

UDAF Proposed Fee Changes to be effective 7/1/2027 - New and Increased Fees						
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Plant Industry						
Phytosanitary Inspection	Replacement Certificate	0.00	35.00	35.00	New fee to cover the costs associated with re-issuing a Phytosanitary Inspection Certificate due to inaccurate information or loss. It is felt that a fee higher than the Department's Replacement Certificate fee is needed due to a higher level of effort to complete the replacement certificate.	In FY 2026 the Department-wide reprint fee was used to reissue incorrect certificates. The fee was tracked separately with expenses as follows: Total Costs: \$3,630 Number of Certificates: 155 Total Cost per Fee: \$24
Pesticide	Salesperson Permit	0.00	75.00	75.00	New fee for permit created in 2026 SB26, effective 5/6/2026	New Fee, rate was calculated for fiscal note for GS 2026 SB26 Total Estimated Cost: \$14,600 Estimated number of Permits: 175 Estimated Fee: \$75
Pesticide	Ornamental Turf Permit	0.00	75.00	75.00	New fee for permit created in 2026 SB26, effective 5/6/2026	New Fee, rate was calculated for fiscal note for GS 2026 SB26 Total Estimated Cost: \$14,600 Estimated number of Permits: 175 Estimated Fee: \$75
Pesticide	Letter of Good Standing	0.00	25.00	25.00	New Fee to cover the cost of researching and issuing a letter for other applicators to use to obtain licensing in other states. This has been provided at no cost previously, the the amount of time to research and document the process is too great to continue without charging.	New Fee, rate was calculated for fiscal note for GS 2026 SB26 Total Estimated Cost: \$4,500 Estimated number of Permits: 182 Estimated Fee: \$25
Pesticide	Product Registration	195.00	225.00	30.00	The State of Utah has been below the average for these fees compared to other western states. This change will bring this fee more in line with other states in the region. This fee also helps subsidize other Plant Industry programs and projects.	FY2026 Total Costs: \$150,766 Estimated Number of Products: 13,000
Pesticide	Triennial Commercial Pesticide Applicator License	100.00	125.00	25.00	This fee hasn't been updated for more than 5 years. These changes bring the cost of the fee more in line with the actual cost to administer the program. It also brings the fee closer to what other western region states charge.	FY2026 Total Costs: 284,004 Estimated Number of Licenses: 3,350 renewed annually during each 3-year cycle Total Cost per Fee: \$106
Pesticide	Business License	125.00	175.00	50.00	This fee hasn't been updated for more than 5 years. These changes bring the cost of the fee more in line with the actual cost to administer the program. It also brings the fee closer to what other western region states charge.	FY2026 Total Costs: \$96,879 Number of Licenses: 592 Total Cost per Fee: \$164
Plant Industry	Certificate of Free Sale - Plant Industry	30.00	100.00	70.00	This fee hasn't been updated for more than 5 years. These changes bring the cost of the fee more in line with the actual cost to administer the program.	FY2026 Total Costs: \$11,050 Total Number of Certificates: 92 Total Cost per Fee: \$120
Plant Industry	Certificate of Free Sale - Plant Industry - Expedite Fee	0.00	70.00	70.00	Fee in addition to the CFS fee to prioritize the issuance of the certificate.	New fee estimate: \$1,050 Personnel: \$1,050 Number of Expedited Certificates: 15
Plant Industry	Inspection Services	55.00	58.00	3.00	To bring the hourly rate more in line with the actual costs associated with conducting the inspections/services. A recent analysis for inspector salaries and benefits needed for a federal contract determined that the average cost for an employee's hourly rate is \$68 per hour.	Increase previously approved fee by 3% to cover 2027 Compensation increases approved in the 2026 Legislative Session. Calculation of rate average salary and benefits plus indirect costs are \$33 x 60% x 15% (\$33 +\$19.80 + \$7.92) is \$60.72 per hour.
