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<b>Farm Production and Conservation:</b>									
Farm Service Agency.....	<u>Cat. II</u> – Monitor ongoing situation, events and activities to accept applications. <u>Cat. III</u> – Orderly Shutdown. Support of cyber security and infrastructure operations to support key positions and essential personnel. Ensure protection of property.	10,479 a/	0	7,562	85	85	27	<b>7,589</b>	72%
Risk Management Agency .....	<u>Cat. II</u> – Monitor ongoing situations, events and activities in the event there was a need ensure the integrity of the crop insurance program. Category III- Fund escrow and perform price discover/price support efforts to ensure program and financial integrity.	375	0	16	5	5	5	<b>21</b>	6%
Natural Resources Conservation Service .....	<u>Cat. II</u> – Monitor ongoing situation, events and activities. <u>Cat. III</u> – Orderly Shutdown. Support of cyber security and infrastructure operation	9,342	0	9,142	200	200	200	<b>9,342</b>	100%
Business Center.....	<u>Cat. II</u> – Monitor ongoing situation, events and activities to accept applications. <u>Cat. III</u> - Support of cyber security and infrastructure operations to support key positions and essential personnel. Ensure protection of property.	1,459	0	292	36	36	24	<b>316</b>	22%
<b>Trade and Foreign Agricultural Affairs:</b>									
Foreign Agricultural Service .....	<u>Cat. II</u> – Provide administrative support for food aid programs funded through available funds. <u>Cat. III</u> – Includes Foreign Service personnel assigned to Embassies or Consulates overseas; employees to monitor existing export credit guarantees and provide administrative support for excepted programs.	973	0	7	140	140	140	<b>147</b>	15%
<b>Rural Development:</b>									
Rural Development.....	<u>Cat. III</u> - Preserve RD's loans and grants portfolio, which exceeds \$220 billion.	4,457	0	0	603	37	37	<b>37</b>	1%
<b>Food Nutrition and Consumer Services:</b>									
Food and Nutrition Service.....	<u>Cat. II</u> – Available appropriations to support Child Nutrition, WIC and SNAP programs. <u>Cat. III</u> – Continued operations for Child Nutrition, SNAP, and WIC programs. Ensure protection of property.	1,493	0	66	2	2	2	<b>68</b>	5%
<b>Food Safety:</b>									

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Food Safety and Inspection Service .....	<p><u>Cat. II</u> - Utilize carryover and reimbursable funding to conduct inspection activities.</p> <p><u>Cat. III</u> -Provide personnel essential to the functioning of food safety operations in the nation's food supply, who would continue to perform services essential to public health during a government shutdown. Such functions include regulatory inspection of meat, poultry and egg products that is mandated by law; lab work essential to the identification of public health concerns and threats; emergency preparedness; and mandatory administrative work related to the shutdown.</p>	9,461	0	18	8,416	8,416	8,416	<b>8,434</b>	89%

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<b>Natural Resources and Environment:</b>									
Forest Service .....	<u>Cat. I</u> - Law enforcement and safety officers and support staff necessary for asset protection and public safety. <u>Cat. II</u> - Utilize prior year unobligated funding to execute close down activities and maintain Job Corps centers. <u>Cat. III</u> - Fire suppression activities, secure and protect property at field locations including research facilities, manage some timber sale contracts.	33,095	575	10,551	11,000	11,000	11,000	<b>22,126</b>	67%
<b>Research, Education and Economics:</b>									
Agricultural Research Service .....	<u>Cat. III</u> - 1) Protection of research property and data where significant damage could result if unattended for any period of time; and 2) Senior Leaders to maintain contact through official channels and monitor communications.	6,285	0	0	1,116	1,116	1,116	<b>1,116</b>	18%
National Institute for Food and Agriculture.....	<u>Cat. III</u> – Senior Leaders to maintain contact through official channels and monitor communications.	399	0	0	4	4	4	<b>4</b>	1%
Economic Research Service .....	<u>Cat. III</u> – Senior Leaders to maintain contact through official channels and monitor communications, including monitoring of agency critical IT infrastructure systems to prevent security breeches and subsequent startup failures.	286	0	0	12	12	12	<b>12</b>	4%
National Agricultural Statistics Service .....	<u>Cat. III</u> – Senior Leaders to maintain contact through official channels and monitor communications, including monitoring of agency critical IT infrastructure systems to prevent security breeches and subsequent startup failures.	895	0	0	39	39	39	<b>39</b>	4%
Office of Chief Scientist .....	<u>Cat. III</u> – Senior Leaders to maintain contact through official channels and monitor communications.	8	0	0	1	1	1	<b>1</b>	13%
<b>Marketing and Regulatory Programs:</b>									
Agricultural Marketing Service .....	<u>Cat. II</u> -Voluntary grading and inspection services, oversight of Research and Promotion Boards, laboratory testing, plant variety certification, PACA activities, and commodity procurement for nutrition assistance programs. Orderly shutdown of Dairy Marketing Order. Category III - Safety and Occupational Health Managers and the Market News Program.	4,454	0	3,789	155	155	155	<b>3,944</b>	89%

