023 Appropriations</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>800</b>
<b>Base Adjustments</b>				
One-Time Legacy Fund Appropriations		(400)	(400)	(800)
<b>Forecast Base</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Change Items</b>				
County Fairs		400	400	800
<b>Total Enacted Budget</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>800</b>
<b>Fund: 2302 - Clean Water</b>				
<b>FY2023 Appropriations</b>	<b>10,120</b>	<b>10,120</b>	<b>10,120</b>	<b>20,240</b>
<b>Base Adjustments</b>				
One-Time Legacy Fund Appropriations		(5,120)	(5,120)	(10,240)
All Other One-Time Appropriations		(5,000)	(5,000)	(10,000)
<b>Forecast Base</b>	<b>10,120</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Change Items</b>				
Clean Water Legacy - Monitoring for Pesticides in Surface Water and Groundwater		350	350	700
Clean Water Legacy – Research Inventory Database		40	40	80
Clean Water Legacy – AgBMP Loan Program		4,799	4,799	9,598
Clean Water Legacy - Agricultural Research and Evaluation		750	750	1,500
Clean Water Legacy - Conservation Equipment Assistance		1,750	1,750	3,500
Clean Water Legacy – Expand Minnesota Ag Weather Station Network		1,500	1,500	3,000
Clean Water Legacy - Forever Green Initiative		3,000	3,000	6,000
Clean Water Legacy - Irrigation Water Quality Protection		150	150	300
Clean Water Legacy - Pesticide Testing of Private Wells		500	500	1,000

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(Dollars in Thousands)

	FY23	FY24	FY25	Biennium 2024-25
Clean Water Legacy - Technical Assistance		1,500	1,500	3,000
Clean Water Legacy - Minnesota Agricultural Water Quality Certification Program		3,500	3,500	7,000
Clean Water Legacy - Nitrate in Groundwater		3,000	3,000	6,000
<b>Total Enacted Budget</b>	<b>10,120</b>	<b>20,839</b>	<b>20,839</b>	<b>41,678</b>
<b>Fund: 2801 - Remediation</b>				
FY2023 Appropriations	399	399	399	798
Forecast Base	399	399	399	798
<b>Total Enacted Budget</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>798</b>
<b>Open</b>				
<b>Fund: 2801 - Remediation</b>				
FY2023 Appropriations	2,000	2,000	2,000	4,000
Forecast Base	2,000	2,000	2,000	4,000
<b>Total Enacted Budget</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>4,000</b>
<b>Dedicated</b>				
<b>Fund: 2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue</b>				
Planned Spending	1,229	1,247	1,267	2,514
Forecast Base	1,229	1,247	1,267	2,514
<b>Total Enacted Budget</b>	<b>1,229</b>	<b>1,247</b>	<b>1,267</b>	<b>2,514</b>
<b>Fund: 2001 - Other Misc Special Revenue</b>				
Planned Spending	7,360	7,412	7,650	15,062
Forecast Base	7,360	7,412	7,650	15,062
<b>Total Enacted Budget</b>	<b>7,360</b>	<b>7,412</b>	<b>7,650</b>	<b>15,062</b>
<b>Fund: 2018 - Agriculture</b>				
Planned Spending	46,292	46,743	46,183	92,926
Forecast Base	46,292	46,743	46,183	92,926
<b>Change Items</b>				
MDA IT Modernization		615	615	1,230
Food Licensing Modernization		598	4,425	5,023
Grain Indemnity Fund			1,500	1,500
Replenish the Ag Emergency Account		1,000		1,000
Noxious Weed Grants for Local Units of Government		150	150	300
Plan Review Fee Modernization		89	89	178
<b>Total Enacted Budget</b>	<b>46,292</b>	<b>49,195</b>	<b>52,962</b>	<b>102,157</b>

# Agriculture

# Agency Change Summary

(Dollars in Thousands)