Plant Industry	Inspection Services Overtime	82.50	87.00	4.50	To bring the hourly rate more in line with the actual costs associated with conducting the inspections/services. A recent analysis for inspector salaries and benefits needed for a federal contract determined that the average cost for an employee's hourly rate is \$68 per hour. Overtime at 1.5 would make this rate \$102.	Overtime is paid at 1.5 times regular hourly rate (\$58 x 1.5)
Seed Program - Germination - Tier 1	Germination Tier 1	24.00	24.00	0.00	Reorganizing the Fee Structure for Seed Sampling and inspections to align with Seed Lab operations.	Fee amount remains the same. This is a reorganization of the structure to group similar species in a single category rather than having a category for each type and difficulty of testing.
Seed Program - Germination - Tier 2	Germination Tier 2	36.00	36.00	0.00		
Seed Program - Germination - Tier 3	Germination Tier 3	38.00	38.00	0.00		
Seed Program - Purity - Tier 1	Purity Tier 1	24.00	24.00	0.00		
Seed Program - Purity - Tier 2	Purity Tier 2	36.00	36.00	0.00		

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Seed Program - Purity - Tier 3	Purity Tier 3	51.00	51.00	0.00	Reorganizing the Fee Structure for Seed Sampling and inspections to align with Seed Lab operations.	Fee amount remains the same. This is a reorganization of the structure to group similar species in a single category rather than having a category for each type and difficulty of testing.
Seed Program - Purity - Tier 4	Purity Tier 4	60.00	60.00	0.00		
Seed Program - Tetrazolium - Tier 1	TZ Tier 1	42.00	42.00	0.00		
Seed Program - Tetrazolium - Tier 2	TZ Tier 2	51.00	51.00	0.00		
Seed Program - Tetrazolium - Tier 3	TZ Tier 3	66.00	66.00	0.00		
Seed Program - General Seed Sample Test	General Seed Test	0.00	\$58 per hour	\$58 per hour	To create a fee to be used for any Seed testing that doesn't have a specific fee established.	Fee amount is based on the hourly inspection fee for the Division with .5 hour minimum.
Organic	Gross Sales Crop	0.00	\$1,484 Avg	\$1,484 Avg	Restructure fee to be more in line with other Organic certifying entities in the region. Remove Tiers and charge 1% of total gross sales up to a cap. Increase to help the program be more self-sustainable.	Estimated revenue and projected expenses \$46,010 Based on 31 producers at \$1,484.18 as the average fee collected.
Organic	Gross Sales Livestock or Processor	0.00	\$3,654 Avg	\$3,654 Avg	Restructure fee to be more in line with other Organic certifying entities in the region. Remove Tiers and charge 1% of total gross sales up to a cap. Increase to help the program be more self-sustainable.	Estimated revenue and projected expenses \$306,940 Based on 84 producers at \$3,654.07 as the average fee collected.
Organic	Organic Product Review	0.00	120.00	120.00	To create a fee to charge for review and approval of organic products, including ingredients, formulations, and labels for the sale of Organic Products by operators. This has been provided at no cost since the inception of the program, but requires considerable work from staff. Need to recoup costs for this.	New Fee, estimated cost: \$40,158 Estimated number of Reviews: 325
Regulatory Services						
Food	HACCP Evaluation	-	250.00	250.00	To cover costs for Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point (HACCP) evaluations for Food establishments, to establish the facility's specialized food safety plan. For establishments with high-risk processes or specialized foods - like seafood, juice, etc.	3 hours (avg. initial inspection) * \$60 (avg. inspector rate) = \$180. + \$55 (avg admin rate for FY28) * 1.5 hours = \$262.50
Dairy	Raw Milk Inspection	-	120.00	120.00	New fee for FY2026, see GS2026 HB 179 S3, effective 05/06/26	2 hours (avg. initial inspection) * \$60 (avg. inspector rate) = \$120
Dairy	Dairy investigation inspections	-	60.00	60.00	New fee for FY2026, see GS2026 HB 179 S3, effective 05/06/26	Fee will be charged per hour for time spent on inspections. \$60 (avg. inspector rate)
Specialized Products						
Industrial Hemp Program	Hemp Retail Establishment Annual Processing Fee	100.00	50.00	(50.00)	Specialized Product Retailer License Fees are now partially duplicative in nature. This reduction brings this fee in line with the cost of expected reduced staff effort.	1.75 hours (avg.processing time) * \$32 (avg. office staff rate) = \$48
Kratom Program	Kratom Retail Establishment Annual Processing Fee	100.00	50.00	(50.00)	Specialized Product Retailer License Fees are now partially duplicative in nature. This reduction brings this fee in line with the cost of expected reduced staff effort.	1.75 hours (avg.processing time) * \$32 (avg. office staff rate) = \$48
Industrial Hemp Program	Product Registration Fee for Cannabinoid Products	-	325.00	325.00	Fee reinstated 1/1/27, see 2026 session SB 101, effective 01/01/27	FY2026 total costs: \$355,184 Number of products.: 1100 Total cost per fee: \$322
Kratom Lab Testing	Foreign Matter Testing	-	17.00	17.00	New tests developed in 2026	Fees set to be the same as identical tests in Cannabis and Hemp Lab Testing programs. The costs are similar.
