

Secretary Lucas Lentsch

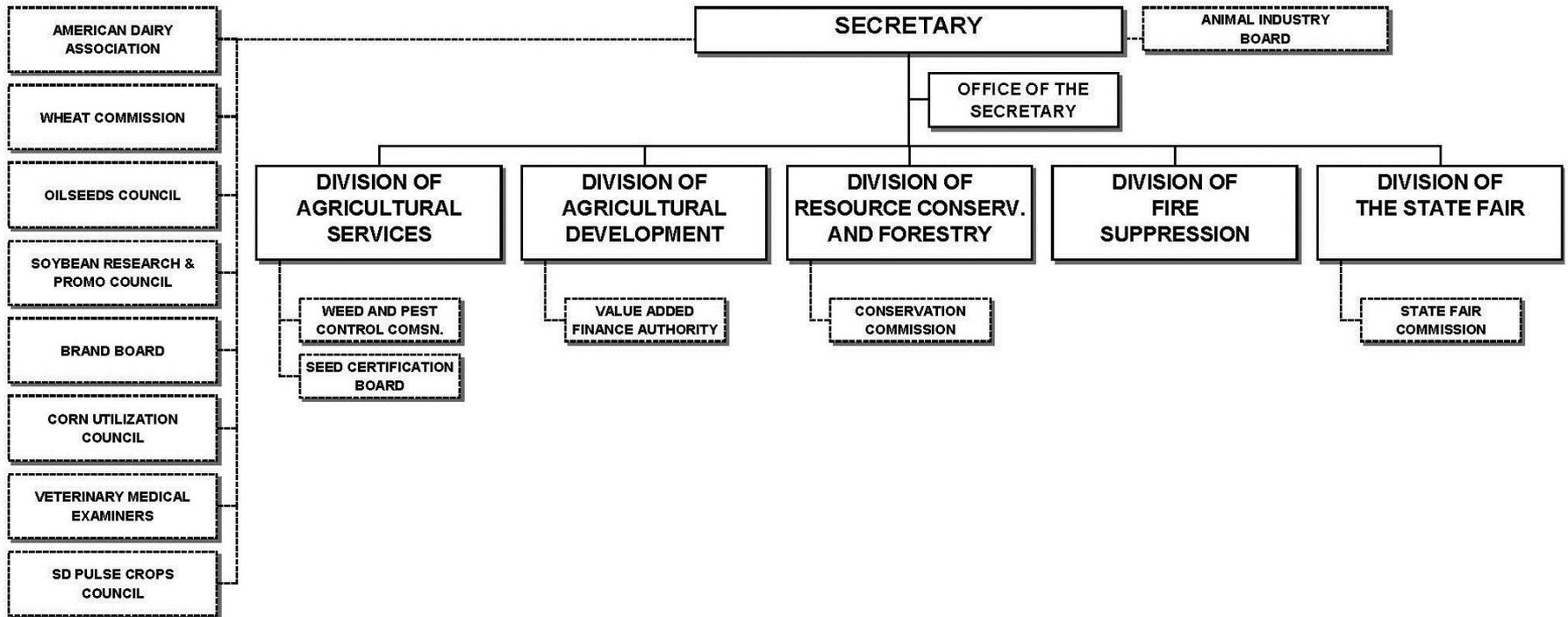
SOUTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

STATE'S #1 INDUSTRY

- \$21.4 billion impact
- 31,000 farms and ranches
- 46,000 producers
- Employs 122,000



Department of Agriculture



BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Advisory Boards (5)

