

**Northern Crops Institute  
Budget 638  
House Bill No. 1020**

	<b>FTE Positions</b>	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Other Funds</b>	<b>Total</b>
2015-17 legislative appropriation (original)	12.00	\$2,102,158	\$1,747,735	\$3,849,893
2013-15 legislative appropriation	<u>12.00</u>	<u>2,064,861</u>	<u>1,797,161</u>	<u>3,862,022</u>
2015-17 appropriation increase (decrease) to 2013-15 appropriation	0.00	\$37,297	(\$49,426)	(\$12,129)
2015-17 general fund budget allotment (4.05 percent)	<u>0.00</u>	<u>(\$85,137)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$85,137)</u>
Adjusted 2015-17 appropriation after budget allotment	12.00	\$2,017,021	\$1,747,735	\$3,764,756

**Item Description**

**General fund budget allotment** - In February 2016 the Governor ordered a 4.05 percent general fund budget allotment for state agencies.

**Transfer authority** - In Section 14 of House Bill No. 1020, the Legislative Assembly authorized the State Board of Agricultural Research and Education and appropriate branch research center directors to transfer appropriation authority within the North Dakota State University Extension Service, Northern Crops Institute, branch research centers, and Main Research Center. Any amounts transferred must be reported to the Office of Management and Budget.

**Status/Result**

The budget allotment reduced general fund appropriations for the Northern Crops Institute by \$85,137. The Northern Crops Institute is planning to reduce operating, professional development, and travel expenses to identify budget savings. The agency may also offset a portion of the allotment by using other funds for certain expenses.

To date there have been no transfers of appropriation authority within the Extension Service, Northern Crops Institute, branch research centers, and Main Research Center, and the agency does not anticipate the need to make any transfers during the remainder of the 2015-17 biennium.