

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES

ADJUNCT ADVISORY BODY REPORT





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To whom it may concern,

Pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 2024-87, Laws of Florida, attached is the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services' completed Advisory Body Report. This report provides a description and the current status of the advisory bodies the department oversees.

Since taking office in January 2023, my office has developed and implemented a new system for tracking and appointing council members. In less than a year of this system being active, we have reduced our vacancy rate by over 40%, and have made over 240 appointments to our statutorily required boards and councils.

Should you have any questions regarding the information attached please contact the department's Office of External Affairs at (850) 617-7700.

Sincerely,

Wilton Simpson
Commissioner of Agriculture

cc: The Office of Policy and Budget, Executive Office of the Governor

Agricultural Economic Development Project Review Committee

Statutory Authority: s. 570.81, F.S.

Purpose of Objective of Advisory Body:

The committee reviews each application for assistance with the Agricultural Economic Development Program and recommends to the commissioner regarding all aspects of each eligible application, including its acceptance or rejection.

Summary of Work Plan for The Next Three Fiscal Years:

The committee's work is contingent on funding through the program, which has not received any specific appropriation for the past decade.

Funds and Staff Time Used:

The advisory body does not receive specific appropriated funds. The department utilizes base appropriations to support the council's functions, and no staff time is used to support the council.

Should this advisory body be terminated? Yes

Why?

The committee's work is contingent on funding through the program, which has not received any specific appropriation for the past decade. With a lack of funding, the department recommends the elimination of the council and the program.

Should this advisory body be modified? No

Why?

The department recommends the elimination of the council and the program.

Meeting Dates: N/A

Agriculture Feed, Seed, and Fertilizer Council

Statutory Authority: s. 570.451, F.S.

Purpose of Objective of Advisory Body:

The Agriculture Feed, Seed, and Fertilizer Council (AFSFAC) serves as a statewide forum for the coordination of feed, seed, and fertilizer-related activities and receives reports of relevant enforcement activity conducted by FDACS, including the number of inspections, the number of administrative actions, the number of complaints received and investigated, and the dispositions of complaints; provides advice to FDACS on the conduct of relevant enforcement activities; receives reports on disciplinary actions; and makes recommendations to the Commissioner of Agriculture for actions to be taken concerning the regulation of agricultural feed, seed and fertilizer.

Summary of Work Plan for The Next Three Fiscal Years:

The AFSFAC advises the department on feed, seed, and fertilizer enforcement issues. This council serves as a statewide forum for coordinating feed, seed, and fertilizer-related activities. It is tasked with the following duties: Provide guidance to and enhance communication between the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and other appropriate agencies and interests regarding enforcement specific to seed, feed, and fertilizer issues.

Funds and Staff Time Used:

The council holds two to three meetings annually and devotes approximately 175 hours to supporting the council. The advisory body does not receive any specific appropriated funds. The department utilizes base appropriations to support the council's functions.

Should this advisory body be terminated? No

Why?

The AFSFAC serves an important function for the department by maintaining open communication regarding enforcement issues with the seed, feed, and fertilizer industries.

Should this advisory body be modified? No

Why?

The department believes that the advisory body's current structure meets the needs and mission set in statute and does not require modification.

Meeting Dates:

October 5, 2021

February 1, 2022

June 7, 2022

October 4, 2022

February 7, 2023

June 6, 2023

October 3, 2023

February 6, 2024

June 4, 2024

Alligator Marketing and Education Advisory Council

Statutory Authority: s. 570.232, F.S.

Purpose of Objective of Advisory Body:

The Florida Alligator Marketing and Education (FAME) council is focused on increasing education and awareness of the sustainability of alligators through farming and the oversight of wild alligators by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. A perennial goal is to promote alligator leather (in raw, processed hides and finished products) and alligator meat. The alligator industry funds FAME through a marketing order, which receives money from nuisance, private land trappers, and eggs collected and retained from public waters.

Summary of Work Plan for The Next Three Fiscal Years:

FAME promotes the alligator industry through events such as the Florida Taste of Agriculture and the dissemination of printed materials. FAME focuses on small trade shows promoting alligator hide products to leather workers. Some of the shows targeted by FAME are the Southwest Leatherworkers Trade Show, the Rocky Mountain Leather Show, and the Pendleton Leather Show. FAME is also in the process of putting together a direct marketing campaign that will target leather workers. To promote meat, FAME attends the Seafood Expo North America trade show.

Funds and Staff Time Used:

Staff time ranges from 100 to 200 hours per year. Currently, no appropriated funds exist to support the advisory body. The department utilizes base appropriations to support the council's functions.

Should this advisory body be terminated? No

Why?

FAME is an effective grassroots way to promote the alligator. The alligator industry entirely funds FAME. The council promotes alligator-derived products from Florida producers.

Should this advisory body be modified? No

Why?

The department believes that the advisory body's current structure meets the needs and mission set in statute and does not require modification.

Meeting Dates:

April 7, 2021

May 19, 2021

August 11, 2021

October 20, 2021

September 9, 2022

Amusement Device and Attraction Advisory Committee

Statutory Authority: s. 570.232, F.S.

Purpose of Objective of Advisory Body:

The Amusement Device and Attraction Advisory Committee was created pursuant to the authority granted in s. 570.232, F.S. Its purpose is to consider and advise on industry-related matters.

Summary of Work Plan for The Next Three Fiscal Years:

Each fiscal year, the Florida Amusement Device and Advisory Committee meets semi-annually. During these meetings, the board works with the department to ensure that new regulations are understood and industry members are well advised of policy changes that may occur based on these changes. The board will continue to provide insight to the department on changes in the industry on the state and national levels.

Funds and Staff Time Used:

During the committee's bi-annual meetings, department staff time was minimal since staff combined the early February meeting with the Florida State Fair and the late fall meeting with consultation visits with the exempt facilities. Approximately 14 hours are spent per year supporting the committee. The advisory body does not receive any specific appropriated funds. The department utilizes base appropriations to support the council's functions.

Should this advisory body be terminated? No

Why?

The department believes the Florida Amusement Device and Attraction Advisory Committee benefits the department as its purpose is to consider and advise on industry-related matters. The meetings allow the department to share their knowledge on current or upcoming issues that occurred at the state and national level and gather information from board members to assist with fulfilling the department's duties.

Should this advisory body be modified? No

Why?

The department believes that the advisory body's current structure meets the needs and mission set in statute and does not require modification.

Meeting Dates:

September 15, 2020

February 5, 2021

September 7, 2021

February 9, 2022

September 13, 2022

February 8, 2023

April 11, 2023

Aquaculture Review Council

Statutory Authority: s. 597.005, F.S.

Purpose of Objective of Advisory Body:

The Aquaculture Review Council (ARC) seeks to formulate and recommend to the commissioner rules and policies governing the business of aquaculture by studying and evaluating aquacultural issues, providing aquaculture industry recommendations for research and development to be included in the annual revision of the Florida aquaculture plan, and annually submit to the Commissioner a prioritized list of research projects to be included in the department's legislative budget request.

Summary of Work Plan for The Next Three Fiscal Years:

The ARC selected research proposals to be funded during FY 23-24 and will rank research and development proposals to receive FY 24-25 funding. The council will also update the Florida Aquaculture Plan and Research and Development Priorities. For the next two fiscal years, ARC will hear end-of-project presentations for projects funded in FY 23-24. ARC will make revisions to the Florida Aquaculture Plan and Research and Development Priorities, revise and put out a call for Statements of Interest for aquaculture research and development projects for FY 25-26, review the FY 25-26 Statements of Interest, and request proposals from projects of interest, and review and rank the proposals to receive FY 25-26 funding.

Funds and Staff Time Used:

No specific funds were appropriated for ARC projects in FY 21-22 and FY 22-23. Staff spent approximately 200 hours facilitating and attending quarterly in-person meetings, reviewing Statements of Interest and Full Proposals, creating and distributing binders of Statements of Interest and Full Proposals to ARC members, and communicating with ARC members. The department utilizes base appropriations to support the council's functions.

In FY 23-24, \$500,000 recurring was appropriated for ARC projects. Staff spent approximately 480 hours facilitating and attending quarterly in-person meetings, reviewing Statements of Interest and Full Proposals, creating and distributing binders of Statements of Interest and Full Proposals to ARC members and communicating with them, drafting and managing contracts for funded projects, and communicating with ARC members and Investigators.

Should this advisory body be terminated? No

Why?

The ARC plays a critical role in furthering Florida's aquaculture industry by recommending research and development priorities for inclusion in the annual revision of the Florida aquaculture plan and reviewing and ranking aquaculture research projects.

Should this advisory body be modified? No

Why?

The department believes that the advisory body's current structure meets the needs and mission set in statute and does not require modification.

Meeting Dates:

January 28, 2021

March 16, 2021

June 22, 2021

August 31, 2021

February 23, 2022

June 30, 2022

October 19, 2022

March 8, 2023

June 28, 2023

September 6, 2023

November 17, 2023

January 1, 2024

April 4, 2024

Babcock Ranch Advisory Group

Statutory Authority: s. 259.1053(4), F.S.

Purpose of Objective of Advisory Body:

The Babcock Ranch Advisory Group assists the department by providing guidance and advice concerning the management and stewardship of the Babcock Ranch Preserve.

Summary of Work Plan for The Next Three Fiscal Years: N/A

Funds and Staff Time Used:

The advisory body does not receive specific appropriated funds. The department utilizes base appropriations to support the council's functions, and no staff time is used to support the council.

Should this advisory body be terminated? Yes

Why?

The Babcock Ranch Advisory Group duplicates efforts with the ten-year land management plan review process. Currently, a system is in place to solicit expert and public guidance for the Babcock State Forest Land Management Plan. These plans aim to incorporate, evaluate, and prioritize all relevant information about the site into a cohesive management strategy, allowing for appropriate access to the managed areas while protecting the long-term health of the ecosystems and their resources. Once a draft land management plan is developed, it is presented to the public at a formal public meeting and on the department's website. The objectives of the formal public meeting are to receive public input regarding issues and opportunities that should be addressed in the 10-Year Land Management Plan. With this input, the plan is further amended and finalized to be sent to the Acquisition and Restoration Council (ARC) for consideration. After any necessary changes are made and ARC approves the plan, it is presented to the Governor and Cabinet for adoption. Additionally, the group's work is contingent upon recommendations of membership from the Governor and Cabinet. No recommendations have been received. The department recommends eliminating the group.

Should this advisory body be modified? No

Why?

The department recommends the elimination of the group.

Meeting Dates: N/A

Board of Professional Surveyors and Mappers Board

Statutory Authority: s. 472.007, F.S.

Purpose of Objective of Advisory Body:

The Board of Professional Surveyors and Mappers regulates individuals and businesses performing work that falls within the scope of Ch. 472, F.S. It carries out a wide variety of duties, including setting the standards of practice for the profession.

Summary of Work Plan for The Next Three Fiscal Years:

The work plan for the Florida Board of Professional Surveyors and Mappers includes the processing of new applications to submit to the board for review and approval or denial, as well as applications to restore null and void licenses at each of its quarterly meetings held throughout the state. The plan also includes bringing complaints filed against licensees before the Board's Probable Cause Panel to determine if there is probable cause to move forward with further investigation and propose disciplinary actions for board review and approval. For licensees whose discipline includes survey review, the board will consider expert consultant reports and the submitted surveys to determine if the licensee has passed the survey review. The work plan also includes monitoring legislation to determine if statutory changes will result in mandatory rulemaking and to continually review the rules and make changes if it is determined that they are necessary for clarification. The board will also take up other matters of interest or concerns as needed.

