



Colorado General Assembly  
Joint Budget Committee

# Joint Budget Committee Staff

## FY 2014-15 Budget Briefing Summary

### *Department of Agriculture*

The Department of Agriculture regulates, promotes and supports various agricultural activities throughout Colorado. Department personnel perform a wide range of services including: regulatory and inspection services relating to agriculture; investigations and hearings; standardizing, grading, inspecting, labeling, handling, storage, and marketing of agricultural products; and agriculture-related policy analysis. The Department's FY 2013-14 appropriation represents 0.18 percent of statewide operating appropriations and 0.10 percent of statewide General Fund appropriations.

### FY 2013-14 Appropriation and FY 2014-15 Request

Department of Agriculture						
	Total Funds	General Fund	Cash Funds	Reappropriated Funds	Federal Funds	FTE
<b>FY 2013-14 Appropriation</b>						
SB 13-230 (Long Bill)	\$42,649,039	\$7,702,600	\$29,176,366	\$1,632,203	\$4,137,870	274.1
Other legislation	<u>21,205</u>	<u>21,205</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$42,670,244</b>	<b>\$7,723,805</b>	<b>\$29,176,366</b>	<b>\$1,632,203</b>	<b>\$4,137,870</b>	<b>274.1</b>
<b>FY 2014-15 Requested Appropriation</b>						
FY 2013-14 Appropriation	\$42,670,244	7,723,805	\$29,176,366	\$1,632,203	\$4,137,870	274.1
R1 FFA and 4-H program funding	250,000	250,000	0	0	0	0.0
Non-prioritized requested changes	119,215	104,241	14,974	0	0	0.0
Centrally appropriated line items	527,071	520,428	57,023	(2,677)	(47,703)	0.0
Annualize SB 13-241 (Industrial Hemp)	(21,205)	(21,205)	0	0	0	0.0
Statewide IT common policy adjustments	(67,554)	(13,105)	(54,449)	0	0	0.0
Base reduction for office consolidation	<u>(107,950)</u>	<u>(39,214)</u>	<u>(68,736)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$43,369,821</b>	<b>\$8,524,950</b>	<b>\$29,125,178</b>	<b>\$1,629,526</b>	<b>\$4,090,167</b>	<b>274.1</b>
<b>Increase/(Decrease)</b>	\$699,577	\$801,145	(\$51,188)	(\$2,677)	(\$47,703)	0.0
Percentage Change	1.6%	10.4%	(0.2%)	(0.2%)	(1.2%)	0.0%

### Summary of Issues Presented to the Joint Budget Committee

#### Issue: General Fund Support for 4-H and FFA Programs at the Colorado State Fair

This issue brief discusses the financial status of the Colorado State Fair and the Department's R1 request for \$250,000 General Fund dedicated to 4-H and Future Farmers of America (FFA) programs at the annual fair event.

**Issue: Noxious Weed Management Program Funding**

This issue brief discusses the Noxious Weed Management Program including: statutory and funding history, program functions and benefits, and impending cuts in cash and federal funding over the next three years.

## For More Information

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