

**DIVISION A – AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FOOD AND DRUG
ADMINISTRATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2015**

CONGRESSIONAL DIRECTIVES

The explanatory statement is silent on provisions that were in both the House Report (H.Rpt. 113-468) and Senate Report (S.Rpt. 113-164) that remain unchanged by this agreement, except as noted in this explanatory statement.

The agreement restates that executive branch wishes cannot substitute for Congress's own statements as to the best evidence of congressional intentions, which are the official reports of the Congress. The agreement further points out that funds in this Act must be used for the purposes for which appropriated, as required by section 1301 of title 31 of the United States Code, which provides: "Appropriations shall be applied only to the objects for which the appropriations were made except as otherwise provided by law."

The House and Senate report language that is not changed by the explanatory statement is approved and indicates congressional intentions. The explanatory statement, while repeating some report language for emphasis, does not intend to negate the language referred to above unless expressly provided herein.

In cases in which the House or the Senate have directed the submission of a report, such report is to be submitted to both the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations no later than 60 days after enactment of this Act, unless otherwise directed.

Hereafter, in Division A of this statement, the term 'the Committees' refers to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate.

Certain agencies under the jurisdiction of the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Subcommittees took actions that appear to violate long-standing notification requirements. This Act modifies its notification requirements and provides additional information to assist the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Drug Administration, and Farm Credit Administration in complying with the spirit and letter of the law.

For the appropriations provided by this Act and previous Acts, the departments and agencies funded by this agreement are reminded that the Committees use the definitions for transfer, reprogramming, and program, project, and activity as defined by the Government

Accountability Office (GAO) in GAO-04-261SP Appropriations Law—Vol. I and GAO-05-734SP Budget Glossary. The Committees provide additional direction in this statement.

A transfer is the shifting of funds between appropriations. It applies to (1) transfers from one agency to another, (2) transfers from one account to another within the same agency, and (3) transfers to an interagency or intra-agency working fund. In each instance, statutory authority is required.

Reprogramming is the utilization of funds in an appropriation account for purposes other than those contemplated at the time of appropriation. It is the shifting of funds from one object to another within an appropriation.

A program, project, or activity (PPA) is an element within a budget account. PPAs are identified by reference to include the most specific level of budget items identified in the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Act, 2015, accompanying Committee reports, explanatory statements, the Statement of Managers, and budget justifications. Program activity structures are intended to provide a meaningful representation of the operations financed by a specific budget account by project, activity, or organization.

For fiscal year 2015, the Committees adopt a new subsection to require advanced notification of certain agency actions. Notification will be required at least 15 days in advance of any action if (1) a major capital investment is modified; (2) an office is realigned or reorganized; and (3) activities are carried out that were not described in the budget request.

The agreement directs the Office of Budget and Program Analysis of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) to provide an organizational chart for each agency funded by this Act to the division and subdivision level, as appropriate, by January 30, 2015. The agreement also directs the Food and Drug Administration, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, and the Farm Credit Administration to provide an organizational chart of each agency respectively to the division and subdivision level, as appropriate, by January 30, 2015.

TITLE I
AGRICULTURAL PROGRAMS
PRODUCTION, PROCESSING, AND MARKETING
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides \$45,805,000 for the Office of the Secretary.

The following table reflects the agreement:

<i>Office of the Secretary</i> (Dollars in Thousands)	
Office of the Secretary	\$5,051
Office of Tribal Relations	502
Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Coordination	1,496
Office of Advocacy and Outreach	1,209
Office of Assistant Secretary for Administration	804
Departmental Administration	25,124
Office of Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations	3,869
Office of Communications	7,750
Total, Office of the Secretary	<u>\$45,805</u>

The Office of the Inspector General (OIG) reported that USDA offices and agencies made an estimated \$6,200,000,000 in improper payments in fiscal year 2013. While there has been recent progress toward improving their processes to identify, report, and reduce wasteful spending, this level of improper payment is unacceptable. The Chief Financial Officer (CFO) is directed to develop a plan to significantly reduce USDA's improper payment rate in fiscal year 2015 and to release it simultaneously with the OIG's report on improper payments for fiscal year 2014.

During the past year, certain USDA agencies and offices informed non-governmental stakeholders of important decisions and announcements before they informed the Committees. A collaborative working relationship between the Committees and agencies is necessary to ensure efficient and effective implementation of Congress's funding decisions. These actions jeopardized this relationship. As such, USDA is directed to ensure the Committees are notified of major changes to existing policies and any significant developments in its operations prior to providing non-governmental stakeholders such information.

EXECUTIVE OPERATIONS

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ECONOMIST

The agreement provides \$17,377,000 for the Office of the Chief Economist.

The agreement reaffirms the establishment of an Under Secretary of Agriculture for Trade and Foreign Agricultural Affairs pursuant to Section 3208 of Public Law 113-79. The mandatory report in (b)(4) of such section to Congress is overdue. The agreement directs the

Office of the Chief Economist (OCE) to oversee the completion of this report in coordination with a third-party entity, the National Academy of Public Administration, and the Committees. The agreement provides \$600,000 for this purpose and directs OCE to begin the study within 60 days of enactment and completion within 270 days of enactment.

NATIONAL APPEALS DIVISION

The agreement provides \$13,317,000 for the National Appeals Division.

OFFICE OF BUDGET AND PROGRAM ANALYSIS

The agreement provides \$9,392,000 for the Office of Budget and Program Analysis.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER

The agreement provides \$45,045,000 for the Office of the Chief Information Officer. This amount includes not less than \$28,000,000 to support cybersecurity requirements of the Department.

Recognizing that some agencies require more oversight and assistance than others, the agreement provides the Chief Information Officer (CIO) flexibility to set variable thresholds for approval of agency IT expenditures. The purpose is to tailor oversight to the unique situation of each agency while allowing the CIO to continue to exercise prudent judgment and provide expert advice regarding the expenditure of taxpayer resources on IT investments. The CIO is directed to establish a performance plan that assesses the capability of each agency against standard IT management protocols, including governance processes; experience of the agency's CIO; prior management of major and non-major IT investments; training and certification programs; and utilization of appropriate procurement, enterprise architecture, and security systems. The plan is expected to be updated as needed but not less than every two years. The CIO is directed to submit the plan to the Committees for review prior to implementation.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

The agreement provides \$6,028,000 for the Office of the Chief Financial Officer.

The Department continues to assess its agencies for government and department-wide activities not requested in the budget or appropriated by Congress. Therefore, most of the funding for these activities has come at the expense of the agency's mission critical programs. The CFO is encouraged to scrutinize the need for each activity, to consider its benefit to each agency, and to limit spending where possible, especially in regard to promotional, communications-related, and other activities not specifically authorized in law. The CFO is

directed to provide a report to the Committees within 90 days of enactment of this Act detailing where savings can be made in these areas.

OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR CIVIL RIGHTS

The agreement provides \$898,000 for the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights.

OFFICE OF CIVIL RIGHTS

The agreement provides \$24,070,000 for the Office of Civil Rights.

**AGRICULTURE BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES
(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)**

The agreement provides \$55,866,000 for Agriculture Buildings and Facilities.

The agreement includes General Services Administration rental payments and Department of Homeland Security payments within each respective agency, as requested in the budget. The Department is reminded that rental and security payments as described in the budget constitute a PPA for the purpose of reprogrammings.

**HAZARDOUS MATERIALS MANAGEMENT
(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)**

The agreement provides \$3,600,000 for Hazardous Materials Management.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

The agreement provides \$95,026,000 for the Office of Inspector General.

OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL

The agreement provides \$44,383,000 for the Office of the General Counsel.

OFFICE OF ETHICS

The agreement provides \$3,654,000 for the Office of Ethics.

OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR RESEARCH, EDUCATION, AND ECONOMICS

The agreement provides \$898,000 for the Office of the Under Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics.

ECONOMIC RESEARCH SERVICE

The agreement provides \$85,373,000 for the Economic Research Service.

NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE

The agreement provides \$172,408,000 for the National Agricultural Statistics Service, including up to \$47,842,000 for the Census of Agriculture.

The agreement includes requested funding for the pollinator health initiative, restoration of the fruit and vegetable in-season reports, and restoration of the chemical use survey and does not include the suspension of reports as proposed in the budget.

In fiscal year 2014, USDA was provided \$2,250,000 to conduct the Organic Production Survey. It is expected that USDA will conduct this survey as a comprehensive follow-on survey to the 2012 Census of Agriculture.

AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides \$1,132,625,000 for the Agricultural Research Service (ARS), Salaries and Expenses.

The agreement does not accept the President's budget request regarding the termination and redirection of research programs or the closure of research stations. The agreement expects extramural research to be funded at no less than fiscal year 2014 levels. The agreement provides funding increases for forest product, pollinator, porcine virus, grazing-related sheep, and methyl bromide alternatives research.

ARS is directed to prepare a long-term facility management plan to guide capital asset construction and renovation for current ARS and university cooperator space where the cooperator or university has expressed an interest in relocating ARS researchers or facilities to alternate locations. The plan should establish a process for setting and ranking these facilities, with priority placed on current ARS facilities conducting high priority research with a low facility condition index. The report should clearly describe the proposed relocation, include estimated costs for completing the relocation, and address any legal barriers that may exist for the proposed location.

BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

For ARS Buildings and Facilities, the agreement provides an appropriation of \$45,000,000 for priorities identified in the USDA ARS Capital Investment Strategy, April 2012.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

RESEARCH AND EDUCATION ACTIVITIES

The agreement provides \$786,874,000 for the National Institute of Food and Agriculture's research and education activities.

The agreement directs that not less than 15 percent of the competitive research grant funds be used for USDA’s agricultural research enhancement awards program, including USDA-EPSCoR.