	FY23	FY24	FY25	Biennium 2024-25
<b>Fund: 2403 - Gift</b>				
Planned Spending	1,161	6	6	12
Forecast Base	1,161	6	6	12
Total Enacted Budget	1,161	6	6	12
<b>Fund: 3000 - Federal</b>				
Planned Spending	20,115	22,423	20,264	42,687
Forecast Base	20,115	22,423	20,264	42,687
Change Items				
Meat Processing Liaison		75	75	150
Total Enacted Budget	20,115	22,498	20,339	42,837
<b>Fund: 6000 - Miscellaneous Agency</b>				
Planned Spending	2			
Forecast Base	2			
Total Enacted Budget	2			
<b>Revenue Change Summary</b>				
<b>Dedicated</b>				
<b>Fund: 2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue</b>				
Forecast Revenues	2,998	10,989	4,263	15,252
Total Enacted Budget	2,998	10,989	4,263	15,252
<b>Fund: 2001 - Other Misc Special Revenue</b>				
Forecast Revenues	7,270	6,914	6,624	13,538
Total Enacted Budget	7,270	6,914	6,624	13,538
<b>Fund: 2018 - Agriculture</b>				
Forecast Revenues	34,958	33,900	34,317	68,217
Change Items				
MDA IT Modernization		615	615	1,230
Food Licensing Modernization		3,827	3,827	7,654
Grain Indemnity Fund			100	100
Plan Review Fee Modernization		89	89	178
Total Enacted Budget	34,958	38,431	38,948	77,379
<b>Fund: 2403 - Gift</b>				
Forecast Revenues	122	1	1	2
Total Enacted Budget	122	1	1	2

(Dollars in Thousands)

	FY23	FY24	FY25	Biennium 2024-25
<b>Fund: 3000 - Federal</b>				
Forecast Revenues	20,115	22,423	20,264	42,687
Change Items				
Meat Processing Liaison		75	75	150
<b>Total Enacted Budget</b>	<b>20,115</b>	<b>22,498</b>	<b>20,339</b>	<b>42,837</b>
<b>Fund: 8250 - Rural Finance Administration</b>				
Forecast Revenues	17	83	83	166
<b>Total Enacted Budget</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>166</b>
<b>Non-Dedicated</b>				
<b>Fund: 1000 - General</b>				
Forecast Revenues	4,099	4,099	4,099	8,198
Change Items				
Food Licensing Modernization		(3,827)	(3,827)	(7,654)
<b>Total Enacted Budget</b>	<b>4,099</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>544</b>
<b>Fund: 2801 - Remediation</b>				
Forecast Revenues	134	134	134	268
<b>Total Enacted Budget</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>268</b>

(Dollars in Thousands)

	FY23	FY24	FY25	Biennium 2024-25	FY26	FY27	Biennium 2026-27
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**Maintain Current Service Levels**

This provision provides additional operating funds to maintain the current level of service delivery at the Department of Agriculture.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,000</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>7,000</b>	<b>3,500</b>	<b>3,500</b>	<b>7,000</b>
Expenditures	0	4,000	3,000	7,000	3,500	3,500	7,000

**RFA Capacity Increase**

This provision increases administrative funding for Rural Finance Authority (RFA) programs. The RFA administers 13 different loan programs, 1 grant program and 1 tax credit program. Additional resources will reduce bottlenecks in processing and serving time, allowing for more timely approval and funding of loans, tax credits, and grants.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>300</b>
Expenditures	0	150	150	300	150	150	300

**Meat Processing Liaison**

This provision funds a Meat Processing Navigator position to assist meat processors with navigating food safety regulatory requirements, accessing available funding sources, and working through other common startup issues.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>150</b>
Expenditures	0	75	75	150	75	75	150

<b>3000 - Federal Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Revenues	0	75	75	150	75	75	150
Expenditures	0	75	75	150	75	75	150

**MDA IT Modernization**

This provision upgrades MDA's licensing and inspection technology applications. The funds will support efforts by MDA staff and MN.IT to modernize information technology systems and improve customer service.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Expenditures	0	500	500	1,000	0	0	0

<b>2018 - Agriculture Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Revenues	0	615	615	1,230	615	615	1,230
Expenditures	0	615	615	1,230	615	615	1,230



