

**FIRST ENGROSSMENT  
with Conference Committee Amendments  
ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1020**

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; to provide for a transfer; to provide an exemption; and to declare an emergency.

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 special funds derived from federal funds and  
9 other income, 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 with the effective date of this Act and ending  
15 June 30, 2025, as 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	\$56,530,224	\$2,002,613	\$58,532,837
21	Soil conservation committee	<u>1,211,520</u>	<u>150,000</u>	<u>1,361,520</u>
22	Total all funds	\$57,741,744	\$2,152,613	\$59,894,357
23	Less estimated income	<u>28,303,921</u>	<u>682,222</u>	<u>28,986,143</u>

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1	Total general fund	\$29,437,823	\$1,470,391	\$30,908,214
2	Full-time equivalent positions	241.77	10.93	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>\$3,909,760</u>	<u>\$5,640,941</u>	<u>\$9,550,701</u>
8	Total all funds	\$3,909,760	\$5,640,941	\$9,550,701
9	Less estimated income	<u>1,922,618</u>	<u>5,517,827</u>	<u>7,440,445</u>
10	Total general fund	\$1,987,142	\$123,114	\$2,110,256
11	Full-time equivalent positions	13.55	4.60	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>\$23,527,957</u>	<u>\$1,570,236</u>	<u>\$25,098,193</u>
17	institute			
18	Total all funds	\$23,527,957	\$1,570,236	\$25,098,193
19	Less estimated income	<u>19,042,350</u>	<u>959,427</u>	<u>20,001,777</u>
20	Total general fund	\$4,485,607	\$610,809	\$5,096,416
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>\$111,676,188</u>	<u>\$107,718,315</u>	<u>\$219,394,503</u>
27	Total all funds	\$111,676,188	\$107,718,315	\$219,394,503
28	Less estimated income	<u>57,087,956</u>	<u>102,288,358</u>	<u>159,376,314</u>
29	Total general fund	\$54,588,232	\$5,429,957	\$60,018,189
30	Full-time equivalent positions	334.56	23.91	358.47
31	Subdivision 5.			

BRANCH RESEARCH CENTERS				
		Adjustments or		
	<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	
4	Dickinson research center	\$7,078,838	\$153,874	\$7,232,712
5	Central grasslands research center	3,553,320	42,199	3,595,519
6	Hettinger research center	5,174,885	123,393	5,298,278
7	Langdon research center	3,091,310	74,729	3,166,039
8	North Central research center	5,203,251	74,501	5,277,752
9	Williston research center	5,362,734	115,922	5,478,656
10	Carrington research center	<u>9,827,963</u>	<u>239,286</u>	<u>10,067,249</u>
11	Total all funds	\$39,292,301	\$823,904	\$40,116,205
12	Less estimated income	<u>20,722,818</u>	<u>228,047</u>	<u>20,950,865</u>
13	Total general fund	\$18,569,483	\$595,857	\$19,165,340
14	Full-time equivalent positions	108.21	3.60	111.81

Subdivision 6.

AGRONOMY SEED FARM				
		Adjustments or		
	<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	
19	Agronomy seed farm	<u>\$1,579,655</u>	<u>\$50,109</u>	<u>\$1,629,764</u>
20	Total special funds	\$1,579,655	\$50,109	\$1,629,764
21	Full-time equivalent positions	3.00	0.00	3.00

Subdivision 7.

SECTION 1 TOTAL				
		Adjustments or		
	<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	
26	Grand total general fund	\$109,068,287	\$8,230,128	\$117,298,415
27	Grand total other funds	<u>128,659,318</u>	<u>109,725,990</u>	<u>238,385,308</u>
28	Grand total all funds	\$237,727,605	\$117,956,118	\$355,683,723

**SECTION 2. ONE-TIME FUNDING - EFFECT ON BASE BUDGET - REPORT TO THE SIXTY-NINTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.** The following amounts reflect the one-time funding

1 items approved by the sixty-seventh legislative assembly for the 2021-23 biennium and the  
2 2023-25 biennium one-time funding items included in section 1 of this Act:

