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👁️ Details: DATCP Budget

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WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE ... PUBLIC HEARING - COMMITTEE RECORDS

2003-04

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Assembly

Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Agriculture

DATCP Budget

February 25, 2003 Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

March 6, 2003 **PUBLIC HEARING HELD**

Present: (12) Representatives Ott, M. Williams, Ainsworth, Kestell, Suder, Loeffelholz, Towns, Gronemus, Plouff, Lassa, Vruwink and Hebl.
Absent: (3) Representatives Petrowski, Hines and Balow.

Appearances For

- None.

Appearances Against

- None.

Appearances for Information Only

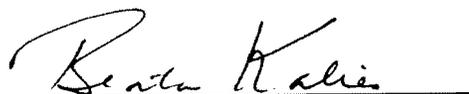
- Secretary Rod Nilsestuen, DATCP, Madison
- Tom Lyon, DATCP, Madison
- Barb Knapp, DATCP, Madison
- Steve Steinhoff, DATCP, Madison
- Nick Neher, DATCP, Madison
- Will Hughes, DATCP, Madison

Registrations For

- None.

Registrations Against

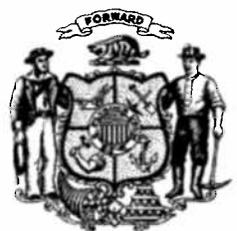
- None.



Beata Kalies
Committee Clerk



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Kalies, Beata

From: Parrott, Douglas
Sent: Thursday, March 06, 2003 7:27 AM
To: Kalies, Beata
Subject: Ag. committee meeting

Hi Beata,

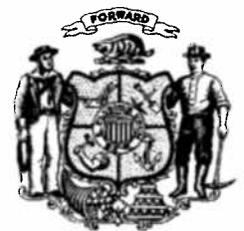
Rep. Hines is ill today and will not be able to attend the ag. committee meeting. I wanted to let you know of his absence ahead of time.

Thanks.

Douglas Parrott
Office of Rep. J.A. "Doc" Hines
(608)266-7746



WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE



**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, TRADE & CONSUMER
PROTECTION**

2003-05 EXECUTIVE BUDGET REQUEST

Ag Chem Management (ACM) and Ag Chem Cleanup Funds (ACCP)

- Increase fertilizer tonnage fee from 30 cents to 45 cents (ACM)
- Increase feed tonnage fee from 23 cents to 30 cents (ACM)
- Increase cap on fertilizer tonnage surcharge from 38 cents to 88 cents (ACCP)
- Return to 75% reimbursement of cleanup costs instead of 80% (ACCP)
- Fund clean sweeps from recycling fund - \$560,400/year (ACM)
- Change basis for assessing fees from prior year actual to current year projected sales and adjust for actual at the end of a year. Provides ability to adjust product pricing for fees within the same year.
- Eliminate the requirement that the ag chem cleanup fund maintain a balance of \$2 million minimum
- Cut supplies and services in year 1 by \$154,600. Cut 4 positions in year 2 and \$418,400.

Disease Control and Biosecurity – to address major animal disease threats

- 5 new positions for captive wildlife, funded from GPR
- Pet facilities program repealed for lack of funding and staff

Bonding for Cost-Share Grants for Farmers – to implement county land and water conservation plans; to install practices to meet water quality performance standards (ATCP 50 and NR 151).

- Authorize \$7 million in GPR bonding to continue implementing county land and water conservation plans.

Miscellaneous

- Eliminate 10.05 FTE in fruit and vegetable Inspection
- Eliminate 12.68 FTE in grain inspection
- Adjust funding and positions to reflect more recent federal grant amounts and other gifts and grants
- Increase the Division of Food Safety sale of supplies account by \$15,000.