The following table reflects the amounts provided by the agreement:

<i>National Institute of Food and Agriculture</i>		
<i>Research and Education Activities</i>		
(Dollars in Thousands)		
Hatch Act	7 U.S.C. 361a-i	\$243,701
McIntire-Stennis Cooperative Forestry Act	16 U.S.C. 582a through a-7	33,961
Research at 1890 Institutions (Evans-Allen Program)	7 U.S.C. 3222	52,485
Payments to the 1994 Institutions	7 U.S.C. 301 note	3,439
Education Grants for 1890 Institutions	7 U.S.C. 3152(b)	19,336
Education Grants for Hispanic-Serving Institutions	7 U.S.C. 3241	9,219
Education Grants for Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian-Serving Institutions	7 U.S.C. 3156	3,194
Research Grants for 1994 Institutions	7 U.S.C. 301 note	1,801
Capacity Building for Non Land-Grant Colleges of Agriculture	7 U.S.C. 3319i	4,500
Grants for Insular Areas	7 U.S.C. 3222b-2, 3362 and 3363	2,000
Agriculture and Food Research Initiative	7 U.S.C. 450i(b)	325,000
Veterinary Medicine Loan Repayment	7 U.S.C. 3151a	5,000
Continuing Animal Health and Disease Research Program	7 U.S.C. 3195	4,000
Supplemental and Alternative Crops	7 U.S.C. 3319d	825
Multicultural Scholars, Graduate Fellowship and Institution Challenge Grants	7 U.S.C. 3152(b)	9,000
Secondary and 2-year Post-Secondary Education	7 U.S.C. 3152(j)	900
Aquaculture Centers	7 U.S.C. 3322	4,000
Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education	7 U.S.C. 5811, 5812, 5831, and 5832	22,667
Farm Business Management	7 U.S.C. 5925f	1,450
Sun Grant Program	7 U.S.C. 8114	2,500
Minor Crop Pest Management (IR-4)	7 U.S.C. 450i(c)	11,913

Alfalfa and Forage Research Program	7 U.S.C. 5925	1,350
Special Research Grants:	7 U.S.C. 450i(c)	
Global Change/UV Monitoring		1,405
Potato Research		1,350
Aquaculture Research		1,350
Total, Special Research Grants		<u>4,105</u>
Necessary Expenses of Research and Education Activities:		
Grants Management System		7,830
Federal Administration—Other		6,387
Necessary Expenses for Research and Education Activities		
GSA Rent and DHS Security Expenses		6,311
Total, Necessary Expenses		<u>20,528</u>
Total, Research and Education Activities		<u>\$786,874</u>

NATIVE AMERICAN INSTITUTIONS ENDOWMENT FUND

The agreement provides \$11,880,000 for the Native American Institutions Endowment Fund.

EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

The agreement provides \$471,691,000 for the National Institute of Food and Agriculture’s extension activities.

The following table reflects the amounts provided by the agreement:

<i>National Institute of Food and Agriculture</i>		
<i>Extension Activities</i>		
(Dollars in Thousands)		
Smith-Lever, Section 3(b) and (c) programs and Cooperative Extension	7 U.S.C. 343(b) and (c) and 208(c) of P.L. 93-471	\$300,000
Extension Services at 1890 Institutions	7 U.S.C. 3221	43,920
Extension Services at 1994 Institutions	7 U.S.C. 343(b)(3)	4,446
Facility Improvements at 1890 Institutions	7 U.S.C. 3222b	19,730
Renewable Resources Extension Act	16 U.S.C. 1671 et seq.	4,060
Rural Health and Safety Education Programs	7 U.S.C. 2662(i)	1,500
Food Animal Residue Avoidance Database Program	7 U.S.C. 7642	1,250

Women and Minorities in STEM Fields	7 U.S.C. 5925	400
Food Safety Outreach Program	7 U.S.C. 7625	2,500
Smith-Lever, Section 3(d):	7 U.S.C. 343(d)	
Food and Nutrition Education		67,934
Farm Safety and Youth Farm Safety Education Programs		4,610
New Technologies for Agricultural Extension		1,550
Children, Youth, and Families at Risk		8,395
Federally Recognized Tribes Extension Program		3,039
Total, Section 3(d)		<u>85,528</u>
Necessary Expenses of Extension Activities:		
Agriculture in the K-12 Classroom		552
Federal Administration—Other		7,805
Necessary Expenses for Extension Activities		
Total, Necessary Expenses		<u>8,357</u>
Total, Extension Activities		<u>\$471,691</u>

INTEGRATED ACTIVITIES

The agreement provides \$30,900,000 for the National Institute of Food and Agriculture's integrated activities.

The following table reflects the amounts provided by the agreement:

*National Institute of Food and Agriculture
Integrated Activities
(Dollars in Thousands)*

Methyl Bromide Transition Program	7 U.S.C. 7626	\$2,000
Organic Transition Program	7 U.S.C. 7626	4,000
Regional Rural Development Centers	7 U.S.C. 450i(c)	1,000
Food and Agriculture Defense Initiative	7 U.S.C. 3351	6,700
Crop Protection/Pest Management Program	7 U.S.C. 7626	17,200
Total, Integrated Activities		<u>\$30,900</u>

OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR MARKETING AND REGULATORY PROGRAMS

The agreement provides \$898,000 for the Office of the Under Secretary for Marketing and Regulatory Programs.

ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides \$871,315,000 for the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), Salaries and Expenses.

The APHIS agreement includes several programmatic increases to enhance ongoing initiatives, mitigate potential threats, and address high priority concerns. Included in the APHIS funding level are an increase of \$2,000,000 for Overseas Technical and Trade Operations activities in order to help resolve sanitary and phytosanitary trade issues that could result in the opening of new markets and retaining and expanding existing market access for U.S. agricultural products; an increase of \$250,000 for the National Veterinary Stockpile to assist in the supply of critical veterinary countermeasures that would be used for emergency preparedness and response efforts in the event of an intentional or unintentional introduction of an animal disease into the U.S. market; an increase of \$2,000,000 for the Swine Health program in support of increased biosecurity and herd management efforts for the porcine epidemic diarrhea virus; an increase of \$4,500,000 for the Citrus Health Response Program to help address the damaging effects of citrus greening disease; an increase of \$2,600,000 for Wildlife Damage Management for priority initiatives such as oral rabies vaccinations, livestock protection, predator damage management, and preventing the transport of invasive snakes and other harmful species; and an increase of \$740,000 for Biotechnology Regulatory Services to address the backlog of product petitions awaiting determination.

There continues to be concern about the time it takes the agency to review biotechnology product petitions for regulatory determination. The agency is encouraged to reduce the backlog of petitions that still remains and reduce the number of petitions awaiting determination. The agreement provides the funding necessary to ensure regulatory decisions can be made in a more timely and predictable manner.

The agreement includes no less than \$3,000,000 for cervid health activities. Within the funds provided, APHIS should give consideration to indemnity payments if warranted.

APHIS' inspection data demonstrates that there was inconsistency in conducting horse inspections during recent shows. Due to the subjective nature of the horse inspections, the agency is encouraged to provide greater transparency, more written communication with stakeholders on the rules and regulations such as the scar rule, and improved consistency to the extent possible when enforcing the Horse Protection Act.

The agreement provides \$26,000,000 under Wildlife Damage Management for national rabies management, surveillance, and eradication efforts.

APHIS recently proposed rules regarding adjustment to fees for Agricultural Quarantine Inspection services and overtime reimbursement rates that affect a wide variety of industries, including pest treatment providers, cargo and passenger vessels, international and domestic shippers, importers, and the ports. The proposed changes are significant, and it is expected that comments received during the initial rulemaking process will be considered in drafting the final rule. The agency is directed to meet with impacted stakeholders within 30 days of enactment to share updated information about the regulatory changes prior to publishing a final rule on the matter.

The agreement includes \$6,700,000 for the National Animal Health Laboratory Network (NAHLN). Funding shall be administered in consultation with the NAHLN Coordinating Council.

The following table reflects the agreement:

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service
(Dollars in Thousands)

Program	Amount
Animal Health Technical Services	\$35,339
Aquatic Animal Health	2,253
Avian Health	52,340
Cattle Health	92,500
Equine, Cervid & Small Ruminant Health	19,500
National Veterinary Stockpile	3,973
Swine Health	24,250

Veterinary Biologics	16,417
Veterinary Diagnostics	31,540
Zoonotic Disease Management	9,523
Subtotal, Animal Health	<u>287,635</u>
Agricultural Quarantine Inspection (Appropriated)	26,900
Cotton Pests	11,520
Field Crop & Rangeland Ecosystems Pests	8,826
Pest Detection	27,446
Plant Protection Methods Development	20,686
Specialty Crop Pests	156,000
Tree & Wood Pests	54,000
Subtotal, Plant Health	<u>305,378</u>
Wildlife Damage Management	90,027
Wildlife Services Methods Development	18,856
Subtotal, Wildlife Services	<u>108,883</u>
Animal & Plant Health Regulatory Enforcement	16,224
Biotechnology Regulatory Services	18,875
Subtotal, Regulatory Services	<u>35,099</u>
Contingency Fund	470
Emergency Preparedness & Response	16,966
Subtotal, Emergency Management	<u>17,436</u>
Agriculture Import/Export	14,099
Overseas Technical & Trade Operations	22,114
Subtotal, Safe Trade	<u>36,213</u>
Animal Welfare	28,010
Horse Protection	697
Subtotal, Animal Welfare	<u>28,707</u>

APHIS Information Technology Infrastructure	4,251
Physical/Operational Security	5,146
GSA Rental and DHS Security Payments	42,567
Subtotal, Agency Management	<u>51,964</u>
Total, Direct Appropriation	<u>\$871,315</u>

BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

The agreement provides \$3,175,000 for Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service Buildings and Facilities.

AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE

MARKETING SERVICES

The agreement provides \$81,192,000 for the Agricultural Marketing Service.

Within 15 days of final resolution, including all pending appeals, or May 1, 2015, whichever comes first, the Secretary of Agriculture, in consultation with the U.S. Trade Representative, shall submit to the Committees and the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate a report that contains the Secretary’s recommendations for any changes in Federal law that would be required for the establishment and implementation of a country of origin labeling program with respect to beef, pork, and poultry that does not conflict with, or is in any manner inconsistent with, the trade obligations of the United States, taking into account the findings contained in the report of the compliance panel established by the Dispute Settlement Body of the World Trade Organization (WTO) for purposes of the WTO disputes “United States – Certain Country of Origin Labelling (COOL) Requirements (DS384 and DS386)”, including the available results of all pending appeals.

There is concern that the Secretary has started a process for establishing a second beef checkoff program under the Commodity Promotion, Research, and Information Act of 1996. An overwhelming majority of cattle producers do not support paying assessments into two separate beef checkoff programs operating simultaneously. The Secretary is directed not to implement a second duplicative beef checkoff program.

LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

The agreement includes a limitation on administrative expenses of \$60,709,000.

FUNDS FOR STRENGTHENING MARKETS, INCOME, AND SUPPLY (SECTION 32)

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides \$20,186,000 for Funds for Strengthening Markets, Income, and Supply.

The following table reflects the status of this fund for fiscal year 2015:

Estimated Total Funds Available and Balance Carried Forward

(Dollars in Thousands)

	<i>Amount</i>
Appropriation (30% of Customs Receipts)	\$9,714,923
Less Transfers:	
Food & Nutrition Service	-8,355,671
Commerce Department	- 143,738
<i>Total, Transfers</i>	<i>-8,499,409</i>
Prior Year Appropriation Available, Start of Year	187,486
Unavailable for Obligations (recoveries & offsetting collections)	---
Transfer of Prior Year Funds to FNS (F&V)	-119,000
<i>Budget Authority</i>	<i>1,284,000</i>
Rescission of Current Year Funds	-121,094
Appropriations Temporarily Reduced – Sequestration	-81,906
Unavailable for Obligations (F&V Transfer to FNS)	-122,000
<i>Available for Obligation</i>	<i>959,000</i>
 <i>Less Obligations:</i>	
Child Nutrition Programs (Entitlement Commodities)	465,000
State Option Contract	5,000
Removal of Defective Commodities	2,500
Emergency Surplus Removal	---
Small Business Support	---
Disaster Relief	5,000
Additional Fruits, Vegetables, and Nuts Purchases	206,000
Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program	40,000
Estimated Future Needs	180,604

<i>Total, Commodity Procurement</i>	<u>904,104</u>
Administrative Funds:	
Commodity Purchase Support	34,710
Marketing Agreements and Orders	20,186
<i>Total, Administrative Funds</i>	<u>54,896</u>
 <i>Total Obligations</i>	 <u>959,000</u>
 Unavailable for Obligations (F&V Transfer to FNS)	 122,000
Balances, Collections, and Recoveries Not Available	---
<i>Total, End of Year Balances</i>	<u>\$122,000</u>

PAYMENTS TO STATES AND POSSESSIONS

The agreement provides \$1,235,000 for Payments to States and Possessions.

