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2003 SENATE APPROPRIATIONS

SB 2026

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2003 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2026

Senate Appropriations Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date January 23, 2003

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
1		X	3110 - end
2	X		0 - 630
Committee Clerk Signature <i>Sandra Davison</i>			

Minutes: Chairman Holmberg opened the hearing on SB 2026. All committee members are present. This bill relates to the crop protection product harmonization and registration board. (mtr #3137) Jack Dalrymple, Chairman, North Dakota Crop Protection Product Harmonization and Registration Board: Suggestion of having the committee take fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) and move it as a line item into the Ag Commissioners office budget. The reason being OMB would concern this as an orphan, a new function, and is why it came through by itself the first time, but would like to organize and consolidate as a technical way of dealing with this budget. (Meter 3366) Chairman Holmberg: Announced the subcommittee that this bill will be assigned. It is the same subcommittee that was assigned to the Ag commission bills. (Meter 3460) Jack Dalrymple: He explained the purpose of the board are three or four things. It has the statutory responsibility of setting priorities for the spending of the minor use fund, we have served that function for the last two years, we have not used all of the available funds given to us.

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So obviously, setting priorities were easy. Another function is lobby for the passage of the federal harmonization act which has been before the United States Senate and we have been down a couple of times and we have been before the Senate subcommittee agriculture hearing. That legislation is moving forward and making progress every month. We make grants for other money that has been appropriated to us for the use of various associations and groups that are interest in promoting the availability and wide use of pesticides of various kinds. Generally, it all comes under the umbrella of promoting the availability of herbicides and insecticides to ND farmers. See handouts ,Exhibit 1 & 2. Exhibit 1 shows what has been done in the minor use fund and EARP fund. Exhibit 2 shows what is done with the money that has been transferred to us from the herb fund. The minor use projects went to the National Sunflower Association, ND State University, USDA Wildlife Services, for various projects. The herb fund has given money to The EPA tour personnel when they come to ND, education on pesticide harmonization supporting federal legislation, and the ND Durum Growers have accomplished an update of their price comparison study between the cost of pesticides in Canada and the US. All important projects. Explained Exhibit 2 and the proposed budget for the fifty thousand dollars (50,000). (Meter 4418) Senator Krauter: As appropriations have been brought before this committee, their responding to a series of questions that the majority leaders have sent out relating to purpose and effectiveness and efficiency of the preparation. Have you prepared that? (Meter 4485) Jack Dalrymple: We have not been presented with that. I am familiar with what you are talking about. We will respond to that when we get the paperwork. (Meter 4568) Senator Bowman: The hundred and twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000) for NDSU is new funding source for? (Meter 4597) Jack Dalrymple: Pesticide handling facilities is a capital project of NDSU. It is really off

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the topic of this bill but wanted to point it out. (Meter 4645) Senator Mathern: You made a request to the department of Agriculture, what is their response to your wish to transfer these funds to that part? (Meter 4678) Jack Dalrymple: I have spoken with the Ag commissioner and he is amenable to allowing a line item to his budget to carry this fifty thousand dollars. He probably does not want that interrupted as an endorsement of every single thing that the board does, but I think he is willing to house us so to speak. (Meter 4781) Senator Mathern: Is it possible that it is time to change the function from the board to the Ag department? (Meter 4820) Jack Dalrymple: It is a good question and it is a policy question which is not really a part of this bill. No, the board has functioned very well and has worked very closely with our Ag commissioner who is a member of the board. We have not had any policy disputes and I think there is an important distinction here, the Ag department is primarily engaged in regulatory function as it relates to pesticides, and the activity of this board is quite different, it is promotion of availability. It is the appropriate the regulation side and the promotion side not be confused. It also allows us to do some things in terms as Washington activity that is difficult to do through regular state functions. (Meter 5011) Senator Christmann: Why did you say the revenues are down almost one million dollars between registration of the herb transfers? (Meter 5051) Jack Dalrymple: Not able to answer that and has no impact on this bill, referred to Roger Johnson, Ag commissioner. Chairman Holmberg stated that information can be obtained later. (Meter 5127) Senator Thane: Are you familiar with that Environmental Tour where the EPA was invited? (Meter) Jack Dalrymple: Yes, I am very familiar with that. They have been coming every summer and I think it is a very worthwhile communication function that we support financially through this board and this appropriation. We fly out people from EPA that deal with pesticide

