

**Department 638 - Northern Crops Institute  
Senate Bill No. 2020**

**Executive Budget Comparison to Prior Biennium Appropriations**

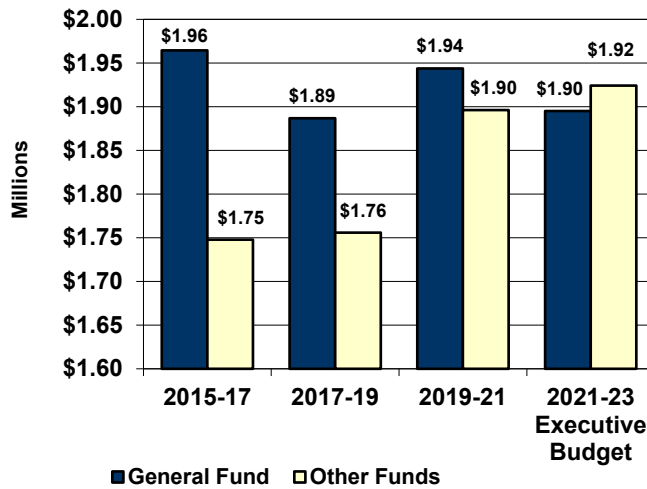
|   | FTE Positions | General Fund | Other Funds | Total       |
|---|---------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| 2021-23 Executive Budget                        | 13.55         | \$1,895,053  | \$1,924,224 | \$3,819,277 |
| 2019-21 Legislative Appropriations <sup>1</sup> | 12.80         | 1,943,810    | 1,896,217   | 3,840,027   |
| Increase (Decrease)                             | 0.75          | (\$48,757)   | \$28,007    | (\$20,750)  |

<sup>1</sup>The 2019-21 biennium agency appropriation amounts have not been adjusted for additional federal Coronavirus (COVID-19) funds authority of \$115,586 resulting from Emergency Commission action during the 2019-21 biennium.

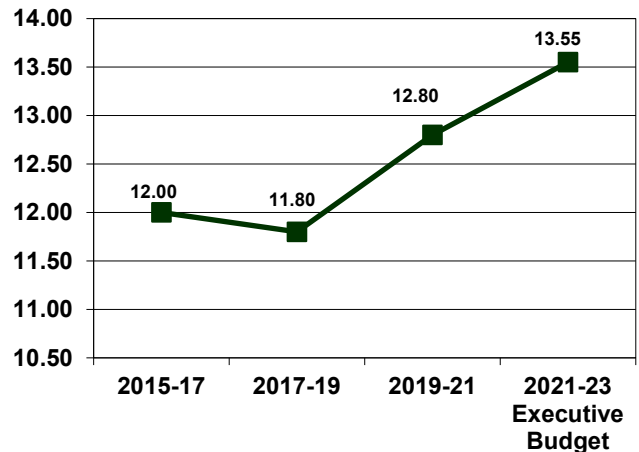
**Ongoing and One-Time General Fund Appropriations**

|                                    | Ongoing General Fund Appropriation | One-Time General Fund Appropriation | Total General Fund Appropriation |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 2021-23 Executive Budget           | \$1,895,053                        | \$0                                 | \$1,895,053                      |
| 2019-21 Legislative Appropriations | 1,943,810                          | 0                                   | 1,943,810                        |
| Increase (Decrease)                | (\$48,757)                         | \$0                                 | (\$48,757)                       |

**Agency Funding**



**FTE Positions**



**Executive Budget Comparison to Base Level**

|                          | General Fund | Other Funds | Total       |
|--------------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| 2021-23 Executive Budget | \$1,895,053  | \$1,924,224 | \$3,819,277 |
| 2021-23 Base Level       | 1,943,810    | 1,896,217   | 3,840,027   |
| Increase (Decrease)      | (\$48,757)   | \$28,007    | (\$20,750)  |

**First House Action**

Attached is a comparison worksheet detailing first house changes to base level funding and the executive budget.