GRAIN INSPECTION, PACKERS AND STOCKYARDS ADMINISTRATION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides \$43,048,000 for the Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration.

LIMITATION ON INSPECTION AND WEIGHING SERVICES EXPENSES

The agreement includes a limitation on inspection and weighing services expenses of \$50,000,000.

OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR FOOD SAFETY

The agreement provides \$816,000 for the Office of the Under Secretary for Food Safety.

FOOD SAFETY AND INSPECTION SERVICE

The agreement provides \$1,016,474,000 for the Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS).

There remains concern about countering economic fraud and improving the safety of the U.S. seafood supply. FSIS, in conjunction with other USDA agencies and FDA, is encouraged to support developing technologies that will provide rapid, portable, and facile screening of food fish species at port sites and wholesale and retail centers.

The following table reflects the agreement:

Food Safety and Inspection Service
(Dollars in Thousands)

Federal	\$900,641
State	60,905
International	16,589
Codex Alimentarius	3,759
Public Health Data Communications Infrastructure System	34,580
Total, Food Safety and Inspection Service	<u>\$1,016,474</u>

**OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR FARM AND FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL
SERVICES**

The agreement provides \$898,000 for the Office of the Under Secretary for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services.

**FARM SERVICE AGENCY
SALARIES AND EXPENSES
(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)**

The agreement provides \$1,200,180,000 for the Farm Service Agency.

The agreement includes sufficient funding to maintain staffing levels and does not support the significant funding and staffing shifts proposed in the budget request. The agreement does not permit the closure of 250 Farm Service Agency (FSA) county offices or the elimination of 815 non-federal staff years, as proposed in the budget. The agreement reiterates dissatisfaction with the agency's budget submission. The budget request did not provide a rationale for the proposed office closures and staffing changes, did not clearly describe the effect of those proposed actions, and did not include a timeline for the implementation that demonstrates how savings could be achieved. Therefore, the agreement includes a temporary moratorium on closing offices and relocating employees until a comprehensive assessment of workload, based on new farm bill requirements, can be conducted by the agency. FSA is directed to initiate a workload analysis to assess the impact of new farm bill programs on current and future activities in county offices nationwide and complete this analysis by August 1, 2015.

In addition, the agreement directs the agency to enter into a contract with an independent third-party, the National Academy of Public Administration, and includes \$900,000 to conduct this independent review of the workload analysis and determine a clear path forward to ensure the agency continues to provide the highest level of customer service. The independent review shall begin within 30 days after completion of the workload analysis by FSA and the review shall be submitted to the Committees no later than one year after FSA has contracted with the third-party entity.

The agreement includes funding for FSA's information technology (IT) needs in order for the agency to effectively and efficiently deliver farm programs to farmers, ranchers, and producers. In response to significant concerns regarding USDA's management of certain IT projects, especially the Modernize and Innovate the Delivery of Agricultural Systems (MIDAS) program, the agreement includes statutory language that allows FSA to release funds for IT projects only after it meets certain reporting requirements. The agreement includes such controls in response to USDA's mismanagement of funds and IT projects, including the use of funds intended for salaries and expenses for MIDAS. It is important to note that USDA derived such additional funds from a hiring freeze of FSA personnel - an action unknown to and never endorsed by the Congress. The Department's mismanagement of the MIDAS program is of greatest concern. MIDAS was intended to deliver a modernized, secure, and integrated IT solution. The planning for MIDAS began over 10 years ago, and after spending over \$400 million, USDA ended the MIDAS project by redefining the scope of the project and failing to deliver what USDA had promised Congress and the agricultural community. USDA is directed to deliver a modernized functional system that: builds existing farm program applications into an integrated system; delivers increased efficiency and security; retires redundant legacy systems; eliminates the path of siloed legacy applications; capitalizes on the investment that USDA has already made in the enterprise platform; addresses the new requirements required by the 2014 farm bill; and improves upon the capabilities originally promised to Congress and the Nation's farmers and ranchers. Further, the Secretary is directed to continue monthly briefings for the Committees regarding all IT projects and activities related to farm program delivery.

The Secretary is directed to operate the marketing assistance loan program in a way that encourages redemption and minimizes forfeitures of loan commodities to the Federal government, and enables the orderly marketing of loan commodities throughout the year.

Further, the Secretary shall ensure that the marketing assistance loan program remains a viable tool for all producers to use in marketing loan commodities freely and competitively.

The following table reflects the agreement:

(Dollars in Thousands)

Salaries and expenses	\$1,200,180
Transfer from P.L. 480	2,528
Transfer from Export Loans	354
Transfer from ACIF	306,998
Total, FSA Salaries and expenses	<u>\$1,510,060</u>

STATE MEDIATION GRANTS

The agreement provides \$3,404,000 for State Mediation Grants.

GRASSROOTS SOURCE WATER PROTECTION PROGRAM

The agreement provides \$5,526,000 for the Grassroots Source Water Protection Program.

DAIRY INDEMNITY PROGRAM

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides \$500,000 for the Dairy Indemnity Program.

AGRICULTURAL CREDIT INSURANCE FUND PROGRAM ACCOUNT

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

The following table reflects the agreement:

(Dollars in Thousands)

Farm Ownership Loans:	
Direct	(\$1,500,000)
Subsidy	---
Guaranteed	(2,000,000)
Subsidy	---
Farm Operating Loans:	
Direct	(1,252,004)
Subsidy	63,101
Unsubsidized Guaranteed	(1,393,443)
Subsidy	14,770
Emergency Loans	(34,667)
Subsidy	856
Indian Tribe Land Acquisition	
Loans	(2,000)
Subsidy	---

Conservation Loans-Guaranteed Subsidy	(150,000)
Indian Highly Fractionated Land Subsidy	(10,000)
Boll Weevil Eradication Subsidy	(60,000)
ACIF Expenses:	
Salaries and Expenses	\$306,998
Administrative Expenses	\$7,920

RISK MANAGEMENT AGENCY

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides \$74,829,000 for the Risk Management Agency.

CORPORATIONS

FEDERAL CROP INSURANCE CORPORATION FUND

The agreement provides an appropriation of such sums as may be necessary for the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation Fund.

COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION FUND

REIMBURSEMENT FOR NET REALIZED LOSSES

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides an appropriation of such sums as may be necessary for Reimbursement for Net Realized Losses of the Commodity Credit Corporation.

HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT

(LIMITATION ON EXPENSES)

The agreement provides a limitation of \$5,000,000 for Hazardous Waste Management.

TITLE II

CONSERVATION PROGRAMS

OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT

The agreement provides \$898,000 for the Office of the Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment.

NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE

CONSERVATION OPERATIONS

The agreement provides \$846,428,000 for Conservation Operations.

The agreement provides \$9,300,000 for the Snow Survey and Water Forecasting Program; \$9,400,000 for the Plant Materials Centers; \$80,000,000 for the Soil Surveys Program; and \$747,728,000 for conservation technical assistance.

WATERSHED REHABILITATION PROGRAM

The agreement provides \$12,000,000 for the Watershed Rehabilitation Program.

TITLE III

RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT

The agreement provides \$898,000 for the Office of the Under Secretary for Rural Development.

RURAL DEVELOPMENT

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides \$224,201,000 for Rural Development, Salaries and Expenses.

RURAL HOUSING SERVICE

RURAL HOUSING INSURANCE FUND PROGRAM ACCOUNT

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides a total subsidy of \$510,943,000 for activities under the Rural Housing Insurance Fund Program Account. This includes a transfer of \$415,100,000 to the Rural Development, Salaries and Expenses account.

The agreement directs the Department to provide a report to the Committees by March 1, 2015, describing in detail the proposal to charge lenders a Guaranteed Underwriting User Fee. At a minimum, the report should include information regarding the current Guaranteed Underwriting System, the need and plan to enhance and maintain the system, the lenders that will utilize the system, the effect on borrowers, the use of collected fees for enhancement and maintenance purposes, and how the Department intends to manage and account for the collected fees.

The following table indicates loan, subsidy, and grant levels provided by the agreement:

(Dollars in Thousands)

Loan authorizations:

Single family direct (sec. 502)	(\$900,000)
Single family unsubsidized guaranteed	(24,000,000)
Housing repair (sec. 504)	(26,279)
Rental housing (sec. 515)	(28,398)
Multi-family guaranteed (sec. 538)	(150,000)
Credit sales of acquired property	(10,000)
Self-help housing land development (sec. 523)	(5,000)
Site development loans (sec. 524)	(5,000)
Farm labor housing	(23,602)
Total, Loan authorizations	<u>(\$25,148,279)</u>

Loan subsidies:

Single family direct (sec. 502)	\$66,420
Housing repair (sec. 504)	3,687
Rental housing (sec. 515)	9,800
Farm labor housing	7,600
Subtotal, Loan subsidies	<u>87,507</u>
Farm labor housing grants	8,336
Total, loan subsidies and grants	<u>95,843</u>
Administrative expenses (transfer to RD)	415,100
Total, Loan subsidies, grants, and administrative expenses	<u>\$510,943</u>

RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The agreement provides \$1,088,500,000 for the Rental Assistance Program.

The agreement directs the Department to provide a report no later than June 1, 2015, regarding implementation of the new authority related to the Rental Assistance Program. At a minimum, the report should include information on the timeline for implementation; the contracts and properties affected; any mitigation measures the Department utilized; the status of the transition to the new process for determining rental rates; and the effect on the program as a whole.

MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING REVITALIZATION PROGRAM ACCOUNT

The agreement provides \$24,000,000 for the Multi-Family Housing Revitalization Program Account. This includes \$7,000,000 for vouchers and \$17,000,000 for a housing preservation demonstration program.

MUTUAL AND SELF-HELP HOUSING GRANTS

The agreement provides \$27,500,000 for Mutual and Self-Help Housing Grants.

RURAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE GRANTS

The agreement provides \$32,239,000 for Rural Housing Assistance Grants.

The following table reflects the grant levels provided by the agreement:

(Dollars in Thousands)

Very-low income housing repair grants.....	\$28,701
Housing preservation grants.....	3,538
Total, grants.....	<u>\$32,239</u>

RURAL COMMUNITY FACILITIES PROGRAM ACCOUNT

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides \$30,278,000 for the Rural Community Facilities Program Account.

