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2024 Budget Package: Vote Agriculture, Biosecurity, Fisheries and Food Safety (Technical Initiatives)

On 29 April 2024, Cabinet:

Appropriation Administrator: Ministry for Primary Industries

1 **approved** the Budget initiatives for the above Vote for inclusion in the 2024 Budget package, as listed in the summary tables below and detailed in the attached initiative documents:

Summary of technical initiatives:

Operating Initiatives (Impact on Operating Balance)

Initiative ID	Initiative Name	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
		2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears
16048	Transfer of Funding for Developing an Agriculture Emissions Pricing System	(8.000)	6.000	2.000	-	-
16047	Fiscally Neutral Transfer of Funding Between Appropriations for the Mycoplasma bovis Response Programme	-	-	-	-	-
16044	Shared Approach to Back-Office Transformation	-	(0.141)	(0.141)	(0.141)	(0.141)
16064	Fiscally Neutral Changes to Appropriations for 2023/24 in Response to a Change in Cost Allocations	-	-	-	-	-
16042	Fiscally Neutral Transfer of Funding for AgriZeroNZ Joint Venture Capital Expenditure	(4.334)	(4.333)	(4.333)	-	-
16046	Fiscally Neutral Transfer of Funds to Address Administrative Costs for the Sustainable Food and Fibre Futures Fund**	-	-	-	-	-
16043	Fiscally Neutral Transfer of Funding Between Appropriations to Fund Rural Support Trusts	-	-	-	-	-
Total Operating		(12.334)	1.526	(2.474)	(0.141)	(0.141)

** Adjustment is to 2028/29 only.

Capital Initiative (Impact on Debt)

Initiative ID	Initiative Name	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
		2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears
16042	Fiscally Neutral Transfer of Funding for AgriZeroNZ Joint Venture Capital Expenditure	4.334	4.333	4.333	-	-
Total Capital		4.334	4.333	4.333	-	-

Note: Throughout the document, “total operating” refers to funding over five years (2023/24 to 2027/28) and “total capital” refers to funding over 10 years (2023/24 to 2032/33);

Rachel Hayward
Secretary of the Cabinet

Vote:	Agriculture, Biosecurity, Fisheries and Food Safety
Appropriation Administrator:	Ministry for Primary Industries
Title:	Transfer of Funding for Developing an Agriculture Emissions Pricing System
Description:	This initiative transfers existing funding from the current financial year to continue the development of an agriculture emissions pricing system.

Appropriation Changes

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears
Operating Balance Impact*	(8.000)	6.000	2.000	-	-
Net Core Crown Debt Impact Only	-	-	-	-	-
No Impact	-	-	-	-	-
Total	(8.000)	6.000	2.000	-	-

* Unless non-cash, will also impact net core Crown debt.

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure:					
Agriculture: Programmes Supporting Sustainability (MCA)					
<i>Departmental Output Expenses:</i>					
Climate Emergency Response Implementation and Administration (funded by revenue Crown)	(8.000)	6.000	2.000	-	-
Total Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure: Agriculture: Programmes Supporting Sustainability (MCA)	(8.000)	6.000	2.000	-	-
Total Operating	(8.000)	6.000	2.000	-	-

Additional Recommendation

- 2 **noted** that this initiative relates to Initiatives 15687 in Vote Agriculture, Biosecurity, Fisheries and Food Safety, 15593 in Vote Environment, and 16074 in Vote Revenue;

Vote:	Agriculture, Biosecurity, Fisheries and Food Safety
Appropriation Administrator:	Ministry for Primary Industries
Title:	Fiscally Neutral Transfer of Funding Between Appropriations for the Mycoplasma bovis Response Programme
Description:	This initiative is a fiscally neutral transfer of funds between appropriations to reflect the updated implementation date for the Mycoplasma bovis National Pest Management Plan.

Appropriation Changes

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears
Operating Balance Impact*	-	-	-	-	-
Net Core Crown Debt Impact Only	-	-	-	-	-
No Impact	-	(2.131)	-	-	-
Total	-	(2.131)	-	-	-

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	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears
Non-Tax Revenue:					
Industry Contribution for Mycoplasma bovis	-	6.347	-	-	-
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure:					
Biosecurity: Border and Domestic Biosecurity Risk Management (MCA)					
<i>Departmental Output Expenses:</i>					
Response to Mycoplasma bovis (funded by revenue Crown)	-	19.834	-	-	-
Response to Mycoplasma bovis (funded by revenue Other)	-	(2.131)	-	-	-
<i>Non-Departmental Output Expenses:</i>					
Biosecurity: Grants Supporting Biosecurity Programmes and Initiatives	-	(13.487)	-	-	-
Total Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure: Biosecurity: Border and Domestic Biosecurity Risk Management (MCA)	-	4.216	-	-	-
Total Operating	-	(2.131)	-	-	-