**Executive Budget Highlights  
(With First House Changes in Bold)**

- |  | General Fund | Other Funds | Total      |
|--|--------------|-------------|------------|
| 1. Provides funding for state employee salary and benefit increases, of which \$74,354 is for salary increases, \$682 is for health insurance increases, and \$1,404 is for retirement contribution increases. <b>The Senate added funding for salary adjustments of 2 percent on July 1, 2021, with an \$80 minimum and \$300 maximum monthly increase and 2 percent on July 1, 2022, and increases in health insurance premiums from \$1,427 to \$1,429 per month. The Senate did not add funding for retirement contribution increases.</b> | \$48,433     | \$28,007    | \$76,440   |
| 2. Reduces funding for operations by 5 percent. <b>The Senate did not reduce funding for operations.</b>   | (\$97,190)   | \$0         | (\$97,190) |

### **Other Sections in Senate Bill No. 2020**

**Additional income appropriation** - Section 5 provides that in addition to the amount appropriated as other funds, any other income from federal acts, private grants, gifts, and donations, or from other sources received by the Northern Crops Institute, is appropriated for the purposes designated in the act, grant, gift, or donation for the 2021-23 biennium.

**Transfer authority** - Section 6 authorizes the transfer of appropriation authority between the Main Research Center, the branch research centers, North Dakota State University Extension Service, and Northern Crops Institute and provide that any transfers be reported to the Office of Management and Budget.

**FTE position adjustments** - Section 7 authorizes the State Board of Higher Education to adjust or increase FTE positions for the Northern Crops Institute and provide that any adjustments be reported to the Office of Management and Budget.

**Unexpended general fund - Excess income** - Section 8 authorizes the continuation of any unexpended general fund appropriation and excess income received by the Northern Crops Institute into the 2023-25 biennium.

### **Continuing Appropriations**

There are no continuing appropriations for this agency.

### **Significant Audit Findings**

There are no significant audit findings for this agency.

### **Major Related Legislation**

**House Bill No. 1431** - Provides for \$680 million of bonding authority, including \$50 million for the North Dakota State University agriculture products development center and Northern Crops Institute capital project.

**Northern Crops Institute - Budget No. 638**  
**Senate Bill No. 2020**  
**Base Level Funding Changes**

|  | <b>Executive Budget Recommendation</b> |                     |                    |              | <b>Senate Version</b> |                     |                    |              |
|--|--|---------------------|--------------------|--------------|-----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------|
|  | <b>FTE Positions</b>                   | <b>General Fund</b> | <b>Other Funds</b> | <b>Total</b> | <b>FTE Positions</b>  | <b>General Fund</b> | <b>Other Funds</b> | <b>Total</b> |
| <b>2021-23 Biennium Base Level</b>                         | 12.80                                  | \$1,943,810         | \$1,896,217        | \$3,840,027  | 12.80                 | \$1,943,810         | \$1,896,217        | \$3,840,027  |
| <b>2021-23 Ongoing Funding Changes</b>                     |  |                     |                    |              |                       |                     |                    |              |
| Base payroll changes                                       | 0.75                                   |                     |                    | \$0          | 0.75                  |                     |                    | \$0          |
| Salary increase  |  | \$47,111            | \$27,243           | 74,354       |                       | \$47,308            | \$27,235           | 74,543       |
| Retirement contribution increase                           |  | 890                 | 514                | 1,404        |                       |                     |                    | 0            |
| Health insurance increase                                  |  | 432                 | 250                | 682          |                       | 432                 | 250                | 682          |
| Reduces funding for operations                             |  | (97,190)            |                    | (97,190)     |                       |                     |                    | 0            |
| Total ongoing funding changes                              | 0.75                                   | (\$48,757)          | \$28,007           | (\$20,750)   | 0.75                  | \$47,740            | \$27,485           | \$75,225     |
| <b>One-time funding items</b>                              |  |                     |                    |              |                       |                     |                    |              |
| No one-time funding items                                  |  |                     |                    | \$0          |                       |                     |                    | \$0          |
| Total one-time funding changes                             | 0.00                                   | \$0                 | \$0                | \$0          | 0.00                  | \$0                 | \$0                | \$0          |
| <b>Total Changes to Base Level Funding</b>                 | 0.75                                   | (\$48,757)          | \$28,007           | (\$20,750)   | 0.75                  | \$47,740            | \$27,485           | \$75,225     |
| <b>2021-23 Total Funding</b>                               | 13.55                                  | \$1,895,053         | \$1,924,224        | \$3,819,277  | 13.55                 | \$1,991,550         | \$1,923,702        | \$3,915,252  |
| <i>Total ongoing changes as a percentage of base level</i> | 5.9%                                   | (2.5%)              | 1.5%               | (0.5%)       | 5.9%                  | 2.5%                | 1.4%               | 2.0%         |
| <i>Total changes as a percentage of base level</i>         | 5.9%                                   | (2.5%)              | 1.5%               | (0.5%)       | 5.9%                  | 2.5%                | 1.4%               | 2.0%         |