Budget Reductions (all annual)

- Transfer Consumer Protection program to the Department of Justice. Eliminate 13.35 FTE GPR. Transfer 26.0 FTE GPR positions to Justice. Transfer 5.5 PR FTE (the No Call program). Retain the Weights & Measures program and the Ozone program, including 7.5 FTE GPR positions. Delayed effective date of October 1, 2003 or the 1st day of 3rd month after publication. Savings: \$906,000
- The Department is renamed the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Rural Resources.
- Eliminate the TCP Administrator position & support costs
- Savings: \$36,600 GPR and \$67,900 PR
- Eliminate the GPR portion of ethanol grants. Retain \$1.9 million PR for ethanol grants.
- Savings: \$1.045 million
- Eliminate aids to Wisconsin livestock breeders association. Savings: \$38,000
- Eliminate aids to county and district fairs. Savings: \$555,700
- Eliminate aids to World Dairy Expo. Savings: \$23,700
- Reduce drainage board grants. \$200,000 remains. Savings: \$275,000
- Eliminate farmers tuition assistance grants. Savings: \$4,700
- Inspect non-hazardous food establishments on a complaint basis instead of routine basis.

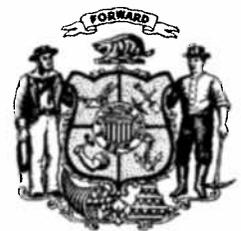
- Eliminate 2.5 FTE inspectors (vacancies). Savings: \$128,500
- Eliminate .50 FTE meat inspector position (vacant) Savings: \$21,300
- Move 50% of Trade Bureau Director position to Ag Producer Security Fund. Savings: \$50,400
- Eliminate 2.0 Ag Auditors positions (1 vacant); convert 1.0 position to the Ag Producer Security Fund. Savings: \$173,400
- Eliminate ag development assistant administrator position and support costs. Savings: \$145,000
- Stop funding state booth at Food Marketing Institute. Savings: \$24,400
- Eliminate 1.0 FTE Land and Water Resource Management program position (vacant). Reallocate workload between central and field staff. Savings: \$85,700
- Centralize administrative support in the agency. Eliminate 2.0 FTE. Savings: \$142,100
- Reduce the amount of space rented in the Prairie Oak State Office Building. Savings: \$120,000
- Program Revenue Lapse - Food Inspection. Savings: \$425,900

Interagency Proposals – Governor's Initiative

- Transfer attorneys and hearing examiner to the Department of Administration; chief counsel remains in DATCP. 5.5 FTE GPR; 1.0 FTE SEG. Salary & fringe transferred to the S&S line; \$448,700 GPR and \$121,900 SEG retained for payment to Department of Administration. Eliminate 2.0 FTE attorney positions (1 vacant). Delayed effective date of October 1, 2003 or the 1st day of 3rd month after publication. Savings: \$174,700
- Transfer of 4.8 FTE Milk Certification positions from DHFS to the Food Safety Division. \$362,100 PR increase per year.



WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE



Project Request Document

1. **Project Name: Wisconsin Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory (WVDL)**

Total estimated cost	\$24,900,000
Enumerated funding	\$20,000,000
Requested amount	\$4,900,000

Requested Source: General Fund Supported Borrowing

2. **Project Description and Scope:**

Project planning with a consulting A/E firm, Strang Inc., has been underway since the fall 2000, shortly after enumeration for planning in the 2001-03 budget (construction to be enumerated in 03-05). Planning studies concluded in October of 2002 showing need for a three-story, 78,000 GSF facility. The facility will enable accredited, high levels of testing services for the State's practicing veterinarians in regulatory monitoring and surveillance, and diagnostic testing and investigation. Recent events in Wisconsin and around the country have made the original \$20 million, 62,000 GSF project inadequate. The current 78,000 GSF plan has the unanimous support of the WVDL Board.

Diagnostic program needs in the new WVDL facility are each associated with uniquely identifiable laboratory space and also necessitate space for involved personnel, supply storage, and major equipment. The following six programs / activities were part of the original plan, and are still in current planning:

- Diagnostic pathology - necropsy and biopsy procedures
- Diagnostic toxicology and chemistry
- Diagnostic bacteriology, mycology, parasitology - routine daily activities
- Diagnostic virology - routine daily activities
- Disease surveillance activities for many US and WI "program diseases"
- Diagnostic test development (an inadequate amount of space exists in the original plan)

Modern veterinary diagnostic labs throughout the country are now conducting testing procedures not addressed in the previous WVDL request. The entire discipline of *Molecular Diagnostics*, which many believe will be responsible for as much as half of all veterinary and human disease diagnostic work in the future, was not in the original plan at all. Specific test procedures such as polymerase chain reaction (PCR) testing provide a level of diagnostic accuracy and timeliness

not possible with any other testing method. Space required to perform PCR assays and other molecular based testing is responsible for an increase of approximately 8000 GSF in the currently planned facility as compared to the previous plan. This area will be remotely located on the third floor in the current plan.