Funds and Staff Time Used:

The department devotes approximately 100 to 300 hours per year. The advisory body does not receive any specific appropriated funds. The department utilizes base appropriations to support the council's functions.

Should this advisory body be terminated? No

Why?

The Florida Board of Professional Surveyors and Mappers is necessary to carry out statutory requirements in Chapter 472, F.S. and 5J-17, F.A.C. This includes licensing surveyors and applying and monitoring disciplinary actions when required. This advisory body provides valuable insight on issues pertaining to its subject matter. The diverse perspectives brought forward by these industry experts assist the Commissioner in staying informed on important topics relating to that area, as it pertains to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

Should this advisory body be modified? No

Why?

The department believes that the advisory body's current structure meets the needs and mission set in statute and does not require modification.

Meeting Dates:

July 20, 2020	February 24, 2022
July 29, 2020	March 28, 2022
October 29, 2020	April 25, 2022
October 30, 2020	April 26, 2022
December 17, 2020	April 27, 2022
January 21, 2021	July 18, 2022
February 11, 2021	July 19, 2022
February 12, 2021	October 3, 2022
February 24, 2021	October 4, 2022
April 22, 2021	October 5, 2022
May 24, 2021	November 16, 2022
August 2, 2021	February 6, 2023
August 3, 2021	February 7, 2023
October 28, 2021	February 8, 2023
October 29, 2021	May 9, 2023
January 24, 2022	May 15, 2023
January 25, 2022	May 16, 2023
January 26, 2022	May 17, 2023

Citrus Budwood Technical Advisory Committee

Statutory Authority: s. 570.232, F.S.

Purpose of Objective of Advisory Body:

The Citrus Budwood Technical Advisory Committee provides advice, guidance, and recommendations to FDACS on matters pertaining to citrus germplasm introduction, nursery stock certification, testing procedures, and other relevant citrus regulatory issues.

Summary of Work Plan for The Next Three Fiscal Years:

The committee's work plan is consistent from year to year while remaining flexible to accommodate new tasks and issues. A core concern for the committee for the next two fiscal years will center around the timely introduction of HLB (citrus greening) tolerant citrus varieties—growers, nurserymen, and regulators will work together as it relates to new variety introductions, testing methodologies, rules, and regulations to help the industry deal with this severe disease.

Funds and Staff Time Used:

The committee does not receive any funds, and the total staff time used was estimated to be 10 hours per fiscal year. The department utilizes base appropriations to support the council's functions.

Should this advisory body be terminated? No

Why?

The Citrus Budwood Technical Advisory Committee (CBTAC) was formed to address new regulatory concerns proactively and placed the decisions in the hands of those affected, i.e., growers, nurserymen, researchers, etc. Having industry stakeholders as voting members empowers the growers.

Should this advisory body be modified? No

Why?

The department believes that the advisory body's current structure meets the needs and mission set in statute and does not require modification.

Meeting Dates:

December 1, 2021

Endangered Plant Advisory Council

Statutory Authority: s. 581.186, F.S.

Purpose of Objective of Advisory Body:

The Florida Endangered Plant Advisory Council (EPAC) advises and assists the department by reviewing plant species included in and proposed for the Florida endangered, threatened, or commercially exploited plant list.

Summary of Work Plan for The Next Three Fiscal Years:

The council's work plan is consistent from year to year while remaining flexible to accommodate new tasks and issues. The council will review the plant species listed on the Regulated Plant Index. The review aims to determine if any changes need to be made to the list and if any native plants should be added. The Regulated Plant Index is in place to prevent the illegal harvesting of native flora without the landowner's consent. The council will also work with the Division of Plant Industry in the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to evaluate grant applications from the Endangered and Threatened Native Flora Conservation Grants Program. Grants are provided through this program to qualifying nonprofit corporations for the protection, curation, propagation, reintroduction, and monitoring of endangered or threatened native flora.

Funds and Staff Time Used:

The council does not receive any funds, and the total staff time used was estimated to be 10 hours per fiscal year. The department utilizes base appropriations to support the council's functions.

Should this advisory body be terminated? No

Why?

The Endangered Plant Advisory Council's primary responsibility is safeguarding Florida's native flora. The rationale for continuing this council is that it provides guidance to the department regarding plant species at risk of being endangered, threatened, or commercially exploited in the state. Additionally, it promotes the growth and cultivation of these species.

Should this advisory body be modified? No

Why?

The department believes that the advisory body's current structure meets the needs and mission set in statute and does not require modification.

Meeting Dates:

January 26, 2021

October 20, 2022

October 19, 2023

Food Safety and Food Defense Council

Statutory Authority: s. 500.033, F.S.

Purpose of Objective of Advisory Body:

The council serves as a forum for presenting, investigating, and evaluating issues of current importance to the assurance of a safe and secure food supply to the citizens of Florida.

Summary of Work Plan for The Next Three Fiscal Years:

The council considers the development of appropriate advice or recommendations on food safety or food defense issues. A meeting is currently being planned for Fall 2024 to discuss ongoing developments. The council intends to hold meetings twice per calendar year, targeting once in the spring and once in the fall.

Funds and Staff Time Used:

Currently, no appropriated funds exist to support the advisory body. The department utilizes base appropriations to support the council's functions. Staff time is approximately ten hours per year.

Should this advisory body be terminated? No

Why?

The council provides valuable insight into food safety and defense issues. The diverse perspectives brought forward by these industry experts assist the Commissioner in remaining informed on important topics related to this area.

Should this advisory body be modified? Yes

Why?

The department would recommend changes to statute to alter the council's membership. Specifically, it would move the following members to ex officio members, allowing a quorum to be more easily obtained:

- Chair of the Agriculture Committee of the Senate or their designee
- Chair of the committee of the Senate with jurisdictional oversight of home defense issues or their designee
- Chair of the Agriculture Committee of the House of Representatives or their designee
- Chair of the committee of the House of Representatives with jurisdictional oversight of home defense issues or their designee

Meeting Dates:

December 8, 2021

May 12, 2022

October 26, 2022

Florida Consumers' Council

Statutory Authority: s. 570.543, F.S.

Purpose of Objective of Advisory Body:

The purpose of the Florida Consumers' Council is to advise and assist the department in carrying out its duties. The membership is intended to be diverse in knowledge and experience to best represent the interests of Florida consumers.

Summary of Work Plan for The Next Three Fiscal Years:

The Florida Consumers' Council has recently appointed new members that more accurately represent the industries regulated by the division. The council plans to foster a dialogue between the various industries and the department on regulatory issues.

Funds and Staff Time Used:

The council does not currently receive any specific appropriated funds. The department utilizes base appropriations to support the council's functions. For fiscal year 2021-2022, the department devoted approximately 13 hours to the council.

Should this advisory body be terminated? No

Why?

The Florida Consumers' Council members are experts in their fields and are vested in protecting the people of Florida. The council is beneficial as it assists the department in carrying out its consumer protection duties. The council is key in disseminating information to and from the department and regulated industries.

Should this advisory body be modified? No

Why?

The department believes that the advisory body's current structure meets the needs and mission set in statute and does not require modification.

Meeting Dates:

November 2, 2021

December 3, 2021

Florida Coordinating Council on Mosquito Control

Statutory Authority: s. 388.46, F.S.

Purpose of Objective of Advisory Body:

The Florida Coordinating Council on Mosquito Control (FCCMC) operates under the authority of Section 388.046, Florida Statutes, and is tasked with several responsibilities. Some are conducted yearly; others are as situations requiring the council's input arise. The council seeks to develop and implement guidelines to assist the department in resolving disputes arising over the control of arthropods on publicly owned lands, develop and recommend to the department a request for proposal process for arthropod control research, identify potential funding sources for research or implementation projects and evaluate and prioritize proposals upon request by the funding source, and prepare and present reports, as needed, on arthropod control activities in the state to other governmental organizations, as appropriate.

Summary of Work Plan for The Next Three Fiscal Years:

The council plans to guide and enhance communication between the department and other appropriate agencies and interests. It will also set priorities for research funded through FDACS grants. As needs arise, it will seek to provide guidance to mosquito control programs and other arthropod control-related agencies to reduce duplication of effort, maximize efficient use of existing resources, implement best management practices and available technology, and evaluate arthropod control methods that protect the public health and the state's natural environment.

Funds and Staff Time Used:

Hours worked in support of council responsibilities were approximately 330 per year. The department utilizes base appropriations to support the council's functions and distributes mosquito control funding provided through legislative appropriations from the State's Solid Waste Trust Fund. A portion of the funds (\$500,000) is for mosquito control research. These funds specifically support applied and basic research into the practical methods of control used by Florida mosquito control programs, including research into the prevention of mosquito-borne illnesses. Any public university or college in Florida may conduct the research.

Should this advisory body be terminated? No

Why?

The FCCMC serves a critical need when disputes arise between land managers representing state lands deemed environmentally sensitive and biologically highly productive. The council also provides networking opportunities for the different agencies and points of contact for the department in case of communication issues between land managers and mosquito control programs.

Should this advisory body be modified? No

Why?

The department believes that the advisory body's current structure meets the needs and mission set in statute and does not require modification.

Meeting Dates:

September 28, 2021

January 11, 2022

May 3, 2022

September 13, 2022

January 24, 2023

May 16, 2023

October 24, 2023

January 18, 2024

May 9, 2024

Florida Cotton Advisory Council

Statutory Authority: s. 573.112, F.S.

Purpose of Objective of Advisory Body:

Oversee the administration of the cotton marketing order.

Summary of Work Plan for The Next Three Fiscal Years:

The council plans to continue the Cotton Marketing Order program, including an annual meeting.

Funds and Staff Time Used:

The advisory body does not receive any specific appropriated funds. The department utilizes base appropriations to support the council's functions. Staff time is is de minimus.

Should this advisory body be terminated? No

Why?

This advisory body provides valuable insight into issues pertaining to the cotton industry in Florida. The diverse perspectives brought forward by these industry experts assist the Commissioner in staying informed on important topics relating to that area, as it pertains to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

Should this advisory body be modified? Yes

Why?

The department has found it increasingly difficult to maintain a full council, and recommends amending s. 573.112(1), F.S. to eliminate the requirement to have alternate members.

Meeting Dates:

April 17, 2024

Florida Forestry Council

Statutory Authority: s. 589.01, F.S.

Purpose of Objective of Advisory Body:

The council considers and studies the entire field of forestry by advising, counseling, and consulting with the department in connection with the promulgation, administration, and enforcement of all laws and rules relating to forestry. The council additionally considers all matters submitted by the department to offer suggestions and recommendations regarding changes in these laws and rules.

Summary of Work Plan for The Next Three Fiscal Years:

The council annually conducts one in-person meeting and handles business by email as needed throughout the rest of the year.

Funds and Staff Time Used:

The preparation of reports takes roughly eight to ten hours for each section; the administration review by the director takes approximately five hours; the administrative preparation of meeting packets and assembly of packets takes approximately eight hours; and the annual meetings average three to four hours. The department utilizes base appropriations to support the functions of the council.

Should this advisory body be terminated? No

Why?

Through its insights and policy recommendations, the council provides valuable insight into the field of forestry. The diverse perspectives brought forward by these industry experts assist the Commissioner in remaining informed on important topics related to this area.

Should this advisory body be modified? No

Why?

The department believes that the advisory body's current structure meets the needs and mission set in statute and does not require modification.

Meeting Dates:

August 31, 2021

August 30, 2022

November 9, 2023

Florida State Fair Authority

Statutory Authority: s. 616.251, F.S.

