

# United States Senate

March 26, 2010

The Honorable Daniel K. Inouye, Chairman  
The Honorable Thad Cochran, Vice Chairman  
Senate Committee on Appropriations  
S-131, U.S. Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Herb Kohl, Chairman  
The Honorable Sam Brownback, Ranking Member  
Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development,  
Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies  
184 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chairmen and Ranking Members:

I am requesting congressionally directed spending in fiscal year 2011 for the following projects in New Mexico to help promote agriculture, improve the environment and protect the nation's food supply.

## USDA

### ARS

NCGR, Santa Fe, NM, \$1,900,000 for the Bioinformatics Institute for Model Plant Species Research

ARS Cotton Ginning Laboratory, Las Cruces, NM, \$3,726,897 for Specialty Crop Research

ARS Jornada Experimental Range, Las Cruces, NM, \$4,964,729 for Rangeland Assessment Technologies

ARS Poisonous Plant Research Lab, Logan, UT, To Reduce the Risk of Locoweed Poisoning in Livestock, \$600,000

### NIFA/SRG

New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM, \$250,000 for Cataloging Genes Research

New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM, \$2,250,000 for Efficient Irrigation Research

New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM, \$750,000 for Research by the International Arid Lands Consortium

New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM, \$300,000 for Nematode Resistance Research

New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM, \$100,000 for Organic Waste Utilization Research

New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM, \$250,000 for Oil Resources Research

New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM, \$1,000,000, for Dairy Research in the Southern Great Plains

New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM, \$250,000 for Research on Soil-Borne Diseases

New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM, \$400,000 for Research by the Southwest Consortium for Plant Genetics and Water Resources

New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM, \$500,000 for a Fruit and Vegetable Produce Market Analysis Program

New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM, \$800,000 for Genomics to Safeguard New Mexico as a Bovine Tuberculosis-free State

New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM \$300,000 for a Small Farm Institute  
Veterinary Medical Services Act, \$5,000,000 for Veterinary Student Loan Forgiveness

#### NIFA/Extension

New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM, \$2,250,000 for Efficient Irrigation Extension Research

New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM, \$425,000, for Range Improvement Research through the Range Improvement Task Force

#### NIFA/RE/FA

New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM, \$1,500,000 for Research by the Center for North American Studies

#### APHIS

New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM, \$600,000 for the New Mexico Rapid Syndrome Validation Development

New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM, \$750,000, for a Training Program for Agriculture Border Security

Rabies Oral Vaccine Program, \$29 million

Joint Cotton Pest Account, \$14.33 million for the national Boll Weevil Eradication Program and \$7.86 million for the national Pink Bollworm Eradication Program.

Animal Welfare at Enforcement \$22,300,000

HPA Enforcement, \$900,000 for horse protection

Investigations and Enforcement Services, \$14,213,000

Emergency Management Systems, \$1,017,000 for Disaster Planning for Animals

#### FSIS

HMSA Enforcement, \$3,000,000 for Humane Animal Tracking

#### NRCS

New Mexico Association of Conservation Districts, \$250,000 for Restoration of Riparian Areas along the Rio Grande and Pecos and Canadian Rivers in New Mexico

#### RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Estancia Valley Foundation for Economic Development, NM, \$100,000 for a feasibility study of fiber optics

Pueblo of Jemez, NM, \$590,346 for drinking water infrastructure  
New Mexico Tech, Socorro, NM, \$10,000,000 for integrated bio-refinery for multiple biomass feed stocks  
Colonias Communities along the Mexican border, \$25,000,000 for Water and Wastewater projects (NM, TX, AZ, and CA)  
Tribal Communities in Rural Areas, \$24,000,000 for water and waste disposal projects, business development and tribal college facilities  
A Qualified National Native American Organization, \$850,000 for a tribal circuit rider program

FNS

Access to local foods and school gardens for school children, \$10 million for the Farm to Cafeteria program

FDA

New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM, \$4,000,000 for the Food Technology Evaluation Laboratory  
New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM, \$175,000 for the Waste Management Education Research Consortium for Food Safety and Technology

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has a pecuniary interest in any of the congressionally directed spending items that I have requested below, consistent with the requirements of paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate. I further certify that I have posted a description of the items requested on my official website, along with the accompanying justification.

Sincerely,



Jeff Bingaman  
United States Senator