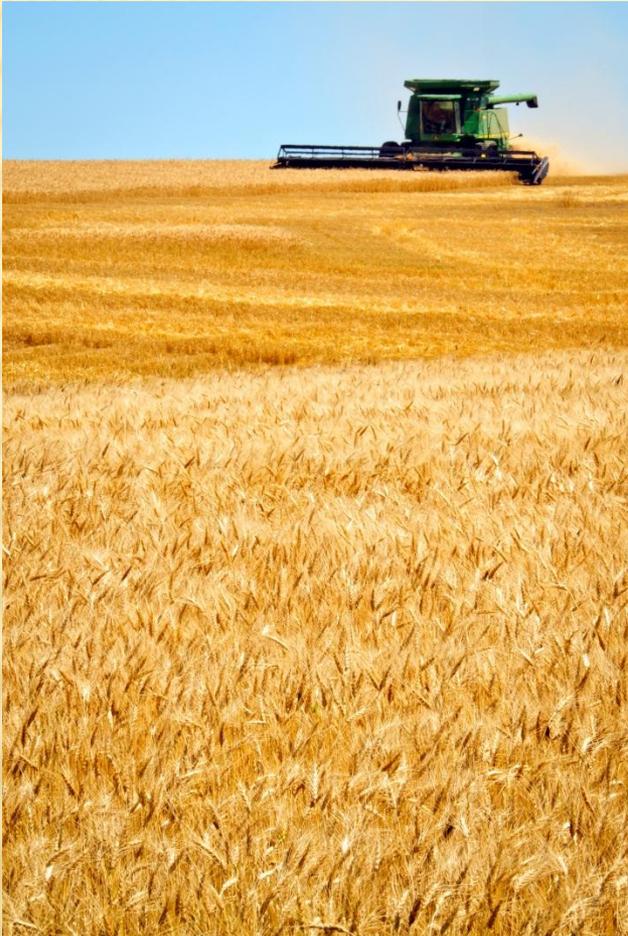
- Value Added Finance Authority
- Weed and Pest Control Commission
- State Fair Commission
- State Conservation Commission
- State Seed Certification Board

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Policy/Budgetary Boards (9)

- Animal Industry Board
- Brand Board
- American Dairy Association
- Oilseeds Council
- Soybean Research & Promotion Council
- Corn Utilization Council
- Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners
- Pulse Crops Council
- Wheat Utilization Research & Marketing Development Commission

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY



Responsibilities

- Leadership
- Industry Relationships
- Communications
- Policy/Legislation
- Special Projects
- Fiscal Management

DIVISION OF AGRICULTURAL SERVICES

Programs

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Animal Remedy▪ Apiary (bee hives/honey)▪ Dairy▪ Egg▪ Feed▪ Fertilizer | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Nursery▪ Pesticide▪ Plant Quarantine▪ Rodent Control▪ Seed▪ Soil Amendments▪ Weed & Pest Control |
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DIVISION OF

AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

Programs

- Finance
- Crop and Livestock Marketing
- Business Development Programs



DIVISION OF

RESOURCE CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY

Programs

- Resource Conservation
- Community Forestry
- Forest Health
- Service Forestry Programs



DIVISION OF

WILDLAND FIRE

Programs

- Fire Suppression
- Prescribed Fire
- Wildland Fire Training
- Fire Aviation Support
- Fire Management
- Hazardous Fuels Mitigation
- Volunteer Fire Assistance
- Rural Fire Equipment
- Dispatch
- Fire Prevention