(Dollars in Thousands)

	FY23	FY24	FY25	Biennium 2024-25	FY26	FY27	Biennium 2026-27
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**Emerging Farmers Office Expansion**

This provision expands the Emerging Farmers Office by adding staff for grant management, oversight, coordination, communication, technical support, administration, and logistics. These staff will enable the office to comprehensively address the needs of emerging farmers through new and better tailored programs.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>1,200</b>	<b>850</b>	<b>850</b>	<b>1,700</b>
Expenditures	0	600	600	1,200	850	850	1,700

**Food Licensing Modernization**

This provision modernizes the food safety program by dedicating food handler license and inspection fees. This fee dedication provides MDA the flexibility to address long term planning needs and adapt more swiftly to industry changes.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,941</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,941</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Revenues	0	(3,827)	(3,827)	(7,654)	(3,827)	(3,827)	(7,654)
Transfers Out	0	1,941	0	1,941	0	0	0
Expenditures	0	(3,827)	(3,827)	(7,654)	(3,827)	(3,827)	(7,654)

<b>2018 - Agriculture Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(5,170)</b>	<b>598</b>	<b>(4,572)</b>	<b>598</b>	<b>598</b>	<b>1,196</b>
Revenues	0	3,827	3,827	7,654	3,827	3,827	7,654
Transfers In	0	1,941	0	1,941	0	0	0
Expenditures	0	598	4,425	5,023	4,425	4,425	8,850

**Grain Indemnity Fund**

This provision establishes a grain indemnity fund that will protect producers from financial harm when grain buyers or warehouses become financially insolvent. This indemnity fund is a reserve of money held by the state that is available to sellers or depositors in the event of nonpayment for specific types of produce or commodities.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Transfers Out	0	10,000	0	10,000	0	0	0

<b>2018 - Agriculture Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(10,000)</b>	<b>1,400</b>	<b>(8,600)</b>	<b>1,414</b>	<b>(7,814)</b>	<b>(6,400)</b>
Revenues	0	0	100	100	86	7,814	7,900
Transfers In	0	10,000	0	10,000	0	0	0
Expenditures	0	0	1,500	1,500	1,500	0	1,500

**Soil Health Equipment Grants**

This provision provides grants for use on farming equipment or other farming technology that will improve soil health.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>625</b>	<b>625</b>	<b>1,250</b>	<b>639</b>	<b>639</b>	<b>1,278</b>
Expenditures	0	625	625	1,250	639	639	1,278

(Dollars in Thousands)

	FY23	FY24	FY25	Biennium 2024-25	FY26	FY27	Biennium 2026-27
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**Replenish the Ag Emergency Account**

This provision will replenish the state's agriculture emergency account, which is used by MDA for agricultural emergencies. These emergencies include animal disease outbreaks and major food supply chain disruptions.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Transfers Out	0	1,000	0	1,000	0	0	0
<b>2018 - Agriculture Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Transfers In	0	1,000	0	1,000	0	0	0
Expenditures	0	1,000	0	1,000	0	0	0

**Expansion of AGRI Meat Processing Grants**

This provision increases funding for the Agricultural Growth, Research, and Innovation program for grants to meat, poultry, egg, and milk processors.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Expenditures	0	1,000	1,000	2,000	0	0	0

**Noxious Weed Grants for Local Units of Government**

This provision provides grants to local units of governments and Tribal nations for noxious weed detection, control, and management.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Transfers Out	0	150	150	300	0	0	0
<b>2018 - Agriculture Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Transfers In	0	150	150	300	0	0	0
Expenditures	0	150	150	300	0	0	0

**Grants for Farmers Market Hubs**

This provision creates a new grant program to grow and expand farmers market hubs.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Expenditures	0	100	100	200	0	0	0

**Biofuels Infrastructure Investment**

This provision funds the Agricultural Growth, Research, and Innovation (AGRI) Biofuels Infrastructure Financial Assistance Program. These grants help service stations upgrade their equipment (fuel dispensers, underground tanks, and associated equipment) to be able to sell blends of gasoline containing 15% or more of ethanol. Grants are to be made to service stations in Minnesota that are independently owned or belong to chains of 10 stations or less.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Expenditures	0	375	375	750	0	0	0

