

Budget Division - Office of the Director

Programs Branch

Assignment of Functions

1. Formulate and administer budget planning, policies, systems, procedures and strategies for CCC Programs, CCC funded conservation programs, Food for Peace (P.L. 480) and the Export Credit Guarantee programs. Analyze and make recommendations in collaboration with program officials on the adequacy and effectiveness of overall budget policy of FSA and the above programs. Collaborate with the USDA OBPA, USDA Office of Finance and Management, Department of Treasury, General Accounting Office (GAO), and the USDA OIG on the appraisal, audit and review of financial transactions of the FSA.
2. Provide budget planning, policy recommendations and strategies for FSA Agricultural Credit Insurance Fund (ACIF) loan programs, state mediation grants, and assigned appropriated fund programs, such as the Emergency Conservation Program (ECP) and the Dairy Indemnity Program (DIP). Coordinate with other BUD branches regarding the impact of farm loan programs on overall program and administrative budget policy and strategy.
3. Direct the formulation and preparation of budgets for the CCC Programs including Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) and other CCC-funded conservation programs. Prepare budget estimates, justifications and other supporting data for these programs in accordance with policy assumptions of FSA-CCC and in accordance with Departmental budgetary policy. Assist and advise the divisions in the preparation of commodity and program estimates.
4. Plan and coordinate Budget Policy Assumptions for CCC, Conservation Reserve and other programs.
5. Serve as BUD's focal point and liaison for the coordination and implementation of budgeting for domestic and conservation programs.
6. Develop, recommend, implement, and maintain a system of budgetary reports and other devices for program evaluation in order to facilitate the proper execution of programs in accordance with the policies of FSA, CCC, the Department, OMB, Treasury, and the Congress. Prepare special external/internal budgetary reports on CCC including the CCC Commodity Estimates Book.

7. Review, evaluate and make recommendations on financial aspects of new programs, changes in existing legislation impacting CCC, Conservation Reserve, and other conservation programs and expenses.

8. Review, evaluate, and make recommendations on the financial status of CCC. Prepare and present Status of Funds Reports for CCC and Conservation Reserve Outlays/Obligations.

9. Recommend and prepare financial documents (apportionments, allocations, expenditure and non-expenditure transfers, billings, etc.) in accordance with the policy of FSA, CCC, and applicable laws and regulations.

10. Recommend and prepare Funds Statement for CCC Board Dockets.

11. Review, evaluate, and make recommendations on the financial status of CCC. Project CCC and conservation outlays, and estimate availability of CCC borrowing authority for future operations.

12. Review and prepare financial arrangements with Federal, State, and other cooperating agencies relative to services that CCC is authorized to provide or receive. Plan, coordinate, and direct the transfer of CCC and conservation reserve funds to other agencies and departments as authorized.

13. Provide technical assistance on the design and implementation of budget and financial management systems and other systems used to develop and track the budgets for CCC, conservation, and other conservation programs.

14. Budget planning, policies and strategies for ACIF loan programs, state mediation grants (SMG), farm program outreach grants, and agricultural land conservation demonstration program.

15. Develop and recommend budget plans, policies and strategies Credit Reform programs including P.L. 480, Export Credit Guarantees (GSM102, GSM-103, Supplier Credit, Facility Guarantees, Farm Storage Facility Loan, Food for Progress to Russia, ACIF farm loan programs, and Debt Reduction Outlays/Obligations.

16. Direct the formulation and preparation of budgets for Credit Reform programs. Prepare budget estimates, justifications and other supporting data for these programs in accordance with policy assumptions of FSA-CCC and in accordance with Departmental budgetary policy.

17. Plan and coordinate Budget Policy Assumptions for all Credit Reform programs. Develop and ensure clearance of loan cohort budget assumptions.

18. Serve as BUD's focal point and liaison for the coordination and implementation of Credit Reform programs.

19. Develop, recommend, implement, and maintain a system of budgetary reports and other devices for program evaluation in order to facilitate the proper execution of programs in accordance with the policies of FSA, CCC, the Department, OMB, Treasury, and the Congress. Prepare special external/internal budgetary reports on Credit Reform portion of the CCC Commodity Estimates Book.

20. Review, evaluate and make recommendations on financial aspects of new programs, changes in existing legislation impacting Credit Reform programs and related expenses.

21. Review, evaluate, and make recommendations on the financial status of Credit Reform programs. Prepare and present Status of Funds Reports for Credit Reform Programs.

22. Prepare financial documents (apportionments, allocations, expenditure and nonexpenditure transfers, billings, etc.) in accordance with the policy of FSA and CCC applicable laws and regulations; and coordinate State distributions of program funds with program divisions.

23. Provide technical assistance on the design and implementation of budget and financial management systems and other systems used to develop and track the budgets for Credit Reform programs.

24. Establish periodic subsidy obligation rates for GSM, P.L. 480, and farm loan programs and prepare farm loan program impact information on financial markets and interest rates.

25. Prepare External/Internal Budgetary Reports.

26. Analyze treasury borrowing needs for farm program loans and determine borrower interest rates for farm loan programs.

27. Provide technical assistance on the design and implementation of budget and financial management systems and other systems used to develop and track the budgets of Credit Reform programs.

28. Review and analyze GSM, P.L. 480, and farm loan program obligations in relation to program objectives.