DIVISION OF

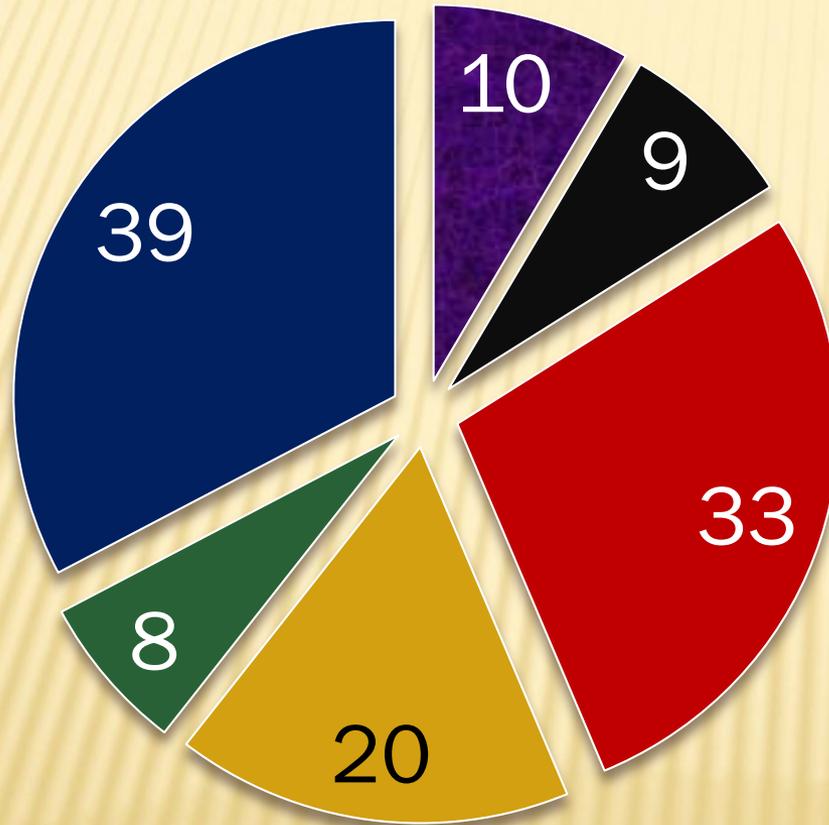
STATE FAIR PARK

Responsibilities

- State Fair Planning & Management
- Marketing & Events
- Camping & Competitive Exhibits
- State Fair Foundation
- State Fair Commission
- Building Maintenance