Purpose of Objective of Advisory Body:

The Florida State Fair Authority (FSFA) was statutorily created by Chapter 616, Part III, F.S. As a separate corporate body, the appointed Board oversees the Authority's staff. The authority is responsible for staging an annual fair to serve the entire state.

Summary of Work Plan for The Next Three Fiscal Years:

In the last eight fiscal years, FSFA has invested over \$28.4 million in capital improvements at the Fairgrounds. The Fair Authority has funded approximately \$23.3 million from operating proceeds, with the remaining \$5.1 million funded by the Legislature. FSFA has identified long-term needs of \$77.6 million to maintain and enhance our current facilities and \$60.0 million for opportunities to expand our facilities to keep the Fairgrounds viable for the foreseeable future. The FSFA currently generates a positive annual cash flow from operations, but the Fair Authority's existing cash reserves are insufficient to address the long-term capital needs and expansion opportunities. Statutorily, the FSFA also lacks the ability to borrow funds to meet these needs. Replacement of infrastructure and equipment and any other critical needs will dominate our expenditures from operational cash flow. Assuming more robust financial results in FY 2025, the Fair Authority will push to increase its operational funded capital back to \$3.5 to \$4.0 million in FY 2026. This will allow the Fair Authority to allocate approximately 50% of its capital to higher-impact items in its long-term plan.

Funds and Staff Time Used:

In FY 2021-2022, The Florida State Fair Authority was awarded \$1,000,000. Funds appropriated from the Legislature were used to pave interior grounds and repair sewer infrastructure. In FY 2022-2023, the Florida State Fair Authority was awarded \$3,000,000, which was used for paving its interior roads and walkways, constructing a new security credentials building, constructing a new security gate with roadway upgrades, and rebuilding its agricultural offices with state funding. In FY 2023-2024, the Florida State Fair Authority was awarded \$2,500,000, which was used for seal coating the inner grounds paving project and security camera upgrades. The remaining funds of \$1,941,000 are currently being used to renovate its free-standing restroom structures. Upcoming projects include renovations to the show building flooring and interior walls. Department staff time dedicated to overseeing the board's operations is nominal.

Should this advisory body be terminated? No

Why?

The Florida State Fair Authority provides valuable insight into managing the Florida State Fair. The diverse perspectives of these industry experts assist the Commissioner in remaining informed on important topics related to this area.

Should this advisory body be modified? No

Why?

The department believes that the advisory body's current structure meets the needs and mission set in statute and does not require modification.

Meeting Dates:

September 14, 2020

October 20, 2020

December 17, 2020

February 22, 2021

October 4, 2021

June 27, 2022

December 13, 2022

April 24, 2023

June 26, 2023

October 23, 2023

January 8, 2024

April 15, 2024

June 10, 2024

Honey Bee Technical Council

Statutory Authority: s. 586.161, F.S.

Purpose of Objective of Advisory Body:

To advise the department on matters concerning the apiary industry.

Summary of Work Plan for The Next Three Fiscal Years:

The council's work plan is consistent from year to year while remaining flexible to accommodate new tasks and issues. For the next three fiscal years, the council will provide advice and expertise to the department to develop plans, policies, and procedures for the state apiary inspection program. The primary aim of these measures will be to prevent the accidental introduction of exotic and invasive pests. The council will also offer guidance on other beekeeping issues, including Africanized bees, Varroa mites, and yellow-legged hornets. Furthermore, the council will discuss with land managers and property appraisers to identify secure locations for apiaries, focusing on ensuring their safety.

Funds and Staff Time Used:

The council does not receive any funds, and the total staff time used was estimated to be 10 hours per fiscal year. The department utilizes base appropriations to support the council's functions.

Should this advisory body be terminated? No

Why?

Honey bees are crucial in pollinating many crops in Florida, including fruits, vegetables, and berries. Without a healthy apiculture industry, crops like citrus, watermelons, strawberries, blueberries, and many others would suffer due to the lack of pollination necessary for the fruit, vegetable, or berry to form. This would lead to a significant loss of revenue for the agriculture business. To ensure that the state apiary inspection program is administered effectively and to research pests and diseases that affect honey bees, the council brings together experts from the beekeeping industry and researchers from the University of Florida. This helps maintain a safe and healthy agriculture industry.

Should this advisory body be modified? No

Why?

The department believes that the advisory body's current structure meets the needs and mission set in statute and does not require modification.

Meeting Dates:

October 1, 2021

February 8, 2024

Motor Vehicle Repair Advisory Council

Statutory Authority: s. 559.9221, F.S.

Purpose of Objective of Advisory Body:

The purpose of the Motor Vehicle Repair Advisory Council is "to advise and assist the department in carrying out" its duties under the law. The Council is also responsible for reviewing rules adopted by the department, consulting on industry-related advancements and issues, and helping to promote greater consumer protection in motor vehicle repair.

Summary of Work Plan for The Next Three Fiscal Years:

The work plan for the Motor Vehicle Repair Advisory Council is to relay updates on department initiatives, trends, and conditions to the industry and to relay issues or conditions from the industry to the department. The exchange of information would then be used to develop solutions to possible issues with policy or law.

Funds and Staff Time Used:

The department devotes approximately 10 hours per year to the council. The advisory body does not receive any specific appropriated funds. The department utilizes base appropriations to support the council's functions.

Should this advisory body be terminated? Yes

Why?

The Motor Vehicle Repair Advisory Council was created to advise and assist the department with the newly established motor vehicle repair regulated program. After over twenty years, the program is running smoothly, and the council is no longer needed to provide input. The department recommends eliminating the council.

Should this advisory body be modified? No

Why?

The department recommends eliminating the council.

Meeting Dates:

April 7, 2021

November 17, 2021

June 15, 2022

November 15, 2022

Noxious Weed and Invasive Plant Review Committee

Statutory Authority: s. 570.232, F.S.

Purpose of Objective of Advisory Body:

To make recommendations to the department on adding or removing plants from Rule 5B-57.007, F.A.C., based on the biological justifications found in Rule 5B-57.010(1), F.A.C.

Summary of Work Plan for The Next Three Fiscal Years:

The committee's work plan is consistent from year to year while remaining flexible to accommodate new tasks and issues. For the next three fiscal years, the committee will review the plants listed on the Noxious Weed List and discuss any potential candidates that should be considered for addition to the list. The committee will analyze the currently available information and research on these plant taxa and identify any potential additional research needs that may be required to aid in this evaluation.

Funds and Staff Time Used:

The council does not receive any specific appropriated funds, and the total staff time used was estimated to be 10 to 15 hours. The department utilizes base appropriations to support the council's functions.

Should this advisory body be terminated? No

Why?

This committee evaluates plant taxa based on their potential threat as either noxious weeds or invasive species. The committee members possess first-hand research or practical knowledge that allows for informed decision-making on the noxious or invasive status of various candidates. Based on this evaluation, the committee can recommend adding certain plants to the noxious weed list, removing certain plants from the noxious weed list, or indicating that certain candidates are suitable for research or broader-scale use in agriculture or Florida landscapes.

Should this advisory body be modified? No

Why?

The department believes that the advisory body's current structure meets the needs and mission set in statute and does not require modification.

Meeting Dates:

July 21, 2021

Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation

Statutory Authority: s. 261.04, F.S.

Purpose of Objective of Advisory Body:

The council seeks to advise the Commissioner on off-highway vehicle (OHV) recreation activities in Florida State Forests.

Summary of Work Plan for The Next Three Fiscal Years:

For this fiscal year and subsequent fiscal years, work will be focused on sending out the program's Request for Financial Assistance, board members ranking/voting on projects to fund, voting on budget recommendations, looking for ways to improve current OHV opportunities, and potentially establishing new opportunities.

Funds and Staff Time Used:

Several members of the Forest Management Bureau spend approximately ten to twenty hours per year on committee meetings, project implementation, and funding. The current appropriation for this program is \$651,341, recurring annually from the T. Mark Schmidt Trust Fund.

Should this advisory body be terminated? No

Why?

The Council provides valuable insight into managing and developing off-highway vehicle recreation activities throughout Florida. The diverse perspectives of these industry experts assist the Commissioner in remaining informed on important topics related to this area.

Should this advisory body be modified? No

Why?

The department believes that the advisory body's current structure meets the needs and mission set in statute and does not require modification.

Meeting Dates:

November 13, 2020

July 26, 2021

July 28, 2022

July 27, 2023

Peanut Advisory Council

Statutory Authority: s. 573.112, F.S.

Purpose of Objective of Advisory Body:

Oversee the administration of the peanut marketing order.

Summary of Work Plan for The Next Three Fiscal Years:

The council plans to continue the Tobacco Marketing Order program, including one annual meeting.

Funds and Staff Time Used:

The advisory body does not receive any specific appropriated funds. The department utilizes base appropriations to support the council's functions. Staff time is is de minimus.

Should this advisory body be terminated? No

Why?

This advisory body provides valuable insight into issues pertaining to the peanut industry in Florida. The diverse perspectives brought forward by these industry experts assist the Commissioner in staying informed on important topics relating to that area, as it pertains to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

Should this advisory body be modified? Yes

Why?

The department has found it increasingly difficult to maintain a full council, and recommends amending s. 573.112(1), F.S. to eliminate the requirement to have alternate members.

Meeting Dates:

May 12, 2022

January 17, 2023

May 10, 2023

January 25, 2024

April 24, 2024

Pest Control Enforcement Council

Statutory Authority: s. 482.243, F.S.

Purpose of Objective of Advisory Body:

The Pest Control Enforcement Council (PCEAC) operates under the authority of s. 482.243, Florida Statutes, and is tasked with advising the Commissioner of Agriculture regarding the regulation of pest control practices and to advise government agencies with respect to those activities related to their responsibilities regarding pest control. The council shall serve as the statewide forum for coordinating pest control-related activities to clarify enforcement issues.

Summary of Work Plan for The Next Three Fiscal Years:

The council plans to continue providing guidance to and enhancing communication between the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (FDACS) and other appropriate agencies and interests specific to pest control enforcement and set priorities for FDACS-funded research or education in pest control.

Funds and Staff Time Used:

The council devotes approximately 225 hours to supporting the council. The advisory body does not receive any specific appropriated funds. The department utilizes base appropriations to support the council's functions.

Should this advisory body be terminated? No

Why?

The PCEAC serves an essential function for the department by maintaining open communication regarding enforcement issues with the pest control industry.

Should this advisory body be modified? No

Why?

The department believes that the advisory body's current structure meets the needs and mission set in statute and does not require modification.

Meeting Dates:

July 14, 2021	March 8, 2023
November 10, 2021	July 12, 2023
March 9, 2022	November 2023
August 10, 2022	March 13, 2024
November 9, 2022	

Propane Gas Education, Safety and Research Council

Statutory Authority: s. 527.22, F.S.

Purpose of Objective of Advisory Body:

The purpose of the Florida Propane Gas Education, Safety, and Research Council is to study problems arising in the LP Gas industry and to provide the Commissioner with recommendations. In addition, the Council exists to "advance the safety, efficiency, desirability, usage, and marketability" of propane gas and equipment while educating industry members and consumers about relevant issues. Finally, the Council provides guidance related to the assessment collected through the LP Gas Marketing Order (s. 527.23, F.S.) and the projects funded thereunder.

Summary of Work Plan for The Next Three Fiscal Years:

The work plan for the Florida Propane Gas Education, Safety, and Research Council consists of studying problems arising in the production, transportation, marketing, and use of propane gas and formulating and providing recommendations and policy alternatives. The council investigates, researches, studies, or performs other activities to advance the safety, efficiency, desirability, usage, and marketability of propane gas and propane gas use equipment. Additionally, the council provides for the education of propane gas producers, distributors, and consumers.

