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Turkey Fund Summary of Activities 2023-2025

The North Dakota agriculture commissioner administers the turkey fund in consultation with the North Dakota Turkey Federation. Approximately seven active turkey farms and about seven growers raise turkeys in North Dakota. The North Dakota Turkey Federation estimated just over 800,000 turkeys were raised in 2024.

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.

Funds are used to participate in Pride of Dakota events and given to promote 4-H and FFA. Charitable offerings of frozen turkeys are presented around Thanksgiving. 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 2023-2025 biennium is estimated to be between \$15,000 - \$20,000 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 2023-2025 and 2025-2027 (UNAUDITED)

Prepared by the North Dakota Department of Agriculture

	2023-2025 <u>Biennium</u>			2025-2027 <u>Biennium</u>	
Beginning Balance	\$	19,286	\$	16,951	
Revenues: Turkey Tax Assessment Less: Refunds Paid to Producers		17,000 <u>0</u>		15,000	
Net Assessment Revenue		17,000		15,000	
Interest Income		200		200	
Total Revenues	\$	17,200	\$_	15,200	
Expenditures: Travel Promotional Supplies Postage Dues & Memberships Sponsorships Other Operating Fees		3,000 1,500 15 14,000 1,000		3,000 1,500 15 12,000 500 20	
Total Expenditures	_\$_	19,535	_\$	17,035	
Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$	(2,335)	\$	(1,835)	
Ending Balance	\$	16,951	\$	15,116	