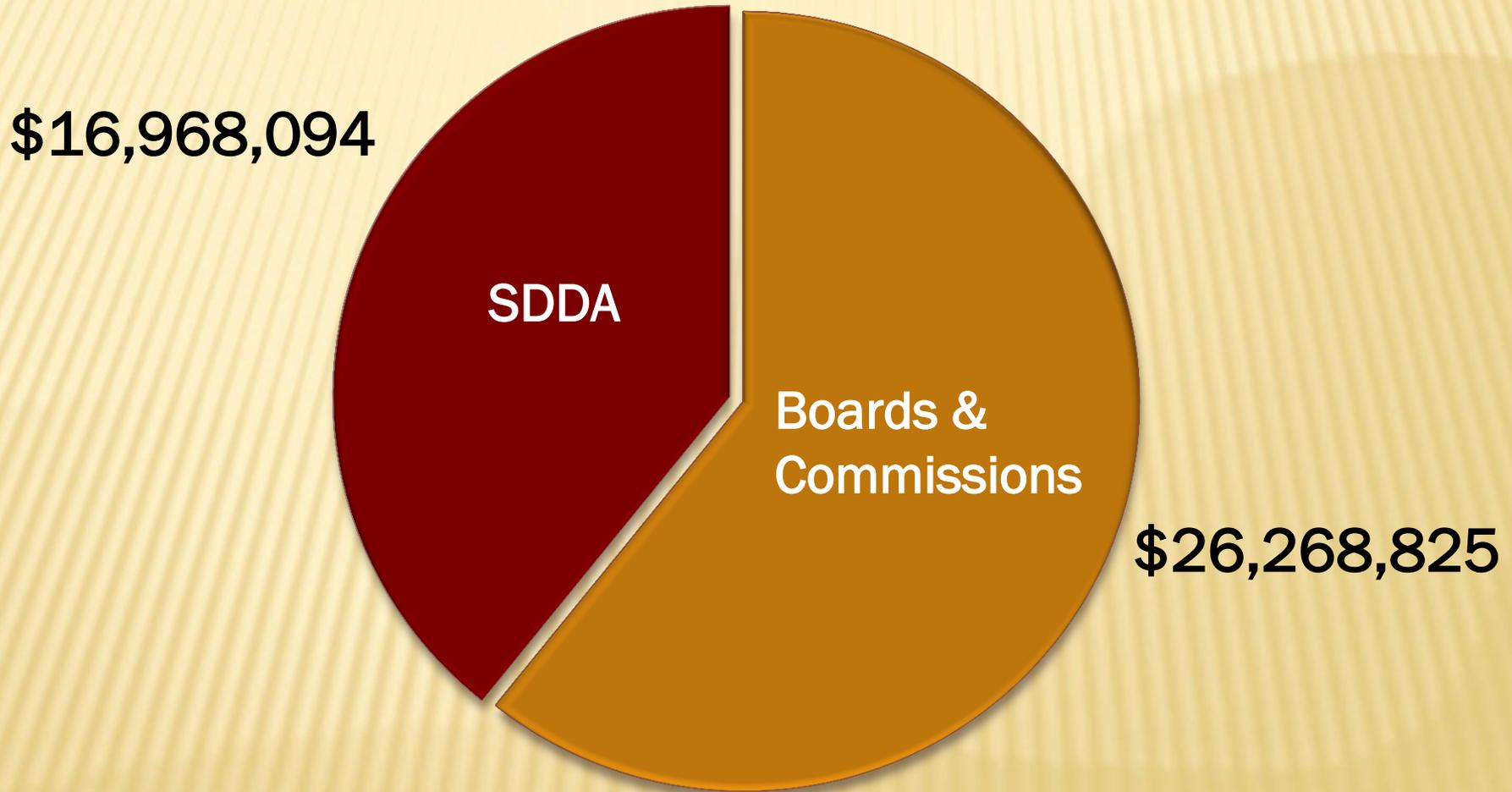


STAFF: 119 FULL-TIME

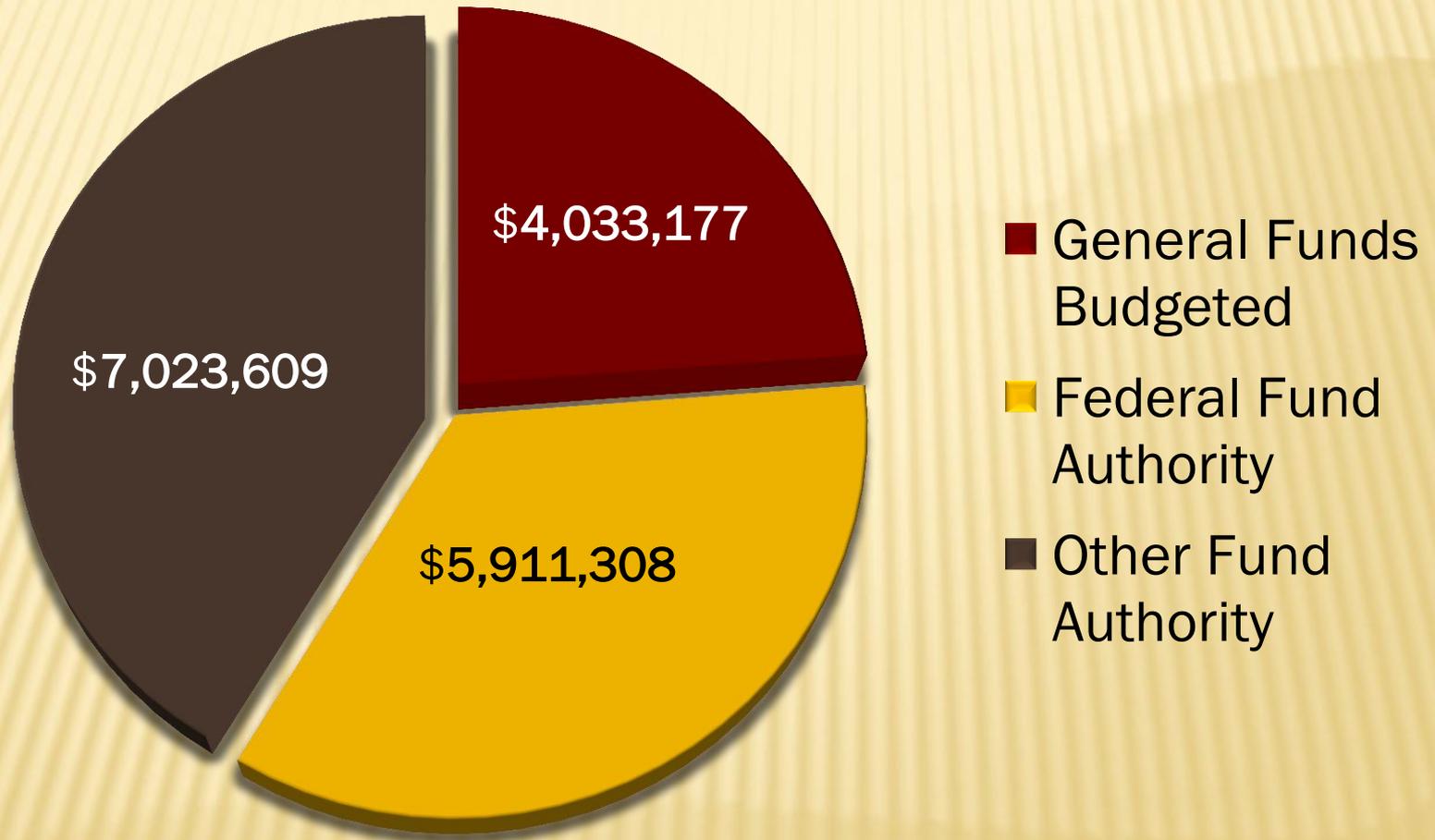


- Office of the Secretary
- Ag Development
- Ag Services
- Resource Conservation & Forestry
- State Fair Park
- Wildland Fire