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registration on a daily basis. People at the research level, people at the administrative level, from all parts of the EPA. Many of them have never been to the Midwest nor have never been to ND farms, we take them out, show them what it looks like to run a 100 foot sprayer through a field, and they are always amazed at the technology of it, the scale of it, for many of them, it is the first time in their lives that they have seen actual large scale application. We feel that the relationships we have made with the EPA administrators has been very worthwhile, in later discussions with registration (Meter 5387) Senator Krauter: Can you give us the dollar amount that was used on the herbicide grants of the two hundred and fifty thousand? (Meter 5413) Jack Dalrymple: I can get that break down, these are just summaries. The allocation was not used up. (Meter 5462) Lance Hagen, US Durum Growers and Grain Growers: I want to speak on the concept of this bill through the durum and grain grower have utilized this fund. Lance handed out a brochure from the 2002 Environmental Tour from June 26-27, 2002. Exhibit 3. That tour is very useful to the durum and grain growers, we try to bring out 4 people from Washington that builds our relationships with the Ag department. The chemical harmonization board keeps our chemical friends in line and gives us a bipartisan standing in there and we also favor that we have some producers involved that contribute to the conversation to that industry. (Meter 6050) Roger Johnson, Ag Commissioner: Spoke on his personal perception of the board and some of things that they have done and some of the opportunities that may have been missed. It is no secret that I opposed the creation of this board last session. There is a bill in this session to disband the board and put the moneys back with the pesticide control board and reinstate the minor use fund to its original purpose and to put some more funding into it. I intend to support that bill.

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Tape 3 Side A

One of the big concerns he has is the minor use fund is going to be drained and there is no new appropriation. Last biennium something over one-half million dollars in research grants to get new products made available. We will be more than willing to work the committee on putting a line item in the Ag department budget. The better use of the money is to make it available for people in my (Ag) department and in the governor's office to travel to Washington DC and try to get this pricing bill passed. ND producers spend 24 and 42 million dollars a year more for identical or substantial pesticides than our friends in Canada. The only way to change that problem is to change the law in Congress. I don't think you need a state agency created to do that, we have existing folks that can do that. We have worked very closely with the governor's office and other governors and trying to get that support and frankly, that's the most important thing we can do. I don't think we need this board to do it. We are facing some tough budgetary times. Many questions about the board should be addressed to HB 1406. Referred back to the question that Senator Christmann asked about the million dollar difference, I look at the number, it is about a four hundred and fifty thousand dollar difference in registration fees, if I am understanding the question right, in the '01-'03 biennium there were two point seven million (2.7) dollars projected in registrations and in the '03-'05 biennium the projection is two point two five (2.25) million. The four hundred and fifty thousand (\$450,000) difference is because as you will recall at the last session, there was fifty dollar fee added to the price of registering chemicals. And that fifty dollar (\$50) increase had a sunset. This projection assumes that the sunset takes affect. There is a bill that is introduced about the saltseeder problem that we are have with that noxious weed. (Meter 391) Senator Christmann: In the '01-'03 there is five

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hundred thousand dollars (500,000) herb transferred. Was that part of that fifty dollar (\$50) extra fee or was that from somewhere else? (Meter 405) Roger Johnson: The herb fund was created essentially as a result of the registration fees that chemical companies pay to get their products registered here. Those dollars except fifty (\$50) of them for each registration, go into the herb fund. Fifty dollars (\$50) of them stay and go into the general fund. From that herb fund a lot different programs that are funded one of which is the minor use fund and another is the pesticide harmonization board and a number of others dealing with weed control. (Meter 510) Senator Krauter: The pesticide control board, are they still functioning? (meter 518) Roger Johnson: yes, the pesticide control board still has responsibilities in chapter 4 of 35, they are a three member board, myself, the head of extension services, and the head of research at NDSU. We oversee the pesticide responsibilities. (Meter 571) Senator Krauter: Does your department do the administrative function for the crop harmonization board? (Meter 590) Roger Johnson: That is correct, we do that in conjunction with an agreement we entered into simply based on a cost formula. We have meetings and minutes and allocate salary and expenses for staff. (Meter 621) Senator Krauter: Can we have the minutes distributed to the subcommittee? (Meter 623) Roger Johnson: OK.