Five other new activities are responsible for an additional 6200 GSF in the currently planned facility. Test development space, though envisioned in the original plan, needs to be increased approximately 1800 GSF to meet the State's needs. The following diagnostic activities were not accommodated in the original plan, but have become essential functions over the last 2-3 years and will continue to be so in the future.

• Molecular Diagnostics	8000 GSF
• Necropsy space dedicated to highly infectious agents including foreign animal diseases such as Foot and Mouth Disease	1400 GSF
• Necropsy / diagnostic space dedicated to avian and aquaculture species	1000 GSF
• Biosafety level 3 lab space for detecting agents with agri-terrorism potential	1800 GSF
• Dedicated Johne's Disease diagnostic laboratory space	800 GSF
• Dedicated space for testing for emerging diseases - CWD, WNV, TB	1200 GSF
• Diagnostic test development space in bacteriology and virology (under-programmed in original)	1800 GSF
	16,000 GSF

Overall building efficiency is approximately 60%

3. **Background:**

The Wisconsin Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory (WVDL) was established in 1999 by Wisconsin Act 107 (1999 Senate Bill 358) which was enacted on April 28, 2000. With that Act, effective July 1, 2000, the Wisconsin Animal Health Laboratory (WAHL) was transferred from the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection to the University of Wisconsin System, and renamed the Wisconsin Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory. Much like the State Laboratory of Hygiene, the WVDL is administratively attached to UW, but governed by an independent board that contains representatives of the state and federal governments, the university, and 5 private sector members appointed by the governor and representing various aspects of Wisconsin animal agriculture

The WVDL, with branches in Madison and Barron, does all the official animal disease surveillance work for the state and federal government in Wisconsin and

serves more than 2000 Wisconsin veterinarians responsible for protecting vital animal agricultural and agribusiness interests.

4. Analysis of Need:

The nature of veterinary diagnostics in the State of Wisconsin has changed significantly since the late 1990's when planning and programming for a new laboratory facility occurred. The lab now is actively involved with CWD testing, homeland security (anti-agriterrorism) preparation, and developing the capability to respond to emerging disease such as West Nile Virus infection. Tuberculosis in deer, elk and cattle is common in a neighboring state and the WVDL is our state's first line of diagnostic readiness for this critical disease. These situations did not exist when the first facility planning and funding processes occurred, and they have drastically affected the state's needs.

The WVDL serves veterinary medicine and animal agriculture in Wisconsin and the upper Midwest in a number of ways. Through close ties with private and regulatory veterinarians, the lab does the vast majority of in-state testing for many critical animal diseases. Memoranda of Understanding and Cooperative Agreements with both the USDA and the National Wildlife Health Laboratory in Madison focus on the most important disease that are the subject of both state and federal control programs. Recently, the lab has achieved high profile as one of the busiest Chronic Wasting Disease facilities in the world. WVDL was also chosen in July, 2002 to serve the country and the region as one of only five core laboratories in a newly created National Animal Health Laboratory Network (NAHLN). As a central lab in the NAHLN, WVDL will be in a position to diagnose a variety of foreign animal diseases that have a potential role in agri-terrorism. Relationships with USDA, the National Veterinary Services Laboratory, and the National Foreign Animal Disease Laboratory are expected to strengthen and persist for many years to come.