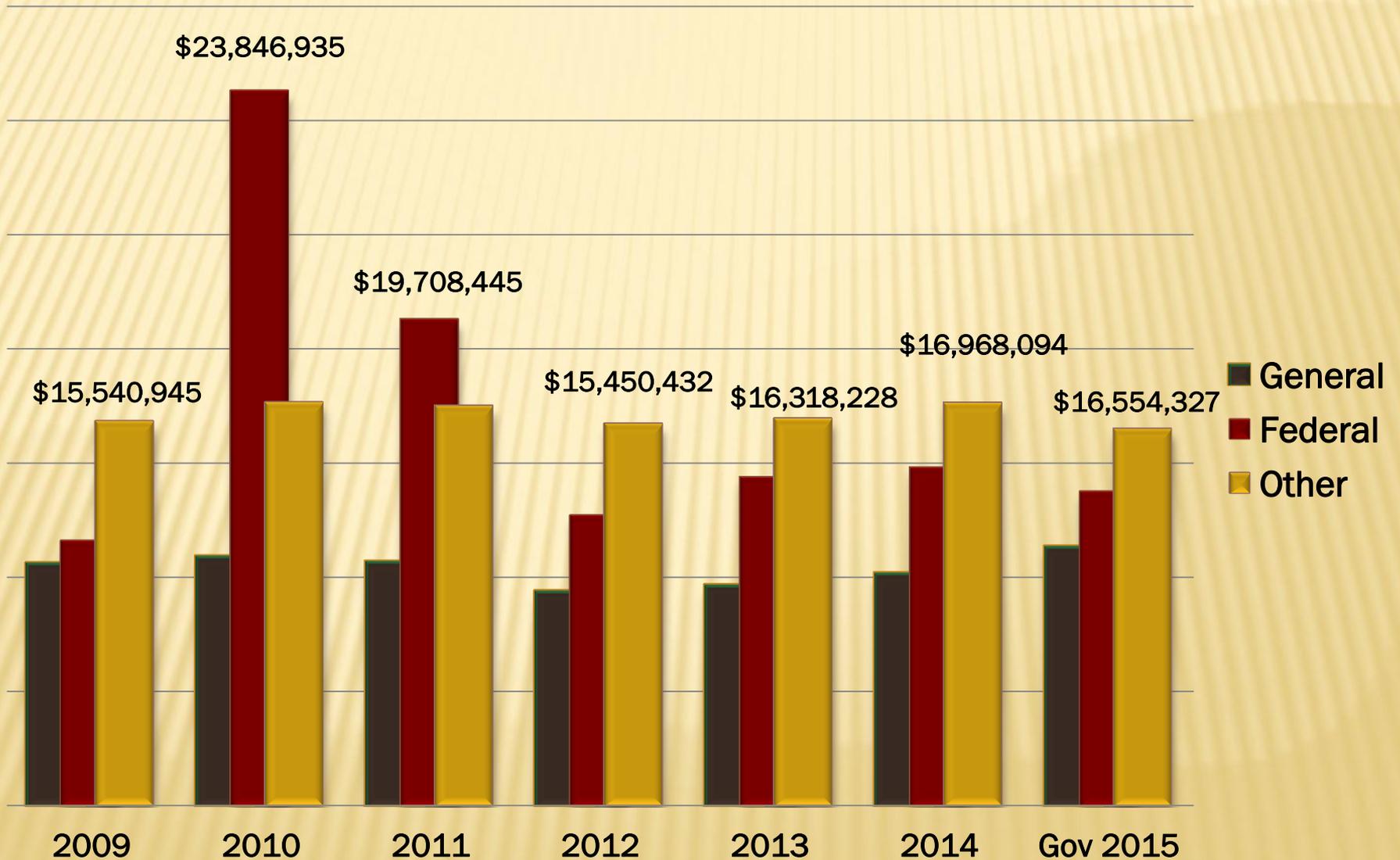
TOTAL 2014 BUDGET: \$43,236,919



SDDA 2014 BUDGET: \$16,968,094



HISTORICAL FUNDING



YEAR IN REVIEW



CREDENTIALLED PESTICIDE APPLICATORS

- **Private**
 - 15,846 applicators certified
- **Commercial**
 - 5,864 applicators certified



