



CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF  
FOOD & AGRICULTURE

# FY24-25 Budget for Agriculture



# Overview



## Total budget shortfall for FY24-25 of \$44.9B

- \$17.3B early action budget package passed in April
- \$27.6B budget problem remaining at May Revise

## Budget includes:

- **\$42.4M in reductions** from prior year one-time General Fund (GF) appropriations
- **\$159.9M protected** from prior year one-time GF appropriations

## 6 BCPs totaling \$168.8M

- \$44.8M in Early action
- \$124M proposed for budget year

# CDFA Maintained Investments



## CDFA One-Time General Funds Protected

- Farm to School Incubator: \$52.8M
- Methane Reduction Programs: \$21M
  - Protected by shifting to future years and from General Fund to Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF)
    - \$14M shifted to FY24-25 GGRF
    - \$7M shifted to FY25-26 GGRF
  - Match funding for the Federal Dairy Plus program



# CDFA Maintained Investments



## Additional CDFA One-Time General Funds Protected

- SWEEP: \$20.6M
  - Protected by shifting to FY26-27 GGRF
- California Nutrition Incentives Program (CNIP): \$33.2M
- California Underserved and Small Producer (CUSP) Program: \$17.9M
  - Language included to ensure that these funds are broadly available for disaster recovery
- Farm to Community Food Hubs: \$14.4M

# Additional CDFA Investments (FY24-25)



## Early Action

- Invasive Fruit Fly Response in the current year (FY23-24): \$22.1M
- California Animal Health and Food Safety (CAHFS) Laboratory – Recovery from extensive flood damage at the Tulare facility: \$22.7M

## Approved BCPs

- Invasive Fruit Fly Response in the budget year (FY24-25): \$24.9M
  - Increase in federal authority \$28.8M
- Blythe Border Protection Station Relocation Project – Construction Phase: \$99.1M in bond funding
- Position Authority related to the Broomrape Program (AB402)



# General Fund Solutions



## One Time General Fund Reductions

- Healthy Refrigeration Grant Program: \$8.5M
- Water Efficiency Technical Assistance (WETA): \$6M
- Enteric Methane Incentives (new program): \$23M

## Reversions

- State Water Efficiency and Enhancement Program (SWEEP): Reversion of \$2.8M
- Fairs & Expositions Community Resilience Grants: Reversion of \$2.1M contingency funds
- Technical Assistance for Underserved Farmers: Reversion of \$200k
- Pollinator Habitat Program: Reversion of \$400k
- Multi-Benefit Land Repurposing Program at Department of Conservation: Reversion of \$5.7M
- Drought and Flood Relief Program at GO-Biz: Reversion of \$5M

# Statewide Reductions



## Early Action Provisions

- Expenditure Freeze: This was intended to stop the movement of General Fund (GF) dollars to allow the legislature to understand the true remaining balance for all one-time appropriations. Applies to all one-time GF appropriations with a remaining balance over \$1M.
- Position Sweep: There was a high-level estimate of statewide savings related to position sweeps in the early action agreement but the details of how this will impact CDFA in the budget year is not known at this time.

## Statewide Actions Impacting CDFA

- 8% Reductions to State Operations: This will apply to all state agencies. At this time, it is unclear what the impacts of these reductions will be for CDFA activities in the budget year.