Closed the hearing to bill SB 2026.

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2003 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2026 - Votes

Senate Appropriations Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date Feb. 17, 2003

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
#2	x		1,480 - 1986

Committee Clerk Signature *Jan Henderson*

Minutes:

SB 2026 relates to crop protection product harmonization and registration board.

Senator Bowman moved to reduce the bill by \$25,000, seconded by **Senator Thane**. Voice vote for amendment. **Motion carried.**

Senator Bowman moved for a **DO PASS** as **AMENDED** by **Senator Bowman**, seconded by **Senator Thane**.

Discussion: **Senator Mathern**: Wondered if this was to eliminate the board. **Senator Bowman** stated he didn't think so. **Senator Mathern** wanted to know where the special fund was coming from also. **Senator Krauter** replied that it was coming from the pesticide use fund. **Senator Mathern** stated that they were taking money from a fund that could use the money and the Lt. Governor stated that we probably don't need this. He wondered if we needed this at all. **Senator Bowman** stated he believed it was the Ag. Commissioner that said we would probably like to dissolve the board, not the Lt. Governor. He thought he remembered the Lt. Governor wanted

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this in a line item, rather than a bill, one line item in the Ag. budget, and that can be done in the House and our subcommittee will agree to that if we have a conference on that. **Senator Krauter** stated that he didn't think this board had done much from the stand point of getting many minor pesticide labels in the ND. In the past they got between 18-20 labels a biennium and now they are down to 4 and 5, and it might be better to put the board back the way it was.

Roll call vote was taken, which is attached. **Total: 8 yes, 5 no, 1 absent and not voting.**

Motion carried. Senator Bowman will carry the bill.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 2026

Page 1, line 9, replace "50,000" with "25,000"

Page 1, line 10, replace "50,000" with "25,000"

Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

Senate Bill No. 2026 - Crop Product Harmonization Board - Senate Action

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	SENATE CHANGES	SENATE VERSION
Crop Product Harmonization Board	\$50,000	(\$25,000)	\$25,000
Total all funds	\$50,000	(\$25,000)	\$25,000
Less estimated income	50,000	(25,000)	25,000
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00

Dept. 615 - Crop Product Harmonization Board - Detail of Senate Changes

	DECREASES FUNDING ¹	TOTAL SENATE CHANGES
Crop Product Harmonization Board	(\$25,000)	(\$25,000)
Total all funds	(\$25,000)	(\$25,000)
Less estimated income	(25,000)	(25,000)
General fund	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.00	0.00

¹ This amendment decreases funding from the environment and rangeland protection fund for the Crop Protection Product Harmonization and Registration Board.

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Date: 2/17/03
 Roll Call Vote #: 1

2003 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
 BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 2026

Senate Appropriations Committee

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Legislative Council Amendment Number _____

Action Taken No Pass as Amended

Motion Made By Bowman ~~Bowman~~ Seconded By Thane

Senators	Yes	No	Senators	Yes	No
Senator Holmberg, Chairman	✓				
Senator Bowman, Vice Chair	✓				
Senator Grindberg, Vice Chair					
Senator Andrist	✓				
Senator Christmann	✓				
Senator Kilzer	✓				
Senator Krauter		✓			
Senator Kringstad	✓				
Senator Lindaas		✓			
Senator Mathern		✓			
Senator Robinson		✓			
Senator Schobinger	✓				
Senator Tallackson		✓			
Senator Thane	✓				

Total (Yes) 8 No 5

Absent 1

Floor Assignment Bowman

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)
February 18, 2003 12:37 p.m.