The WVDL is the official (USDA certified) facility for all veterinary testing related to animal agriculture and agribusiness in the state. The lab has cooperative agreements with the DATCP and the USDA to conduct all official animal disease surveillance in Wisconsin. This is a big responsibility which carries with it huge economic implications. WVDL also works with the DNR on wildlife disease surveillance and control programs and with the DHFS on zoonotic / public health matters such as influenza and West Nile Virus infection. Additionally, we serve as the diagnostic reference laboratory for more than 2000 private veterinary practitioners in the state. In one way or another, WVDL's animal disease diagnostic and monitoring activities directly affect the lives of every citizen in the state.

WVDL's involvement with many disease diagnostic activities that were not envisioned at the time when the original plan was completed is the reason for the

increase in space requirements. These new responsibilities have added roughly 20% to space needed to conduct the lab's current and future diagnostic activities.

WVDL is a critical part of the State's response to emerging diseases such as Chronic Wasting Disease and West Nile Virus infection that did not exist in Wisconsin in 2000. In addition, WVDL has recently been selected by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) as one of only five regional core labs in their National Animal Health Laboratory Network (NAHLN). As such, WVDL is expected to provide diagnostic capabilities that are on par with the other four core labs, and a cut above labs not involved in the NAHLN.

5. Estimated Costs:

	<u>Original</u>	<u>Current Plan</u>
Construction	\$14,965,000	\$19,574,000
Design & other fees	\$1,197,000	\$1,880,000
DFD Supervision	\$641,000	\$838,000
Contingency	\$1,047,500	\$1,371,000
Special Equipment	\$1,127,500	(in construction total)
Moveable Equipment	\$975,000	\$1,175,000
Percent for Art	\$47,000	\$62,000
TOTAL	<u>\$20,000,000</u>	<u>\$24,900,000</u>

6. UW-Madison Ranking: None

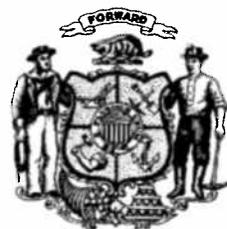
7. Previous Action: This request was included in DATCP's 2001-03 Capital Budget Requests submitted September 1, 2000 and was part of the 2001-2003 Biennial Building Program recommended to the State Legislature by the Building Commission.

State of Wisconsin
 Summary of General Obligation Bonding Authority Status Report
 As of 12/31/2002