The following table reflects the loan, subsidy, and grant amounts provided by the agreement:

(Dollars in Thousands)

Loan Authorizations:	
CF direct loans.....	(\$2,200,000)
CF guaranteed loans.....	(73,222)
Loan Subsidies and Grants:	
CF guaranteed loans.....	3,500
CF grants.....	13,000
Rural Community Development Initiative.....	4,000
Economic Impact Initiative.....	5,778
Tribal College Grants.....	4,000
Total, subsidies and grants.....	<u>\$30,278</u>

RURAL BUSINESS-COOPERATIVE SERVICE

RURAL BUSINESS PROGRAM ACCOUNT

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides \$74,000,000 for the Rural Business Program Account.

The following table reflects the loan, subsidy, and grant levels provided by the agreement:

(Dollars in Thousands)

Guaranteed loan authorization	(\$919,765)
Guaranteed loan subsidy	47,000
Rural business development grants	24,000
Delta Regional Authority	3,000
Total, subsidy and grants	<u>\$74,000</u>

INTERMEDIARY RELENDING PROGRAM FUND ACCOUNT

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides \$10,257,000 for the Rural Development Loan Fund Program Account.

The agreement provides for a transfer of \$4,439,000 to the Rural Development, Salaries and Expenses account.

The following table reflects the loan and subsidy levels provided by the agreement:

(Dollars in Thousands)

Loan authorization.....	(\$18,889)
Loan subsidy.....	5,818
Administrative expenses (Transfer to RD).....	4,439
Total, subsidy and administrative expenses.....	<u>\$10,257</u>

RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT LOANS PROGRAM ACCOUNT

(INCLUDING RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides \$33,077,000 for the Rural Economic Development Loans Program Account.

RURAL COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

The agreement provides \$22,050,000 for Rural Cooperative Development Grants.

RURAL ENERGY FOR AMERICA PROGRAM

The agreement provides \$1,350,000 for the Rural Energy for America Program.

RURAL UTILITIES SERVICE
RURAL WATER AND WASTE DISPOSAL PROGRAM ACCOUNT
(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides \$464,857,000 for the Rural Water and Waste Disposal Program Account.

The following table reflects the loan, subsidy, and grant levels provided by the agreement:

(Dollars in Thousands)

Loan authorizations:	
Water and waste direct loans	(\$1,200,000)
Water and waste guaranteed loans	(50,000)
Subsidies and grants:	
Guaranteed loan subsidy	295
Water and waste revolving fund	1,000
Water well system grants	993
Grants for Colonias, Native Americans, Alaskan Native Villages, and Hawaiian Home Lands	66,500
Water and waste technical assistance grants	19,000
Circuit Rider program	15,919
Solid waste management grants	4,000
High energy cost grants	10,000
Water and waste disposal grants	347,150
Total, subsidies and grants	<u>\$464,857</u>

RURAL ELECTRIFICATION AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS LOANS PROGRAM ACCOUNT

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides \$34,478,000 for activities under the Rural Electrification and Telecommunications Loans Program Account. The agreement provides for an estimated loan level of \$6,190,000,000.

The agreement provides for a transfer of \$34,478,000 to the Rural Development, Salaries and Expenses account.

The following table indicates loan levels provided by the agreement:

(Dollars in Thousands)

Loan authorizations:

Electric:

Direct, FFB.....	(\$5,000,000)
Guaranteed underwriting.....	(500,000)
Subtotal.....	<u>(5,500,000)</u>
Telecommunications	(690,000)
Total, loan authorizations	<u>(6,190,000)</u>
Administrative expenses (transfer to RD)	34,478
Total, Loan subsidies and administrative expenses.....	<u>\$34,478</u>

DISTANCE LEARNING, TELEMEDICINE, AND BROADBAND PROGRAM

The agreement provides \$36,872,000 for the Distance Learning, Telemedicine, and Broadband Program.

The agreement provides \$22,000,000 for grants for telemedicine and distance learning services in rural areas. The agreement provides \$3,000,000 for telemedicine and distance learning grants for health needs in the Mississippi River Delta area.

The agreement provides \$10,372,000 for grants to finance broadband transmission and Internet services in unserved rural areas.

The agreement provides an estimated loan level of \$24,077,000 and \$4,500,000 in subsidy for broadband telecommunications.

TITLE IV

DOMESTIC FOOD PROGRAMS

OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR FOOD, NUTRITION, AND CONSUMER SERVICES

The agreement provides \$816,000 for the Office of the Under Secretary for Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services.

FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICE
CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAMS
(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides \$21,300,170,000 for Child Nutrition Programs. Included in the total is an appropriated amount of \$12,944,499,000 and a transfer from Section 32 of \$8,355,671,000.

Some schools are having difficulty complying with the 100 percent whole grain requirement that went into effect July 1, 2014, and there is concern about further reductions in the sodium requirements for school meals. In lieu of the language in the House and Senate reports on School Meals, the agreement provides bill language pertaining to whole grain and sodium standards. The Secretary is directed to allow States to grant an exemption from the whole grain requirements to those school food authorities that demonstrate a hardship, including financial hardship, in procuring whole grain products. Additionally, sodium standards cannot be reduced below Target 1 until the latest scientific research establishes the reduction is beneficial for children.

The agreement directs the Secretary to use the authority under the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 to allow States to vary the frequency of monitoring and compliance reviews of each school food authority based on past school performance, with no cycle extending more than five years. The Secretary shall submit a report to the Committees that describes the Department's process for allowing States to prioritize monitoring and compliance reviews.

USDA issued a proposed rule in the Federal Register on February 4, 2014, titled "Professional Standards for State and Local School Nutrition Programs Personnel." As this process moves forward, USDA is encouraged to work with schools to ensure this regulation does not result in unintended consequences.

The agreement provides the following for Child Nutrition Programs:

Total Obligational Authority
(Dollars in Thousands)

Child Nutrition Programs:

School lunch program	\$11,996,089
School breakfast program	3,959,929
Child and adult care food program	3,195,866
Summer food service program	495,521
Special milk program	11,216
State administrative expenses	263,686
Commodity procurement	1,255,510
Food safety education	2,718
Coordinated review	10,000
Computer support and processing	11,250
CACFP training and technical assistance	8,137
Child Nutrition Program studies and evaluations	20,079
Child Nutrition payment accuracy	9,904
Farm to school tactical team	2,261
Team Nutrition	15,504
Healthier US Schools Challenge	1,500
School meals equipment grants	25,000
Summer EBT demonstration	16,000
Total	<u>\$21,300,170</u>

SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR WOMEN, INFANTS, AND CHILDREN (WIC)

The agreement provides \$6,623,000,000 for the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC).

Based upon revised USDA estimates, the agreement fully funds all eligible WIC participants in fiscal year 2015. The agreement includes \$25,000,000 for States to continue transitioning from paper checks and vouchers to an Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) system. EBT is a proven, effective tool in combatting waste, fraud, and abuse, and all WIC state agencies are mandated to have an EBT system in place by October 1, 2020.

SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The agreement provides \$81,837,570,000 for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). The agreement includes \$3,000,000,000 to be made available for a

contingency reserve. The agreement provides a funding level for SNAP benefits as reflected in OMB’s mid-session review of the budget.

The agreement provides the following for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program:

Total Obligational Authority
(Dollars in Thousands)

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program:

Benefits.....	\$71,035,786
Contingency Reserve.....	3,000,000
State Administrative Costs.....	4,122,994
Nutrition Education and Obesity Prevention Grant Program...	407,000
Employment and Training.....	447,227
Mandatory Other Program Costs.....	174,992
Discretionary Other Program Costs	998
Nutrition Assistance for Puerto Rico (NAP).....	1,951,397
Nutrition Assistance for American Samoa.....	7,837
Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations.....	145,191
TEFAP Commodities	327,000
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.....	12,148
Community Food Projects.....	9,000
E&T Work Pilot.....	190,000
Pilots and Demonstration Projects.....	1,000
Program Access.....	5,000
 Total.....	 <u>\$81,837,570</u>

COMMODITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The agreement provides \$278,501,000 for the Commodity Assistance Program. This total provides \$211,482,000 for the Commodity Supplemental Food Program to fully fund existing caseload in fiscal year 2015 and includes \$2,800,000 to begin service in seven additional States with approved plans. The agreement provides \$16,548,000 for the Farmers’ Market Nutrition Program; \$49,401,000 for TEFAP administrative funding; and \$1,070,000 for Pacific Island Assistance.

NUTRITION PROGRAMS ADMINISTRATION

The agreement includes \$150,824,000 for Nutrition Programs Administration.

There is concern that the advisory committee for the 2015 *Dietary Guidelines for Americans* is considering issues outside of the nutritional focus of the panel. The advisory committee is showing an interest in incorporating agriculture production practices and environmental factors into their criteria for establishing the next dietary recommendations. The agreement expects the Secretary to ensure that the advisory committee focuses on nutrient and dietary recommendations based upon sound nutrition science. The agreement directs the Secretary to only include nutrition and dietary information, not extraneous factors, in the final 2015 *Dietary Guidelines for Americans*.

TITLE V

FOREIGN ASSISTANCE AND RELATED PROGRAMS

FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides \$181,423,000 for the Foreign Agricultural Service, Salaries and Expenses and transfers of \$6,394,000.

The agreement directs the agency to incorporate the outcome-based measures for trade promotion as recommended in the Inspector General Audit Report 50601-0001-22 into its fiscal year 2016 budget justifications. In addition, the agency is directed to include budget estimates, major object class percentages, and authority for the programs, projects, and activities it carries out, including the middle-income country training programs and the Borlaug Fellowship program.

FOOD FOR PEACE TITLE I DIRECT CREDIT AND FOOD FOR PROGRESS PROGRAM

ACCOUNT

(INCLUDING RESCISSION AND TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides \$2,528,000 for administrative expenses for the Food for Peace Title I Direct Credit and Food for Progress Program Account to be transferred to and merged with the appropriation for "Farm Service Agency, Salaries and Expenses".

FOOD FOR PEACE TITLE II GRANTS

The agreement provides \$1,466,000,000 for Food for Peace Title II Grants.

MCGOVERN-DOLE INTERNATIONAL FOOD FOR EDUCATION AND CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAM

GRANTS

The agreement provides \$191,626,000 for the McGovern-Dole International Food for Education and Child Nutrition Program.

COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION EXPORT (LOANS)

CREDIT GUARANTEE PROGRAM ACCOUNT

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides \$6,748,000 for the Commodity Credit Corporation Export Loans Credit Guarantee Program Account.