Module No: SR-31-3072
Carrier: Bowman
Insert LC: 38049.0101 Title: .0200

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2026: Appropriations Committee (Sen. Holmberg, Chairman) recommends AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS and when so amended, recommends DO PASS (8 YEAS, 5 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2026 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

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FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00

Dept. 615 - Crop Product Harmonization Board - Detail of Senate Changes

	DECREASES FUNDING ¹	TOTAL SENATE CHANGES
Crop Product Harmonization Board	(\$25,000)	(\$25,000)
Total all funds	(\$25,000)	(\$25,000)
Less estimated income	(25,000)	(25,000)
General fund	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.00	0.00

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SB 2026

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2003 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2026

House Appropriations Committee
Government Operations Division

Conference Committee

Hearing Date March 7, 2003

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
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Committee Clerk Signature *Kelly Schmidt*

Minutes:

Lt. Governor Dalrymple shared written testimony regarding SB 2026. He requested this bill be placed as a line item in the AG budget and put a DNP on this bill. The Senate was asked to address this however, Sen. Bowman was extremely busy with the Human Services budget and it was unintentionally missed. The purpose of this Board is to promote and find the availability of good pesticide products, lobby harmonization laws (public affairs), this Board also distributes grant to various groups. They are requesting \$35,000. The payback of this Board is huge. No authority is being moved, all authority is in statute.

Hearing no further testimony, Chairman Carlisle closed the hearing.

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2003 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2026

House Appropriations Committee
Government Operations Division

Conference Committee

Hearing Date March 21, 2003

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
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Committee Clerk Signature *Kelly Schmitt*

Minutes Committee Work

Rep. Carlson we are not effecting the Board of Crop Harmonization just by moving the entity to the Department of Agriculture, he advised LC he would like to see a separate line item.

OMB this will be administered by the Ag Department, but nothing will change.

Rep. Warner It is a stand alone agency. The Ag Dept. Does the staff work and it is currently housed in the Ag Department.

Discussion was held regarding the increase in 10,000, This was originally a 1M budget last session, it has been reduced to \$25,000.

A Do Not Pass Motion was made on SB 2026 by Rep. Thoreson, second by Rep. Carlson

Roll Call Vote 7 yes 0 no 2 absent Motion carries.

2003 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2026

House Appropriations Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date 03-26-03

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
2	X		2.4 - 5.0
Committee Clerk Signature <i>Chris S. Nyberg</i>			

Minutes:

Chairman Svedjan Opened SB 2026 for discussion. A quorum was present.

Rep. Carlisle We don't need this bill. We amended it into the Agriculture budget.

Rep. Thoreson I move a Do Not Pass. 2nd by Rep. Kempenich. Motion Carries 20-0-3.

Rep. Skarphol will carry this bill on the floor.

Date:03-21-03
Roll Call Vote Number # 8

2003 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2026

House Appropriations: Government Operations Division Committee

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Legislative Council Amendment Number _____

Action Taken Do Not Pass on SB 2026

Motion Made By Rep. Thorson Seconded By Rep. Carlson

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Chairman Carlisle	x				
Vice Chairman Carlson	x				
Rep. Koppelman					
Rep. Skarphol	x				
Rep. Thoreson	x				
Rep. Timm	x				
Rep. Glassheim					
Rep. Kroeber	x				
Rep. Warner	x				

Total (Yes) _____ 7 No _____ 0

Absent _____ 2
Glassheim/Koppelman

Floor Assignment Rep. Carlisle

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See attached amendment

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)
March 26, 2003 7:43 a.m.