(Dollars in Thousands)

	FY23	FY24	FY25	Biennium 2024-25	FY26	FY27	Biennium 2026-27
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**Increase Second Harvest Milk Allocation**

This provision increases the grant amount provided to Second Harvest Heartland to purchase milk, protein, and surplus agricultural items for its hunger relief services.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Expenditures	0	250	250	500	0	0	0

**Expanded International Trade Support**

This provision funds an additional full-time international trade representative for trade missions and international marketing support. It allows MDA to develop business in new markets and provide education to companies new to exporting.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>300</b>
Expenditures	0	150	150	300	150	150	300

**Extending the Agricultural Growth, Research, and Innovation (AGRI) Program Sunset Date**

This provision extends the sunset date of the Agricultural Growth, Research, Innovation (AGRI) program from 2025 to 2035. Through AGRI, the MDA implements a dozen separate grant programs annually, including the Production Incentive Programs, Biofuels Infrastructure Grants, Crop Research Grants, and Farm to School Grants.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12,000</b>	<b>12,000</b>	<b>24,000</b>
Expenditures	0	0	0	0	12,000	12,000	24,000

**Climate Implementation Coordinator Position**

This provision establishes a new climate implementation coordinator position at MDA.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>300</b>
Expenditures	0	0	0	0	150	150	300

**Clean Water Legacy - Monitoring for Pesticides in Surface Water and Groundwater**

This provision funds ongoing pesticide monitoring support for the MDA laboratory. Funding is used to support staff positions in the MDA Laboratory to process and analyze an increased number of pesticide samples along with equipment and supplies.

<b>2302 - Clean Water Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Expenditures	0	350	350	700	0	0	0

**Clean Water Legacy – Research Inventory Database**

This provision funds the Minnesota Water Research Digital Library. This funding will support a user-friendly, searchable inventory of water research relevant to Minnesota.

<b>2302 - Clean Water Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Expenditures	0	40	40	80	0	0	0

(Dollars in Thousands)

	FY23	FY24	FY25	Biennium 2024-25	FY26	FY27	Biennium 2026-27
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**Clean Water Legacy – AgBMP Loan Program**

This provision provides low-interest loans to local governments that reduce, prevent, or eliminate water pollution. Revenue from loans will be recouped to allow loans for additional projects.

<b>2000 - Restrict Misc Special Revenue Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Transfers In	0	4,724	4,724	9,448	0	0	0
Net Loan Activity	0	4,724	4,724	9,448	0	0	0

<b>2302 - Clean Water Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,799</b>	<b>4,799</b>	<b>9,598</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Transfers Out	0	4,724	4,724	9,448	0	0	0
Expenditures	0	75	75	150	0	0	0

**Clean Water Legacy - Agricultural Research and Evaluation**

This provision evaluates and develops animal-specific recommendations for manure crediting and manure best management practices. Improving manure handling and refining estimates of manure nutrient content will benefit water quality and the climate.

<b>2302 - Clean Water Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Expenditures	0	750	750	1,500	0	0	0

**Clean Water Legacy - Conservation Equipment Assistance**

This provision provides conservation equipment grants to farmland owners, local government units, Tribal nations, and joint powers boards through the Soil Health Financial Assistance Pilot Program. Examples of soil health equipment grant funding may include down payments on equipment or parts purchases.

<b>2302 - Clean Water Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,750</b>	<b>1,750</b>	<b>3,500</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Expenditures	0	1,750	1,750	3,500	0	0	0

**Clean Water Legacy – Expand Minnesota Ag Weather Station Network**

This provision expands the state weather station and soil temperature network to provide accurate local weather data across the farming areas of Minnesota. The weather station network expansion will allow more agricultural producers to utilize the weather network tools to better guide agronomic decisions.

