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Budget Estimates
Department of Agriculture and Fisheries
Questions From April 11, 2017 Session

Question: Additional Information on a Renewable Energy Study funded by the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries, \$10,000.

Answer: Funding was requested by the Federation of Agriculture to complete a Renewable Energy Study and was approved at \$10,000.

Overview: To compile a report to show the opportunities Island agriculture has within the renewable energy sector and how it can better utilize existing technology to lower electricity costs while lowering Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions. The study was also to look at what more the agriculture community could be doing to create renewable energy.

This report is not the property of the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries.

Question: Increase in salaries under the Farm Business Risk Management Section last fiscal year.

Answer: The increase for 2016/17 was \$73,900. There were two 2% increases last fiscal year under the Collective Agreement: April 1, 2016 and October 1, 2017.

Question: Membership information for Farm & Food Care Canada (FFCC).

Answer: **Question re: Farm Food Care Canada funding**

The Canadian Centre for Food Integrity, a division of Farm and Food Care Canada, monitors public trust in agriculture through regular public opinion polling. Four provinces are members: Alberta, Saskatchewan, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island.

Through its regular polling, the sample size for PEI is quite small. The Department contributes additional funding to this program to increase PEI's sample size, thus providing more statistics to DAF for policy and program planning purposes. These statistics allow DAF to evaluate the impact of its program interventions which are aimed at improving public trust on PEI.

Additionally, DAF's membership to the organization provides the Department with the ability to access public trust experts, custom-built public trust information sessions for the Department and industry on PEI, as well as other resources and credible information on public trust in agriculture.

Question: Provide a breakdown of revenue for the Department.

Answer: Information attached.

Department of Agriculture and Fisheries Revenue Information
Larger, Ongoing Revenue Sources

Updated: March 30, 2017

Revenue for Services/Sales	2017-18 Revenue Estimate	Fee Rate
Soil & Feed Lab User Fees	210,000	\$1.75 to \$36.00 for farmers (50% cost recovery) \$3.50 to \$72.00 for non-farmers
Dairy Lab - Voluntary Antibiotic Testing	311,800 Total Dairy Lab Revenue	\$15 per test (50% cost recovery)
Dairy Lab - Valacta Testing Service		\$0.52 per sample
PEI Payment Sample		\$3.00 per sample (50% cost recovery)
Dairy Lab - Microbiology Testing (Quality Milk Program)		\$7.75 per sample (50% cost recovery)
Fisheries Processors, Buyer and Peddler Licenses	45,000	Buyers Licenses: \$50/species per buying station Processing: \$200 per primary/secondary processing licenses and \$75 per lobster cook room Peddler's License: \$25/vehicle
Provincial Revenue For Services Total		\$570K
FEDERAL REVENUE		
Total Growing Forward - Non-BRM Funding	\$3.6M	Total 5 Year GF2 Program Funding \$37M (60% Federal: 40% Provincial)
CFIA - Potato Wart Disinfection Services	\$260,000	Program delivery costs are offset 100% with federal revenue from CFIA
Program Delivery - AgriInsurance and AgriStability (60% Federal: 40% Provincial)	\$1.7M	
Federal Revenue Total		\$5.5M

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Kim Devine - Bees

From: John Jamieson
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Subject: Bees
CC: April Gallant; Janet Doyle

Hi Kim,

Can you print and please pass to the minister?

The Province of PEI and the Provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick have partnered on a study into a regional honey bee health research and technology transfer to local beekeepers. This was done through the Pan Atlantic Research Fund.

Thanks,

John

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