Funds and Staff Time Used:

The department devotes approximately ten hours per year to administrative time and meeting attendance. The advisory body does not receive any specific appropriated funds. The department utilizes base appropriations to support the council's functions.

Should this advisory body be terminated? No

Why?

The Florida Propane Gas Education, Safety and Research Council must carry out statutory requirements of sections 527.20-527.23, F.S., the Florida Propane Gas Education, Safety, and Research Act. This advisory body provides valuable insight on issues pertaining to its subject matter. The diverse perspectives brought forward by these industry experts assist the Commissioner in staying informed on important topics relating to that area, as it pertains to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

Should this advisory body be modified? Yes

Why?

The department has found it increasingly difficult to maintain a full council, and recommends amending s. 527.22, F.S. to decrease the number of propane gas dealers from 10 to 6 and change the total number of members from 15 to 11.

Meeting Dates:

October 29, 2020

March 30, 2021

May 17, 2021

July 29, 2021

October 27, 2021

March 17, 2022

May 9, 2022

July 29, 2022

October 26, 2022

March 28, 2023

Private Investigation, Recovery, and Security Advisory Council

Statutory Authority: s. 493.6104, F.S.

Purpose of Objective of Advisory Body:

The Private Investigation, Recovery, and Security Advisory Council (PIRSAC) advises the department and recommends regulating the security, investigative, and recovery industries. This council routinely makes suggestions regarding legislation that has positively impacted the regulated professions and the citizens of Florida, and its meetings provide opportunities for members of the public to address the council and division leadership.

Summary of Work Plan for The Next Three Fiscal Years:

The council plans to hold four meetings per fiscal year. August's meetings provide an update on legislative outcomes and implementation of processes resulting from the most recent legislative session and rulemaking. November's meetings are used to update the council and members of the public on the department's legislative proposals. February's meetings discuss ongoing business and the department's upcoming legislative proposals. May's meetings discuss ongoing business, recently passed legislation, and preparation for any required rulemaking to implement legislation. Opportunities will be provided at every meeting for any member of the public to speak and address the council or the Division of Licensing directly.

Funds and Staff Time Used:

The council has not received any specific appropriated funds. The department utilizes base appropriations to support the council's functions. The total staff time used was estimated to be 490 hours for 2022-2023, 250 hours for 2021-2022, and 184 hours for 2020-2021.

Should this advisory body be terminated? No

Why?

The council's recommendations to the department have resulted in numerous statutory and rule changes that have benefited the regulated industries and the public. PIRSAC provides the Department and regulated industries a valuable opportunity to discuss important regulatory issues and concerns, legislative and rule proposals, and enacted legislation and rules. PIRSAC meetings allow the public to address the department with questions and concerns relating to the regulated industries. PIRSAC meetings have provided the department with an opportunity to present important information to the regulated industries consistently.

Should this advisory body be modified? No

Why?

The department believes that the advisory body's current structure meets the needs and mission set in statute and does not require modification.

Meeting Dates:

August 7, 2020

February 12, 2021

May 14, 2021

August 13, 2021

November 5, 2021

February 4, 2022

May 13, 2022

August 5, 2022

November 4, 2022

February 16, 2023

May 11, 2023

November 2, 2023

February 1, 2024

May 9, 2024

Rural and Family Lands Selection Review Committee

Statutory Authority: s. 570.232, F.S.

Purpose of Objective of Advisory Body:

The committee independently evaluates applications submitted to the Rural and Family Lands Protection Program. It considers the list of Projects at a public meeting(s) conducted by the department and approves by majority vote a list of Projects in priority order that qualify for acquisition under the Program.

Summary of Work Plan for The Next Three Fiscal Years:

The committee will continue to comply with its duties listed in 5I-7.007, F.A.C., by holding public meetings to consider and recommend new and existing projects.

Funds and Staff Time Used:

The advisory body does not receive any specific appropriated funds. The department utilizes base appropriations to support the council's functions. Each year an application period is held, approximately 150 combined hours of staff time is used.

Should this advisory body be terminated? No

Why?

The committee provides valuable insight into ranking Rural and Family Lands applications. The diverse perspectives brought forward by these experts assist the Commissioner in developing a final list of projects to be approved for acquisition.

Should this advisory body be modified? No

Why?

The department believes that the advisory body's current structure meets the needs and mission set in statute and does not require modification.

Meeting Dates:

November 1, 2023

November 8, 2023

November 16, 2023

November 20, 2023

Seed Investigation and Conciliation Council

Statutory Authority: s. 578.27, F.S.

Purpose of Objective of Advisory Body:

The Seed Investigation and Conciliation Council (SICC) operates under the authority of s. 578.27, Florida Statutes, and is tasked with assisting buyers and seed dealers in determining the validity of seed complaints made by buyers against dealers and recommending a settlement, when appropriate, resulting from the alleged failure of the seed to produce or perform as represented by the label of such seed. It meets as needed.

Summary of Work Plan for The Next Three Fiscal Years:

The council will hold meetings on an as-needed basis and will focus on the statutory mandates of arranging investigations and informal hearings to determine findings and make recommendations for seed failures before formal litigation.

Funds and Staff Time Used:

The hours worked in support of council responsibilities and coordinating the meeting for two hearings are approximately 75 per year. The advisory body does not receive any specific appropriated funds. The department utilizes base appropriations to support the council's functions.

Should this advisory body be terminated? No

Why?

The SICC provides an important service and allows for a non-binding recommendation before buyers seek formal litigation in the failure of planted agricultural, vegetable, flower, tree, or shrub seeds.

Should this advisory body be modified? No

Why?

The department believes that the advisory body's current structure meets the needs and mission set in statute and does not require modification.

Meeting Dates:

December 6, 2022

Silviculture BMP Technical Advisory Council

Statutory Authority: s. 570.232, F.S.

Purpose of Objective of Advisory Body:

Advise the Commissioner on issues related to the creation and management of best management practices (BMP) regarding silviculture production.

Summary of Work Plan for The Next Three Fiscal Years:

The council intends to prepare for the next fiscal year's revision of the existing Silviculture BMP Manual, which was last updated in 2008. The department is holding virtual working group meetings to accomplish the Silviculture BMP Manual revisions before the end of 2024. Once a revised manual is developed, it will be presented to the full council for approval, and then the Florida Administrative Code rule making process will be started. Formal rule making is necessary as the manual and Silviculture BMP Notice of Intent form are adopted into the Florida Administrative Code under Chapter 5I-6. Following the completion of the Silviculture BMP Manual's revision and rule making process, the plan is to begin an update of the Forestry Wildlife BMP Manual similarly and re-adopt that manual under FAC Chapter 5I-8. This will be in FY 24-25 and likely carry over to FY 25-26.

Funds and Staff Time Used:

The department spends an estimated 120 staff hours per year on council-related business. It does not receive appropriated funding. The department utilizes base appropriations to support the functions of the council.

Should this advisory body be terminated? No

Why?

The council was established in 1991 to revise the previous Silviculture BMP Manual. After that, it met every other year to advise the department on BMP-related issues. The council's input is needed continuously for revisions to the Silviculture BMP Manual.

Should this advisory body be modified? No

Why?

The department believes that the advisory body's current structure meets the needs and mission set in statute and does not require modification.

Meeting Dates:

May 19, 2021

November 28, 2023

Soil and Water Conservation Council

Statutory Authority: s. 582.06, F.S.

Purpose of Objective of Advisory Body:

The council accepts and reviews requests for creating or dissolving soil and water conservation districts and recommends, by resolution, to the Commissioner that a district be created or dissolved. When requested by the Governor or a district, the council recommends to the Governor whether to remove a supervisor for neglect of duty or malfeasance in office only after notice, hearing, and thorough review.

Summary of Work Plan for The Next Three Fiscal Years:

The council will accept and review requests for creating or dissolving soil and water conservation districts and provide a recommendation. The council intends to monitor potential legislative changes throughout the approaching legislative session and respond to any changes. In the following fiscal years, depending on the legislative changes, the Council may need to be re-established, staff assigned, and an implementation strategy adopted.

Funds and Staff Time Used:

Currently, no appropriated funds exist to support the advisory body. Staff time is minimal, ranging from five to ten hours per year. The department utilizes base appropriations to support the council's functions.

Should this advisory body be terminated? No

Why?

The Council provides valuable services and insight into Florida's Soil and Water Conservation Councils. The diverse perspectives brought forward by these industry experts assist the department in accepting and reviewing requests for creating or dissolving soil and water conservation districts and issuing recommendations for removing council personnel.

Should this advisory body be modified? No

Why?

The department believes that the advisory body's current structure meets the needs and mission set in statute and does not require modification.

Meeting Dates:

N/A

Tobacco Advisory Council

Statutory Authority: s. 573.112, F.S.

Purpose of Objective of Advisory Body:

Oversee the administration of the tobacco marketing order.

Summary of Work Plan for The Next Three Fiscal Years:

The council plans to continue the Tobacco Marketing Order program, including one annual meeting.

Funds and Staff Time Used:

The advisory body does not receive any specific appropriated funds. The department utilizes base appropriations to support the council's functions. Staff time is de minimus.

Should this advisory body be terminated? No

Why?

This advisory body provides valuable insight on issues pertaining to Tobacco. The diverse perspectives brought forward by these industry experts assist the Commissioner in staying informed on important topics relating to that area as it pertains to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

Should this advisory body be modified? Yes

Why?

The department has found it increasingly difficult to maintain a full council, and recommends amending s. 573.112(1), F.S. to eliminate the requirement to have alternate members.

Meeting Dates:

February 7, 2022

February 7, 2023

February 7, 2024

Viticulture Advisory Council

Statutory Authority: s. 599.002, F.S.

Purpose of Objective of Advisory Body:

Submit to the Commissioner of Agriculture, annually, the industry's recommendations for viticultural research, promotion, and education and, as necessary, the industry's recommendations for revisions to the State Viticulture Plan.

Summary of Work Plan for The Next Three Fiscal Years:

For each fiscal year, the Viticulture Advisory Council plans to submit to the Commissioner of Agriculture, annually, the industry's recommendations for viticultural research, promotion, and education and, as necessary, the industry's recommendations for revisions to the State Viticulture Plan. The department recommends expanding research objectives to include other Florida commodities used in the production of wine.

Funds and Staff Time Used:

The department devotes approximately 2,000 hours annually, split between three positions: one manager and two professional staff. This time, among other activities, is spent reviewing invoices for the promotion and advertising program and accepting, reviewing, and processing Florida Farm Winery applications. This time may be reduced in the upcoming fiscal year due to program improvements. The advisory body does not receive any specific appropriated funds. The department utilizes base appropriations to support the council's functions. The annual \$750,000 funding from the viticulture trust fund supports research and advertising projects administered by FDACS staff.

Should this advisory body be terminated? No

Why?

The department supports continuing the Viticulture Advisory Council. To effectively support the efficient and expeditious development and growth of viticulture into a broad-based, economically sound industry, there is a need for leadership and statewide viticultural planning and promotion. Fifty percent of the revenues collected from the excise taxes imposed on wine produced by manufacturers in this state from products grown in the state are deposited in the Viticulture Trust Fund. Pursuant to s. 599.012, F.S., the department shall use the funds deposited in the trust fund to develop and coordinate the implementation of the State Viticulture Plan, promote viticulture products manufactured from products grown in the state, and provide grants for viticultural research.

Should this advisory body be modified? Yes

Why?