<b>2302 - Clean Water Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Expenditures	0	1,500	1,500	3,000	0	0	0

**Clean Water Legacy - Forever Green Initiative**

This provision funds the Forever Green Initiative at the University of Minnesota for research, implementation, and partnership development. Funding will be used for empirical research related to crop breeding, genetics, genomics, agronomy, food science, and economics, and implementation of new crops in targeted, critical areas of the landscape.

<b>2302 - Clean Water Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>6,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Expenditures	0	3,000	3,000	6,000	0	0	0

(Dollars in Thousands)

	FY23	FY24	FY25	Biennium 2024-25	FY26	FY27	Biennium 2026-27
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**Clean Water Legacy - Irrigation Water Quality Protection**

This provision funds an irrigation water quality specialist to provide guidance and education on irrigation and nitrogen best management practices. Many farmers, particularly those newly implementing irrigation or new irrigation technology, will benefit from increased education, training, and direct support.

<b>2302 - Clean Water Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Expenditures	0	150	150	300	0	0	0

**Clean Water Legacy - Pesticide Testing of Private Wells**

This provision funds pesticide testing of private wells. A private laboratory and state staff will collect and analyze water samples for cyanazine and atrazine. The information will inform private well owners about potential health risks associated with their drinking water.

<b>2302 - Clean Water Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Expenditures	0	500	500	1,000	0	0	0

**Clean Water Legacy - Technical Assistance**

This provision provides technical assistance and demonstrations to support the adoption of conservation practices that protect and improve water quality. This funding helps ensure accurate scientific information is available and used to address water quality concerns in agricultural areas. Funding is used to evaluate conservation practices, share information about research and new technologies, and enhance outreach and education to the agricultural community and local government partners.

<b>2302 - Clean Water Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Expenditures	0	1,500	1,500	3,000	0	0	0

**Clean Water Legacy - Minnesota Agricultural Water Quality Certification Program**

This provision funds the Minnesota Agricultural Water Quality Certification Program. The program is a partnership between Minnesota, the USDA and the EPA that improves water quality in agricultural areas.

<b>2302 - Clean Water Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,500</b>	<b>3,500</b>	<b>7,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Expenditures	0	3,500	3,500	7,000	0	0	0

**Clean Water Legacy - Nitrate in Groundwater**

This provision funds Minnesota's Nitrogen Fertilizer Management Plan and Groundwater Protection Rule for preventing and responding to nitrate contamination of groundwater from nitrogen fertilizer. This includes support for promotion, demonstration, and adoption of nitrogen fertilizer best management practices, promotion of vegetative cover in vulnerable areas, and staffing at University of Minnesota-Extension to educate about fertilizer use.

<b>2302 - Clean Water Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>6,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Expenditures	0	3,000	3,000	6,000	0	0	0

**Plan Review Fee Modernization**

This provision modifies the fee structure for food handler licenses and inspections, resulting in revenue changes for the Department of Agriculture.

<b>2018 - Agriculture Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Revenues	0	89	89	178	89	89	178

(Dollars in Thousands)

	FY23	FY24	FY25	Biennium 2024-25	FY26	FY27	Biennium 2026-27
Expenditures	0	89	89	178	89	89	178

**Farm Safety, Health, and Wellness**

This provision supports farm safety outreach and equipment cost-share payments to farmers to make equipment safer. It includes a pass-through grant to the Minnesota FFA Foundation to engage FFA chapters in creating innovative education, training, or outreach projects that mitigate stress and promote mental health.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Expenditures	0	100	100	200	0	0	0

**Expanded Eligibility for Farm to School**

This provision expands eligibility for the Farm to School grant to include early childhood education providers. It will provide more comprehensive support for connecting Minnesota children with local food.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,150</b>	<b>1,150</b>	<b>2,300</b>	<b>1,294</b>	<b>1,294</b>	<b>2,588</b>
Expenditures	0	1,150	1,150	2,300	1,294	1,294	2,588

**The Good Acre LEAFF Program**

This provision expands the Local Emergency Assistance Farmer Fund (LEAFF) that is operated by The Good Acre. The Good Acre's LEAFF program supports underserved farmers by paying market-rate prices for their produce, all of which is donated to hunger-relief organizations across Minnesota.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Expenditures	0	300	300	600	0	0	0