BIO-CONTROL PROGRAM

MIKE DURFEE PRISON INSECTARY



- Partnership with correction system, local SD counties and State of Nebraska
- Rearing of purple loostrike biological agents
- Studying economic impacts of invasive species to communities

BEL BRANDS USA

- Dairy staff assisting Bel Brands with equipment review
- Equipment must meet FDA and USDA requirements

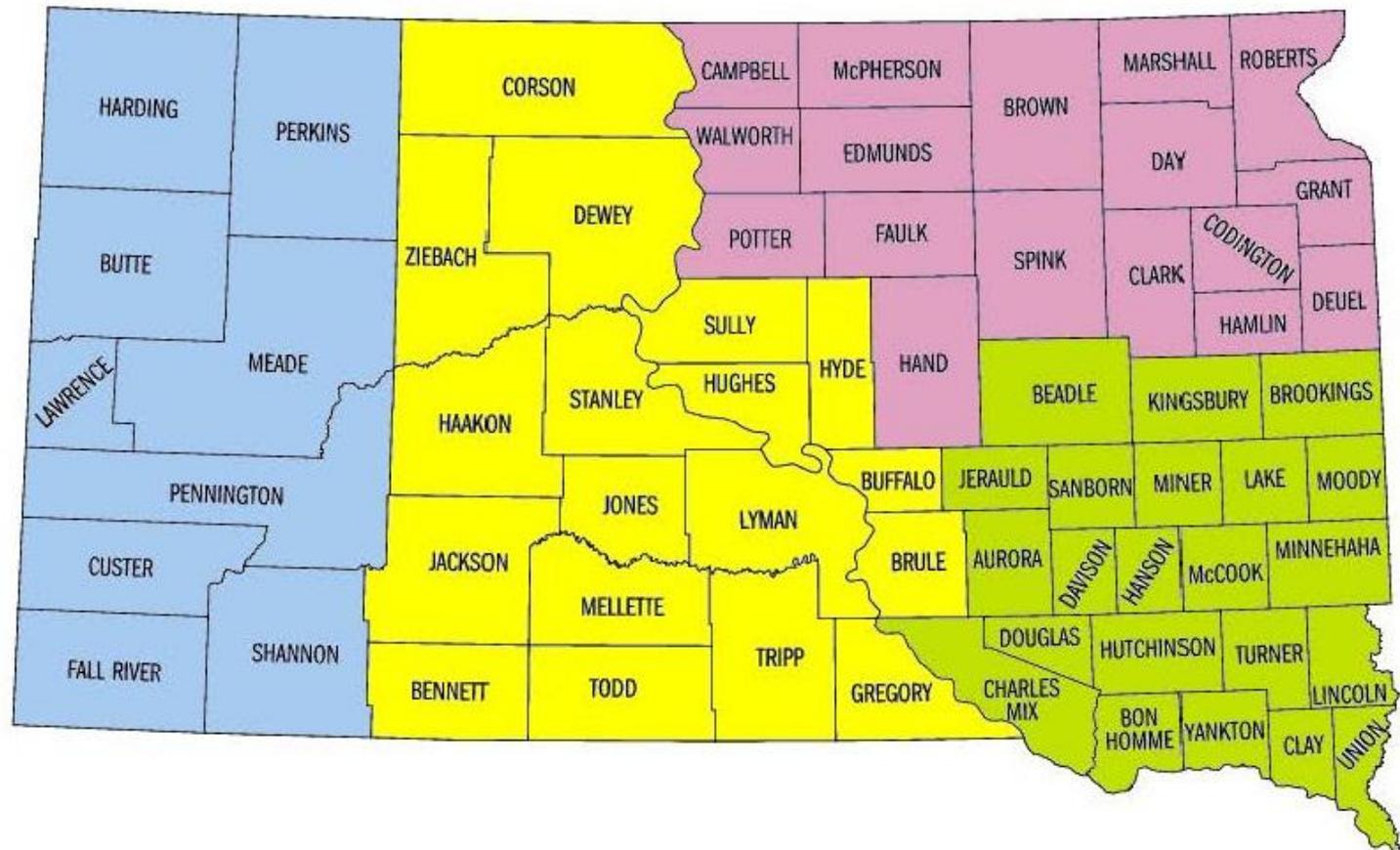


RAW MILK

- Public rulemaking process occurred last year
- Rules Implementation: December 11, 2013
- Raw Milk Working Group established for 2014