3	<u>One-Time Funding Description</u>	<u>2021-23</u>	<u>2023-25</u>
4	Deferred maintenance	\$500,000	\$500,000
5	Transportation data intelligence center	0	432,600
6	Northern crops institute feed production center facility upgrade	0	3,250,000
7	Pellet mill	0	650,000
8	Storage sheds	0	1,900,000
9	Nesson Valley irrigation research site project	0	1,700,000
10	Branch research extension centers capital projects inflation	0	2,933,230
11	Hettinger research extension center land purchase	0	1,038,000
12	Waldron hall replacement project	0	97,000,000
13	Carrington research extension center capital projects	1,221,000	0
14	Central grasslands research extension center	2,488,000	0
15	capital projects		
16	Dickinson research extension center capital projects	2,200,000	0
17	Hettinger research extension center capital projects	3,720,000	0
18	Langdon research extension center capital projects	473,000	0
19	Remote sensing of infrastructure	<u>2,225,000</u>	<u>0</u>
20	Total all funds	\$12,827,000	\$109,403,830
21	Total other funds	<u>12,327,000</u>	<u>105,695,600</u>
22	Total general fund	\$500,000	\$3,708,230

23 The 2023-25 biennium one-time funding amounts are not a part of the entity's base budget  
24 for the 2023-25 biennium. The upper great plains transportation center, northern crops institute,  
25 and main research center shall report to the appropriations committees of the sixty-ninth  
26 legislative assembly on the use of this one-time funding for the biennium beginning July 1,  
27 2023, and ending June 30, 2025.

28 **SECTION 3. DICKINSON RESEARCH EXTENSION CENTER - MINERAL RIGHTS**

29 **INCOME.** The Dickinson research extension center may spend up to \$755,000 of revenues  
30 received during the 2023-25 biennium from mineral royalties, leases, or easements for ongoing

1 operational expenses. Any revenues received in excess of \$755,000 may be spent only for  
2 one-time expenditures for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2025.

3 **SECTION 4. WILLISTON RESEARCH EXTENSION CENTER - MINERAL RIGHTS**

4 **INCOME - REPORT.** The Williston research extension center shall report to the sixty-ninth  
5 legislative assembly on amounts received and spent from mineral royalties, leases, or  
6 easements in the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2023, and the  
7 biennium beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2025.

8 **SECTION 5. ADDITIONAL INCOME - APPROPRIATION.** In addition to the amount  
9 included in the grand total other funds appropriation line item in section 1 of this Act, any other  
10 income, including funds from federal acts, private grants, gifts, and donations, or from other  
11 sources received by the North Dakota state university extension service, the northern crops  
12 institute, the upper great plains transportation institute, the main research center, branch  
13 research centers, and agronomy seed farm, except as otherwise provided by law, is  
14 appropriated for the purpose designated in the act, grant, gift, or donation, for the biennium  
15 beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2025.

16 **SECTION 6. ESTIMATED INCOME - STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS**

17 **FUND - UPPER GREAT PLAINS TRANSPORTATION INSTITUTE - NORTHERN CROPS**

18 **INSTITUTE - MAIN RESEARCH CENTER.** The estimated income line item in subdivision 2 of

19 section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$3,900,000 from the strategic investment and

20 improvements fund for the northern crops institute feed production center facility upgrade and

21 pellet mill. The estimated income line item in subdivision 3 of section 1 of this Act includes the

22 sum of \$432,600 from the strategic investment and improvements fund for a transportation data

23 intelligence center. The estimated income line item in subdivision 4 of section 1 of this Act

24 includes the sum of \$89,400,000 from the strategic investment and improvements fund for the

25 Waldron hall replacement project, storage sheds, and deferred maintenance.

26 **SECTION 7. ESTIMATED INCOME - FEDERAL STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND -**

27 **NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY MAIN RESEARCH CENTER - PURCHASE OF LAND**

28 **AUTHORIZED.** The appropriation in subdivision 4 of section 1 of this Act includes the sum of

29 \$1,038,000 from federal funds derived from the state fiscal recovery fund for the purchase of

30 real property for the Hettinger research center, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, and