Additional Recommendations

- 3 **noted** that in 2024/25, third-party revenue will be reduced by \$2.131 million in the departmental appropriation, Response to Mycoplasma bovis, and that the non-departmental output expense appropriation Biosecurity: Grants Supporting Biosecurity Programmes and Initiatives will be reduced \$13.487 million, as a result of the delay in the implementation date for the Mycoplasma bovis National Pest Management Plan;
- 4 **noted** that there will be a corresponding increase in the departmental appropriation, Response to Mycoplasma bovis of \$19.834 million in 2024/25, of which \$6.347 million will be offset by increased non-tax revenue for Industry Contribution for Mycoplasma bovis;
- 5 **noted** that this will have no fiscal impact as reduced revenue will be offset by reduced expenditure from the delay;

Vote: Agriculture, Biosecurity, Fisheries and Food Safety

Appropriation Administrator: Ministry for Primary Industries

Title: Shared Approach to Back-Office Transformation

Description: This initiative funds a shared approach to back-office transformation. On 4 September 2023, Cabinet confirmed an approach to fund this system initiative through contributions from agency baselines [CAB-23-MIN-0417].

Appropriation Changes

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears
Operating Balance Impact*	-	(0.141)	(0.141)	(0.141)	(0.141)
Net Core Crown Debt Impact Only	-	-	-	-	-
No Impact	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	(0.141)	(0.141)	(0.141)	(0.141)

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	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure:					
Development and Implementation of Primary Industries Policy Advice (MCA)					
<i>Departmental Output Expenses:</i>					
Agriculture: Policy Advice and Ministerial Servicing (funded by revenue Crown)	-	(0.072)	(0.072)	(0.072)	(0.072)
Animal Welfare: Policy Advice and Ministerial Servicing (funded by revenue Crown)	-	(0.008)	(0.008)	(0.008)	(0.008)
Biosecurity: Policy Advice and Ministerial Servicing (funded by revenue Crown)	-	(0.010)	(0.010)	(0.010)	(0.010)
Fisheries Policy Advice (funded by revenue Crown)	-	(0.008)	(0.008)	(0.008)	(0.008)
Food Safety: Policy Advice and Ministerial Servicing (funded by revenue Crown)	-	(0.008)	(0.008)	(0.008)	(0.008)

	\$m – increase/(decrease)				
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears
Operational Advice on Sustainability and Management Controls in Fisheries (funded by revenue Crown)	-	(0.035)	(0.035)	(0.035)	(0.035)
Total Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure: Development and Implementation of Primary Industries Policy Advice (MCA)	-	(0.141)	(0.141)	(0.141)	(0.141)
Total Operating	-	(0.141)	(0.141)	(0.141)	(0.141)

Additional Recommendations

6 **noted** that this initiative relates to Initiative 15913 in Vote Internal Affairs;

Vote: Agriculture, Biosecurity, Fisheries and Food Safety

Appropriation Administrator: Ministry for Primary Industries

Title: Fiscally Neutral Changes to Appropriations for 2023/24 in Response to a Change in Cost Allocations

Description: This initiative includes fiscally neutral changes to appropriations for 2023/24 to recognise changes from a review of the cost drivers used to allocate costs to appropriations.

Appropriation Changes

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears
Operating Balance Impact*	-	-	-	-	-
Net Core Crown Debt Impact Only	-	-	-	-	-
No Impact	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-

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	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure:					
Biosecurity: Border and Domestic Biosecurity Risk Management (MCA)					
<i>Departmental Output Expenses:</i>					
Border Biosecurity Monitoring and Clearance (funded by revenue Crown)	(3.480)	-	-	-	-
Domestic Biosecurity Surveillance (funded by revenue Crown)	3.480	-	-	-	-
Total Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure: Biosecurity: Border and Domestic Biosecurity Risk Management (MCA)	-	-	-	-	-
Development and Implementation of Primary Industries Policy Advice (MCA)					
<i>Departmental Output Expenses:</i>					
Agriculture: Policy Advice and Ministerial Servicing (funded by revenue Crown)	(3.142)	-	-	-	-
Animal Welfare: Policy Advice and Ministerial Servicing (funded by revenue Crown)	1.409	-	-	-	-

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears
Biosecurity: Policy Advice and Ministerial Servicing (funded by revenue Crown)	(1.260)	-	-	-	-
Fisheries Policy Advice (funded by revenue Crown)	2.255	-	-	-	-
Trade and Market Access Primary Industries (funded by revenue Crown)	0.738	-	-	-	-
Total Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure: Development and Implementation of Primary Industries Policy Advice (MCA)	-	-	-	-	-
Fisheries: Managing the Resource Sustainably (MCA)					
<i>Departmental Output Expenses:</i>					
Fisheries Management (funded by revenue Crown)	(1.036)	-	-	-	-
Fisheries: Aquaculture (funded by revenue Crown)	1.036	-	-	-	-
Total Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure: Fisheries: Managing the Resource Sustainably (MCA)	-	-	-	-	-
Food Safety: Protecting Consumers (MCA)					
<i>Departmental Output Expenses:</i>					
Food Safety: Assurance (funded by revenue Crown)	(0.997)	-	-	-	-
Food Safety: Information (funded by revenue Crown)	(0.371)	-	-	-	-
Food Safety: Response (funded by revenue Crown)	1.307	-	-	-	-
Food Safety: Standards (funded by revenue Crown)	(0.595)	-	-	-	-
Food Safety: Trade and Market Access Food Safety (funded by revenue Crown)	0.656	-	-	-	-
Total Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure: Food Safety: Protecting Consumers (MCA)	-	-	-	-	-
Total Operating	-	-	-	-	-

