

Oregon Department of Agriculture

2015-17 Governor's Recommended Budget

	2013-15 Legislatively Adopted Budget	2015-17 Governor's Recommended Budget
General Fund	\$19,460,351	\$23,740,197
Lottery Funds	\$6,473,272	\$6,346,795
Other Funds	\$55,589,067	\$58,544,483
Federal Funds	\$15,320,730	\$15,563,978
Total Funds	\$96,843,420	\$104,195,453
Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)	352.92	373.25

2015-2017 Changes

Policy Option Packages Approved

- 110 – Administrative Overhead Parity (\$642,463 General Fund)
- 220 – Regulatory Laboratory Infrastructure (\$1,002,989 General Fund) includes addition of five positions
- 230 – Motor Fuel Quality Fee (\$31,000 Other Funds)
- 240 – Railroad Test Car Replacement (\$270,000 Other Funds)
- 250 – Egg Laying Hen Confinement Inspections (\$10,020 Other Funds)
- 260 – FDA Grant and LD Position Extension (\$569,618 Federal Funds)
- 310 – Achieving Agriculture Water Quality (\$1,583,528 General Funds) includes addition of three positions
- 320 – Invasive Species Council Funding (\$100,000 General Funds)
- 340 – Fertilizer Fee Increase (\$51,985 Other Funds)
- 350 – Nursery Fee (\$436,206 Other Funds)
- 360 – Pesticide Civil Penalty (\$20,000 Other Funds)
- 410 – ODA Regional Solutions Coordinator (\$264,392 General Fund) includes one position
- 420 – Hemp Inspection Program (\$148,378 Other Funds)
- 430 – Shipping Point Position Modifications (No Change in funding) Package modifies positions and adds 31 positions.
- 440 – Wholesale Seed Dealer Fee (\$44,000 Other Funds)

New Policy Option Packages

- Package 390** – SageCon Invasive Species – Adds \$500,000 GF for SageCon Invasive Species to provide incentive payments to landowners for weed control and leverage other state and federal funding for noxious weeds including grasses in priority habitat for sage grouse.
- Package 450** – Alignment Team Coordinator – Adds \$325,000 GF and one OPA4 position and associated Services and Supplies and Capital Outlay for an environmental solutions position.
- Package 501** – Measure 91 Implementation – Adds \$212,641 OF and establishes one new Natural Resource Specialist 3 position for Ballot Measure 91 implementation.

Lottery Fund Revenue Shortfall- (\$157,423)

Anticipated lottery fund revenues for the 2015-2017 biennium are not sufficient to fund current service level expenditures. M76 lottery funds were reduced in service and supplies to balance to the December revenue forecast. Reductions to programs to be determined.

Program Fund Shifts

- Plant Health Program: Permanent fund shift from General Fund to Other Fund in the amount of \$570,971 *
- Pesticide Analytical Response Center- One-time fund shift from General Fund to Other Fund in the amount of \$343,340 *
- Pesticide Stewardship Program (PSP)- Permanent fund shift from General Fund to Other Fund in the amount of \$88,678 *

* Fund shifts were used to help fund package 220 Laboratory Infrastructure

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2015 Legislation

2015 ODA Legislation

SB 254 – This bill raises the \$5 fee assessed on all licensed motor fuel metering devices in the state by 20% per year for the next five years starting in July 2016. This increase in revenue will assist the Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) with covering the actual administrative costs of operating the Motor Fuel Quality Program.

SB 255 - The Animal Health Program has one source of dedicated Other Fund revenue—a fee for Veterinary Products Registration. This bill proposes to increase the current statutory cap from \$75 to \$150 per product registered. The registration fee has been \$75 since 2003.

SB 256 - This bill incorporates language into the existing nursery law allowing parts of the new national model law related to systems approaches to nursery certification to be established in rule. The bill also raises the caps on license fees for both Christmas tree growers and nurseries.

SB 257 - Doubles the base pesticide civil penalty from \$1,000 to \$2,000 for first violations and \$2,000 to \$4,000 for subsequent violations. Allows the ODA to require reexamination of licensee or certificate holder that commits violation indicating inadequate knowledge of Oregon pesticide laws. Allows the ODA to suspend, revoke or refuse renewal of license or certificate if person fails reexamination. Defines “person” for chapter dealing with ODA general administration.

HB 2443 - This bill proposes to increase certain program fees to provide \$70,000 annually for research grants related to fertilizer and water. This bill also increases product evaluation fees to insure cost recovery for product analysis and registration. Finally, this bill provides for general housekeeping to update statutory language to be consistent with recommendations from the Association of Plant Control Officials.

HB 2444 - This bill will remove outdated and confusing language about foreclosure mediations. It will allow, but not require, ODA to charge fees to cover the cost of providing the service, and will allow agriculture producers and other ODA customers to be eligible for the program. It will also remove procedural language that is more appropriately included in administrative rule.

HB 2445 - The proposed changes to statute modernize methods of required communication, update references to new laws, and delete statutes that no longer serve a useful purpose. The bill would;

- change notification requirements for quarantines (ORS 561.560(3) and ORS 561.585),
- change references to eastern filbert blight in control area authority (ORS 570.405),
- delete statutes related to renewable fuel standards (ORS 646.912 and ORS 646.921(2)),
- reflects changes to biodiesel percentages (ORS 646.922),
- allows flexibility in adopting American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) (ORS 621.065), and
- Deletes statutes related to grade B milk (ORS 621.655)

HB 2446 – This bill would no longer prevent a person from advertising raw milk for sale but would still require a person to meet the exception requirements contained in ORS 621.012.

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