Kratom Lab Testing	Residual Solvent Testing	-	121.00	121.00		
Kratom Program	Kratom Processor License Fee Tier 1	-	2,500.00	2,500.00	New Fees authorized GS2026 SB45, SB 45 effective 05/01/26	Fees set to be the same as Industrial Hemp Processor License Fees Tier 1 and Tier 2. The costs are similar.
Kratom Program	Kratom Processor License Fee Tier 2	-	2,000.00	2,000.00		
Medical Cannabis						
Medical Cannabis	Uniform Transaction Fee	-	1.50	1.50	Reinstating a fee that was reduced for FY2026 previously collected by DHHS. The revenue is needed by UDAF for the continued regulation of the interconnected Cannabinoid and Medical Cannabis programs.	Fee allowed per statute 4-41a-104(6) [GS2026 HB389]
Medical Cannabis	Pharmacy License - Closed Door	-	15,000.00	15,000.00	New Fee for FY2027, see GS2025 First Special Session SB 1009, effective 11/6/25	Fee is initially set at approx 22% of the Urban Pharmacy license (\$67,000), as it must be a second location of an existing pharmacy licensee. Also, this pattern of discounting a second/third location has already been used with cultivators and processors, per legislative direction.

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Analytical Laboratory						
Analytical Laboratory	Cyanotoxin QPCR Test	53.00	60.00	7.00	Lab supply costs have increased approx. 14% (2025 to 2026) due to tariffs and high inflation in the laboratory sciences.	FY2026 total costs: \$6,814 Number of tests.: 104 Total cost per fee: \$642
Analytical Laboratory	Microcystin ELISA Test - First Sample	137.00	141.00	4.00	Lab supply costs have increased approx. 14% (2025 to 2026) due to tariffs and high inflation in the laboratory sciences.	FY2026 total costs: \$31,564 Number of tests.: 102 Total cost per fee: \$309
Analytical Laboratory	Cylindrospermopsin ELISA Test - First Sample	137.00	141.00	4.00	Lab supply costs have increased approx. 14% (2025 to 2026) due to tariffs and high inflation in the laboratory sciences.	FY2026 total costs: \$14,577 Number of tests.: 25 Total cost per fee: \$579
Analytical Laboratory	Saxitoxin ELISA Test - First Sample	137.00	141.00	4.00	Lab supply costs have increased approx. 14% (2025 to 2026) due to tariffs and high inflation in the laboratory sciences.	FY2026 total costs: \$3,868 Number of tests.: 1 Total cost per fee: \$3,868
Analytical Laboratory	Nicotine Content of Electronic Cigarette Liquid (nicotine, anabasine, and nornicotine)		194.00	194.00	New test developed in FY2026 for a DHHS funded project. Adding it to the public fee schedule will make it available to other research and private industry entities.	Estimated total costs: \$81,119 Number of tests: 450 Total cost per test: \$180
Animal Industry						
Brand Inspection	Livestock Dealer	250.00	300.00	50.00	Personnel, travel, and vehicle expenses have increased significantly since 2017 - the last fee increase.	The Brands Inspection program is currently operating in a deficit, with a projected fund balance of negative \$2 million by FY2030. The fee increases were approved by the Livestock Brand Board on August 26, 2026.