The department recommends statutory changes to amend the name of the Viticulture Advisory Council to the Florida Wine Advisory Council to represent all Florida agricultural products used to produce wine in the state and the manufacturers whose excise taxes contribute to the Viticulture Trust Fund. Additionally, the department recommends correcting "The Florida Grape Growers' Association" to "The Florida Wine and Grape Growers Association," as found in s.599.002(1), F.S. The entity changed its name in 2016.

Meeting Dates:

November 10, 2020

February 9, 2021

May 13, 2021

June 28, 2021

November 9, 2021

February 8, 2022

May 20, 2022

May 10, 2022

November 15, 2022

February 7, 2023

May 2, 2023

May 23, 2023

FDACS Appointments

Entity	Term	Representing	Appointing Authority	Sitting Member	Term Expiration Date	If Vacant, When Vacancy Occurred
Agricultural Economic Development Project Review Committee	Pleasure of the Commissioner	Commissioner or Designee	FDACS	Vacant	-	Unknown
Agricultural Economic Development Project Review Committee	Pleasure of the Commissioner	Farm Credit Service	FDACS	Vacant	-	Unknown
Agricultural Economic Development Project Review Committee	Pleasure of the Commissioner	Department of Commerce	FDACS	Vacant	-	Unknown
Agricultural Economic Development Project Review Committee	Pleasure of the Commissioner	Florida Farm Bureau	FDACS	Vacant	-	Unknown
Agricultural Economic Development Project Review Committee	Pleasure of the Commissioner	Agricultural economist from the Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences or from Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University	FDACS	Vacant	-	Unknown
Alligator Marketing and Education Advisory Council	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Allen Register	10/3/2026	-
Alligator Marketing and Education Advisory Council	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Genie Tillman	10/3/2026	-
Alligator Marketing and Education Advisory Council	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Wayne (HoHo) Brooks	10/3/2026	-
Alligator Marketing and Education Advisory Council	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Tracy Howell	10/3/2026	-
Alligator Marketing and Education Advisory Council	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	W. Broderick Vaughan	10/3/2026	-
Alligator Marketing and Education Advisory Council	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Doug Payne	10/3/2026	-
Alligator Marketing and Education Advisory Council	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Dave Travers	10/3/2026	-
Amusement Device and Attraction Advisory Committee	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Tracey Tucci	10/3/2026	-
Amusement Device and Attraction Advisory Committee	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Scott Justice	10/3/2026	-
Amusement Device and Attraction Advisory Committee	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Thomas Prioli	10/3/2026	-
Amusement Device and Attraction Advisory Committee	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Dan West	10/3/2026	-
Amusement Device and Attraction Advisory Committee	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Zach Stokes	10/3/2026	-
Amusement Device and Attraction Advisory Committee	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Anthony Liberti	10/3/2026	-
Amusement Device and Attraction Advisory Committee	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Cheryl Flood	10/3/2026	-
Amusement Device and Attraction Advisory Committee	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Jerry Smithson	10/3/2026	-
Amusement Device and Attraction Advisory Committee	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Michael Wood	10/3/2026	-
Amusement Device and Attraction Advisory Committee	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Aaron P. Corr	10/3/2026	-
Amusement Device and Attraction Advisory Committee	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Efstrateos Strates	10/3/2026	-
Aquaculture Review Council	4-Years	Alligator Farmer	FDACS	Allen Register	8/3/2027	-
Aquaculture Review Council	4-Years	Aquatic Plant Farmer	FDACS	Pierre LePochat	8/23/2027	-
Aquaculture Review Council	4-Years	Representative of the aquaculture industry at large	FDACS	Joe Cardenas	8/23/2027	-
Aquaculture Review Council	4-Years	Representative of the commercial fishing industry	FDACS	Damon Moore	1/3/2028	-
Aquaculture Review Council	4-Years	Food Fish Farmer	FDACS	Geno Evans	8/23/2027	-
Aquaculture Review Council	4-Years	Shellfish Farmer	FDACS	Timothy Solano	9/7/2027	-
Aquaculture Review Council	4-Years	Tropical Fish Farmer	FDACS	John Skidmore	8/23/2027	-
Aquaculture Review Council	4-Years	-	FDACS	Marty Tanner	8/13/2028	-
Babcock Ranch Advisory Group	5-Years	Member with experience in public outreach and education	FDACS	Vacant	-	4/20/2022
Babcock Ranch Advisory Group	5-Years	Experience in hunting, fishing, nongame species management, wildlife habitat management, restoration, and conservation.	FDACS	Vacant	-	10/1/2020
Babcock Ranch Advisory Group	5-Years	Sustainable management of forest lands for commodity purposes	FDACS	Vacant	-	4/20/2022
Babcock Ranch Advisory Group	5-Years	Experience in financial management, budget, and program analysis.	FDACS	Vacant	-	10/1/2020
Babcock Ranch Advisory Group	5-Years	Experience in management of game and nongame wildlife and fish populations	FDACS	Vacant	-	10/1/2020
Babcock Ranch Advisory Group	5-Years	Experience in domesticated livestock management, production and marketing	FDACS	Vacant	-	10/1/2020
Babcock Ranch Advisory Group	5-Years	Agriculture operations or forestry management	FDACS	Vacant	-	10/1/2020
Babcock Ranch Advisory Group	5-Years	A resident of Lee County, to be designated by the Board of County Commissioners of Lee County.	FDACS	Vacant	-	10/1/2020
Babcock Ranch Advisory Group	5-Years	A resident of Charlotte County, to be designated by the Board of County Commissioners of Charlotte County.	FDACS	Vacant	-	10/1/2020

Entity	Term	Representing	Appointing Authority	Sitting Member	Term Expiration Date	If Vacant, When Vacancy Occurred
Citrus Budwood Technical Advisory Committee	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	Owner or employee of citrus nurseries with one representing a producer of dooryard citrus nursery stock	FDACS	Tommy Thayer	10/3/2026	-
Citrus Budwood Technical Advisory Committee	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	Owner or employee of citrus nurseries with one representing a producer of dooryard citrus nursery stock	FDACS	Phillip Rucks, Chair	10/3/2026	-
Citrus Budwood Technical Advisory Committee	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services	FDACS	Callie Walker	10/3/2026	-
Citrus Budwood Technical Advisory Committee	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services	FDACS	Justin Ezell	10/3/2026	-
Citrus Budwood Technical Advisory Committee	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services	FDACS	Susan Halbert	10/3/2026	-
Citrus Budwood Technical Advisory Committee	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences of the University of Florida or the USDA Agricultural Research Service	FDACS	Dr. Kim Bowman	10/3/2026	-
Citrus Budwood Technical Advisory Committee	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences of the University of Florida or the USDA Agricultural Research Service	FDACS	Dr. Fred Gmitter	10/3/2026	-
Citrus Budwood Technical Advisory Committee	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences of the University of Florida or the USDA Agricultural Research Service	FDACS	Ozgur Batuman	10/3/2026	-
Citrus Budwood Technical Advisory Committee	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences of the University of Florida or the USDA Agricultural Research Service	FDACS	Matthew Mattia	10/3/2026	-
Citrus Budwood Technical Advisory Committee	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	Owner or employee of citrus nurseries with one representing a producer of dooryard citrus nursery stock	FDACS	Clay Pederson	10/3/2026	-
Citrus Budwood Technical Advisory Committee	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	Commercial citrus fruit producers or employees of producers;	FDACS	Daniel C. Scott III	10/3/2026	-
Citrus Budwood Technical Advisory Committee	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	Commercial citrus fruit producers or employees of producers;	FDACS	Joby Sherrod	10/3/2026	-
Citrus Budwood Technical Advisory Committee	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	Commercial citrus fruit producers or employees of producers;	FDACS	Ronald English	10/3/2026	-
Citrus Budwood Technical Advisory Committee	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services	FDACS	Taylor Smith	10/3/2026	-
Citrus Budwood Technical Advisory Committee	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	Alternate - Commercial citrus fruit producers or employees of producers;	FDACS	Mack Glass	10/3/2026	-
Citrus Budwood Technical Advisory Committee	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	Alternate - Owner or employee of citrus nurseries with one representing a producer of dooryard citrus nursery stock	FDACS	Danny Finch	10/3/2026	-
Coordinating Council on Mosquito Control	4-Years	Florida Department of Environmental Protection Secretary or Designee	FDACS	Greg Walker	Agency Rep-At Will	-
Coordinating Council on Mosquito Control	4-Years	State Surgeon General or Designee	FDACS	Dr. Carina Blackmore, DVM	Agency Rep-At Will	-
Coordinating Council on Mosquito Control	4-Years	Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission Executive Director or Designee	FDACS	David Cook	Agency Rep-At Will	-
Coordinating Council on Mosquito Control	4-Years	Commissioner of Agriculture or Designee	FDACS	Amy Brown, Chair	Agency Rep-At Will	-
Coordinating Council on Mosquito Control	4-Years	The University of Florida, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, Florida Medical Entomological Research Laboratory	FDACS	Dr. Jorge Rey	Agency Rep-At Will	-
Coordinating Council on Mosquito Control	4-Years	US Fish and Wildlife Representative	FDACS	Jeath Rauschenberger	Agency Rep-At Will	-
Coordinating Council on Mosquito Control	4-Years	U.S. EPA Representative	FDACS	Randy Dominy	Agency Rep-At Will	-
Coordinating Council on Mosquito Control	4-Years	USDA Representative	FDACS	Daniel Kline	Agency Rep-At Will	-
Coordinating Council on Mosquito Control	4-Years	Environmental	FDACS	Charles Jagoe	1/3/2028	-
Coordinating Council on Mosquito Control	4-Years	Environmental	FDACS	Jeffrey Eickwort	1/3/2028	-
Coordinating Council on Mosquito Control	4-Years	Mosquito Control Program Director #1	FDACS	Rui-De Xue	8/3/2027	-
Coordinating Council on Mosquito Control	4-Years	Mosquito Control Program Director #2	FDACS	Scott Schermerhorn	8/3/2027	-
Coordinating Council on Mosquito Control	4-Years	Private Citizen	FDACS	Edwin Irby	7/13/2025	-
Coordinating Council on Mosquito Control	4-Years	Private Citizen	FDACS	Mark Yanno	8/30/2025	-
Coordinating Council on Mosquito Control	4-Years	Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund or designee	FDACS	Keith Singleton	Agency Rep-At Will	-
Endangered Plant Advisory Council	4-Years	A botanist, who is a staff or faculty member at a state university.	FDACS	Dr. Suzanne Koptur	8/23/2027	-
Endangered Plant Advisory Council	4-Years	Florida Nurserymen and Growers Association	FDACS	David Drylie, Jr.	10/3/2027	-