**Pass-Through Grants to Agricultural Organizations**

This provision provides onetime pass-through grants to agricultural organizations including the Center for Rural Policy and Development, the Northern Crops Institute, the Minnesota Turf Seed Council, the Minnesota State Poultry Association, the Minnesota State Horticultural Society, and the Minnesota Livestock Breeders Association.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>314</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>626</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Expenditures	0	314	312	626	0	0	0

**Funding for the Pollinator Research Account**

This provision funds the Pollinator Research Account at the Department of Agriculture and University of Minnesota for projects to study pollinators, improve pollinator habitat, and minimize harm to pollinators.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>200</b>
Transfers Out	0	800	0	800	100	100	200
<b>2018 - Agriculture Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Transfers In	0	800	0	800	100	100	200
Transfers Out	0	800	0	800	100	100	200

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**Legalizing Adult Use Cannabis**

This provision provides funding for the safe and responsible legalization of cannabis for adults in Minnesota. It allows for the monitoring and regulation of cannabis cultivation, processing, and sales. The provision also includes measures to promote public health, public safety, criminal justice, and economic growth. MDA's appropriation includes providing technical support to the Office of Cannabis Management and includes funding for MDA inspection, enforcement, testing, and rulemaking relating to the new cannabis law.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>411</b>	<b>411</b>	<b>822</b>	<b>338</b>	<b>338</b>	<b>676</b>
Expenditures	3,000	411	411	822	338	338	676

**Community Development Financial Institution TA Grants**

This provision provides technical assistance and grants to community development financial institutions that participate in US Department of Agriculture loan or grant programs for small and emerging farmers, including the Increasing Land, Capital, and Market Access program.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Expenditures	0	275	0	275	0	0	0

**Cooperative Grants**

This provision provides grants to finance new farm cooperatives that organize to operate an agricultural product processing facility or market an agricultural product or agricultural service. The funds can be used for feasibility studies, marketing analysis, assistance with organizational development, financing and managing new cooperatives, product development, development of business and marketing plans, and predesign of facilities, the development of bid specifications, preliminary blueprints and schematics, and the completion of purchase agreements and other legal documents.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Expenditures	0	200	200	400	0	0	0

**County Fairs**

This provision provides to each of the state's county fairs to preserve and promote Minnesota agriculture.

<b>2301 - Arts &amp; Cultural Heritage Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Expenditures	0	400	400	800	0	0	0

**DAIRI Program**

This provision funds the Dairy Assistance, Investment, Relief Initiative (DAIRI), which provides grants and other financial assistance to small and medium-sized dairy farms that enroll in a federal dairy risk protection program.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Expenditures	0	4,000	0	4,000	0	0	0

**Deep Winter Greenhouse Program**

This provision funds farm-scale winter greenhouse research and development coordinated by the University of Minnesota Extension's Regional Sustainable Development Partnerships.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Expenditures	0	350	350	700	0	0	0

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**Farm Business Management MAELC**

This provision provides grants to the Minnesota Agricultural Education Leadership Council to enhance agricultural education.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>500</b>
Expenditures	0	250	250	500	250	250	500

**Farm Down Payment Assistance Grants**

This provision funds down payment assistance grants of up to \$15,000 per farmer purchasing a farm.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>500</b>
Expenditures	0	250	250	500	250	250	500

**Forever Green**

This provision provides grants and support to farmers that incorporate perennial and winter-annual crops into existing agricultural practices. The Forever Green Initiative protects the state's natural resources and increases the efficiency, profitability, and productivity of farmers.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>344</b>
Expenditures	0	172	172	344	172	172	344

**Good Food Access Program**

This provision funds the good food access program, which increases the availability of affordable, nutritious, and culturally appropriate food for underserved communities in low-income areas. The program provides technical assistance and grants to open, renovate, or expand the operations of grocery stores and small food retailers.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>2,000</b>
Expenditures	0	1,000	1,000	2,000	1,000	1,000	2,000

