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# **ESCOP/ESS Annual Meeting**

**October 3, 2018**



# Overview

- Farm Bill
- CLP Priorities Update
- FY 2019 Appropriations Update
- ERS/NIFA Move



# 2018 Farm Bill



# Farm Bill

- Current farm bill generally expired September 30, 2018
- House passed bill 213-211 on June 21
  - Republicans only supporting the bill
- Senate passed bill 86-11 on June 28
  - Bipartisan Bill



# Farm Bill

- Key Issues House
  - Commodities
  - Conservation
  - Nutrition
  - Crop Insurance



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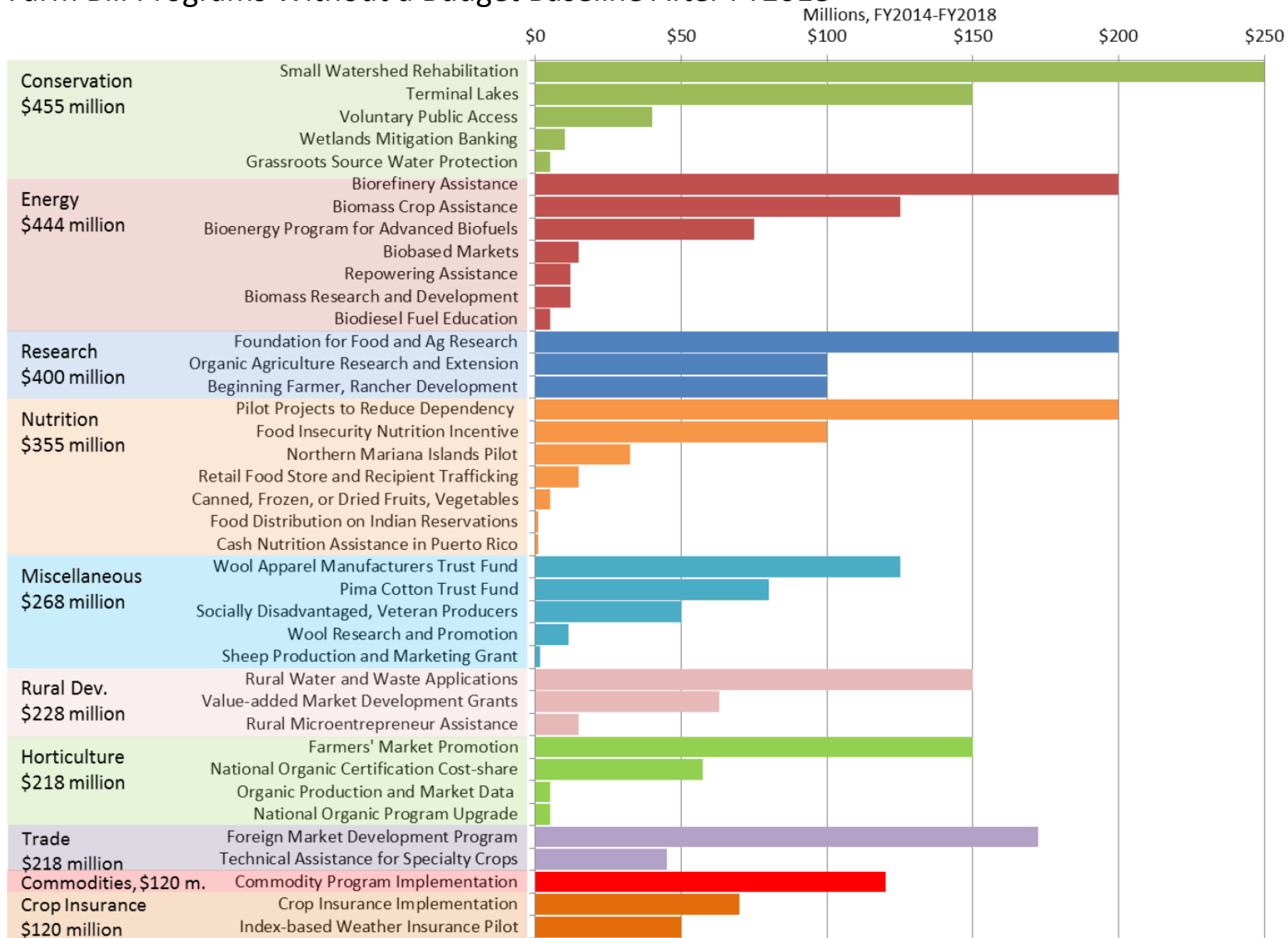


# Farm Bill

- Conference
  - Farm Bill Expired September 30: many of the large programs not affected (until Dec. 31)
    - ❖ 39 programs without budgetary baseline
  - Biggest issue for conferees to tackle is SNAP reforms/changes
  - If an agreement isn't reached before the new Congress (Jan.3), both the House and Senate would have to introduce new legislation and revote



# Farm Bill Programs Without a Budget Baseline After FY2018





# CLP Priorities



# Farm Bill

- Research Education and Extension CLP issues
  - Challenge of Change
  - FFAR--\$\$ difference
  - Nutrition education—SNAP-Ed/EFNEP changes in House vs. Senate status quo
  - Deferred Maintenance
  - 1890 capacity formula
  - House and Senate Funding differences



# **FY 2019 Appropriations**



# **FY 2018 Approach**

- **One Number Request**
- **One Document**
- **Six BAA Priorities**
- **One Message**



# Strategic Realignment

- Line Consolidation
- Simplify NIFA Budget
- More acceptable to appropriators
- More effective advocacy
- All Sections Making the Ask!



# FY 2019 – Where we are now

## BAC Priorities (\$ Millions)

<b>Account</b>	<b>FY 2018 Enacted</b>	<b>FY 2019 PBR</b>	<b>FY 2019 APLU Request</b>	<b>FY 2019 House</b>	<b>FY 2019 Senate</b>
<b>McIntire- Stennis</b>	33.96	28.867	40.572	36.000	36.000
<b>1890 Extension</b>	45.62	45.310	54.500	45.620	48.620
<b>Evans-Allen</b>	54.19	53.817	64.732	55.000	57.185
<b>Hatch Act</b>	243.70	243.238	291.138	259.000	243.701
<b>Smith- Lever</b>	300.00	299.430	358.396	315.000	300.000
<b>AFRI</b>	400.00	375.000	418.129	415.000	405.000



# **FY 2019 – Where we are now**

- **FY 2018 ended September 30, 2018**
- **House Ag Approps marked up on May 16**
- **Senate Ag Approps marked up May 24**
- **Senate passed the Ag Approps bill as part of a four-bill minibus on Aug 1**
- **House passed a minibus appropriations package that includes a CR through Dec. 7 for any appropriations bill not passed, including agriculture, on Sept 26**



# **NIFA/ERS Move**

- Plans to relocate Economic Research Service and National Institute of Food and Agriculture out of Washington
- USDA expects to identify a new location by January 2019
  - Open new facility Summer 2019
- Accepting expressions of interest to house ERS/NIFA through Oct. 15







**Questions?**