<u>Alpha</u>	<u>Appr unit</u>	<u>Appropriation Unit Name</u>	<u>Enumerated Authority</u>	<u>Allotted Authority</u>	<u>Balance</u>
2(S)	U.W. Academic Facilities				
S005		AQUATIC SCIENCE/TECH ED CENTE	398,200.00	0.00	398,200.00
S010		MILWAUKEE-SABIN HALL RMDL	5,737,000.00	5,737,000.00	0.00
S020		PARKSIDE-PHY ED ADD-PHASE 2	4,500,800.00	4,500,800.00	0.00
S030		STOUT-COMMUNICATION CTR REPL	5,495,000.00	5,495,000.00	0.00
S040		EAU CLAIRE-PHILLIPS SCI HLL RE	11,496,500.00	11,496,500.00	0.00
S050		SYSTEM-CLASSROOM RENOV/INSTR	5,650,000.00	5,569,271.86	80,728.14
S060		GREEN BAY-ACADEMIC BLDG	15,000,000.00	15,000,000.00	0.00
S070		OSHKOSH-HALSEY SCIENCE CTR RE	13,885,000.00	13,885,000.00	0.00
S080		LACROSSE-WING TECH CTR RMDL	9,887,000.00	9,887,000.00	0.00
S090		MIL-LAPHAM HALL SO WING RENV	10,950,000.00	10,950,000.00	0.00
S0C0		UW ACADEMIC - CLOSED PROJECTS	569,943,281.04	569,943,281.04	0.00
S105		MSN CAMP RANDALL STADIUM REN	9,433,200.00	9,433,200.00	0.00
S110		PLATT-STUDENT CTR TECH WING	2,646,500.00	2,646,500.00	0.00
S115		MSN VETERINARY DIAGNOSTICS LA	20,000,000.00	0.00	20,000,000.00
S120		MAD-INFRASTRUCTURE DISTRI SYS	11,287,900.00	8,250,000.00	3,037,900.00
S125		MSN CHAMBERLAIN HALL RENOVAT	18,406,800.00	18,406,800.00	0.00
S130		RIVER FALLS-DAIRY SCIENCE TEAC	2,154,000.00	2,154,000.00	0.00
S135		MSN MEAT/MUSCLE SCIENCE LAB	20,000,000.00	0.00	20,000,000.00
S140		WHITEWATER-WILLIAMS CTR FLD H	8,763,200.00	8,763,200.00	0.00
S145		MSN MECH ENGINEERING BLDG RM	23,000,000.00	0.00	23,000,000.00
S160		LA CROSSE - MURPHY HALL	6,540,200.00	6,540,200.00	0.00
S180		SYSTEM-CLASSROOM RENOV/INSTR	18,370,700.00	18,341,409.84	29,290.16
S1A0		RIVER FALLS-AMES TEACHER ED CT	5,640,800.00	5,639,232.45	1,567.55
S205		MLW KLOTSCH CENTER PE ADDITN	14,510,300.00	14,510,300.00	0.00
S215		MLW LAPHAM HALL N WING REMOD	8,785,500.00	0.00	8,785,500.00
S2A0		WHITEWATER-HYER HALL CAP RENE	5,805,000.00	5,805,000.00	0.00
S305		SP FINE ARTS CENTER ADDITION	22,502,700.00	22,502,700.00	0.00
S3A0		UW SYSTEM-INSTRUCTIONAL TECH	7,914,500.00	7,777,243.45	137,256.55
S405		GB LAB SCIENCE BLDG REMODEL	15,848,000.00	15,140,000.00	708,000.00
S4A0		PLATTEVILLE-RUSSELL HALL RMDL	7,927,000.00	7,927,000.00	0.00
S500		MADISON - ENGINEERING BUILDING	14,500,000.00	14,500,000.00	0.00
S505		SUP GATES PE BLDG ADDITION	11,914,300.00	11,914,300.00	0.00
S510		MADISON - SCHOOL OF BUSINESS	17,129,900.00	17,129,900.00	0.00
S590		WHITEWATER - MULTI PURPOSE BL	3,500,000.00	3,500,000.00	0.00
S605		VV UPHAM HALL SCIENCE ADDITIO	8,470,000.00	8,470,000.00	0.00
S640		GREEN BAY - CENTER OF ARTS	3,499,899.07	3,499,899.07	0.00
S650		MILWAUKEE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS	19,908,000.00	19,908,000.00	0.00
S660		STOUT FRYKLUND ALL REMODEL	2,318,303.24	2,318,303.24	0.00
S705		PLT/MSN WI AG STEWARDSHIP	2,852,100.00	1,509,000.00	1,343,100.00
S715		PLT COMP SCIENCE CLASSRM ADTN	5,119,900.00	0.00	5,119,900.00
S760		EAU CLAIRE-BREWER HALL COMPLE	2,302,000.00	2,094,138.02	207,861.98
S780		MADISON-HUMANITIES BLDG HELT	1,176,200.00	1,176,200.00	0.00
S800		MAD-LAW SCHOOL ADDITION	7,777,400.00	7,777,400.00	0.00
S810		MIL-ENGELMANN HALL RENDL	2,629,700.00	2,629,700.00	0.00
S830		PLATTEVILLE-DOUDNA HALL RMDL	2,452,400.00	2,452,400.00	0.00
S840		RIVER FALLS-DAVEE LIBRARY ADDI	5,817,990.37	5,817,990.37	0.00
S850		STEVENS PT-SCIENCE BLDG RMDL	2,337,371.35	2,337,371.35	0.00
S860		SUPERIOR-BARSTOW HALL RMDL	2,891,500.00	2,891,500.00	0.00
S880		EXT-UNIVERSITY CTR CONT ED	7,747,792.33	7,747,792.33	0.00
S890		MAD-LAW SCHOOL ADDITION	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	0.00



WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE



3/6/03

Wisconsin Association of Fairs

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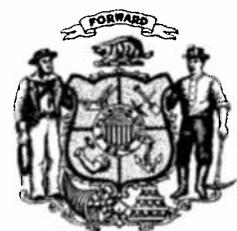
Regarding Budget Item to Eliminate \$555,700 Fairs Premium Reimbursement

These monies are used to reimburse county and district fairs for the premiums they have provided to their exhibitors. This proposal to remove these monies annually in the next biennium has negative impacts and implications for Wisconsin's 76 County and District Fairs in the following ways:

- Eliminates the entire amount in one budget will create an extreme hardship on smallest fairs (1/3) which could cease to exist, a moderate hardship on the mid-sized fairs (1/3) and a slight impact on largest fairs (1/3).
- 75% of all exhibitors are youth (4-H, FFA, HERO, Scout, Schools etc.) - Wisconsin's future leaders – fair is the community premier showcase for agriculture.
- The current state statute 93.23 and administrative rule ATCP 160 that fairs operate under uniformly statewide would be rendered useless without the financial basis.
 - Key tools all fairs use to operate would be discontinued:
 - annual fair report detailing exhibitors, exhibits and gate attendance
 - registered judges list used to select fair judges each year statewide.
- DATCP Fair coordinator position discontinued as no funds to administer
 - Fairs would not be audited for compliance
 - No one would answer emergency questions during fair season.
- Animal health regulations lose their strength of enforcement, where currently funds are withheld if fairs are not in compliance.
- Wisconsin Association of Fairs has one part-time person (15 hours/week) and not able to take on current DATCP functions due to our budgetary constraints.



WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE



Clerks notes

Assembly

PUBLIC HEARING

Committee on Agriculture

The committee will hold a public hearing on the following items at the time specified below:

Thursday, March 6, 2003
9:00 AM
417 North (GAR Hall)

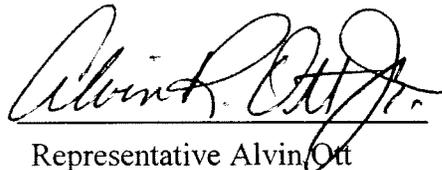
- ROD
- TOM
- BAMB
- MICK
- STEVE
- WILL

DATCP Budget

presenters of their budget:

proposed agenda:

The committee will receive information from the Department of Agriculture, Trade & Consumer Protection regarding the agency budget.


Representative Alvin Ott
Chair

- Datcp Sec Intro
- New Ag Cante Intro
- State Fair Issues
- Vet Lab Legislation - Gabe Loeffelholz
- Handout @ County Fairs
- Remind members to Nutrient test mtg @ 400 NE 1pm

Attendance:
Members

- Ott
- Williams
- Ainsworth
- Kestell
- Swan
- Loeffelholz
- Tomms
- Gannon
- Phoff
- Lasse
- Vranish
- Held

excused absence

- Petrowski
- Hines
- Balow

Also: ITC legislation
Staff Datcp intro
Implementors of Amharan

Others present:

- Petrowski staff, Hines + Tomms staff
- Vranish staff (ET, Fed & Coops, Z)
- Duke, Danner, Gullbach etc.

3/6/03

Assembly Ag Ante Heavy - Dairy Budget

THURS MARCH 6, 2003

- 1 New Ag Members + brief intro (Balow out of town too)
- 2 (ITC CD legislation)
- 3 Nutrient tech proposal reminder (Wrong location given)
- 4 vet lab - Garzo (didn't give me handouts ahead)
- 5 New Sec Nilseström
 { Judy - (implementers of Hartung) - ensure what says is
 Tom Lyon
 Boris Knop
 Kellen Mill
 Steve
 Mike Nelson
 Will Hyslop

- Sec. Nilseström invites members to meet w/ Dairy's people

- { they are experienced & know how to get the job done
- { visit various labs, food safety, etc
- { a lot of work agency does is invisible - They are doing the job

- challenges

① Build or work committee + state has done already

- Dairy on (Dairy 2020 plus)
- course changes as they come
- budget will limit our options but
- we can't set this aside
- still losing farms
- 2-3% growth internationally but WI is losing share

- make sure recognize that Food is

40 Billion, dairy big part
(2.1M income per farm)

⇒ core industry is losing ground

- Not just a few well intentioned initiatives but work defensibly, & officially in many areas

Need to be profitable & level the playing field

- lawsuit on Calif.