Module No: HR-53-5748
Carrier: Skarphol
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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
SB 2026, as engrossed: Appropriations Committee (Rep. Svedjan, Chairman)
recommends **DO NOT PASS** (20 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 3 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING).
Engrossed SB 2026 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

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2003 TESTIMONY

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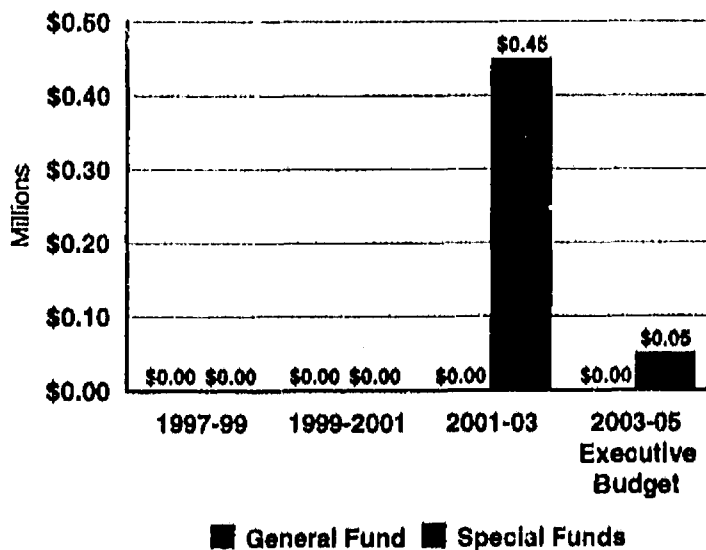
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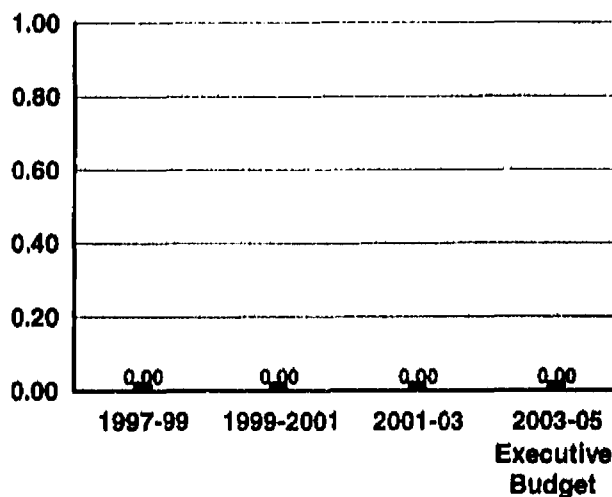
Department 615 - Crop Protection Product Harmonization and Registration Board
Senate Bill No. 2026

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2003-05 Executive Budget	0.00	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000
2001-03 Legislative Appropriations	0.00	0	450,000	450,000
Increase (Decrease)	0.00	\$0	(\$400,000)	(\$400,000)

Agency Funding



FTE Positions



First House Action

Attached is a summary of the first house changes.

**Executive Budget Highlights
 (With First House Changes Noted)**

- | | General Fund | Other Funds | Total |
|---|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1. Reduces funding to reflect actual spending. The appropriation for the 2003-05 biennium is \$50,000 from the environment and rangeland protection fund. The 2001-03 biennium appropriation was \$250,000 from the environment and rangeland protection fund and \$200,000 from grants or donations. The funding is to address crop protection product registration and labeling needs and providing grants to agriculture commodity groups for issues relating to crop protection product registration and labeling. The Senate decreased the appropriation from the environment and rangeland protection fund to \$25,000. | | (\$400,000) | (\$400,000) |

Major Related Legislation

At this time, no major legislation has been introduced affecting this agency.

02/21/03

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

Senate Bill No. 2026 - Funding Summary

	Executive Budget	Senate Changes	Senate Version
Crop Product Harmonization Board			
Crop product harmonization board	\$50,000	(\$25,000)	\$25,000
Total all funds	\$50,000	(\$25,000)	\$25,000
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Bill Total			
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General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00

Department No. 615 - Crop Product Harmonization Board - Detail of Senate Changes

	Decreases Funding ¹	Total Senate Changes
Crop product harmonization board	(\$25,000)	(\$25,000)
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Less estimated income	(25,000)	(25,000)
General fund	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.00	0.00

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Exhibit 1



NORTH DAKOTA CROP PROTECTION PRODUCT HARMONIZATION AND REGISTRATION BOARD

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SB 2026

→ Jack Delrymple, Chairman
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Bismarck

Roger Johnson
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Bismarck

Terry Wanzek
State Senator
Jamestown

Ron Nichols
State Senator
Palermo

Mike Brandenburg
State Representative
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Greg Daws
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Minor Use Fund Activity