Entity	Term	Representing	Appointing Authority	Sitting Member	Term Expiration Date	If Vacant, When Vacancy Occurred
Endangered Plant Advisory Council	4-Years	Committee for Rare & Endangered Plants & Animals	FDACS	Dr. Jack Stout	10/3/2027	-
Endangered Plant Advisory Council	4-Years	Florida Forestry Association	FDACS	Michael Jenkins	4/18/2028	-
Endangered Plant Advisory Council	4-Years	Florida Native Plant Society	FDACS	Richard Moyroud, Chairman	8/23/2027	-
Endangered Plant Advisory Council	4-Years	A botanist, who is a staff or faculty member at a state university.	FDACS	Austin mast	8/23/2027	-
Endangered Plant Advisory Council	4-Years	Florida Federation of Garden Clubs	FDACS	Ramona Johnston	8/23/2027	-
Feed, Seed, and Fertilizer Council	4-Years	Citrus	FDACS	Bryan Belcher	4/18/2028	-
Feed, Seed, and Fertilizer Council	4-Years	Seed	FDACS	John Beuttenmuller, Chair	3/30/2025	-
Feed, Seed, and Fertilizer Council	4-Years	Fertilizer	FDACS	Keith Davis	3/30/2025	-
Feed, Seed, and Fertilizer Council	4-Years	Aquaculture	FDACS	Milton "Geno" Evans	4/18/2028	-
Feed, Seed, and Fertilizer Council	4-Years	Seed	FDACS	Matt Griffin	3/30/2025	-
Feed, Seed, and Fertilizer Council	4-Years	Field Row Crop	FDACS	Andy Robinson	8/13/2028	-
Feed, Seed, and Fertilizer Council	4-Years	UF/IFAS	FDACS	Dr. Saqib Mukhtar	3/30/2025	-
Feed, Seed, and Fertilizer Council	4-Years	Poultry	FDACS	Chris Myers	2/20/2028	-
Feed, Seed, and Fertilizer Council	4-Years	Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services	FDACS	Neil Richmond	2/20/2028	-
Feed, Seed, and Fertilizer Council	4-Years	Fertilizer	FDACS	Eric Rosenthal	3/30/2025	-
Feed, Seed, and Fertilizer Council	4-Years	Feed	FDACS	David Stephens	3/30/2025	-
Feed, Seed, and Fertilizer Council	4-Years	Feed	FDACS	Jake Swab	4/30/2025	-
Feed, Seed, and Fertilizer Council	4-Years	Dairy	FDACS	Tommy Watkins	3/30/2025	-
Feed, Seed, and Fertilizer Council	4-Years	Vegetable	FDACS	Samuel Hutton	1/3/2028	-
Feed, Seed, and Fertilizer Council	4-Years	Beef	FDACS	Dusty Holley	8/23/2027	-
Florida Consumers' Council	4-Years	-	FDACS	Joshua Davis	7/3/2028	-
Florida Consumers' Council	4-Years	-	FDACS	JD McCrary	7/3/2028	-
Florida Consumers' Council	4-Years	-	FDACS	Lisa Mergel	7/3/2028	-
Florida Consumers' Council	4-Years	60 Years of Age or Older	FDACS	Ned Bowman	7/3/2028	-
Florida Consumers' Council	4-Years	-	FDACS	Gloria Pugh	7/3/2028	-
Florida Consumers' Council	4-Years	-	FDACS	Sabeen Perwaiz Syed	7/3/2028	-
Florida Consumers' Council	4-Years	-	FDACS	Alan Parkinson	7/3/2028	-
Florida Cotton Advisory Council	4-Years	Grower	FDACS	Ryan Jenkins	2/20/2026	-
Florida Cotton Advisory Council	4-Years	Grower Alternate	FDACS	Nicholas Marshall	2/20/2028	-
Florida Cotton Advisory Council	4-Years	Grower Alternate	FDACS	Mike Jordan	2/20/2028	-
Florida Cotton Advisory Council	4-Years	Grower Alternate	FDACS	Clay Fulford	2/20/2028	-
Florida Cotton Advisory Council	4-Years	Grower Alternate	FDACS	Lance Jackson	2/20/2028	-
Florida Cotton Advisory Council	4-Years	Grower Alternate	FDACS	Tyler Brown	2/20/2028	-
Florida Cotton Advisory Council	4-Years	Grower Alternate	FDACS	Ernest Fulford	2/20/2028	-
Florida Cotton Advisory Council	4-Years	Grower	FDACS	Jerry Davis	2/20/2028	-
Florida Cotton Advisory Council	4-Years	Grower	FDACS	Brandt Hendricks	2/20/2028	-
Florida Cotton Advisory Council	4-Years	Grower	FDACS	Scott Walker	2/20/2028	-
Florida Cotton Advisory Council	4-Years	Grower	FDACS	Ken Barton	2/20/2026	-
Florida Cotton Advisory Council	4-Years	Grower	FDACS	Josh Davis	2/20/2028	-
Florida Cotton Advisory Council	4-Years	Grower Alternate	FDACS	Jeffery Pittman	2/20/2028	-
Florida Cotton Advisory Council	4-Years	Grower	FDACS	Philip Marshall	2/20/2026	-
Florida Forestry Council	4-Years	An active member of a statewide conservation organization having as one of its principal objectives the conservation and development of the forest resource.	FDACS	John Holzaepfel	4/18/2028	-
Florida Forestry Council	4-Years	Timber or Timber Products Dealer	FDACS	Kelley Smith	4/18/2028	-
Florida Forestry Council	4-Years	Pulp or Paper Industry	FDACS	Ann Hutchinson Duff	10/3/2027	-
Florida Forestry Council	4-Years	Individual Forest Landowner	FDACS	Lynetta Usher Griner	4/18/2028	-
Florida Forestry Council	4-Years	Forest Products Industry other than the Pulp or Paper Manufacturing Industry	FDACS	Bob Cook	4/18/2026	-
Florida State Fair Authority Board	4-Years	-	FDACS	Richard Bowman-Delray Beach	6/28/2025	-
Florida State Fair Authority Board	4-Years	-	FDACS	Chuck Bruno- Riverview	6/29/2026	-
Florida State Fair Authority Board	4-Years	-	FDACS	Doyle E. Carlton, III- Wauchula	6/30/2025	-
Florida State Fair Authority Board	4-Years	-	FDACS	Susan Clemons-Okeechobee	12/31/2028	-
Florida State Fair Authority Board	4-Years	-	FDACS	Thaddeus Bullard	5/29/2025	-
Florida State Fair Authority Board	4-Years	-	FDACS	Dr. Cindy Sanders	3/19/2027	-
Florida State Fair Authority Board	4-Years	-	FDACS	Marcia Lightsey-Lake Wales	6/30/2025	-
Florida State Fair Authority Board	4-Years	-	FDACS	Reggie Holt-Lakeland	3/19/2027	-
Florida State Fair Authority Board	4-Years	-	FDACS	Sandy MacKinnon- Tampa	6/29/2026	-
Florida State Fair Authority Board	4-Years	Hillsborough County Commissioner in which the Florida State Fairgrounds is located	FDACS	Gwen Myers-Tampa	6/30/2024	-
Florida State Fair Authority Board	4-Years	Commissioner of Agriculture (or Designee)	FDACS	Wilton Simpson	-	-
Florida State Fair Authority Board	4-Years	-	FDACS	Linda Syfrett- Okeechobee	6/29/2026	-
Florida State Fair Authority Board	1-Year	An active member of the Florida Future Farmers of America or a 4-H Club, who shall serve as a nonvoting member.	FDACS	Gabby Howell	7/3/2025	-
Florida State Fair Authority Board	4-Years	-	FDACS	Jack Vogel- Dade City	6/29/2026	-
Florida State Fair Authority Board	4-Years	-	FDACS	Robert Thomas-Thonotosassa	3/19/2027	-
Florida State Fair Authority Board	4-Years	-	FDACS	Chad Lyons-Mayo	3/19/2027	-
Florida State Fair Authority Board	4-Years	-	FDACS	Eve Gloede-Tampa	3/31/2025	-
Florida State Fair Authority Board	4-Years	-	FDACS	Archie Collins-Tampa	3/19/2027	-
Florida State Fair Authority Board	4-Years	-	FDACS	Jake Raburn-Lithia	3/19/2027	-
Florida State Fair Authority Board	4-Years	-	FDACS	Charlie Lykes-Lake Placid	3/19/2027	-
Florida State Fair Authority Board	4-Years	-	FDACS	Ted Schrader-Tampa	3/19/2027	-
Florida State Fair Authority Board	4-Years	-	FDACS	Amanda Taylor-St Pete	6/5/2026	-
Food Safety and Food Defense Council	Pleasure of the Commissioner	Representatives of food industry groups	FDACS	Ned Bowman	Pleasure of the Commissioner	-

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Food Safety and Food Defense Council	Pleasure of the Commissioner	Representatives of food industry groups	FDACS	Joe Grimes	Pleasure of the Commissioner	-
Food Safety and Food Defense Council	Pleasure of the Commissioner	Scientists or other experts in aspects of food safety from state universities	FDACS	Renee Goodrich	Pleasure of the Commissioner	-
Food Safety and Food Defense Council	Pleasure of the Commissioner	Consumers or members of citizens groups	FDACS	Dan Ellinor	Pleasure of the Commissioner	-
Food Safety and Food Defense Council	Pleasure of the Commissioner	Representatives of food industry groups	FDACS	Morgan Madison	Pleasure of the Commissioner	-
Food Safety and Food Defense Council	Pleasure of the Commissioner	Consumers or members of citizens groups	FDACS	Amy Mullins	Pleasure of the Commissioner	-
Food Safety and Food Defense Council	Pleasure of the Commissioner	Scientists or other experts in aspects of food safety from state universities	FDACS	Soohyoun Ahn	Pleasure of the Commissioner	-
Food Safety and Food Defense Council	Pleasure of the Commissioner	Representing the production, processing, distribution, and sale of foods	FDACS	Amy Duda-Kinder	Pleasure of the Commissioner	-
Food Safety and Food Defense Council	Pleasure of the Commissioner	Scientists or other experts in aspects of food safety from state universities	FDACS	Dr. Qinchun Rao	Pleasure of the Commissioner	-
Food Safety and Food Defense Council	Pleasure of the Commissioner	Scientists or other experts in aspects of food safety from state universities	FDACS	Dr. Neil James	Pleasure of the Commissioner	-
Food Safety and Food Defense Council	Pleasure of the Commissioner	Representatives of food industry groups	FDACS	Geoff Luebke	Pleasure of the Commissioner	-
Food Safety and Food Defense Council	Pleasure of the Commissioner	Representing the production, processing, distribution, and sale of foods	FDACS	Michael Lombardi	Pleasure of the Commissioner	-
Food Safety and Food Defense Council	Pleasure of the Commissioner	Representatives of food industry groups	FDACS	Lorena Holley	Pleasure of the Commissioner	-
Food Safety and Food Defense Council	Pleasure of the Commissioner	Representing the production, processing, distribution, and sale of foods	FDACS	Kenesha Williamson	Pleasure of the Commissioner	-
Food Safety and Food Defense Council	Pleasure of the Commissioner	Representative from local, state, and federal agencies that are charged with responsibilities for food safety or food defense	FDACS	Sonia Monges	Pleasure of the Commissioner	-
Food Safety and Food Defense Council	Pleasure of the Commissioner	Representing the production, processing, distribution, and sale of foods	FDACS	Joseph Quinlan	Pleasure of the Commissioner	-
Food Safety and Food Defense Council	Pleasure of the Commissioner	Commissioner of Agriculture or his or her designee	FDACS	Ben Rosson	Pleasure of the Commissioner	-
Food Safety and Food Defense Council	Pleasure of the Commissioner	Secretary of Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation or his or her designee	FDACS	Dr. Steve Von Bodungen	Pleasure of the Commissioner	-
Food Safety and Food Defense Council	Pleasure of the Commissioner	Person responsible for domestic security with the Department of Law Enforcement	FDACS	David Binder	Pleasure of the Commissioner	-
Food Safety and Food Defense Council	Pleasure of the Committee Chairperson	Chair of the Agriculture Committee of the Senate or their designee	FDACS	Vacant	Pleasure of the Committee Chairperson	-
Food Safety and Food Defense Council	Pleasure of the Committee Chairperson	Chair of the committee of the House of Representatives with jurisdictional oversight of home defense issues or their designee	FDACS	Vacant	Pleasure of the Committee Chairperson	-
Food Safety and Food Defense Council	Pleasure of the Committee Chairperson	Chair of the Agriculture Committee of the House of Representatives or their designee	FDACS	Vacant	Pleasure of the Committee Chairperson	-
Food Safety and Food Defense Council	Pleasure of the Committee Chairperson	Chair of the committee of the Senate with jurisdictional oversight of home defense issues or their designee	FDACS	Vacant	Pleasure of the Committee Chairperson	-
Food Safety and Food Defense Council	Pleasure of the State Surgeon General	State Surgeon General or his or her designee	FDACS	Kimberly Stockdale	Pleasure of the State Surgeon General	-
Food Safety and Food Defense Council	Pleasure of the Commissioner	Scientists or other experts in aspects of food safety from state universities	FDACS	Dr. Simonne Amarat	Pleasure of the Commissioner	-
Honey Bee Technical Council	4-Years (1 year for first appointment)	Honeybee Industry	FDACS	Teddy Miksa	7/3/2028	-
Honey Bee Technical Council	4-Years (3 year for first appointment)	Honeybee Industry	FDACS	Ray Latner	10/3/2026	-
Honey Bee Technical Council	4-Years	Honeybee Industry	FDACS	Colby Sadler	12/30/2025	-
Honey Bee Technical Council	4-Years	Honeybee Industry	FDACS	Al Salopek	4/29/2024	-
Honey Bee Technical Council	4-Years (3 year for first appointment)	Honeybee Industry	FDACS	Jason Deeringer	10/3/2026	-
Honey Bee Technical Council	4-Years (2 year for first appointment)	UF-IFAS	FDACS	Amy Vu	10/3/2025	-
Honey Bee Technical Council	4-Years (2 year for first appointment)	FDACS, Secretary	FDACS	Erin Jenkins	8/23/2025	-
Motor Vehicle Repair Advisory Council	4-Years	Independent Automotive Mechanic Shops	FDACS	Charles Elder-Chair	9/29/2024	-
Motor Vehicle Repair Advisory Council	4-Years	Automotive Collision Shops	FDACS	David Stewart	3/22/2026	-
Motor Vehicle Repair Advisory Council	4-Years	Consumer Rep	FDACS	Tom Carella	4/18/2028	-
Motor Vehicle Repair Advisory Council	4-Years	Tire Dealers	FDACS	John Greenfield	4/18/2028	-
Motor Vehicle Repair Advisory Council	4-Years	Consumer Rep	FDACS	Thomas DeRita	9/29/2024	-
Motor Vehicle Repair Advisory Council	4-Years	Member at Large	FDACS	Gary Keyes	4/18/2028	-
Motor Vehicle Repair Advisory Council	4-Years	Franchise/Company Owned Automotive Mechanics Shops	FDACS	Joe Kovac-Vice Chair	11/30/2026	-
Motor Vehicle Repair Advisory Council	4-Years	Franchise Motor Vehicle Dealer	FDACS	Jim Lloyd	10/1/2025	-
Motor Vehicle Repair Advisory Council	4-Years	Independent Motor Vehicle Dealers	FDACS	Vacant	-	12/1/2022
Noxious Weed Advisory Committee	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	Division of Plant Industry, FDACS	FDACS	Dr. Greg Hodges, Chairman	10/3/2026	-