② Ag Diversification & Development

- WI has always been diverse
- Short term history not good, started but not as good as other states
 - Ex. Aquaculture
- Ex. Minnesota puts a greater effort into ag
 - 20 ethanol plants, we have 2
- Learn from it + pick up winning strategies
 - work w/ Commerce + Fed program
 - partner to get the funds we do not have
- pilot in things like manure digesters + people produce based value added

③ Growth in Land Use (toughest area)

Conservation issues

- significant conflict w/ realistic opportunity of ag growth
 - farm can't expand or build an ethanol plant
 - issues NIMBY, zoning, local issues
- ⇒ cum. effect - hesitation in investment
- Agros vs. Environ debate

- Need environmentally strong, protection to groundwater but allow for growth

(4) Bio security

- CWD, Mad cow very vivid situation
- strengthen Animal Health

Bobby Crivener - Homeland Security - countries need to include AZ.

- Weight lead limit proposal

(A) is disagreeing) - get more involved

- AZ can't weasel out of responsibility)

Sec. info on Budget

Datex Budget (Sec. Nilsstrom)

- * - Az is one of the leanest state agencies
ex. 1996-02 GPR state spending increase ^{38%}, Datex fell 49%

Going down from state based support 50% → 38% (?)
11% FTEs cut too, added 3 doger program
etc. Az Chem
Now point

- Don't just make across the board cuts
but need to find choices, even if unpopular
re-prioritize don't just hit one obvious area

- * — All 5 positions in Animal Health
 - ↳ CWD-white tail situation (7 vets)
 - ↳ bioterrorism planning

Vet lab (Tom Lyon)

- time lapse = growing number of tests - need more \$
- more samples than any other lab
- need to move lab - regional too lab - biosecurity
- putting it next to vet school - will move program up
- Fed gov. will be providing digester
but we will ^{need to} provide a garage for it...

- we need to move the plan, from concrete

Cont. Datsip Budget

- * Ag Chem Management + Clean up Funds
 - adequate funding till end of brexiteer
 - industry, or board
- * Support County Water Quality projects for farmers / Nonpoint
- * Support for Ag Development
 - Maintain grants ADD, make it bigger have dem.
- * Eliminate Non-GPR grants to ethanol

Annworth had a question re whether farmer money will be returned to Ag Chem stuff which was taken away

- Sec. N does not see a way to return that, can't want money

OTT asked how Tribal Gaming Revenues can be used by ag - appropriate to secure it?

- already Fund Ethanol Grants
- Funds vital part to balance budget, if use it elsewhere still need a fill hole...

Datsip is trying to give the industry - resulting in additional revenues

ACM + ACCP

Enler - are these fees too increases?

- Money has to come from somewhere. Industry has to do it, may not want to do it.

Sals

- Clean sweep will be funded by Recycling Fund so will not be coming out of ACM/ACCP.

OH - brought out moving clean sweep to Datyp out of PNR -

- interdepartmental discussion PNR likes concept

transfer money ^{for} rural to mend them w/ clean sweep
work on now - legislation would be helpful
starting 2005.

Datyp has given speed to such a move, at this stage seems promising. Staff discussion so far.

Kestell - 2 agencies working together arranging ^{need to have agencies} support till end
not at 11th hour renegotiate it.

OH - PET FACILITIES - he has no problem w/ repealing ^{or} lack of funding.
he's looking into having Humane Officers to take this on

- Datyp recommendation - unfunded mandate, could not name it as i.
- industry based mechanism for funding got vetoed
but the program repetitive stayed.
- Datyp can take work but need industry funding.

Baird

- Funding came from increases of
Dog licenses & pet facility: industry felt "dog's carry load
fees not fair

Governors

- Humane officers in every county - don't think so.