TITLE VI

RELATED AGENCY AND FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides \$2,588,536,000 in new discretionary budget authority and \$1,854,820,000 in definite user fees for a total of \$4,443,356,000 for Food and Drug Administration, Salaries and Expenses. The agreement provides specific amounts by FDA activity as reflected in the following table:

	Food and Drug Administration Salaries & Expenses (Dollars in Thousands)
Budget Authority:	
Foods	\$903,403
Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition	279,994
Field Activities	623,409
Human Drugs	482,287
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research	346,080
Field Activities	136,207
Biologics	211,382
Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research	171,096
Field Activities	40,286

Animal Drugs and Feeds	147,577
Center for Veterinary Medicine	93,505
Field Activities	54,072
Devices and Radiological Products	320,825
Center for Devices and Radiological Health	240,345
Field Activities	80,480
National Center for Toxicological Research	63,331
Other Activities/Office of the Commissioner	174,862
White Oak Consolidation	43,044
GSA Rent	168,882
Other Rent and Rent Related	72,943
Subtotal, Budget Authority	<u>2,588,536</u>
User Fees:	
Prescription Drug User Fee Act	798,000
Medical Device User Fee and Modernization Act	128,282
Animal Drug User Fee Act	22,464
Animal Generic Drug User Fee Act	6,944
Tobacco Product User Fees	566,000
Human Generic Drug User Fee Act	312,116
Biosimilar User Fee Act	21,014
Subtotal, User Fees	<u>1,854,820</u>
Total, FDA Program Level	<u>\$4,443,356</u>

The agreement includes the following increases in budget authority: \$27,500,000 for food safety; \$15,000,000 for pharmacy compounding; \$4,820,000 for counterfeit drugs; \$3,000,000 for the National Antimicrobial Resistance Monitoring System; and \$2,000,000 for foreign drug inspections. The agreement also accepts proposed administrative savings in the amount of \$15,689,000.

The agreement includes an increase of \$4,820,000 to provide FDA with additional resources to investigate counterfeit drugs both within the United States and internationally. These funds will be used to complete undercover purchases of suspected counterfeit products for testing; to remove counterfeit products from the market; and to prosecute criminal actors. The

growing marketplace for counterfeit drugs available on the Internet is particularly concerning, and these funds will allow FDA to enhance its cybercrime program, which will ultimately allow FDA to seek appropriate criminal fines and forfeitures, and to protect the public health.

The \$2,000,000 increase for foreign drug safety is provided to address the growing number of human drugs produced overseas and the increasing number of imported drug shipments in order to ensure the continued safety and quality of these products. Funds are provided to support the agency's overseas inspections, work with industry and other stakeholders on safety in manufacturing, strengthen agency relationships with foreign regulators, and analyze trends and events that might affect the safety of FDA-regulated products exported to the United States. The increased funding will supplement existing resources and not supplant base funds.

During the past year, FDA has informed non-governmental stakeholders of important decisions and announcements before they informed the Committees. A collaborative working relationship between the Committees and agency is necessary to ensure efficient and effective implementation of Congress's funding decisions. These actions jeopardized this relationship. As such, FDA is directed to ensure the Committees are notified of major changes to existing policies and any significant developments in its operations prior to providing non-governmental stakeholders such information.

On December 1, 2014, FDA published a final regulation entitled "Food Labeling: Nutrition Labeling of Standard Menu Items in Restaurants." Prior to implementation or enforcement of the regulation, FDA shall work with industry and other stakeholders to identify questions and concerns, and provide any clarification necessary, including publication of any necessary guidance, not later than March 1, 2015.

Congress is closely following the advancement of the field of mitochondrial manipulation technologies and is aware of a study commissioned from the Institute of Medicine on "Ethical and Social Policy Considerations of Novel Techniques for Prevention of Maternal Transmission of Mitochondrial DNA Diseases." FDA is directed to notify the Committees when the final report becomes available. As science progresses in this field, the agency is also directed to notify the Committees within three business days of issuing reports or press releases related to decisions on this matter, including the approval of clinical trials and future reviews.

The FDA Circular of Information for the Use of Human Blood and Blood Components states that plasma from different sources has identical clinical indications. Plasma from manual

donation may be transfused, and if not needed for that indication may be sent for further manufacture into biologics such as immunoglobulin, clotting factor concentrates, and albumin. However, plasma from automated donation may be transfused but cannot be shipped for further manufacture until approximately one year after the donation. At that point, the plasma is too old to be manufactured into other biologics and is destroyed and wasted. FDA is directed to report to the Committees on the scientific or medical justification for the different post-donation manufacturing policies and under what circumstances those policies might be adjusted to allow for the more timely use of plasma from automated donations into other biologics.

FDA issued the proposed rule “Supplemental Applications Proposing Labeling Changes for Approved Drugs and Biological Products” in November 2013 to propose changes to the current regulations and practices that govern labeling changes of an approved drug or biological product to reflect certain types of newly acquired safety information. In addition to FDA’s continued review of comments submitted in response to the proposed rule, the agreement supports a listening meeting between the regulated industries and FDA within 30 days of enactment to consider alternative solutions to the proposed rule on safety labeling that will meet all public health goals relating to multisource drugs.

The agreement directs the Commissioner to finalize the Veterinary Feed Directive rule prior to April 1, 2015.

Over the past five years FDA’s responsibilities have grown significantly and resources available to the agency have increased more than 60 percent. There is concern that oversight of FDA has not kept pace with the growth in the agency’s regulatory authority or funding. Therefore, the agreement includes \$1,500,000 for the HHS Office of Inspector General specifically for oversight activities supported within the Inspector General’s regular appropriation. The Inspector General is instructed to submit a plan to the Committees on the additional oversight activities planned with this funding and base funding for FDA oversight.

BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

The agreement provides \$8,788,000 for the Food and Drug Administration Buildings and Facilities.

INDEPENDENT AGENCY

FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION

LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

The agreement includes a limitation of \$60,500,000 on administrative expenses of the Farm Credit Administration.

TITLE VII
GENERAL PROVISIONS

(INCLUDING RESCISSIONS AND TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

Section 701. – The agreement includes language making funds available for the purchase, replacement, and hire of passenger motor vehicles.

Section 702. – The agreement includes language regarding transfers of funds to the Working Capital Fund of the Department of Agriculture.

Section 703. – The agreement includes language limiting funding provided in the bill to one year unless otherwise specified.

Section 704. – The agreement includes language regarding indirect cost rates on cooperative agreements between the Department of Agriculture and nonprofit institutions.

Section 705. – The agreement includes language making appropriations to the Department of Agriculture for the cost of direct and guaranteed loans available until expended to disburse certain obligations for certain Rural Development programs.

Section 706. – The agreement includes language regarding the transfer of funds to the Office of the Chief Information Officer and the acquisition of information technology systems.

Section 707. – The agreement includes language making funds available until expended to the Department of Agriculture to disburse certain obligations for certain conservation programs.

Section 708. – The agreement includes language regarding Rural Utilities Service program eligibility.

Section 709. – The agreement includes language regarding the rescission of certain unobligated balances.

Section 710. – The agreement includes language regarding funds for information technology expenses.

Section 711. – The agreement includes language regarding the availability of funds for liquid infant formula.

Section 712. – The agreement includes language prohibiting first-class airline travel.

Section 713. – The agreement includes language regarding the availability of certain funds of the Commodity Credit Corporation.

Section 714. – The agreement includes language regarding funding for advisory committees.

Section 715. – The agreement includes language regarding the limitation on indirect costs for grants awarded by the National Institute of Food and Agriculture.

Section 716. – The agreement includes language regarding a limitation and rescission of funds.

Section 717. – The agreement includes language regarding a limitation and rescission of funds.

Section 718. – The agreement includes language regarding user fee proposals without offsets.

Section 719. – The agreement includes language regarding the reprogramming of funds and notification requirements.

Section 720. – The agreement includes language regarding fees for the guaranteed business and industry loan program.

Section 721. – The agreement includes language regarding the appropriations hearing process.

Section 722. – The agreement includes language regarding government-sponsored news stories.

Section 723. – The agreement includes language regarding details and assignments of Department of Agriculture employees.

Section 724. – The agreement includes language regarding the Department of Agriculture's mohair program.

Section 725. – The agreement includes language regarding section 1621 of Public Law 110-246.

Section 726. – The agreement includes language regarding a pilot program for certain forest lands.

Section 727. – The agreement includes language requiring spend plans.

Section 728. – The agreement includes language regarding the Food for Peace Act.

Section 729. – The agreement includes language regarding Rural Development programs.

Section 730. – The agreement includes language regarding USDA loan programs.

Section 731. – The agreement includes language regarding the Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration.

Section 732. – The agreement includes language regarding the Working Capital Fund of the Department of Agriculture.

Section 733. – The agreement includes language regarding farm disaster programs.

Section 734. – The agreement includes language regarding the Food and Drug Administration.

Section 735. – The agreement includes language regarding the limitation on certain funds.

Section 736. – The agreement includes language regarding nutrition programs.

Section 737. – The agreement includes language regarding the Water Bank Act.

Section 738. – The agreement includes language regarding the Department of Health and Human Services.

Section 739. – The agreement includes language regarding Rural Economic Area Partnership Zones.

Section 740. – The agreement includes language regarding the Emergency Community Water Assistance Grant Program.

Section 741. – The agreement includes language regarding the Food Safety and Inspection Service.

Section 742. – The agreement includes language regarding non-recurring expenses.

Section 743. – The agreement includes language regarding emergency spending.

Section 744. – The agreement includes language regarding administrative expenses.

Section 745. – The agreement includes language regarding the rescission of certain unobligated balances.

Section 746. – The agreement includes language regarding the rescission of certain unobligated balances.

Section 747. – The agreement includes language regarding the organic checkoff program.

Section 748. – The agreement includes language regarding the rescission of certain unobligated balances.

Section 749. – The agreement includes language regarding the Agriculture and Food Research Initiative.

Section 750. – The agreement includes language regarding the use of funds for certain horse inspection activities.

Section 751. – The agreement includes language regarding school meal programs.

Section 752. – The agreement includes language regarding school meal programs.

Section 753. – The agreement includes language regarding purchases made through nutrition programs.

TITLE VIII
EBOLA RESPONSE AND PREPAREDNESS
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides \$25,000,000 for Food and Drug Administration (FDA) activities related to the ongoing response to the Ebola epidemic. FDA shall provide quarterly obligation reports by program with specific accomplishments.

FDA is reminded that the funding provided for this effort is one-time and the agency should not engage in activities that will require additional resources in future fiscal years that are not included in the budget request. FDA is further reminded that all funding provided to the agency is subject to the reprogramming requirements in section 719 of this Act.