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Noxious Weed Advisory Committee	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	Division of Plant Industry, FDACS	FDACS	Tyson Emery	10/3/2026	-
Noxious Weed Advisory Committee	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	Division of Plant Industry, FDACS	FDACS	Dr. Patti Anderson	10/3/2026	-
Noxious Weed Advisory Committee	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	UF-IFAS	FDACS	Jason Ferrell	10/3/2026	-
Noxious Weed Advisory Committee	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	UF-IFAS	FDACS	Dr. Brent Sellers	10/3/2026	-
Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation	2-Years	Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services	FDACS	James Roberts	5/17/2025	-
Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation	2-Years	Off-highway vehicle recreation groups	FDACS	William L McDaniel, Jr.	7/3/2026	-
Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation	2-Years	Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Office of Greenways and Trails	FDACS	Justin Baldwin	7/30/2025	-
Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation	2-Years	Off-highway vehicle recreation groups	FDACS	Derick Edward David-Chair	5/29/2025	-
Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation	2-Years	Representative of a licensed off-highway vehicle dealer	FDACS	Jarrett Brown	5/17/2025	-
Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation	2-Years	Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles	FDACS	Travis Pelham	5/17/2025	-
Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation	2-Years	Citizen with scientific expertise in disciplines relating to ecology, wildlife biology, or other environmental sciences	FDACS	Vernon Compton	5/29/2025	-
Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation	2-Years	Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission	FDACS	Paul Scharine	12/29/2025	-
Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation	2-Years	Alternate-Science	FDACS	Keith Finnerty	5/29/2025	-
Peanut Advisory Council	4-Years	Gilchrist	FDACS	Arlene Bell	8/13/2028	-
Peanut Advisory Council	4-Years	Dixie	FDACS	Virginia Sanchez	6/1/2025	-
Peanut Advisory Council	4-Years	Levy	FDACS	Andy Robinson	6/1/2025	-
Peanut Advisory Council	4-Years	Levy	FDACS	Murray Tillis	8/23/2027	-
Peanut Advisory Council	4-Years	Levy	FDACS	Damon Sandlin	8/23/2027	-
Peanut Advisory Council	4-Years	Santa Rosa	FDACS	Ryan Jenkins	8/23/2027	-
Peanut Advisory Council	4-Years	Lafayette	FDACS	Kody Shaw	8/23/2027	-
Peanut Advisory Council	4-Years	Levy	FDACS	Arlene Bell	6/1/2025	-
Peanut Advisory Council	4-Years	Jefferson	FDACS	Jeannie Boyd	6/1/2025	-
Peanut Advisory Council	4-Years	Levy	FDACS	Scott Robinson	6/1/2025	-
Peanut Advisory Council	4-Years	Suwanee	FDACS	Erwin Stansel	8/23/2027	-
Peanut Advisory Council	4-Years	Jackson	FDACS	David DeFelix	8/24/2027	-
Peanut Advisory Council	4-Years	Jackson	FDACS	Larry Ford	8/23/2027	-
Peanut Advisory Council	4-Years	Levy	FDACS	Jerry Mills, Jr	10/3/2027	-
Pest Control Enforcement Council	4-Years	Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services	FDACS	Gerald Everton	4/18/2028	-
Pest Control Enforcement Council	4-Years	Citizen not involved in Pest Control	FDACS	Tom Walkup	12/10/2025	-
Pest Control Enforcement Council	4-Years	State University Urban Entomologist	FDACS	Dr. Roberto Pereira	8/23/2027	-
Pest Control Enforcement Council	4-Years	Actively Involved in Termite Control	FDACS	Joe Jonovich	2/20/2028	-
Pest Control Enforcement Council	4-Years	Actively Involved in Termite Control	FDACS	John Cooksey	10/3/2027	-
Pest Control Enforcement Council	4-Years	Actively Involved in Structural Fumigation	FDACS	Sean Brantley	10/3/2027	-
Pest Control Enforcement Council	4-Years	Actively Involved in General Household Pest Control	FDACS	Michael Wilson	10/3/2027	-
Pest Control Enforcement Council	4-Years	Actively Involved in General Household Pest Control	FDACS	Jeremy Maneol	2/20/2028	-
Pest Control Enforcement Council	4-Years	Actively Involved in Lawn and Landscape	FDACS	Timothy Brock	5/4/2025	-
Pest Control Enforcement Council	4-Years	Actively Involved in Lawn and Landscape	FDACS	John (Louis) Witherington	2/20/2028	-
Pest Control Enforcement Council	4-Years	Actively Involved in Structural Fumigation	FDACS	Eric Hobelmann	2/20/2028	-
Private Investigation, Recovery, and Security Advisory Council	4-Years	An active law enforcement officer, certified under the Florida Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission, representing a statewide law enforcement agency or statewide association of law enforcement agencies.	FDACS	Rick Staly	6/30/2027	-
Private Investigation, Recovery, and Security Advisory Council	4-Years	Owner and Operator of a business that regularly contracts with Class "A", "B", or "R" agencies	FDACS	Alan Hill	2/2/2028	-
Private Investigation, Recovery, and Security Advisory Council	4-Years	Private Investigative Profession - 5 investigators or less	FDACS	Mark J Aubin	10/3/2027	-
Private Investigation, Recovery, and Security Advisory Council	4-Years	Repossession/Recovery	FDACS	Christian Burns	10/3/2027	-
Private Investigation, Recovery, and Security Advisory Council	4-Years	Professional regulated under Ch. 493, F.S.	FDACS	Patrick Hurley	10/31/2024	-
Private Investigation, Recovery, and Security Advisory Council	4-Years	Professional regulated under Ch. 493, F.S.	FDACS	John D'Agata	10/3/2027	-
Private Investigation, Recovery, and Security Advisory Council	4-Years	Security Profession	FDACS	Robert Wood	10/31/2024	-
Private Investigation, Recovery, and Security Advisory Council	4-Years	Private Investigative Professional	FDACS	Ari Morse	4/18/2028	-
Private Investigation, Recovery, and Security Advisory Council	4-Years	Professional Regulated under Ch. 493, F.S.	FDACS	Scott Mozer	06/31/2025	-
Private Investigation, Recovery, and Security Advisory Council	4-Years	Professional regulated under Ch 493	FDACS	James Wright	4/30/2025	-