REGIONALIZING AG DEVELOPMENT

Regional Ag Development Representatives



COUNTY SITE ANALYSIS PROGRAM

- 26 county commissions requested analysis
- 4 counties complete
- **County Resource Guide**
 - Dept. of Agriculture
 - Dept. of Environment and Natural Resources
 - Dept. of Transportation
 - Dept. of Education
 - South Dakota Association of County Commissioners
 - Association of South Dakota Towns and Townships



DAIRY DEVELOPMENT

- 95,000 cows
- Added 8,000 cows to existing dairies
- 15,250 cow spaces permitted in 2013 for construction this year



BRIDGE LOAN PROGRAM



- Partnership with Farm Service Agency (FSA)
- Bridge between FSA approval and federal funds
- Monthly interest-only payments

LOCAL FORESTRY AND CONSERVATION

- 12 Community Forestry Challenge grants
- 33 communities re-certified as Tree City USA; City of Wood added
- Project Learning Tree
- Funded 33 conservation program grants totaling \$1,080,223



MOUNTAIN PINE BEETLE INITIATIVE

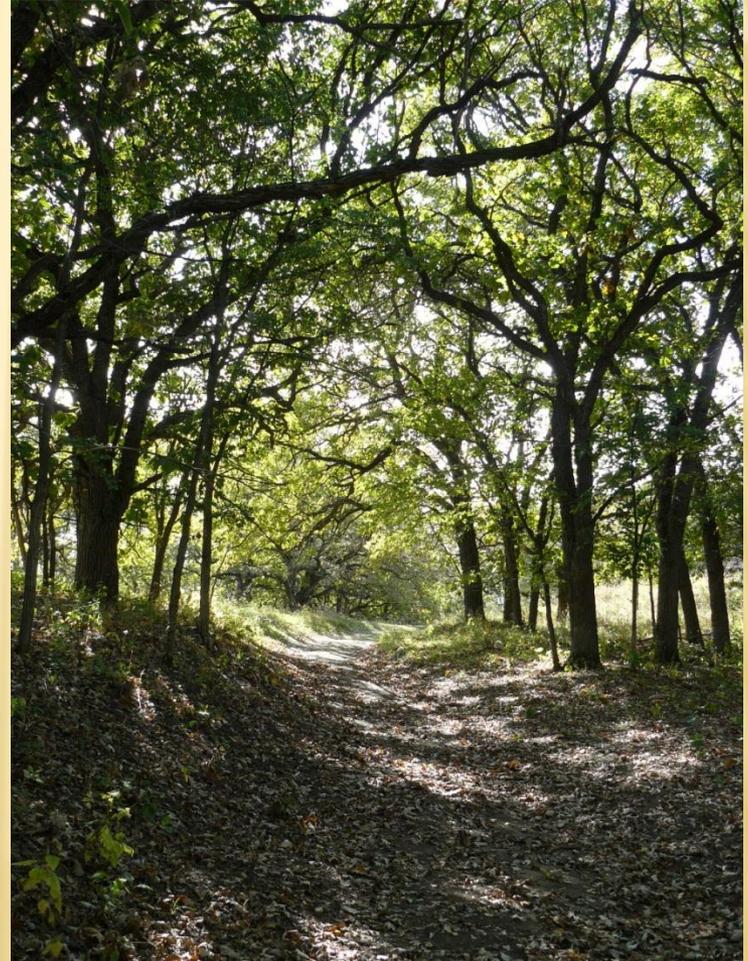
2011-2013



- Assisted 3,800+ private landowners
- Surveyed 189,000 acres
- Marked 461,000 infested trees
- Cut and treated 417,000 infested trees

GOOD EARTH PROJECT

- Re-forestation plan to protect environmentally important forest areas
- \$1.205 million of federal Forest Legacy Program funds matched with \$1.210 million state funds



COMMUNITY THREAT ASSESSMENT PROJECT

- **Four state partnership**
- **Inventoried tree resources**
- **Country's highest concentration of ash trees in South Dakota**
- **Main threat: emerald ash borer attacks**
- **Calculated cost for removal of ash trees**

WILDLAND FIRE HIGHLIGHTS

- Operation Timber Strike clean-up in Sioux Falls
- Wildland Fire Academy in Ft. Pierre
- Live fire exercise for Legislative Tour in Custer State Park
- Re-model of West Side Office, Rapid City