The Crop Protection Product Harmonization and Registration Board was given the oversight of the Minor Use Fund during the 57th Legislative Assembly. This fund was previously under the jurisdiction of the Pesticide Control Board. The Minor Use Fund is used for research towards a registration of a pesticide for a minor crop or a minor use on a major crop. The fund began the present biennium with a carry-over of \$180,289. Of these funds, all but approximately \$10,000 had been obligated toward research projects. The 57th Legislative Assembly allocated \$500,000 to the fund for the 2001-2003 biennium. During the biennium, \$340,000 has been projected to be spent or obligated and a balance of \$90,289 is projected to be remaining after this biennium. Participants this biennium were the National Sunflower Association, North Dakota State University, and USDA Wildlife Services.

EARP Fund Activity

The Crop Protection Product Harmonization and Registration Board was allocated \$250,000 for the 2001-2003 biennium. These funds were to be used for activities of the Board with no more than fifteen percent being used for administrative costs. Activities funded from this program included two trips to Washington D.C. to work on federal legislation, S.532 "Harmonization Act" that was submitted by Senator Dorgan. The ND Grain Growers were approved two grants, one for the Environmental Tour in which EPA personnel are invited and educated on farming practices in North Dakota. A second grant is to be used for educating national commodity organizations on the benefits of pesticide harmonization and supporting the federal legislation. The ND Durum Growers also received two grants from the Board. One grant was to do a price comparison study between the cost of pesticide in Canada and the United States. The second grant was also for educating national commodity organizations on the benefits of pesticide harmonization.

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Exhibit 2

Crop Protection Product Harmonization and Registration Board

	2001-2003 Biennium to Date	2001-2003 Estimated	2003-2005 Budget
Operations	\$ 9,479	\$ 12,500	\$ 15,000
Projects	\$ 13,305	\$ 20,000	\$ 30,000
Public Affairs and Education - Federal Legislation	\$ 1,902	\$ 2,500	\$ 5,000
Total	\$ 24,686	\$ 35,000	\$ 50,000

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SPECIAL FUND STATEMENT

	376 EARP	260 Minor Use
Balance June 30, 2001	\$ 1,079,213	\$ 180,289
<i>Estimated Revenues, 01-03</i>		
Ag Med User Fees		
Ag Classrm Projects		
HB1349		
HB1249		
Ag Pace Funds		
Game and Fish Transfer		
Tonnage Fees		
Registrations	\$ 2,700,000	\$ 500,000
EARP transfer		
Interest		
Sales		
Grants		
Game and Fish Transfer		
TOTAL	\$ 2,700,000	\$ 680,289
<i>Estimated Expenditures, 01-03</i>		
Ag Mediation Services		
Ag Classrm Projects		
Wildlife Services		
Bd Animal Health Svcs.		
Anhydrous regulation		
Insurance Department		
Health Department	\$ 200,000	
Pesticide Programs	\$ 327,568	
Safesend	\$ 599,369	
Noxious Weeds	\$ 1,414,878	
Pesticide Pads		
Crop Harmonization Committee	\$ 35,000	
Minor Use Projects	\$ 500,000	\$ 340,000
Lease Payments		
TOTAL	\$ 3,076,815	\$ 340,000
Est. Balance, June 30, 2003	\$ 702,398	\$ 340,289

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SPECIAL FUND STATEMENT

	376 EARP	260 Minor Use
Est. Balance June 30, 2003	\$ 702,398	\$ 340,289
<i>Estimated Revenues, 03-05</i>		
Ag Med User Fees		
Ag Classrm Projects		
Ag Pace Funds		
Game and Fish Transfer		
Tonnage Fees		
Registrations	\$ 2,250,000	
Interest		
Seed Arbitration Fees		
Sales		
Grants		
Game and Fish Transfer		
TOTAL	\$ 2,250,000	\$ -
<i>Estimated Expenditures, 03-05</i>		
Ag Mediation Services		
Ag Classrm Projects		
Wildlife Services		
Meat Inspection		
Bd Animal Health Svcs.		
Anhydrous regulation		
Health Department	\$ 200,000	
Pesticide Programs	\$ 387,732	
Safesend	\$ 617,198	
Noxious Weeds	\$ 1,494,285	
Ag Dept. raises	\$ 16,470	
Crop Harmonization Board	\$ 50,000	
Insurance Department		
Seed Arbitration		
NDSU	\$ 120,000	\$ 250,000
Minor Use Projects		
Lease Payments		
TOTAL	\$ 2,885,685	\$ 250,000
Est. Balance, June 30, 2005	\$ 66,713	\$ 90,289

