

**SENATE BILL NO. 2020**

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the North Dakota  
2 state university extension service, northern crops institute, upper great plains transportation  
3 institute, main research center, branch research centers, and agronomy seed farm; to provide  
4 for a report; and to provide an exemption.

5 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

6 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds  
7 as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state  
8 treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from other funds derived from special funds and  
9 federal funds, to the North Dakota state university extension service, the northern crops  
10 institute, the upper great plains transportation institute, the main research center, branch  
11 research centers, and agronomy seed farm for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the  
12 North Dakota state university extension service, the northern crops institute, the upper great  
13 plains transportation institute, the main research center, branch research centers, and  
14 agronomy seed farm, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027, as  
15 follows:

16 Subdivision 1.

17 NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION SERVICE

		Adjustments or	
	<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
18			
19			
20	Extension service	\$59,478,945	\$0 \$59,478,945
21	Soil conservation committee	<u>1,361,520</u>	<u>0</u> <u>1,361,520</u>
22	Total all funds	\$60,840,465	\$0 \$60,840,465
23	Less other funds	<u>29,049,776</u>	<u>0</u> <u>29,049,776</u>

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1	Total general fund	\$31,790,689	\$0	\$31,790,689
2	Full-time equivalent positions	252.70	0.00	252.70
3	Subdivision 2.			
4		NORTHERN CROPS INSTITUTE		
5			Adjustments or	
6		<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
7	Northern crops institute	<u>\$5,724,771</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$5,724,771</u>
8	Total all funds	\$5,724,771	\$0	\$5,724,771
9	Less other funds	<u>3,541,116</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,541,116</u>
10	Total general fund	\$2,183,655	\$0	\$2,183,655
11	Full-time equivalent positions	18.15	0.00	18.15
12	Subdivision 3.			
13		UPPER GREAT PLAINS TRANSPORTATION INSTITUTE		
14			Adjustments or	
15		<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
16	Upper great plains transportation	<u>\$24,807,516</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$24,807,516</u>
17	institute			
18	Total all funds	\$24,807,516	\$0	\$24,807,516
19	Less other funds	<u>19,581,141</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>19,581,141</u>
20	Total general fund	\$5,226,375	\$0	\$5,226,375
21	Full-time equivalent positions	43.88	0.00	43.88
22	Subdivision 4.			
23		MAIN RESEARCH CENTER		
24			Adjustments or	
25		<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
26	Main research center	<u>\$116,148,130</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$116,148,130</u>
27	Total all funds	\$116,148,130	\$0	\$116,148,130
28	Less other funds	<u>58,022,465</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>58,022,465</u>
29	Total general fund	\$58,125,665	\$0	\$58,125,665
30	Full-time equivalent positions	358.47	0.00	358.47
31	Subdivision 5.			

BRANCH RESEARCH CENTERS				
		Adjustments or		
	<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	
4	Dickinson research center	\$7,379,838	\$0	\$7,379,838
5	Central grasslands research center	3,618,270	0	3,618,270
6	Hettinger research center	5,381,248	0	5,381,248
7	Langdon research center	3,195,869	0	3,195,869
8	North Central research center	5,355,217	0	5,355,217
9	Williston research center	5,527,125	0	5,527,125
10	Carrington research center	<u>10,191,002</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>10,191,002</u>
11	Total all funds	\$40,648,569	\$0	\$40,648,569
12	Less other funds	<u>20,964,971</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>20,964,971</u>
13	Total general fund	\$19,683,598	\$0	\$19,683,598
14	Full-time equivalent positions	111.81	0.00	111.81

15 Subdivision 6.

AGRONOMY SEED FARM				
		Adjustments or		
	<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	
19	Agronomy seed farm	<u>\$1,632,722</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$1,632,722</u>
20	Total special funds	\$1,632,722	\$0	\$1,632,722
21	Full-time equivalent positions	3.00	0.00	3.00

22 Subdivision 7.

SECTION 1 TOTAL				
		Adjustments or		
	<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	
26	Grand total all funds	\$249,802,173	\$0	\$249,802,173
27	Less grand total other funds	<u>132,792,191</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>132,792,191</u>
28	Grand total general fund	\$117,009,982	\$0	\$117,009,982
29	Full-time equivalent positions	788.01	0.00	788.01

30 **SECTION 2. DICKINSON RESEARCH EXTENSION CENTER - MINERAL RIGHTS**

31 **INCOME.** The Dickinson research extension center may spend up to \$755,000 of revenues

1 received during the 2025-27 biennium from mineral royalties, leases, or easements for ongoing  
2 operational expenses. Any revenues received in excess of \$755,000 may be spent only for  
3 one-time expenditures for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

4 **SECTION 3. WILLISTON RESEARCH EXTENSION CENTER - MINERAL RIGHTS**  
5 **INCOME - REPORT.** The Williston research extension center shall report to the seventieth  
6 legislative assembly on amounts received and spent from mineral royalties, leases, or  
7 easements in the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2025, and the  
8 biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

9 **SECTION 4. ADDITIONAL INCOME - APPROPRIATION.** In addition to the amounts  
10 included in the other funds appropriation line items and special funds appropriations line item in  
11 section 1 of this Act, any other income, including funds from federal acts, private grants, gifts,  
12 and donations, or from other sources received by the North Dakota state university extension  
13 service, the northern crops institute, the upper great plains transportation institute, the main  
14 research center, branch research centers, and agronomy seed farm, except as otherwise  
15 provided by law, is appropriated for the purpose designated in the act, grant, gift, or donation,  
16 for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

17 **SECTION 5. EXEMPTION - TRANSFER AUTHORITY.** Notwithstanding section 54-16-04,  
18 upon approval of the state board of agricultural research and education and appropriate branch  
19 research center directors, the director of the office of management and budget shall transfer  
20 appropriation authority within subdivisions 1, 2, 4, and 5 of section 1 of this Act.

21 **SECTION 6. EXEMPTION - FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITION ADJUSTMENTS -**  
22 **REPORT.** Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, the state board of higher education may  
23 adjust or increase full-time equivalent positions as needed for the entities in section 1 of this  
24 Act, subject to availability of funds. All full-time or part-time positions must be separate from  
25 North Dakota state university. Annually, the board shall report to the office of management and  
26 budget and to the budget section any adjustments made pursuant to this section.

27 **SECTION 7. EXEMPTION - UNEXPENDED GENERAL FUND - EXCESS INCOME.** Any  
28 unexpended general fund appropriation authority available to and any excess income received  
29 by entities listed in section 1 of this Act are not subject to the provisions of section 54-44.1-11,  
30 and any unexpended funds from these appropriations or revenues are available and may be

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- 1 expended by those entities, during the biennium beginning July 1, 2027, and ending June 30,
- 2 2029.