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**Turkey Fund  
Summary of Activities  
2019-2021**

The North Dakota agriculture commissioner administers the turkey fund in consultation with the North Dakota Turkey Federation. Approximately nine active turkey farms and about nine growers raise turkeys in North Dakota. The North Dakota Turkey Federation estimated just under 1 million turkeys were raised in 2019.

The funds used to support turkey promotion come from a per-turkey check-off based on the weight of the turkey. The check-off is currently levied at one cent for 18 lbs. and under, one and one-half cents for 18.01 to 28 lbs. and one and three quarters cents for 28.01 lbs. and higher. Turkey processors collect these check-off funds and remit them to the North Dakota Department of Agriculture (NDDA).

The goals and objectives of the turkey fund include:

1. Improvement of the turkey industry in North Dakota
2. Conducting research and education programs directed toward more efficient productions and marketing for turkey producers in North Dakota.
3. Promotion activities for the sale of turkey and turkey products.
4. Increasing consumer awareness and consumption of turkey and turkey products.
5. Participation in the National Turkey Federation.

The turkey fund conducts a variety of activities to accomplish their goals and objectives. The turkey fund sponsors the North Dakota Poultry Industries Convention held each year in December.

Funds are used to participate in Pride of Dakota events and given to promote 4-H. The Federation works with the NDDA to maintain a portion of the Department website to provide information on the ND Turkey Federation. There is participation with the National Turkey Federation where regulations and economic issues are discussed and acted upon.

Revenue for the 2019-2021 biennium is estimated to be between \$25,000 - \$30,000 depending on the number of turkeys raised in North Dakota, the number of growers who request refunds and the amount of interest accrued.

**NORTH DAKOTA TURKEY FUND**

Bismarck, North Dakota

**STATEMENT OF PROJECTED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES**

For the Current and Next Biennium

2019-2021 and 2021-2023

**(UNAUDITED)**

Prepared by the North Dakota Department of Agriculture

	2019-2021 <u>Biennium</u>	2021-2023 <u>Biennium</u>
Beginning Balance	\$ 14,302	\$ 17,817
<b>Revenues:</b>		
Turkey Tax Assessment	25,000	25,000
Less:		
Refunds Paid to Producers	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Net Assessment Revenue	25,000	25,000
Interest Income	<u>50</u>	<u>50</u>
Total Revenues	<u>\$ 25,050</u>	<u>\$ 25,050</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>		
Travel	2,000	5,000
Promotional Supplies	500	500
Postage	15	15
Dues & Memberships	17,000	17,000
Sponsorships	2,000	5,000
Other Operating Fees	<u>20</u>	<u>20</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 21,535</u>	<u>\$ 27,535</u>
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$ 3,515	\$ (2,485)
Ending Balance	\$ 17,817	\$ 15,332