**Other Sections in Northern Crops Institute - Budget No. 638**

|                                 | <b>Executive Budget Recommendation</b>   | <b>Senate Version</b>   |
|---------------------------------|--|---|
| Additional income appropriation | Section 3 would provide that in addition to the amount appropriated as other funds, any other income from federal acts, private grants, gifts, and donations, or from other sources received by the Northern Crops Institute, is appropriated for the purposes designated in the act, grant, gift, or donation for the 2021-23 biennium. | Section 5 provides that in addition to the amount appropriated as other funds, any other income from federal acts, private grants, gifts, and donations, or from other sources received by the Northern Crops Institute, is appropriated for the purposes designated in the act, grant, gift, or donation for the 2021-23 biennium. |
| Transfer authority              | Section 6 would authorize the transfer of appropriation authority between the Main Research Center, the branch research centers, North Dakota State University Extension Service, and Northern Crops Institute and provide that any transfers be reported to the Office of Management and Budget.  | Section 6 authorizes the transfer of appropriation authority between the Main Research Center, the branch research centers, North Dakota State University Extension Service, and Northern Crops Institute and provide that any transfers be reported to the Office of Management and Budget.  |

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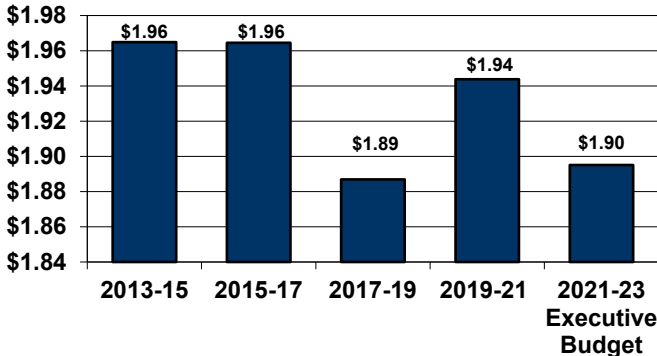
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|---|---|--|
| FTE position adjustments                | Section 7 would authorize the State Board of Higher Education to adjust or increase FTE positions for the Northern Crops Institute and provide that any adjustments be reported to the Office of Management and Budget. | Section 7 authorizes the State Board of Higher Education to adjust or increase FTE positions for the Northern Crops Institute and provide that any adjustments be reported to the Office of Management and Budget. |
| Unexpended general fund - Excess income | Section 8 would authorize the continuation of any unexpended general fund appropriation and excess income received by the Northern Crops Institute into the 2023-25 biennium.   | Section 8 authorizes the continuation of any unexpended general fund appropriation and excess income received by the Northern Crops Institute into the 2023-25 biennium.   |