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(Amounts in thousands)

	FY 2014 Enacted	FY 2015 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2014	Final Bill vs Request
TITLE I - AGRICULTURAL PROGRAMS					
Production, Processing, and Marketing					
Office of the Secretary					
Office of the Secretary.....	5,051	5,086	5,051	---	-35
Office of Tribal Relations.....	498	502	502	+4	---
Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Coordination.....	1,496	1,507	1,496	---	-11
Office of Advocacy and Outreach.....	1,209	1,217	1,209	---	-8
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration..	804	809	804	---	-5
Departmental Administration.....	22,786	25,661	25,124	+2,338	-537
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations.....	3,869	3,897	3,869	---	-28
Office of Communications.....	8,065	8,137	7,750	-315	-387
Total, Office of the Secretary.....	43,778	46,816	45,805	+2,027	-1,011
Executive Operations:					
Office of the Chief Economist.....	16,777	16,854	17,377	+600	+523
National Appeals Division.....	12,841	13,430	13,317	+476	-113
Office of Budget and Program Analysis.....	9,064	10,292	9,392	+328	-900
Subtotal, Executive Operations.....	38,682	40,576	40,086	+1,404	-490
Office of the Chief Information Officer.....	44,031	45,199	45,045	+1,014	-154
Office of the Chief Financial Officer.....	6,213	6,080	6,028	-185	-52
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights....	893	898	898	+5	---

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Office of Civil Rights.....	21,400	24,236	24,070	+2,670	-166
Agriculture buildings and facilities and rental payments.....	(233,000)	(64,825)	(55,866)	(-177,134)	(-8,959)
Payments to GSA.....	164,470	---	---	-164,470	---
Department of Homeland Security.....	13,800	---	---	-13,800	---
Building operations and maintenance.....	54,730	64,825	55,866	+1,136	-8,959
Hazardous materials management.....	3,592	3,600	3,600	+8	---
Office of Inspector General.....	89,902	97,240	95,026	+5,124	-2,214
Office of the General Counsel.....	41,202	47,567	44,383	+3,181	-3,184
Office of Ethics.....	3,440	3,867	3,654	+214	-213
Total, Departmental Administration.....	526,133	380,904	364,461	-161,672	-16,443
Office of the Under Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics.....	893	898	898	+5	---
Economic Research Service.....	78,058	83,446	85,373	+7,315	+1,927
National Agricultural Statistics Service.....	161,206	178,999	172,408	+11,202	-6,591
Census of Agriculture.....	(44,545)	(48,044)	(47,842)	(+3,297)	(-202)
Agricultural Research Service:					
Salaries and expenses.....	1,122,482	1,104,403	1,132,625	+10,143	+28,222
Buildings and facilities.....	---	---	45,000	+45,000	+45,000
Total, Agricultural Research Service.....	1,122,482	1,104,403	1,177,625	+55,143	+73,222

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National Institute of Food and Agriculture:					
Research and education activities.....	772,559	837,747	786,874	+14,315	-50,873
Native American Institutions Endowment Fund.....	(11,880)	(11,880)	(11,880)	---	---
Hispanic-Serving Agricultural Colleges and Universities Endowment Fund.....	---	(10,000)	---	---	(-10,000)
Extension activities.....	469,191	468,968	471,691	+2,500	+2,723
Integrated activities.....	35,317	28,821	30,900	-4,417	+2,079
Total, National Institute of Food and Agriculture.....	1,277,067	1,335,536	1,289,465	+12,398	-46,071
Office of the Under Secretary for Marketing and Regulatory Programs.....	893	898	898	+5	---
Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service:					
Salaries and expenses.....	821,721	834,341	871,315	+49,594	+36,974
Buildings and facilities.....	3,175	3,175	3,175	---	---
Total, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.....	824,896	837,516	874,490	+49,594	+36,974
Agricultural Marketing Service:					
Marketing Services.....	79,914	82,963	81,192	+1,278	-1,771
Standardization activities (user fees) NA.... (Limitation on administrative expenses, from fees collected).....	(64,000)	(64,000)	(64,000)	---	---
Funds for strengthening markets, income, and supply (Section 32):					
Permanent, Section 32.....	1,107,000	1,122,000	1,284,000	+177,000	+162,000

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Marketing agreements and orders (transfer from section 32).....	(20,056)	(20,317)	(20,186)	(+130)	(-131)
Payments to States and Possessions.....	1,363	1,235	1,235	-128	---
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Total, Agricultural Marketing Service program...	1,248,712	1,266,907	1,427,136	+178,424	+160,229
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Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration:					
Salaries and expenses.....	40,261	44,017	43,048	+2,787	-969
Limitation on inspection and weighing services....	(50,000)	(50,000)	(50,000)	---	---
Office of the Under Secretary for Food Safety.....	811	816	816	+5	---
Food Safety and Inspection Service.....	1,010,689	1,001,402	1,016,474	+5,785	+15,072
Lab accreditation fees.....	(1,000)	(1,000)	(1,000)	---	---
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Total, Production, Processing, and Marketing....	6,231,666	6,175,033	6,392,383	+160,717	+217,350
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Farm Assistance Programs					
Office of the Under Secretary for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services.....	893	898	898	+5	---
Farm Service Agency:					
Salaries and expenses.....	1,177,926	1,139,323	1,200,180	+22,254	+60,857
(Transfer from Food for Peace (P.L. 480)).....	(2,735)	(2,528)	(2,528)	(-207)	---
(Transfer from export loans).....	(354)	(354)	(354)	---	---
(Transfer from ACIF).....	(306,998)	(306,998)	(306,998)	---	---
Subtotal, transfers from program accounts.....	(310,087)	(309,880)	(309,880)	(-207)	---
Total, Salaries and expenses.....	(1,488,013)	(1,449,203)	(1,510,060)	(+22,047)	(+60,857)
State mediation grants.....	3,782	3,404	3,404	-378	---
Grassroots source water protection program.....	5,526	---	5,526	---	+5,526
Dairy indemnity program.....	250	500	500	+250	---
Subtotal, Farm Service Agency.....	1,187,484	1,143,227	1,209,610	+22,126	+66,383
Agricultural Credit Insurance Fund (ACIF) Program Account:					
Loan authorizations:					
Farm ownership loans:					
Direct.....	(575,000)	(1,500,000)	(1,500,000)	(+925,000)	---
Guaranteed.....	(2,000,000)	(2,000,000)	(2,000,000)	---	---
Subtotal.....	(2,575,000)	(3,500,000)	(3,500,000)	(+925,000)	---

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Farm operating loans:					
Direct.....	(1,195,620)	(1,252,004)	(1,252,004)	(+56,384)	---
Unsubsidized guaranteed.....	(1,500,000)	(1,393,443)	(1,393,443)	(-106,557)	---
Subtotal.....	(2,695,620)	(2,645,447)	(2,645,447)	(-50,173)	---
Emergency loans.....	(34,658)	(34,667)	(34,667)	(+9)	---
Indian tribe land acquisition loans.....	(2,000)	(2,000)	(2,000)	---	---
Conservation loans:					
Guaranteed.....	(150,000)	(150,000)	(150,000)	---	---
Indian Highly Fractionated Land Loans.....	(10,000)	(10,000)	(10,000)	---	---
Boll weevil eradication loans.....	(60,000)	(60,000)	(60,000)	---	---
Total, Loan authorizations.....	(5,527,278)	(6,402,114)	(6,402,114)	(+874,836)	---
Loan subsidies:					
Farm ownership loans:					
Direct.....	4,428	---	---	-4,428	---

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Farm operating loans:					
Direct.....	65,520	63,101	63,101	-2,419	---
Unsubsidized guaranteed.....	18,300	14,770	14,770	-3,530	---
Subtotal.....	83,820	77,871	77,871	-5,949	---
Emergency Loans.....	1,698	856	856	-842	---
Indian Highly Fractionated Land Loans.....	68	---	---	-68	---
Individual development account grants.....	---	2,500	---	---	-2,500
Total, Loan subsidies and grants.....	90,014	81,227	78,727	-11,287	-2,500
ACIF administrative expenses:					
Salaries and expense (transfer to FSA)....	306,998	306,998	306,998	---	---
Administrative expenses.....	7,721	7,920	7,920	+199	---
Total, ACIF expenses.....	314,719	314,918	314,918	+199	---
Total, Agricultural Credit Insurance Fund... (Loan authorization).....	404,733 (5,527,278)	396,145 (6,402,114)	393,645 (6,402,114)	-11,088 (+874,836)	-2,500 ---
Total, Farm Service Agency.....	1,592,217	1,539,372	1,603,255	+11,038	+63,883

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Risk Management Agency:					
Administrative and operating expenses.....	71,496	76,779	74,829	+3,333	-1,950
Total, Farm Assistance Programs.....	1,664,606	1,617,049	1,678,982	+14,376	+61,933
Corporations					
Federal Crop Insurance Corporation:					
Federal crop insurance corporation fund.....	9,502,944	8,666,022	8,666,022	-836,922	---
Commodity Credit Corporation Fund:					
Reimbursement for net realized losses.....	12,538,880	9,067,281	13,444,728	+905,848	+4,377,447
Hazardous waste management (limitation on expenses).....	(5,000)	(5,000)	(5,000)	---	---
Total, Corporations.....	22,041,824	17,733,303	22,110,750	+68,926	+4,377,447
Total, Title I, Agricultural Programs.....	29,938,096	25,525,385	30,182,115	+244,019	+4,656,730
(By transfer).....	(330,143)	(330,197)	(330,066)	(-77)	(-131)
(Loan authorization).....	(5,527,278)	(6,402,114)	(6,402,114)	(+874,836)	---
(Limitation on administrative expenses).....	(115,435)	(115,709)	(115,709)	(+274)	---

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TITLE II - CONSERVATION PROGRAMS					
Office of the Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment.....	893	898	898	+5	---
Natural Resources Conservation Service:					
Conservation operations.....	812,939	814,772	846,428	+33,489	+31,656
Farm Security and Rural Investment program (transfer authority).....	---	(732,819)	---	---	(-732,819)
Total, Public Lands Conservation operations.	812,939	1,547,591	846,428	+33,489	-701,163
Watershed rehabilitation program.....	12,000	---	12,000	---	+12,000
Total, Natural Resources Conservation Service...	824,939	814,772	858,428	+33,489	+43,656
Total, Title II, Conservation Programs.....	825,832	815,670	859,326	+33,494	+43,656

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TITLE III - RURAL DEVELOPMENT					
Office of the Under Secretary for Rural Development...	893	898	898	+5	---
Rural Development:					
Rural development expenses:					
Salaries and expenses.....	203,424	225,101	224,201	+20,777	-900
(Transfer from RHIF).....	(415,100)	(397,296)	(415,100)	---	(+17,804)
(Transfer from RDLFP).....	(4,439)	(4,249)	(4,439)	---	(+190)
(Transfer from Healthy Foods, HNI).....	---	(750)	---	---	(-750)
(Transfer from RETLP).....	(34,478)	(33,000)	(34,478)	---	(+1,478)
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Subtotal, Transfers from program accounts.	(454,017)	(435,295)	(454,017)	---	(+18,722)
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Total, Rural development expenses.....	(657,441)	(660,396)	(678,218)	(+20,777)	(+17,822)
Rural Housing Service:					
Rural Housing Insurance Fund Program Account:					
Loan authorizations:					
Single family direct (Sec. 502).....	(900,000)	(360,000)	(900,000)	---	(+540,000)
Unsubsidized guaranteed.....	(24,000,000)	(24,000,000)	(24,000,000)	---	---
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Subtotal, Single family.....	(24,900,000)	(24,360,000)	(24,900,000)	---	(+540,000)