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Private Investigation, Recovery, and Security Advisory Council	4-Years	Security Profession - Under 20 employees	FDACS	Richard Stein	5/1/2025	-
Professional Surveyors and Mappers Board	4-Years, and such terms shall expire on October 31. However, a term of less than 4 years may be used to ensure that no more than 3 members' terms expire during the same calendar year.	Registered surveyor and mapper primarily engaged in the practice of surveying and mapping.	FDACS (Senate Confirmation)	Danny Williams III	10/31/2026	-
Professional Surveyors and Mappers Board	4-Years, and such terms shall expire on October 31. However, a term of less than 4 years may be used to ensure that no more than 3 members' terms expire during the same calendar year.	Registered surveyor and mapper primarily engaged in the practice of surveying and mapping.	FDACS (Senate Confirmation)	Landon Cross	10/31/2025	-
Professional Surveyors and Mappers Board	4-Years, and such terms shall expire on October 31. However, a term of less than 4 years may be used to ensure that no more than 3 members' terms expire during the same calendar year.	Layperson who is not and have never been surveyors and mappers or members of any closely related profession or occupation.	FDACS (Senate Confirmation)	Wendi McAleese	10/31/2026	-
Professional Surveyors and Mappers Board	4-Years, and such terms shall expire on October 31. However, a term of less than 4 years may be used to ensure that no more than 3 members' terms expire during the same calendar year.	Registered surveyor and mapper primarily engaged in the practice of surveying and mapping.	FDACS (Senate Confirmation)	Iarelis Diaz Hall	10/31/2027	-
Professional Surveyors and Mappers Board	4-Years, and such terms shall expire on October 31. However, a term of less than 4 years may be used to ensure that no more than 3 members' terms expire during the same calendar year.	Registered surveyor and mapper primarily engaged in the practice of surveying and mapping.	FDACS (Senate Confirmation)	Eugene Collings-Bonfill	10/31/2025	-
Professional Surveyors and Mappers Board	4-Years, and such terms shall expire on October 31. However, a term of less than 4 years may be used to ensure that no more than 3 members' terms expire during the same calendar year.	Registered surveyor and mapper primarily engaged in the practice of surveying and mapping.	FDACS (Senate Confirmation)	Michael Zoltek	10/31/2026	-
Professional Surveyors and Mappers Board	4-Years, and such terms shall expire on October 31. However, a term of less than 4 years may be used to ensure that no more than 3 members' terms expire during the same calendar year.	Layperson who is not and have never been surveyors and mappers or members of any closely related profession or occupation.	FDACS (Senate Confirmation)	Keith Fountain	10/31/2025	-
Professional Surveyors and Mappers Board	4-Years, and such terms shall expire on October 31. However, a term of less than 4 years may be used to ensure that no more than 3 members' terms expire during the same calendar year.	Registered surveyor and mapper primarily engaged in the practice of surveying and mapping.	FDACS (Senate Confirmation)	Chris McLaughlin	10/31/2024	-
Professional Surveyors and Mappers Board	4-Years, and such terms shall expire on October 31. However, a term of less than 4 years may be used to ensure that no more than 3 members' terms expire during the same calendar year.	Registered surveyor and mapper primarily engaged in the practice of surveying and mapping.	FDACS (Senate Confirmation)	David Schryver	10/31/2024	-
Propane Gas Education, Safety and Research Council	4-Years	Dealer in Propane	FDACS	Nate DePrinzio	6/25/2027	-
Propane Gas Education, Safety and Research Council	4-Years	Dealer in Propane	FDACS	Vacant	-	1/20/2023
Propane Gas Education, Safety and Research Council	4-Years	Dealer in Propane	FDACS	Kelly Everett	6/25/2027	-
Propane Gas Education, Safety and Research Council	4-Years	Dealer in Propane	FDACS	Sam Hodges	9/28/2024	-
Propane Gas Education, Safety and Research Council	4-Years	Dealer in Propane	FDACS	Barry Jordan	9/28/2026	-
Propane Gas Education, Safety and Research Council	4-Years	Dealer in Propane	FDACS	James Harris	6/25/2027	-
Propane Gas Education, Safety and Research Council	4-Years	Dealer in Propane	FDACS	Joanna Sams	6/25/2027	-
Propane Gas Education, Safety and Research Council	4-Years	Dealer in Propane	FDACS	Jerry Melendy- Vice Chair	9/28/2026	-
Propane Gas Education, Safety and Research Council	4-Years	Dealer in Propane	FDACS	Clyde Robertson	1/30/2027	-
Propane Gas Education, Safety and Research Council	4-Years	Dealer in Propane	FDACS	Vacant	-	1/20/2023
Propane Gas Education, Safety and Research Council	4-Years	Producer in Propane	FDACS	Frank Long	6/25/2027	-

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Propane Gas Education, Safety and Research Council	4-Years	Producer in Propane	FDACS	Max Johnson	1/30/2027	-
Propane Gas Education, Safety and Research Council	4-Years	Equipment Supplier	FDACS	Mike Rutherford	9/28/2024	-
Propane Gas Education, Safety and Research Council	4-Years	Equipment Supplier	FDACS	Craig Fisher	10/8/2024	-
Propane Gas Education, Safety and Research Council	4-Years	Public Member	FDACS	Mack Hacker	6/25/2027	-
Rural and Family Lands Selection Committee	Pleasure of the Commissioner	-	FDACS	Alan Edwards	Pleasure of the Commissioner	-
Rural and Family Lands Selection Committee	Pleasure of the Commissioner	-	FDACS	Kelley Boree	Pleasure of the Commissioner	-
Rural and Family Lands Selection Committee	Pleasure of the Commissioner	-	FDACS	Jorge Abreu	Pleasure of the Commissioner	-
Rural and Family Lands Selection Committee	Pleasure of the Commissioner	-	FDACS	Ellen Cruz	Pleasure of the Commissioner	-
Rural and Family Lands Selection Committee	Pleasure of the Commissioner	-	FDACS	Jennifer Hart	Pleasure of the Commissioner	-
Seed Investigation Council	4-Years	IFAS (Extension)	FDACS	Jessica Chitwood-Brown	4/18/2028	-
Seed Investigation Council	4-Years	IFAS (Research)	FDACS	German Sandoya Miranda, Ph.D.	3/29/2026	-
Seed Investigation Council	4-Years	Florida Seedsmen & Garden Supply Association	FDACS	Charles E. Elam, Jr.	5/30/2025	-
Seed Investigation Council	4-Years	Florida Fruit & Vegetable Association	FDACS	Stephen Lee	12/27/2026	-
Seed Investigation Council	4-Years	Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services	FDACS	Neil Richmond	8/23/2027	-
Seed Investigation Council	4-Years	Agriculture Industry at Large	FDACS	Reggie Brown	8/23/2027	-
Seed Investigation Council	4-Years	Florida Farm Bureau	FDACS	Scott Henderson	3/30/2026	-
Silviculture BMP Technical Advisory Council	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Commissioner Simpson	10/3/2026	-
Silviculture BMP Technical Advisory Council	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Rick Dolan	10/3/2026	-
Silviculture BMP Technical Advisory Council	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Jarek Nowak	10/3/2026	-
Silviculture BMP Technical Advisory Council	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Dr. Matt Cohen-Professor	10/3/2026	-
Silviculture BMP Technical Advisory Council	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Wes Howell	10/3/2026	-
Silviculture BMP Technical Advisory Council	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Jacob Cremer	10/3/2026	-
Silviculture BMP Technical Advisory Council	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Jeremy Olson	10/3/2026	-
Silviculture BMP Technical Advisory Council	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Vacant	-	5/8/2024
Silviculture BMP Technical Advisory Council	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Brittany Varn	10/3/2026	-
Silviculture BMP Technical Advisory Council	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Shawn DeRome	10/3/2026	-
Silviculture BMP Technical Advisory Council	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Charles Alex Mason	10/3/2026	-
Silviculture BMP Technical Advisory Council	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Travis McCoy	10/3/2026	-
Silviculture BMP Technical Advisory Council	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Jack Vogel	10/3/2026	-
Silviculture BMP Technical Advisory Council	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Matthew Stokes	10/3/2026	-
Silviculture BMP Technical Advisory Council	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Kimberleigh Dinkins	10/3/2026	-
Silviculture BMP Technical Advisory Council	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Shane Wellendorf	10/3/2026	-
Silviculture BMP Technical Advisory Council	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Stephen Coates	10/3/2026	-
Silviculture BMP Technical Advisory Council	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Chris Farrell	10/3/2026	-
Silviculture BMP Technical Advisory Council	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Ralph Jowett	10/3/2026	-
Silviculture BMP Technical Advisory Council	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Sarah Gledhill	10/3/2026	-
Silviculture BMP Technical Advisory Council	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Phil Tarver	10/3/2026	-
Silviculture BMP Technical Advisory Council	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Anthony Grossman	10/3/2026	-
Silviculture BMP Technical Advisory Council	3 Years from Establishment of Committee	-	FDACS	Chad Allison	10/3/2026	-
Soil and Water Conservation Council	4-Years	Individual who have been involved in the practice of soil or water conservation, or in the development or implementation of interim measures or best management practices related thereto, and who have been engaged in agriculture or an occupation related to the agricultural industry for at least 5 years at the time of their appointment.	FDACS	Tammy Hinkle	8/13/2028	-

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Soil and Water Conservation Council	4-Years	Individual who have been involved in the practice of soil or water conservation, or in the development or implementation of interim measures or best management practices related thereto, and who have been engaged in agriculture or an occupation related to the agricultural industry for at least 5 years at the time of their appointment.	FDACS	Sheila Kitaif	8/13/2028	-
Soil and Water Conservation Council	4-Years	Individual who have been involved in the practice of soil or water conservation, or in the development or implementation of interim measures or best management practices related thereto, and who have been engaged in agriculture or an occupation related to the agricultural industry for at least 5 years at the time of their appointment.	FDACS	Barton Wilder	8/13/2028	-
Soil and Water Conservation Council	4-Years	Individual who have been involved in the practice of soil or water conservation, or in the development or implementation of interim measures or best management practices related thereto, and who have been engaged in agriculture or an occupation related to the agricultural industry for at least 5 years at the time of their appointment.	FDACS	John Bagget	8/13/2028	-
Soil and Water Conservation Council	4-Years	Individual who have been involved in the practice of soil or water conservation, or in the development or implementation of interim measures or best management practices related thereto, and who have been engaged in agriculture or an occupation related to the agricultural industry for at least 5 years at the time of their appointment.	FDACS	Stacey Simmons	8/13/2028	-
Soil and Water Conservation Council	4-Years	Individual who have been involved in the practice of soil or water conservation, or in the development or implementation of interim measures or best management practices related thereto, and who have been engaged in agriculture or an occupation related to the agricultural industry for at least 5 years at the time of their appointment.	FDACS	Chris Denmark	8/13/2028	-
Soil and Water Conservation Council	4-Years	Individual who have been involved in the practice of soil or water conservation, or in the development or implementation of interim measures or best management practices related thereto, and who have been engaged in agriculture or an occupation related to the agricultural industry for at least 5 years at the time of their appointment.	FDACS	Matt Warren	8/13/2028	-
Tobacco Advisory Council	4-Years	Grower	FDACS	Timothy Driver	8/13/2028	-
Tobacco Advisory Council	4-Years	Grower	FDACS	Vacant	-	11/15/2023
Tobacco Advisory Council	4-Years	Grower	FDACS	James Lawrence Davis	12/31/2024	-
Tobacco Advisory Council	4-Years	Grower	FDACS	David Hodge	12/31/2024	-
Tobacco Advisory Council	4-Years	Grower	FDACS	Trevor Bass	12/31/2024	-
Tobacco Advisory Council	4-Years	Grower	FDACS	Curtis Davis	12/31/2024	-
Tobacco Advisory Council	4-Years	Grower	FDACS	Scott Prine	12/31/2024	-
Tobacco Advisory Council	4-Years	Grower Alternate	FDACS	Vacant	-	2/3/2004
Tobacco Advisory Council	4-Years	Grower Alternate	FDACS	Vacant	-	2/3/2004
Tobacco Advisory Council	4-Years	Grower Alternate	FDACS	Vacant	-	2/3/2004
Tobacco Advisory Council	4-Years	Grower Alternate	FDACS	Vacant	-	2/3/2004
Tobacco Advisory Council	4-Years	Grower Alternate	FDACS	Vacant	-	2/3/2004
Tobacco Advisory Council	4-Years	Grower Alternate	FDACS	Vacant	-	2/3/2004
Tobacco Advisory Council	4-Years	Grower Alternate	FDACS	Vacant	-	2/3/2004
Viticulture Advisory Council	2-Years	A nonwine product (juice, jelly, pie fillings, etc.) producer	FDACS	George Cowie	6/1/2026	-
Viticulture Advisory Council	2-Years	-	FDACS	Clay Keel	6/1/2026	-
Viticulture Advisory Council	2-Years	Viticultural Nursery Operator	FDACS	JR Newbold	6/1/2026	-
Viticulture Advisory Council	2-Years	Fresh Fruit Producer	FDACS	Phillip McKinnie	6/1/2026	-

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Viticulture Advisory Council	2-Years	Representative from the Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences	FDACS	Dr. Ali Sarkhosh	6/1/2026	-
Viticulture Advisory Council	2-Years	Representative from the viticultural science program at Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University	FDACS	Dr. Violeta Tsolova	6/1/2026	-
Viticulture Advisory Council	2-Years	Wine Producer	FDACS	Christian Slupe	6/1/2026	-
Viticulture Advisory Council	2-Years	President of the Florida Grape Growers' Association or a designee thereof	FDACS	Sarah Aschliman	6/1/2026	-