31 ending June 30, 2025. The Hettinger research center shall make payments in lieu of property

1 taxes in the manner and according to the conditions and procedures that would apply if the  
2 property were privately owned. The North Dakota state university main research center is  
3 authorized to purchase four parcels of land in Adams County, described as:

- 4 1. The southeast quarter of section 24, township 129 north, range 96, Adams County;
- 5 2. A tract of land in the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section 13,  
6 township 129 north, range 96, Adams County;
- 7 3. The southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section 13, the north half of the  
8 northeast quarter of section 24, township 129 north, range 96, Adams County; and
- 9 4. The north half of the north half of section 19, township 129 north, range 95, Adams  
10 County.

11 **SECTION 8. NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY MAIN RESEARCH CENTER -**  
12 **POTATO FAST TRACK.** The estimated income line item in subdivision 4 of section 1 of this Act  
13 includes \$250,000 from other funds for the potato fast track program to accelerate potato  
14 variety development efforts at the North Dakota state university main research center for the  
15 biennium beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2025.

16 **SECTION 9. EXEMPTION - TRANSFER AUTHORITY.** Notwithstanding section 54-16-04,  
17 upon approval of the state board of agricultural research and education and appropriate branch  
18 research center directors, the director of the office of management and budget shall transfer  
19 appropriation authority within subdivisions 1, 2, 4, and 5 of section 1 of this Act.

20 **SECTION 10. EXEMPTION - FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITION ADJUSTMENTS -**  
21 **REPORT.** Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, the state board of higher education may  
22 adjust or increase full-time equivalent positions as needed for the entities in section 1 of this  
23 Act, subject to availability of funds. All full-time or part-time positions must be separate from  
24 North Dakota state university. Annually, the board shall report to the office of management and  
25 budget and to the budget section any adjustments made pursuant to this section.

26 **SECTION 11. EXEMPTION - UNEXPENDED GENERAL FUND - EXCESS INCOME.** Any  
27 unexpended general fund appropriation authority available to and any excess income received  
28 by entities listed in section 1 of this Act are not subject to the provisions of section 54-44.1-11,  
29 and any unexpended funds from these appropriations or revenues are available and may be  
30 expended by those entities, during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30,  
31 2027.

1       **SECTION 12. EXEMPTION - BRANCH RESEARCH CENTERS PROJECTS.** The amounts  
2 appropriated from other funds for Carrington research center capital projects, central grasslands  
3 research center capital projects, and Langdon research center capital projects in subdivision 4  
4 of section 1 of chapter 48 of the 2021 Session Laws, are not subject to the provisions of section  
5 54-44.1-11, and any unexpended funds from these appropriations or related revenues are  
6 available and may be expended during the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, and ending  
7 June 30, 2025.

8       **SECTION 13. EXEMPTION - BRANCH RESEARCH CENTERS PROJECTS - FEDERAL**  
9 **STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND.** The amounts appropriated from federal funds derived from  
10 the state fiscal recovery fund for one-time projects at the Carrington research center, central  
11 grasslands research center, Dickinson research center, and Hettinger research center in  
12 section 6 of chapter 550 of the 2021 Special Session Session Laws are not subject to the  
13 provisions of section 54-44.1-11, and any unexpended funds from these appropriations are  
14 available and may be expended during the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, and ending  
15 June 30, 2025.

16       **SECTION 14. EXEMPTION - MAIN RESEARCH CENTER - PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT**  
17 **CONSTRUCTION.** The main research center, for its use of the \$2,400,000 appropriated from  
18 the strategic investment and improvements fund for deferred maintenance and branch research  
19 center storage sheds, is not subject to the provisions of section 48-01.2-02.1, and the main  
20 research center may spend this funding without procuring plans, drawings, and specifications  
21 from an architect or engineer.

22       **SECTION 15. EMERGENCY.** The \$87,000,000 appropriated from the strategic investment  
23 and improvements fund and \$10,000,000 appropriated from other funds for the Waldron hall  
24 replacement project in subdivision 4 of section 1 of this Act is declared to be an emergency  
25 measure.