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Housing repair (Sec. 504).....	(26,280)	(26,279)	(26,279)	(-1)	---
Rental housing (Sec. 515).....	(28,432)	(28,432)	(28,398)	(-34)	(-34)
Multi-family housing guarantees (Sec. 538)	(150,000)	(150,000)	(150,000)	---	---
Site development loans (Sec. 524).....	(5,000)	(5,000)	(5,000)	---	---
Single family housing credit sales.....	(10,000)	(10,000)	(10,000)	---	---
Self-help housing land develop. (Sec. 523)	(5,000)	---	(5,000)	---	(+5,000)
Farm Labor Housing (Sec.514).....	(23,855)	(23,854)	(23,602)	(-253)	(-252)
Total, Loan authorizations.....	(25,148,567)	(24,603,565)	(25,148,279)	(-288)	(+544,714)
Loan subsidies:					
Single family direct (Sec. 502).....	24,480	26,568	66,420	+41,940	+39,852
Housing repair (Sec. 504).....	2,176	3,687	3,687	+1,511	---
Rental housing (Sec. 515).....	6,656	9,812	9,800	+3,144	-12
Farm labor housing (Sec.514).....	5,656	7,681	7,600	+1,944	-81
Total, Loan subsidies.....	38,968	47,748	87,507	+48,539	+39,759
Farm labor housing grants.....	8,336	8,336	8,336	---	---
RHIF administrative expenses (transfer to RD).	415,100	397,296	415,100	---	+17,804
Total, Rural Housing Insurance Fund program. (Loan authorization).....	462,404	453,380	510,943	+48,539	+57,563
	(25,148,567)	(24,603,565)	(25,148,279)	(-288)	(+544,714)

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Rental assistance program:					
Rental assistance (Sec. 521).....	1,110,000	1,088,500	1,088,500	-21,500	---
Multi-Family Housing Revitalization Program Account:					
Rural housing voucher program.....	12,575	8,000	7,000	-5,575	-1,000
Multi-family housing revitalization program.....	20,000	20,000	17,000	-3,000	-3,000
Total, Multi-family housing revitalization..	32,575	28,000	24,000	-8,575	-4,000
Mutual and self-help housing grants.....	25,000	10,000	27,500	+2,500	+17,500
Rural housing assistance grants.....	32,239	25,000	32,239	---	+7,239
Rural community facilities program account:					
Loan authorizations:					
Community facility:					
Direct.....	(2,200,000)	(2,200,000)	(2,200,000)	---	---
Guaranteed.....	(59,543)	---	(73,222)	(+13,679)	(+73,222)
Total, Loan authorizations.....	(2,259,543)	(2,200,000)	(2,273,222)	(+13,679)	(+73,222)

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Loan subsidies and grants:					
Community facility:					
Guaranteed.....	3,775	---	3,500	-275	+3,500
Grants.....	13,000	17,000	13,000	---	-4,000
Rural community development initiative....	5,967	---	4,000	-1,967	+4,000
Economic impact initiative grants.....	5,778	---	5,778	---	+5,778
Tribal college grants.....	4,000	4,000	4,000	---	---
Total, RCFP Loan subsidies and grants...	32,520	21,000	30,278	-2,242	+9,278
Subtotal, grants and payments.....	89,759	58,000	90,017	+258	+34,017
Total, Rural Housing Service.....	1,894,738	1,825,880	1,713,460	+18,722	+87,580
(Loan authorization).....	(27,408,110)	(26,803,565)	(27,421,501)	(+13,391)	(+617,936)
Rural Business--Cooperative Service:					
Rural Business Program Account:					
(Guaranteed business and industry loans).....	(958,097)	(590,802)	(919,765)	(-38,332)	(+328,963)
Loan subsidies and grants:					
Guaranteed business and industry subsidy..	66,971	30,190	47,000	-19,971	+16,810
Rural business development grants.....	26,568	---	24,000	-2,568	+24,000
Delta regional authority.....	3,000	---	3,000	---	+3,000
Total, RBP loan subsidies and grants.....	96,539	30,190	74,000	-22,539	+43,810

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Rural Business and Cooperative Grants.....	---	57,500	---	---	-57,500
Intermediary Relending Program Fund Account:					
(Loan authorization).....	(18,889)	(10,013)	(18,889)	---	(+8,876)
Loan subsidy.....	4,082	3,084	5,818	+1,736	+2,734
Administrative expenses (transfer to RD).....	4,439	4,249	4,439	---	+190
Total, IRP Fund.....	8,521	64,833	10,257	+1,736	-54,576
Rural Economic Development Loans Program Account:					
(Loan authorization).....	(33,077)	(59,456)	(33,077)	---	(-26,379)
Limit cushion of credit interest spending.....	(172,000)	(155,000)	(179,000)	(+7,000)	(+24,000)
(Rescission).....	-172,000	-155,000	-179,000	-7,000	-24,000
Rural Cooperative Development Grants:					
Cooperative development.....	5,800	---	5,800	---	+5,800
Appropriate Technology Transfer for Rural Areas.....	2,250	2,087	2,500	+250	+413
Grants to assist minority producers.....	3,000	3,000	3,000	---	---
Value-added agricultural product market development.....	15,000	11,000	10,750	-4,250	-250
Total, Rural Cooperative development grants.....	26,050	16,087	22,050	-4,000	+5,963
Rural Microenterprise Investment Program Account:					
(Loan authorization).....	---	(25,683)	---	---	(-25,683)
Loan subsidies and grants.....	---	3,290	---	---	-3,290
Total, Rural Microenterprise Investment.....	---	3,290	---	---	-3,290

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Rural Energy for America Program					
(Loan authorization).....	(12,760)	(47,259)	(12,760)	---	(-34,499)
Loan subsidy.....	3,500	5,000	1,350	-2,150	-3,650
Grants.....	---	5,000	---	---	-5,000
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Total, Rural Energy for America Program....	3,500	10,000	1,350	-2,150	-8,650
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Rural Business Investment Program Account					
(Loan authorization).....	---	(39,254)	---	---	(-39,254)
Loan subsidy.....	---	4,000	---	---	-4,000
Grants.....	---	2,000	---	---	-2,000
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Total, Rural Business Investment Program...	---	6,000	---	---	-6,000
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Healthy Foods, Healthy Neighborhoods Initiative:					
Grants.....	---	12,250	---	---	-12,250
Administrative expenses (transfer to RD).....	---	750	---	---	-750
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Total, Healthy Foods, Healthy Neighborhoods	---	13,000	---	---	-13,000
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Total, Rural Business-Cooperative Service.....	-37,390	-11,600	-71,343	-33,953	-59,743
(Loan authorization).....	(1,022,823)	(772,467)	(984,491)	(-38,332)	(+212,024)
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Rural Utilities Service:					
Rural water and waste disposal program account:					
Loan authorizations:					
Direct.....	(1,200,000)	(1,200,000)	(1,200,000)	---	---
Guaranteed.....	(50,000)	---	(50,000)	---	(+50,000)
Direct loans authorized by P.L. 83-566....	(40,000)	---	---	(-40,000)	---
Total, Loan authorization.....	1,290,000	1,200,000	1,250,000	-40,000	+50,000
Loan subsidies and grants:					
Guaranteed subsidy.....	355	---	295	-60	+295
Water and waste revolving fund.....	1,000	---	1,000	---	+1,000
Water well system grants.....	993	---	993	---	+993
Colonias and AK/HI grants.....	66,500	36,480	66,500	---	+30,020
Water and waste technical assistance.....	19,000	9,120	19,000	---	+9,880
Circuit rider program.....	15,000	7,600	15,919	+919	+8,319
Solid waste management grants.....	4,000	4,000	4,000	---	---
High energy cost grants.....	10,000	---	10,000	---	+10,000
Water and waste disposal grants.....	345,523	246,800	347,150	+1,627	+100,350
Total, Loan subsidies and grants.....	462,371	304,000	464,857	+2,486	+160,857
Rural Electrification and Telecommunications Loans					
Program Account:					
Loan authorizations:					
Electric:					
Direct, FFB.....	(5,000,000)	(5,000,000)	(5,000,000)	---	---

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Guaranteed underwriting.....	(500,000)	---	(500,000)	---	(+500,000)
Subtotal, Electric.....	(5,500,000)	(5,000,000)	(5,500,000)	---	(+500,000)
Telecommunications:					
Direct, Treasury rate.....	(690,000)	(345,000)	(690,000)	---	(+345,000)
Total, Loan authorizations.....	(6,190,000)	(5,345,000)	(6,190,000)	---	(+845,000)
RETLP administrative expenses (transfer to RD)	34,478	33,000	34,478	---	+1,478
Total, Rural Electrification and Telecommunications Loans Program Account.. (Loan authorization).....	34,478 (6,190,000)	33,000 (5,345,000)	34,478 (6,190,000)	---	+1,478 (+845,000)
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Distance learning, telemedicine, and broadband program:					
Loan authorizations:					
Broadband telecommunications.....	(34,483)	(44,238)	(24,077)	(-10,406)	(-20,161)
Total, Loan authorizations.....	(34,483)	(44,238)	(24,077)	(-10,406)	(-20,161)

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Loan subsidies and grants:					
Distance learning and telemedicine:					
Grants.....	24,323	24,950	22,000	-2,323	-2,950
Broadband telecommunications:					
Direct.....	4,500	8,268	4,500	---	-3,768
Grants.....	10,372	20,372	10,372	---	-10,000
Total, Loan subsidies and grants.....	39,195	53,590	36,872	-2,323	-16,718
Total, Rural Utilities Service.....					
	536,044	390,590	536,207	+163	+145,617
(Loan authorization).....	(7,514,483)	(6,589,238)	(7,464,077)	(-50,406)	(+874,839)
Total, Title III, Rural Development Programs....	2,397,709	2,230,869	2,403,423	+5,714	+172,554
(By transfer).....	(454,017)	(435,295)	(454,017)	---	(+18,722)
(Loan authorization).....	(35,945,416)	(34,165,270)	(35,870,069)	(-75,347)	(+1,704,799)
TITLE IV - DOMESTIC FOOD PROGRAMS					
Office of the Under Secretary for Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services.....					
	811	816	816	+5	---
Food and Nutrition Service:					
Child nutrition programs.....	19,262,957	20,472,000	21,259,170	+1,996,213	+787,170
School breakfast program equipment grants.....	25,000	35,000	25,000	---	-10,000
Demonstration projects (Summer EBT).....	---	30,000	16,000	+16,000	-14,000
Total, Child nutrition programs.....	19,287,957	20,537,000	21,300,170	+2,012,213	+763,170

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Special supplemental nutrition program for women, infants, and children (WIC).....	6,715,841	6,823,000	6,623,000	-92,841	-200,000
Supplemental nutrition assistance program: (Food stamp program).....	79,168,947	79,250,389	78,836,572	-332,375	-413,817
Reserve.....	3,000,000	5,000,000	3,000,000	---	-2,000,000
FDPIR nutrition education services.....	998	998	998	---	---
National food consumption survey.....	---	5,000	---	---	-5,000
FY 2016 (first quarter).....	---	21,064,097	---	---	-21,064,097
Total, Food stamp program.....	82,169,945	105,320,484	81,837,570	-332,375	-23,482,914
Fiscal year 2015.....	(82,169,945)	(84,256,387)	(81,837,570)	(-332,375)	(-2,418,817)
Commodity assistance program:					
Commodity supplemental food program.....	202,682	208,682	211,482	+8,800	+2,800
Farmers market nutrition program.....	16,548	16,548	16,548	---	---
Emergency food assistance program.....	49,401	49,401	49,401	---	---
Pacific island and disaster assistance.....	1,070	1,070	1,070	---	---
Total, Commodity assistance program.....	269,701	275,701	278,501	+8,800	+2,800