FIRE SUPPRESSION



- 511 fires on federal lands (973 acres)
- 371 fires on state and private lands
- 892 acres of hazardous fuels treated
- Fire assignments in 12 states

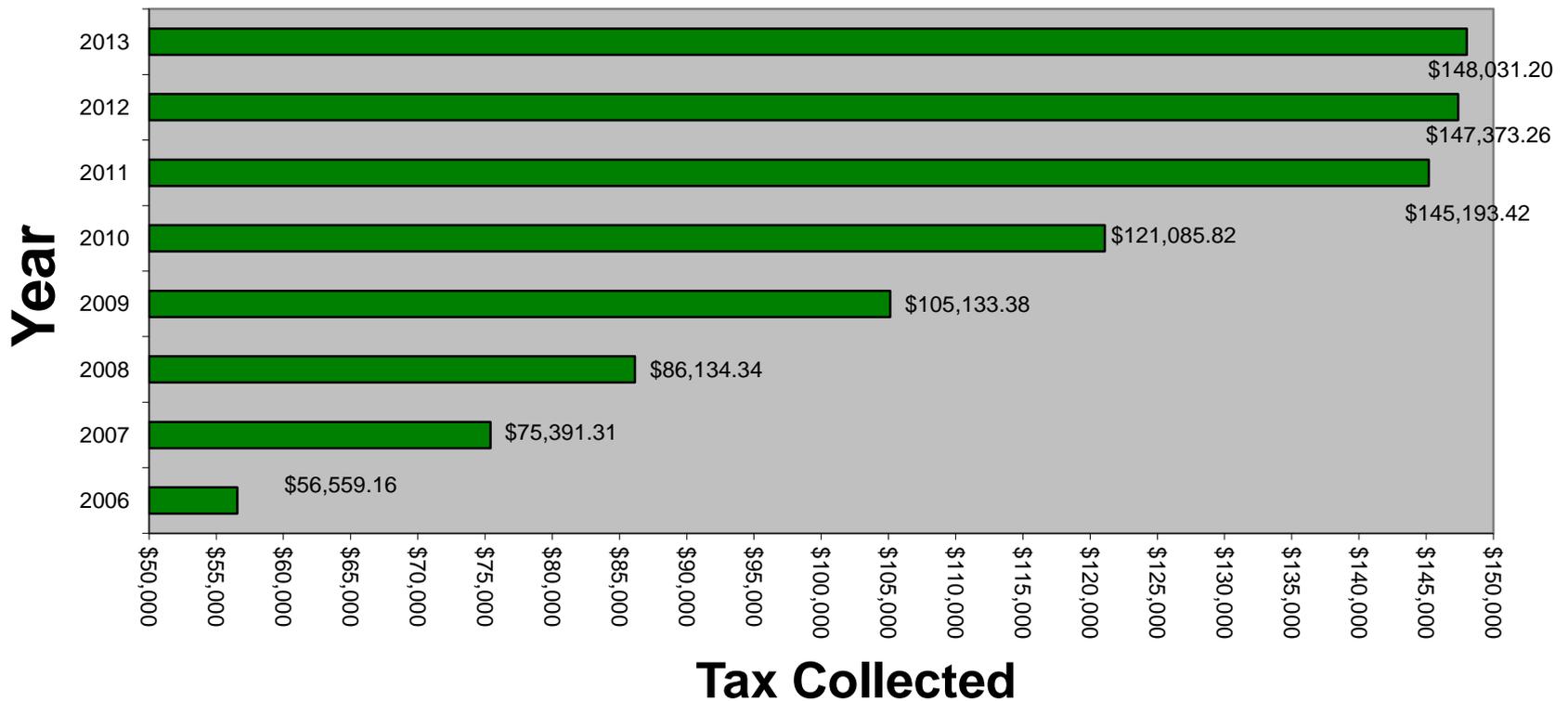
2013 STATE FAIR NUMBERS

- 2013 attendance-
183,005
- Attendance increase of
37% since 2006
- 6% increase in campers
- Camping revenue up 4%



STATE FAIR TAX REVENUES

Total Tax Collected



ATLAS BLIZZARD RELIEF EFFORT

- **Blizzard FAQ Sheet**
- **Stakeholder and agency coordination**
- **Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD) participation**
- **Wildland Fire rescue assistance**
- **Linking ranchers with CRP hay donations**
- **Blizzard survey**



THANK YOU



Questions?