

Oregon Department of Agriculture

2017 Legislative Wrap-up



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	2015-17 Legislatively Approved Budget	2017-19 Current Service Level	2017-19 Legislatively Adopted Budget <i>(Unaudited)</i>
General Fund	\$ 24,630,128	\$ 25,777,408	\$ 22,307,042
Lottery Fund	7,599,344	7,072,247	8,103,745
Other Funds	62,541,500	65,835,111	66,605,463
Federal Funds	17,630,167	15,958,792	17,452,844
Total Funds	112,401,139	114,643,558	114,469,094
Positions	527	523	489
Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)	378.84	375.94	370.46

2017-19 Significant Budget Modifications

Human Resource Staffing: Adds \$263,675 Other Funds expenditure limitation and one full-time Training & Development Specialist 2 position to address agency's need for more training capacity and operational capacity in its human resources section.
Food Safety Inspectors: Adds \$470,034 Other Funds expenditure limitation and two positions to allow the Food Safety Program to achieve its desired inspection frequency with a focus on retail operations.
Lab Infrastructure Investments: Adds one-time \$472,000 Other Funds expenditure limitation for purchase of laboratory equipment in the regulatory and plant labs.
Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) Outreach, Education & Capacity Building: Adds \$1,400,000 Federal Funds expenditure limitation, three limited duration Natural Resource Specialist 3 positions and one limited duration (0.5 FTE) Office Specialist 2 position. Enables ODA to implement grant funding from USDA to focus on produce safety rules associated with the FSMA.
District Veterinarian Position Clean-Up: Combines two half-time positions into one full-time position.
Continue Manufactured Food Positions: Adds \$596,808 Federal Funds limitation and three limited duration Natural Resource Specialist 3 positions for ongoing work for the cooperative agreement with FDA for MFRPS.
Avian Influenza Limited Duration Position: Continues limited duration avian health coordinator.
Weights & Measures Inspectors: Adds \$457,065 Other Funds limitation and two positions due to increased work.
Metrology Lab Equipment Replacements: Adds \$90,000 Other Funds limitation to replace antiquated equipment and eventually establish a lifecycle replacement plan.
Plant Program Position Modifications: Establishes three limited duration positions using existing limitation to more accurately reflect how program resources are being utilized.
Shipping Point Position Modifications: Changes select positions to seasonal part-time.
Commodity Commission Oversight Program Limitation Increase: Adds \$75,000 Other Funds limitation. There is no change in fee rates but adds Other Funds limitation to facilitate program activities.
Eradication Activities: Adds \$1,263,115 one-time Measure 76 Lottery Funds to continue Japanese Beetle and Light Brown Apple Moth eradication activities. Light Brown Apple Moth activities are scheduled to be completed during 2017-19, but efforts to control the Japanese Beetle are not scheduled to be completed until 2019-21.

2017-19 Significant Budget Reductions

Fund shifts (from General Fund to other fund source):

- Food Safety - fund shift to Other Funds - \$1,378,946
- Administration - fund shift to Other Funds - \$300,000
- Pesticide Analytical Response Center - one-time fund shift to Other Funds - \$356,685
- Ag Development - one-time fund shift to Federal Funds - \$200,000
- IPPM one-time fund shift to Federal Funds - \$172,000

<p>Statewide adjustments and budget reconciliation (HB 5006):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget reductions in the amount of \$3,740,665 (all fund sources) • Elimination of a marketing position
<p>Vacant Position Elimination: Eliminates 48 (19.74 FTE) long-term vacant positions in 14 different programs.</p>

2017-19 Policy Legislation
ODA's Bills
<p>SB 18: Authorizes ODA to carry out duties, functions and powers regarding food safety to extent consistent with FSMA. <i>(Effective: January 1, 2018).</i></p>
<p>SB 19: Updates descriptions and allowed quantities of oxygenates in gasoline for sale at wholesale or retail in this state. <i>(Effective: May 25, 2017).</i></p>
<p>HB 2254: Exempts horticultural commodities and commodity packs from labeling requirements if commodity is being exported from the US and shipping container used to transport commodity or commodity pack is labeled as being for export only and as otherwise required by ODA. <i>(Effective: January 1, 2018).</i></p>
<p>HB 2255: Authorizes ODA to adopt recommended or required practices for ensuring safety of milk, fluid milk or dairy products. <i>(Effective: January 1, 2018).</i></p>
<p>HB 2256: Makes dietary supplements, as defined, food for purposes of Oregon Food Law and laws regulating sanitation for food and food establishments. <i>(Effective: January 1, 2018).</i></p>
Bills that impact ODA and ag and food processing sector
<p>HB 2031 (Section 2): Directs county court to enforce requirements of weed control district. <i>(Effective: June 29, 2017).</i></p>
<p>HB 2038 (Farm-to-School): Modifies purposes for which school districts may receive grants to pay for costs incurred by school districts to purchase food produced or processed in state. <i>(Effective: August 2, 2017).</i></p>
<p>HB 2066 (Sections 6 - 11): Moves the manure digester tax credit program from the Oregon Department of Energy to ODA. Applies to tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2018, and before January 1, 2022. <i>(Effective: October 6, 2017).</i></p>
<p>HB 2364: Relating to mediation of agricultural disputes. <i>(Effective: May 17, 2017).</i></p>
<p>HB 2533: Eliminates ODA bee colony registration fee for colonies having primary purpose of producing new queens or workers to start new colony or add to existing colony. <i>(Effective: January 1, 2018).</i></p>
<p>HB 2784: Designates ODA as lead agency responsible for state administration of programs and policies relating to commercial cultivation of oysters, clams and mussels. <i>(Effective: On passage).</i></p>
<p>HB 3116: Allows producer to sell candled eggs designated as ungraded under limited circumstances. <i>(Effective: May 17, 2017).</i></p>
<p>HB 3338: Requires ODA to adopt rules governing posting of tax information by gas stations. Authorizes ODA to impose civil penalty for violation of statute governing posting of tax information by gas stations. <i>(Effective January 1, 2018).</i></p>
<p>SB 1015: Provides that industrial hemp grower may transfer industrial hemp, and that industrial hemp handler may transfer industrial hemp concentrates and extracts, to marijuana processor licensed by Oregon Liquor Control Commission under certain circumstances. <i>(Effective October 6, 2017).</i></p>
<p>SB 1057 (Section 45): Allow the ODA to possess, test, and dispose of marijuana items. <i>(Effective: May 30, 2017).</i></p>
<p>SB 1039: Establishes Oregon Coordinating Council on Ocean Acidification and Hypoxia <i>(Effective: January 1, 2018).</i></p>
<p>HB 3249: Establishes Oregon Agricultural Heritage Fund and continuously appropriates moneys in fund to Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board. <i>(Effective: On passage).</i></p>
<p>SB 644: Exempts county permit application for mining operation on significant mineral resource site in certain counties from requirements for uses in exclusive farm use zones and statewide land use planning goals and rules relating to land use. <i>(Effective: January 1, 2018).</i></p>
<p>SB 677: Establishes standards for establishment of cider businesses on land zoned for exclusive farm use or on land zoned for mixed farm and forest use. <i>(Effective: January 1, 2018).</i></p>