

FISCAL UPDATE Article

Fiscal Services Division

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FY 2027 DEPARTMENT REQUESTS — AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES SUBCOMMITTEE

Fiscal Year 2027 General Fund Department Requests. Departments are requesting a total of \$48.5 million from the General Fund for FY 2027. This is an increase of \$1.9 million compared to estimated FY 2026.

General Fund Appropriations Total					
	Actual FY 2025	Estimated FY 2026	Dept Request FY 2027	Dept Request vs Est FY 2026	Percent Change
Agriculture and Land Stewardship	\$ 25,319,201	\$ 24,884,490	\$ 26,219,788	\$ 1,335,298	5.1%
Department of Natural Resources	15,535,000	16,151,738	16,151,738	0	0.0%
Board of Regents	5,069,544	5,569,442	6,169,442	600,000	9.7%
Total Agriculture and Natural Resources	\$ 45,923,745	\$ 46,605,670	\$ 48,540,968	\$ 1,935,298	4.0%

Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship (IDALS). The Department is requesting increases from the General Fund totaling \$1.3 million, including:

- An increase of \$1.0 million to the Administrative Division for general operating expenses.
- An increase of \$300,000 to the Choose Iowa Fund for increased marketing efforts and to hire a retail or business development specialist.

Board of Regents. The Board of Regents is requesting an increase from the General Fund totaling \$600,000 to the Iowa State University (ISU) Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory for increased operating costs associated with the completion of phase II of the laboratory.

Fiscal Year 2027 Other Fund Department Requests. Departments are requesting a total of \$100.8 million from Other Funds for FY 2027. This is a decrease of \$250,000 compared to estimated FY 2026.

Other Fund Appropriations Total					
	Actual FY 2025	Estimated FY 2026	Dept Request FY 2027	Dept Request vs Est FY 2026	Percent Change
Agriculture and Land Stewardship	\$ 18,205,516	\$ 19,255,211	\$ 19,255,211	\$ 0	0.0%
Department of Natural Resources	79,461,868	80,656,456	80,656,456	0	0.0%
Board of Regents	1,065,000	1,165,000	915,000	-250,000	-27.3%
Total Agriculture and Natural Resources	\$ 98,732,384	\$ 101,076,667	\$ 100,826,667	\$ -250,000	-0.2%

Board of Regents. The Board of Regents is requesting a decrease of \$250,000 from the Iowa Animal Disease Protection Fund after receiving one-time money for installing and moving equipment at the Iowa State University Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory for FY 2026.

Additional Notes. Additional information can be found on the LSA website as follows:

- [Appropriation Tracking](#)
- [Department Webpages](#)
- [Budget Unit Briefs](#)

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