Brand Inspection	Livestock Agent	75.00	300.00	225.00		
Brand Inspection	Minimum Charge Per Stop	20.00	60.00	40.00		
Brand Inspection	Cattle Inspection Per Head	1.00	2.25	1.25		
Brand Inspection	Horse Inspection Per Head	2.00	10.00	8.00		
Brand Inspection	Lifetime Horse Permit	40.00	200.00	160.00		
Brand Inspection	Elk Hunting Permit	100.00	300.00	200.00	Printing and shipping costs have increased significantly since the last fee increase.	Printing Costs: \$40.25/book Estimating Shipping: \$15.00/book Estimated Personnel Costs: \$10.00/book
Brand Inspection	Brand Book	35.00	75.00	40.00		

UDAF Proposed Fee Changes to be effective 7/1/2027 - Fees to Remove

Program	Fee Name	Fee to be removed	Justification for Removal
Plant Industry			
Phytosanitary Inspection	Export Compliance Agreements	\$50 per hour	There are not a significant amount of these inspections completed, and the division will use the standard hourly inspection fee instead.
Shipping Point	Certificate of Free Sale	30.00	Fee is duplicative and not needed.
Seed General	Mill Check	40.00	Reorganizing the Fee Structure for Seed Sampling and inspections to align with Seed Lab operations.
Seed General	Moisture Test	24.00	
Seed General	Examination of Extra Quantity for Other Crop or Weed	40.00	
Seed General	Examination for Noxious Weeds Only	40.00	
Seed Germination	Flowers	36.00	
Seed Germination	Grains	24.00	
Seed Germination	Grasses	38.00	
Seed Germination	Legumes	24.00	
Seed Germination	Trees and Shrubs	38.00	
Seed Germination	Vegetables	24.00	
Seed Purity	Flowers	36.00	
Seed Purity	Grains	24.00	
Seed Purity	Grasses	51.00	
Seed Purity	Legumes	24.00	
Seed Purity	Trees and Shrubs	38.00	
Seed Purity	Vegetables	24.00	
Seed Tetrazolium Test	Flowers	66.00	
Seed Tetrazolium Test	Grains	42.00	
Seed Tetrazolium Test	Grasses	66.00	
Seed Tetrazolium Test	Legumes	51.00	
Seed Tetrazolium Test	Trees and Shrubs	66.00	
Seed Tetrazolium Test	Vegetables	42.00	
Specialized Products			
Industrial Hemp Program Fee	Background Check Fee	51.50	Not needed. No background checks are required in this appropriation
Medical Cannabis			
Medical Cannabis Patients	Guardian and Provisional Card (not already background screened) (Initial or greater than 1 Year Expired)	67.00	Fee was eliminated in GS2026 SB121 S01.
Medical Cannabis Patients	Caregiver Registration and Card (not already background screened) (Initial or greater than 1 Year Expired)	67.00	
Medical Cannabis Patients	Non-Utah Resident Guardian and Provisional Card (Initial or Renewal)	15.00	
Medical Cannabis Patients	Guardian and Provisional Card (already background screened) (Initial or Renewal)	10.00	
Medical Cannabis Patients	Caregiver Registration and Card (already background screened) (Initial or Renewal)	10.00	

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Medical Cannabis Testing	Medical Cannabis Concentrate Testing Panel	754.00	Duplicate fees. Individual tests with approved fees already exist in this appropriation.
Medical Cannabis Testing	Medical Cannabis Flower Testing Panel	539.00	
Medical Cannabis Testing	Medical Cannabis Pre-Pack Testing Panel	116.00	
Medical Cannabis Testing	Medical Cannabis Final Product Testing Panel	193.00	
Animal Industry			
Animal Health	Hatchery Operation (Poultry)	25.00	Fee is no longer needed.
Horse Racing	Racing Official (1 Year)	100.00	Fee has been active, but never used by the program. Horse Racing Commission approved to remove.
Horse Racing	Racing Organization Manager or Official (1 Year)	100.00	
Horse Racing	Racing Organization Manager or Official (3 Years)	300.00	
Horse Racing	Security Guard	75.00	
Horse Racing	Security Investigator	75.00	
Horse Racing	Concessionaire	75.00	