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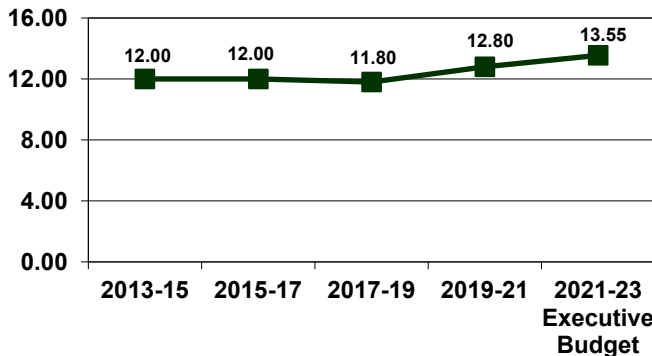
# Historical Appropriations Information

## Ongoing General Fund Appropriations Since 2013-15

Ongoing General Fund Appropriations (in Millions)



FTE Positions



| Ongoing General Fund Appropriations                             |             |             |             |             |                          |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
|   | 2013-15     | 2015-17     | 2017-19     | 2019-21     | 2021-23 Executive Budget |
| Ongoing general fund appropriations                             | \$1,964,861 | \$1,964,467 | \$1,886,891 | \$1,943,810 | \$1,895,053              |
| Increase (decrease) from previous biennium                      | N/A         | (\$394)     | (\$77,576)  | \$56,919    | (\$48,757)               |
| Percentage increase (decrease) from previous biennium           | N/A         | 0.0%        | (3.9%)      | 3.0%        | (2.5%)                   |
| Cumulative percentage increase (decrease) from 2013-15 biennium | N/A         | 0.0%        | (4.0%)      | (1.1%)      | (3.6%)                   |

### Major Increases (Decreases) in Ongoing General Fund Appropriations

**2015-17 Biennium**

- 1. No major changes \$0

**2017-19 Biennium**

- 1. Reduced funding for equipment (\$200,000)
- 2. Restored funding for operating expenses \$137,691

**2019-21 Biennium**

- 1. Reduced funding for miscellaneous expenses (\$37,738)

**2021-23 Biennium (Executive Budget Recommendation)**

- 1. Reduces funding for operating expenses. **The Senate did not reduce funding for operations.** (\$97,190)

**GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION FOR THE  
NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION  
SERVICE AS SUBMITTED BY THE  
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET**

**SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from special funds derived from federal funds and other income, to the North Dakota state university extension service, the northern crops institute, the upper great plains transportation institute, the main research center, branch research centers, and agronomy seed farm for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the North Dakota state university extension service, the northern crops institute, the upper great plains transportation institute, the main research center, branch research centers, and agronomy seed farm, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2023, as follows:

Subdivision 1.

NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION SERVICE

|                                | <u>Base Level</u> | <u>Adjustments or<br/>Enhancements</u> | <u>Appropriation</u> |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|--|----------------------|
| Extension Service              | \$54,396,305      | (\$1,992,414)                          | \$52,403,891         |
| Soil Conservation Committee    | <u>1,091,520</u>  | <u>0</u>                               | <u>1,091,520</u>     |
| Total All Funds                | \$55,487,825      | (\$1,992,414)                          | \$53,495,411         |
| Less Estimated Income          | <u>27,778,159</u> | <u>520,984</u>                         | <u>28,299,143</u>    |
| Total General Fund             | \$27,709,666      | (\$2,513,398)                          | \$25,196,268         |
| Full-Time Equivalent Positions | 242.51            | 0.26                                   | 242.77               |

Subdivision 2.