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Nutrition programs administration.....	141,348	155,000	150,824	+9,476	-4,176
Total, Food and Nutrition Service.....	108,584,792	133,111,185	110,190,065	+1,605,273	-22,921,120
FY 2015.....	(108,584,792)	(112,047,088)	(110,190,065)	(+1,605,273)	(-1,857,023)
Total, Title IV, Domestic Food Programs.....	108,585,603	133,112,001	110,190,881	+1,605,278	-22,921,120
FY 2015.....	(108,584,792)	(112,047,088)	(110,190,065)	(+1,605,273)	(-1,857,023)
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TITLE V - FOREIGN ASSISTANCE AND RELATED PROGRAMS					
Foreign Agricultural Service					
Salaries and expenses.....	177,863	182,563	181,423	+3,560	-1,140
(Transfer from export loans).....	(6,394)	(6,394)	(6,394)	---	---
Total, Salaries and expenses.....	184,257	188,957	187,817	+3,560	-1,140
Food for Peace Title I Direct Credit and Food for Progress Program Account, Administrative Expenses					
Farm Service Agency, Salaries and expenses (transfer to FSA).....	2,735	2,528	2,528	-207	---
Unobligated balances (rescission).....	---	-13,000	-13,000	-13,000	---
Food for Peace Title II Grants:					
Expenses.....	1,466,000	1,400,000	1,466,000	---	+66,000
Commodity Credit Corporation Export Loans Program Account (administrative expenses):					
Salaries and expenses (Export Loans):					
General Sales Manager (transfer to FAS).....	6,394	6,394	6,394	---	---

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Farm Service Agency S&E (transfer to FSA).....	354	354	354	---	---
Total, CCC Export Loans Program Account.....	6,748	6,748	6,748	---	---
McGovern-Dole International Food for Education and Child Nutrition program grants.....	185,126	185,126	191,626	+6,500	+6,500
Total, Title V, Foreign Assistance and Related Programs.....	1,838,472	1,763,965	1,835,325	-3,147	+71,360
(By transfer).....	(6,394)	(6,394)	(6,394)	---	---
TITLE VI - RELATED AGENCIES AND FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION					
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES					
Food and Drug Administration					
Salaries and expenses, direct appropriation.....	2,551,905	2,575,383	2,588,536	+36,631	+13,153
Prescription drug user fees.....	(760,000)	(798,000)	(798,000)	(+38,000)	---
Medical device user fees.....	(114,833)	(128,282)	(128,282)	(+13,449)	---
Human generic drug user fees.....	(305,996)	(312,116)	(312,116)	(+6,120)	---
Biosimilar biological products user fees.....	(20,716)	(21,014)	(21,014)	(+298)	---
Animal drug user fees.....	(23,600)	(22,464)	(22,464)	(-1,136)	---
Animal generic drug user fees.....	(7,328)	(6,944)	(6,944)	(-384)	---
Tobacco product user fees.....	(534,000)	(566,000)	(566,000)	(+32,000)	---
Food and Feed Recall user fees.....	(12,925)	---	---	(-12,925)	---

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Food Reinspection fees.....	(15,367)	---	---	(-15,367)	---
Subtotal (including user fees).....	(4,346,670)	(4,430,203)	(4,443,356)	(+96,686)	(+13,153)
Mammography user fees.....	(19,318)	(19,705)	(19,705)	(+387)	---
Export and color certification user fees.....	(12,447)	(13,651)	(13,651)	(+1,204)	---
Food and Feed Recall user fees.....	---	(1,434)	(1,434)	(+1,434)	---
Food Reinspection fees.....	---	(6,414)	(6,414)	(+6,414)	---
Voluntary qualified importer program fees.....	---	(5,300)	(5,300)	(+5,300)	---
Pharmacy compounding fees (CBO estimate).....	---	(1,000)	(1,000)	(+1,000)	---
Subtotal, FDA user fees.....	(1,828,530)	(1,902,324)	(1,902,324)	(+75,794)	---
Subtotal, FDA (with user fees).....	(4,378,435)	(4,477,707)	(4,490,860)	(+112,425)	(+13,153)
FDA New User Fees (Leg. proposals):					
Food Facility registration and inspection user fees.....	---	(60,120)	---	---	(-60,120)
Food import user fees.....	---	(169,021)	---	---	(-169,021)
International courier user fees.....	---	(5,807)	---	---	(-5,807)
Cosmetic user fees.....	---	(19,457)	---	---	(-19,457)
Food contact substance notification user fees....	---	(5,098)	---	---	(-5,098)
Subtotal, FDA new user fees (Leg Proposals).	---	(259,503)	---	---	(-259,503)

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Buildings and facilities.....	8,788	8,788	8,788	---	---
Total, FDA (w/user fees, including proposals)...	(4,387,223)	(4,745,998)	(4,499,648)	(+112,425)	(-246,350)
Total, FDA (w/enacted user fees only).....	(4,387,223)	(4,486,495)	(4,499,648)	(+112,425)	(+13,153)
Total, FDA (excluding user fees).....	2,560,693	2,584,171	2,597,324	+36,631	+13,153
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INDEPENDENT AGENCIES					
Commodity Futures Trading Commission 1/.....	215,000	280,000	---	-215,000	-280,000
Farm Credit Administration (limitation on administrative expenses).....	(62,600)	(65,100)	(60,500)	(-2,100)	(-4,600)
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Total, Title VI, Related Agencies and Food and Drug Administration.....	2,775,693	2,864,171	2,597,324	-178,369	-266,847
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TITLE VII - GENERAL PROVISIONS					
Emergency livestock assistance program (rescission) (Sec. 709).....	---	-125,000	-125,000	-125,000	---
Limit Dam Rehab (Sec.717(1)).....	-153,000	---	-69,000	+84,000	-69,000
(rescission).....	---	-153,000	---	---	+153,000
Limit Environmental Quality Incentives (Sec.717(2))..	-272,000	-250,000	-136,000	+136,000	+114,000
Limit Conservation Stewardship Program (Sec.717(4))...	---	---	-7,000	-7,000	-7,000
Limit Biomass Crop Assistance Program (Sec.717(5))....	---	---	-2,000	-2,000	-2,000
Limit Biorefinery Assistance (Sec.717(7)).....	---	---	-16,000	-16,000	-16,000
Limit fruit and vegetable program (Sec.718).....	-119,000	-122,000	-122,000	-3,000	---
Section 32 (rescission) (Sec.718).....	-189,000	-203,000	-121,000	+68,000	+82,000
Resource Conservation and Development (rescission) ...	-2,017	---	---	+2,017	---
Geographic Disadvantaged farmers	1,996	---	1,996	---	+1,996

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Hardwood Trees (Reforestation Pilot Program).....	600	---	600	---	+600
Agriculture Buildings and Facilities and Rental Payments (rescission)	-30,000	---	---	+30,000	---
Rural Housing Service (rescission)	-1,314	---	---	+1,314	---
Section 9005 Bioenergy program (rescission).....	-8,000	---	---	+8,000	---
Water Bank program	4,000	---	4,000	---	+4,000
Section 9003 Biorefinery program (rescission).....	-40,694	---	---	+40,694	---
Hunger Commission	1,000	---	---	-1,000	---
FDA user fees	79,000	---	---	-79,000	---
Citrus greening (APHIS)	20,000	---	---	-20,000	---
Repowering Assistance (rescission).....	---	---	-8,000	-8,000	-8,000
ARS Building and Facilities (rescission)	---	---	-2,000	-2,000	-2,000
Freight Reimbursement (rescission)	---	---	-2,000	-2,000	-2,000
Southwest Border Regional Commission.....	---	2,000	---	---	-2,000
Emergency Watershed Protection (disaster relief category).....	---	---	78,581	+78,581	+78,581
Emergency Forestry Restoration Program (disaster relief category).....	---	---	3,203	+3,203	+3,203
Emergency Conservation Program (disaster relief category).....	---	---	9,216	+9,216	+9,216
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Total, Title VII, General Provisions.....	-708,429	-851,000	-512,404	+196,025	+338,596

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TITLE VIII - EBOLA RESPONSE AND PREPAREDNESS					
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES					
Food and Drug Administration					
Salaries and expenses, direct appropriation (emergency).....	---	25,000	25,000	+25,000	---
Total, Title VIII, Ebola Response and Preparedness (emergency).....	---	25,000	25,000	+25,000	---
Grand total.....	145,652,976	165,486,061	147,580,990	+1,928,014	-17,905,071
Appropriations fiscal year 2015.....	(146,096,001)	(145,045,964)	(147,914,990)	(+1,818,989)	(+2,869,026)
Emergency appropriations.....	---	(25,000)	(25,000)	(+25,000)	---
Disaster relief	---	---	(91,000)	(+91,000)	(+91,000)
Rescissions.....	(-443,025)	(-649,000)	(-450,000)	(-6,975)	(+199,000)
Advance appropriations, FY 2016.....	---	(21,064,097)	---	---	(-21,064,097)
(By transfer).....	(790,554)	(771,886)	(790,477)	(-77)	(+18,591)
(Loan authorization).....	(41,472,694)	(40,567,384)	(42,272,183)	(+799,489)	(+1,704,799)
(Limitation on administrative expenses).....	(178,035)	(180,809)	(176,209)	(-1,826)	(-4,600)

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RECAPITULATION					
Title I - Agricultural programs.....	29,938,096	25,525,385	30,182,115	+244,019	+4,656,730
Mandatory.....	(23,149,074)	(18,855,803)	(23,395,250)	(+246,176)	(+4,539,447)
Discretionary.....	(6,789,022)	(6,669,582)	(6,786,865)	(-2,157)	(+117,283)
Title II - Conservation programs (discretionary).....	825,832	815,670	859,326	+33,494	+43,656
Title III - Rural development (discretionary).....	2,397,709	2,230,869	2,403,423	+5,714	+172,554
Title IV - Domestic food programs	108,585,603	133,112,001	110,190,881	+1,605,278	-22,921,120
Mandatory.....	(101,432,902)	(125,787,484)	(103,096,740)	(+1,663,838)	(-22,690,744)
Discretionary.....	(7,152,701)	(7,324,517)	(7,094,141)	(-58,560)	(-230,376)
Title V - Foreign assistance and related programs (discretionary).....	1,838,472	1,763,965	1,835,325	-3,147	+71,360
Title VI - Related agencies and Food and Drug Administration (discretionary) 1/.....	2,775,693	2,864,171	2,597,324	-178,369	-266,847
Title VII - General provisions (discretionary).....	-708,429	-851,000	-512,404	+196,025	+338,596
Title VIII - Ebola Response and Preparedness (emergency).....	---	25,000	25,000	+25,000	---
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Total	145,652,976	165,486,061	147,580,990	+1,928,014	-17,905,071
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