- Datsip is looking at animal neglect because usually falls through the cracks. Cap'n system

Remember

Kestell

- Pet F. statutes was stuck in budget, one was steered away from this committee, through the efforts of few JFC members.

Sunder

- Bating + Feeding ^{Datsip} Bone Decision - feels they're wrong
Need to do public hearings,

- It's controversial to hunting & conservation, but not one word was mentioned of other disease ^{than} CND...

- Datsip start says policy makers need to weigh risks & benefit

Sunder: "Higher probability" was used but this is just a theory
No scientific proof that it's a group cause for CND
Serious problem for businessmen & sportsmen

- err on the side of caution when it comes to animal health

GH - not enough money for land conservation

have - \$7 million, maintains it what co
cost-share bonding
plus Env. Equip program funds
federal funds not at risk

\$9.4 M given to staff support, also maintains

No additional revenue, so no increase in money
programs faster. No decrease.

who benefits? Improved water quality - not crop in certain areas
Governors - in CREP - areas to make dollars available
Outtip, farmer, land owner, priority water areas

- lower 2/3 of WISC basically at this point
- do not need to be farmers necessarily
- goal is to have buffer, not care if farmer or not

Governors - Farmer, ^{feel they} do not benefit from CREP + EQUIP.

GH - "They must be mistaken"

- eliminating inspector positions, vacant

* Ford Safety - increase act to publication.

Budget Reductions

* DATCP losing Consumer Protection + No call Program

Town: why transfer?

- good program, should continue to run.
- not as concern where it's at, just that it exists.

Sunder - if current contracts fail - does Datcp have plan to fund ethanol?

- Do not have contingency since do not know what the situation will be.

FAIRS

Williams on Fair Bd - feels the funds will be impacted long time

Not recreational but educational. Many will close

not fair that it's all gone at one time. Need to fund it.

Importance is there but again budget issues lead other in

- many do not charge fees or parking...

- effort to bring them together to find alternatives → 35¢ per fair goes

- has to be self help - choices made.

will cover it

* STATE FAIR (Town)

- Food & Bev. not increased since 1996
- will be increasing & equalized by vendors
- Leases on grounds for vendors still a mess
- New chair - Mills Attorney sp. in ent. law
 - strong intent in preserving as - that is a fair
 - but also want separate expo center, Pettit center
(Industrial Rev. bonds)

Government - Budget Task Force Rep. Owsen, has dealt w/ issue & lots of buildings have been torn down already.
- more full time use of Pettit center to provide additional funds

Government just found out that restaurant inspections are done by county employees contracted w/ state
Retail only
& inspect on behalf of Dept

- Remit ^{they} 10% to Dept, ^{its less} of what they would charge
- Dept saves 10 FTE's by having ^{counties do it} 35,000 establishments
45,000 Dept

* Hazardous - Food - potential for contaminants, bacteria
split it because more protection is needed
more so than in the safe stuff

William - will not report pizza plans?
Dept of Health does restaurants
but Dept would be a parts maker of mess

Grassmanns - MPC covered?
common way with
- Cheese standardized recipe - Not included as ingredient
"mis branded", not food safety
issue thing

- Dept board is undertaking a review of all aspects of regulatory, labeling + other technology type situation dealing with this issue
- Do not want to play games with food standards + know pricing is an issue for processors + producer...
- industry has to look at it...

* Food Inspection Revenue Lapse

- Financed by general PR + PR 50/50
- raised fees twice, have had vacant position
- salaries not there to cover so accumulated balance
so this takes it away...

* transferring lawyers may be easier since same lawyers will take it all the way.

(Will Hughes) - All of ag is under stress, need to focus on resources
Producer Driven approach to grow economy.

(Ot) When budget items:

- increasing focus on development is vital in Commerce, which it did not have direct gov. conversation
- feels we need to Marshall resources (too big) + keep RFA on
- Sec. N feels the same way - did not make recommendations here but focused on priorities
- not an either/or - will be aggressive in this arena
- Gov. is awaiting more holistic plan from The Secretary.
- Sec. N. has inputs of other Secretaries - not signed off just yet.

(Al talked 2 memo that says Gov wants to eliminate RFA)