NORTHERN CROPS  
INSTITUTE

|                                | <u>Base Level</u> | <u>Adjustments or<br/>Enhancements</u> | <u>Appropriation</u> |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|--|----------------------|
| Northern Crops Institute       | \$3,840,027       | (\$20,750)                             | \$3,819,277          |
| Total All Funds                | \$3,840,027       | (\$20,750)                             | \$3,819,277          |
| Less Estimated Income          | <u>1,896,217</u>  | <u>28,007</u>                          | <u>1,924,224</u>     |
| Total General Fund             | \$1,943,810       | (\$48,757)                             | \$1,895,053          |
| Full-Time Equivalent Positions | 12.80             | 0.75                                   | 13.55                |

Subdivision 3.

UPPER GREAT PLAINS TRANSPORTATION INSTITUTE

|   | <u>Base Level</u>   | <u>Adjustments or<br/>Enhancements</u> | <u>Appropriation</u> |
|---|---------------------|--|----------------------|
| Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute | <u>\$23,292,223</u> | <u>\$55,011</u>                        | <u>\$23,347,234</u>  |
| Total All Funds                             | \$23,292,223        | \$55,011                               | \$23,347,234         |
| Less Estimated Income                       | <u>18,895,894</u>   | <u>168,290</u>                         | <u>19,064,184</u>    |
| Total General Fund                          | \$4,396,329         | (\$113,279)                            | \$4,283,050          |
| Full-Time Equivalent Positions              | 43.88               | 0.00                                   | 43.88                |

Subdivision 4.

MAIN RESEARCH CENTER

|                                | <u>Base Level</u> | <u>Adjustments or Enhancements</u> | <u>Appropriation</u> |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Main Research Center           | \$109,170,101     | (\$3,915,678)                      | \$105,254,423        |
| Total All Funds                | \$109,170,101     | (\$3,915,678)                      | \$105,254,423        |
| Less Estimated Income          | <u>56,502,775</u> | <u>564,347</u>                     | <u>57,067,122</u>    |
| Total General Fund             | \$ 52,667,326     | (\$4,480,025)                      | \$ 48,187,301        |
| Full-Time Equivalent Positions | 344.05            | (6.49)                             | 337.56               |

Subdivision 5.

RESEARCH CENTERS

|                                    | <u>Base Level</u> | <u>Adjustments or Enhancements</u> | <u>Appropriation</u> |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Dickinson Research Center          | \$ 7,015,862      | (\$109,453)                        | \$ 6,906,409         |
| Central Grasslands Research Center | 3,510,825         | (56,299)                           | 3,454,526            |
| Hettinger Research Center          | 5,112,403         | (48,983)                           | 5,063,420            |
| Langdon Research Center            | 3,052,060         | (41,254)                           | 3,010,806            |
| North Central Research Center      | 5,137,569         | (28,541)                           | 5,109,028            |
| Williston Research Center          | 5,286,833         | (58,437)                           | 5,228,396            |
| Carrington Research Center         | <u>9,685,861</u>  | <u>(42,966)</u>                    | <u>9,642,895</u>     |
| Total All Funds                    | \$38,801,413      | (\$385,933)                        | \$38,415,480         |
| Less Estimated Income              | <u>20,600,387</u> | <u>116,089</u>                     | <u>20,716,476</u>    |
| Total General Fund                 | \$18,201,026      | (\$502,022)                        | \$17,699,004         |
| Full-Time Equivalent Positions     | 109.81            | (1.60)                             | 108.21               |

Subdivision 6.

AGRONOMY SEED FARM

|                                | <u>Base Level</u> | <u>Adjustments or Enhancements</u> | <u>Appropriation</u> |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Agronomy Seed Farm             | \$1,565,975       | \$16,503                           | \$1,582,478          |
| Total Special Funds            | \$1,565,975       | \$16,503                           | \$1,582,478          |
| Full-Time Equivalent Positions | 3.00              | 0.00                               | 3.00                 |

Subdivision 7.