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2002 L-Tour June 26-27, 2002

June 26, Wednesday

- 9:30 am: Tour AGSCO
- 10:30 am: Roundtable Discussion at AGSCO
- 11:30 am: Lunch sponsored by AGSCO
- 1:30 pm: Tour of Conte Luna
- 3:30 pm: Tour of Downtown GF and EGF
- 4:30 pm: Social at Holiday Inn
- 5:15 pm: Dinner with host families and guests

June 27, Thursday

- 8:00 am: Aerial Tour with Charles Gehrke
- 8:45 am: Agvise Tour
- 9:30 am: KFGO Radio with Ed Shultz at Northwood Aero-Spray
- 12:15 pm: Lunch at Michigan Civic Center
- 1:15 pm: Farm Tour (located 4 miles north of Michigan on Highway 35)
- Nels Pederson - *Pesticide Certification requirements*
- Terry Gregoire - *Registration Process and weed control
Sprayer field demonstration
Experimental Fungicide*
- Greg Daws - *Demo. of chemical handling system*
- 5:30 pm: Picnic at Stump Lake

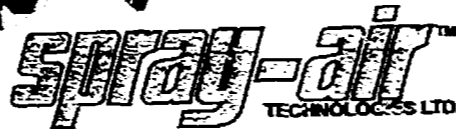
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2002 Environmental Tour

This year's Environmental Tour (E-Tour), hosted by the ND Grain Growers Association, the Minnesota Association of Wheat Growers, and the ND Crop Protection Harmonization and Registration Board will be held June 26-27, 2002 and will include activities in and near Grand Forks.

Scientists and professionals from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) are invited to participate in this event based on their knowledge and expertise. The E-Tour is a time for agriculturists to present issues to EPA employees that affect agriculture and provide to them a clearer understanding regarding necessary environmental compliances con-



cerning farming operations.

The two-day event starts on Wednesday, June 26 with a tour and roundtable discussion at AGSCO. In the afternoon the participants will tour the Conte Luna plant and then will depart with host farm families. The EPA participants will spend the night with the host families, so they can experience production agriculture on a one-on-one scale.

Most of Thursday's events will be open to the public beginning with Ed Schultz's News and Views radio show that will be held in Northwood, ND. There will be an open lunch followed by an afternoon at Greg Daws' farm near Michigan where there will be sprayer and soil testing demonstrations.

It is the hope of the NDGGA that participants will leave with a better understanding of agriculture and recognize agriculturists as stewards of the land. The E-Tour also provides valuable links to North Dakota individuals when seeking support on issues at our nation's capitol.

Mission Statement:

The mission of the E-Tour is to enable scientists from the Environmental Protection Agency in Washington, D.C. to participate in a hands-on North Dakota production agriculture experience that they may better understand issues from the perspective of a farmer.



EPA Participants



2001 EPA participants: Luis Suguiyama, Sarah Levy, Tom Steeger, Patrick Doback

2002 Participants

Anthony Gilbert, *Economist*, BEAD
BS Agricultural Economics and
World Sociology, Pennsylvania State
University

Arnet Jones, *Herbicide
& Insecticide Branch Chief*, BEAD
MS Agronomy, University of MD, 1982

Henry Craven, *Biologist*, EPA's Office
of Pesticide Program

Len Younman, *Plant Pathologist*, BEAD
PhD Clemson University

We would like to extend a special thanks to the sponsors, speakers, and host families who made the 2002 Environmental Tour possible.

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