

LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF IDAHO  
Sixty-eighth Legislature First Regular Session - 2025

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 374

BY APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE APPROPRIATION TO THE AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND EXTENSION SERVICE; APPROPRIATING ADDITIONAL MONEYS TO THE AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND EXTENSION SERVICE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026; AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026; PROVIDING FOR PARTNERSHIPS WITH INDUSTRY; PROVIDING FOR CONDITIONS, LIMITATIONS, AND RESTRICTIONS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. In addition to any other appropriation provided by law, there is hereby appropriated to the Agricultural Research and Extension Service the following amounts to be expended according to the designated expense classes from the General Fund for the period July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026:

FOR:

Personnel Costs	\$19,300
Operating Expenditures	<u>230,800</u>
TOTAL	\$250,100

SECTION 2. FTP AUTHORIZATION. In addition to any other authorization provided by law, the full-time equivalent position authorization provided to the Agricultural Research and Extension Service is hereby increased by forty-three hundredths (0.43) for the period July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026.

SECTION 3. STRENGTHENING PARTNERSHIPS WITH INDUSTRY. The Agricultural Research and Extension Service shall provide the Legislature with a long-term financial operations plan for the Center for Agriculture, Food, and the Environment (CAFE), including a detailed accounting of anticipated expenses and sources of revenue. The financial operations plan should focus on strengthening partnerships with Idaho's dairy, ranching, and other agricultural industries, including partnerships that might replace General Fund expenditures in future fiscal years. The Agricultural Research and Extension Service shall submit the plan to the Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee by December 31, 2025. The format and content of the financial operations plan will be determined in consultation with the Budget and Policy Analysis Division of the Legislative Services Office.

SECTION 4. CONDITIONS, LIMITATIONS, AND RESTRICTIONS. Appropriations made pursuant to this act are subject to the conditions, limitations, and restrictions specified in this act.

1       SECTION 5. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby  
2 declared to exist, this act shall be in full force and effect on and after  
3 July 1, 2025.