BILL TOTAL

|                          | <u>Base Level</u>  | <u>Adjustments or Enhancements</u> | <u>Appropriation</u> |
|--------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Grand Total General Fund | \$104,918,157      | (\$7,657,481)                      | \$ 97,260,676        |
| Grand Total Other Funds  | <u>127,239,407</u> | <u>1,414,220</u>                   | <u>128,653,627</u>   |
| Grand Total All Funds    | \$232,157,564      | (\$6,243,261)                      | \$225,914,303        |

**SECTION 2. ONE-TIME FUNDING - EFFECT ON BASE BUDGET - REPORT TO SIXTY- EIGHTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.** The following amounts reflect the one-time funding items approved by the sixty-sixth legislative assembly for the 2019-21 biennium and the 2021-23 one-time funding items included in the appropriation in section 1 of this Act:

| <u>One-Time Funding Description</u> | <u>2019-21</u>   | <u>2021-23</u> |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|----------------|
| Seed Cleaning Plant                 | \$ 750,000       | \$ 0           |
| Greenhouse                          | 500,000          | 0              |
| Extraordinary Repairs               | <u>940,465</u>   | <u>500,000</u> |
| Total All Funds                     | \$2,190,465      | \$500,000      |
| Total Other Funds                   | <u>1,440,465</u> | <u>0</u>       |
| Total General Fund                  | \$ 750,000       | \$500,000      |

The 2021-23 one-time funding amounts are not a part of the entity's base budget for the 2023-25 biennium. The main research center shall report to the appropriations committees of the sixty-eighth legislative assembly on the use of this one-time funding for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2023.

**SECTION 3. ADDITIONAL INCOME - APPROPRIATION.** In addition to the amount included in the grand total special funds appropriation line item in section 1 of this Act, any other income, including funds from federal acts, private grants, gifts, and donations, or from other sources received by the North Dakota state university extension service, the northern crops institute, the upper great plains transportation institute, the main research center, branch research centers, and agronomy seed farm, except as otherwise provided by law, is appropriated for the purpose designated in the act, grant, gift, or donation, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2023.

**SECTION 4. DICKINSON RESEARCH EXTENSION CENTER - MINERAL RIGHTS INCOME.** The Dickinson research extension center may spend up to \$755,000 of revenues received during the 2021-23 biennium from mineral royalties, leases, or easements for ongoing operational expenses. Any revenues received in excess of \$755,000 may be spent only for one-time expenditures for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2023.

**SECTION 5. WILLISTON RESEARCH EXTENSION CENTER - MINERAL RIGHTS INCOME - REPORT.** The Williston research extension center shall report to the sixty-eighth legislative assembly on amounts received and spent from mineral royalties, leases, or easements in the biennium beginning July 1, 2019, and ending June 30, 2021 and the biennium beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2023.

**SECTION 6. TRANSFER AUTHORITY.** Upon approval of the state board of agricultural research and education and appropriate branch research center directors, the director of the main research center may transfer appropriation authority within subdivisions 1, 2, 4, and 5 of section 1 of this Act. Any amounts transferred must be reported to the director of the office of management and budget.

**SECTION 7. FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITION ADJUSTMENTS.** The state board of higher education may adjust or increase full-time equivalent positions as needed for the entities in section 1 of this Act, subject to availability of funds. The board shall report any adjustments to the office of management and budget pursuant to this section.

**SECTION 8. UNEXPENDED GENERAL FUND - EXCESS INCOME.** Any unexpended general fund appropriation authority to and any excess income received by entities listed in section 1 of this Act are not subject to the provisions of section 54-44.1-11, and any unexpended funds from these appropriations or revenues are available and may be expended by those entities, during the biennium beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2025.

**SECTION 9. EXEMPTION.** The amounts appropriated for the greenhouse and the seed cleaning plant contained in subdivision 4 of section 1 of chapter 20 of the 2019 Sessions Laws, are not subject to the provisions of section 54-44.1-11, and any unexpended funds from these appropriations or related revenues are available and may be expended during the biennium beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2023.