**Green Fertilizer Production Facilities**

This provision provides grants to cooperatives to invest in green fertilizer production facilities to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and increase the use of renewable energy in the agriculture sector. Green fertilizer production facilities include those that use renewable energy to produce anhydrous ammonia, urea, or hydrogen.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Expenditures	0	7,000	0	7,000	0	0	0

**Heritage Oilseed Research**

This provision funds a study at the University of Minnesota to evaluate, propagate, and maintain the genetic diversity of oilseeds, grains, grasses, legumes, flax, timothy, barley, rye, triticale, alfalfa, orchard grass, clover, and other species that were in commercial distribution and use in Minnesota before 1970.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Expenditures	0	300	300	600	0	0	0



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**Living Cover Crop Grants**

This provision provides grants to develop enterprises, supply chains, and markets for continuous-living cover crops and cropping systems in the early stages of commercial development. Continuous-living cover crops and cropping systems includes agroforestry, perennial biomass, perennial forage, perennial grains, and winter-annual cereal grains and oilseeds.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Expenditures	0	250	250	500	0	0	0

**Meat Processing Hiring Incentives**

This provision provides grants to partner organizations to assist small- and medium-sized meat and poultry processors with hiring and training new employees. New employees at eligible meat and poultry processing plants may receive tuition reimbursement for programs at Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, sign-on bonuses, relocation assistance, retention incentives, childcare stipends, and other related expenses.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>544</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Expenditures	0	222	322	544	0	0	0

**MN Ag Education Leadership Council MAELC**

This provision provides grants to the Minnesota Agricultural Education and Leadership Council to support secondary and postsecondary agricultural education programs. The council provides information and technical services to agriculture teachers, professional agriculture organizations, school districts, and the Department of Education.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Expenditures	0	100	100	200	0	0	0

**PFAS Pesticide Report and Regulatory Outline**

This provision funds an MDA review of published literature and other available information on the presence of PFAS in pesticides used in Minnesota. The review must consider the presence of intentionally added PFAS in pesticides, the potential for PFAS that are not intentionally added in pesticides, an assessment of the necessity of pesticides containing PFAS, and potential alternative products.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Expenditures	0	125	125	250	0	0	0

**Repeal Statutory Appropriation Oriented Strand Board Incentive**

This provision repeals a statutory appropriation that provided incentives to producers of oriented strand board.

<b>1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(1,500)</b>	<b>(1,500)</b>	<b>(3,000)</b>	<b>(3,000)</b>	<b>(6,000)</b>
Expenditures	0	0	(1,500)	(1,500)	(3,000)	(3,000)	(6,000)

**Rural Finance Authority Loans Authorization**

This provision reflects the 2023 legislative session's Rural Finance Authority Loans Authorization bill, Chapter 32, the fiscal impact of which is included in MMB Non-Operating. \$50 million is appropriated for the Rural Finance Authority's programs with user-financed general obligation bond proceeds which has no tracked impact, and \$50 thousand is appropriated to Minnesota Management and Budget for bond sale expenses with general obligation bond proceeds which has a general fund impact for the debt service payments. The \$50 million appropriation is for the beginning farmer program, the loan restructuring program, the seller-sponsored program, the agricultural improvement loan program, and the livestock expansion loan program.

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Urban and Youth Agriculture

This provision funds MDA programs promoting urban youth agricultural education and urban agriculture community development.

1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)	0	2,000	2,000	4,000	2,000	2,000	4,000
Expenditures	0	2,000	2,000	4,000	2,000	2,000	4,000

Wolf-Livestock Conflict Prevention Program

This provision awards grants to livestock producers to prevent wolf-livestock conflicts. Livestock producers can be reimbursed for the purchase of guard animals, veterinary costs for guard animals, the installation of wolf barriers, the installation of wolf-deterring lights and alarms, and the installation of calving or lambing shelters.

1000 - General Fund Cost (Savings)	0	45	45	90	0	0	0
Expenditures	0	45	45	90	0	0	0