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Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service .....	<p><u>Cat. II</u>-Trust Funds: Provide preclearance and inspection of fruits and vegetables, and inspection of birds at quarantine facilities. User Fees: Conduct animal quarantine import/export activities, certain veterinary diagnostic activities, phytosanitary certificate activities and agricultural quarantine and inspection activities, including after business hours. Reimbursable agreements (non-Federal): Conduct certain animal and plant health program activities as well as wildlife services activities, including bird strike prevention and research and methods development activities.</p> <p><u>Cat. III</u>-Conduct Plant Health program activities that include pre-departure inspections at ports in Hawaii and Puerto Rico and rearing and release of sterile insects in barrier zones that prevent the introduction and spread of agricultural pests and diseases. Conduct Animal Health program activities such as conducting livestock movement quarantines and tick treatments for cattle and deer along U.S.-Mexico border; providing care for animals housed at laboratories and research facilities; and, securing facilities such as the National Veterinary Services Laboratories and the National Wildlife Research Center (which is specifically funded through Wildlife Services programs). Conduct limited regulatory services as needed, such as investigative and enforcement support relating to serious alleged violations of Federal statutes and regulations, and biotechnology compliance enforcement and inspection activities, including any incident response. Maintain APHIS International Services operations overseas. Conduct certain Animal Welfare activities such as completing animal confiscation(s) that are in progress (if any) and addressing dangerous animal situations. Provide limited Agency-wide support activities as needed, such as support for FEMA assignments (ESF#11). Also includes minimum administrative support positions that support exempted and excepted activities. Of the total shown, 1,868 employees are on-call/activated as needed.</p>	7,869	0	3,168	2,288	2,288	2,288	<b>5,456</b>	69%
<b>Offices:</b>									
Office of the Secretary .....	<u>Cat. III</u> - Manage and continue orderly shutdown and residual continuing operations.	95	0	0	19	19	19	<b>19</b>	20%
Office of Homeland Security.....	<u>Cat. III</u> - Provide the Secretary with executive protection, radiation safety, and maintenance of emergency operations.	53	0	0	22	22	22	<b>22</b>	42%
Office of Partnerships and Public Outreach.....	No activities will continue.	44	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>	0%
Office of Communications .....	<u>Cat. III</u> - Manage and continue orderly shutdown and residual continuing operations.	58	0	0	2	2	2	<b>2</b>	3%
Departmental Management .....	<u>Cat. III</u> - Providing contracting officer services for essential activities and personnel throughout the Department. Providing human resources policy support to the Secretary, general officers and agency managers.	315	0	0	19	19	19	<b>19</b>	6%
Agriculture Buildings and Facilities .....	<u>Cat. III</u> - Maintenance of essential services for the Headquarters Complex.	91	0	0	19	19	19	<b>19</b>	21%

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Hazardous Materials Management .....	<u>Cat. III</u> – Coordination of the Department's environmental response and restoration activities.	4	0	0	2	2	2	2	50%
Office of the Chief Information Officer.....	<u>Cat. III</u> - Senior leadership to provide oversight for OCIO services to be continued.	957	0	0	31	31	31	31	3%
Office of the Chief Economist .....	<u>Cat. III</u> - Support for exempt and excepted activities.	61	0	0	5	5	5	5	8%
Office of Hearings and Appeals.....	No activities will continue.	77	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Office of Budget and Program Analysis.....	<u>Cat. III</u> - Support for exempt and excepted activities.	45	0	0	2	2	2	2	4%
Office of the Chief Financial Officer.....	<u>Cat. II</u> - Support NFC, IT, HR, Government Employee Service Division and Administrative Management Activities. <u>Cat. III</u> - Support for exempt and excepted activities.	1,421	0	187	4	4	4	191	13%
Office of Civil Rights.....	No activities will continue.	129	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Office of Inspector General .....	<u>Cat. I</u> Law enforcement activities <u>Cat. III</u> - Support for exempt and excepted activities.	443	5	0	6	3	3	8	2%
Office of the General Counsel .....	<u>Cat. II</u> - Utilize fee funded programs to continue required legal services. <u>Cat. III</u> - Provide required legal services for the Department and services in support of user fee funded programs.	239	0	3	11	11	11	14	6%
Office of Ethics.....	No activities will continue.	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
<b>USDA, Total .....</b>		<b>95,383</b>	<b>580</b>	<b>34,801</b>	<b>24,244</b>	<b>23,675</b>	<b>23,605</b>	<b>58,986</b>	<b>62%</b>

## NOTES:

a/ - Includes non-Federal County employees.

## KEY:

Category I: Military, Law Enforcement and Direct Provision of Health

Category II: Financed from Available Funds

Category III: Protect Life and Property; Authorized by Law; Implied by Law; or Constitutional Duties and Powers