Vote:	Agriculture, Biosecurity, Fisheries and Food Safety
Appropriation Administrator:	Ministry for Primary Industries
Title:	Fiscally Neutral Transfer of Funding for AgriZeroNZ Joint Venture Capital Expenditure
Description:	This initiative transfers funding from Ministry for Primary Industries appropriations to meet the Crown's contribution to the AgriZeroNZ Joint Venture and match the contributions from the increasing number of partners in the Joint Venture.

Appropriation Changes

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears
Operating Balance Impact*	(4.334)	(4.333)	(4.333)	-	-
Net Core Crown Debt Impact Only	4.334	4.333	4.333	-	-
No Impact	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-

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	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears
Non-Departmental Output Expenses:					
Accelerating Development of Greenhouse Gas Mitigations Research and Development Fund (MYA)	-	(4.333)	(4.333)	-	-
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure:					
Agriculture: Programmes Supporting Sustainability (MCA)					
<i>Non-Departmental Output Expenses:</i>					
Agriculture: Climate Emergency Response Fund	(4.334)	-	-	-	-
<i>Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure:</i>					
Agriculture: Climate Emergency Response Fund Joint Venture	4.334	4.333	4.333	-	-
Total Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure: Agriculture: Programmes Supporting Sustainability (MCA)	-	4.333	4.333	-	-
Total Operating	(4.334)	(4.333)	(4.333)	-	-
Total Capital	4.334	4.333	4.333	-	-

Additional Recommendations

- 7 **agreed** that the Multi Year Appropriation: "Accelerating Development of Greenhouse Gas Mitigations Research and Development Fund" is adjusted by (\$8.666 million);
- 8 **noted** that the amounts shown in the Appropriation Changes table for the Multi Year Appropriation: "Accelerating Development of Greenhouse Gas Mitigations Research and Development Fund" reflect the change to the indicative annual spending profile;

Vote: Agriculture, Biosecurity, Fisheries and Food Safety

Appropriation Administrator: Ministry for Primary Industries

Title: Fiscally Neutral Transfer of Funds to Address Administrative Costs for the Sustainable Food and Fibre Futures Fund

Description: This initiative is a fiscally neutral transfer of funds between appropriations to meet increased administration costs for managing the Sustainable Food and Fibre Futures Fund portfolio, which is expected to continue to grow.

Appropriation Changes

	\$m - increase/(decrease)					
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29 Only
Operating Balance Impact*	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Core Crown Debt Impact Only	-	-	-	-	-	-
No Impact	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-

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	\$m - increase/(decrease)					
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29 Only
Non-Departmental Other Expenses:						
Sustainable Food and Fibre Futures Fund (MYA)	-	(3.902)	(3.902)	(3.902)	(3.902)	(3.902)
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure:						
Agriculture: Programmes Supporting Sustainability (MCA)						
<i>Departmental Output Expenses:</i>						
Agriculture: Administration of Grants and Programmes (funded by revenue Crown)	-	3.902	3.902	3.902	3.902	3.902
Total Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure: Agriculture: Programmes Supporting Sustainability (MCA)	-	3.902	3.902	3.902	3.902	3.902
Total Operating	-	-	-	-	-	-

Additional Recommendations

- 9 **agreed** that the Multi Year Appropriation: "Sustainable Food and Fibre Futures Fund" is adjusted by (\$15.608) million;
- 10 **noted** that the amounts shown in the Appropriation Changes table for the Multi Year Appropriation: "Sustainable Food and Fibre Futures Fund" reflect the change to the indicative annual spending profile.

Vote: Agriculture, Biosecurity, Fisheries and Food Safety

Appropriation Administrator: Ministry for Primary Industries

Title: Fiscally Neutral Transfer of Funding Between Appropriations to Fund Rural Support Trusts

Description: This initiative is a fiscally neutral transfer of funds between appropriations to provide further funding support to the Rural Support Trust network.

Appropriation Changes

	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears
Operating Balance Impact*	-	-	-	-	-
Net Core Crown Debt Impact Only	-	-	-	-	-
No Impact	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-

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	\$m - increase/(decrease)				
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & Outyears
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure:					
Agriculture: Programmes Supporting Sustainability (MCA)					
<i>Departmental Output Expenses:</i>					
Agriculture: Administration of Grants and Programmes (funded by revenue Crown)	(0.221)	(0.221)	(0.221)	(0.221)	(0.221)
<i>Non-Departmental Output Expenses:</i>					
Agriculture: Recovery Assistance	0.221	0.221	0.221	0.221	0.221
Total Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure: Agriculture: Programmes Supporting Sustainability (MCA)	-	-	-	-	-
Total Operating	-	-	-	-	-