**Barley Items in FY 2020 Agriculture Appropriation Reports**

**House Report - FY2020 Agriculture Appropriations**

*Passed out of Committee June 24, 2019*

*U.S. Wheat and Barley Scab (USWBS)*.—The Committee recognizes the importance of the research carried out through the USWBS Initiative. Fusarium head blight is a major threat to agriculture, inflicting substantial yield and quality losses throughout the U.S. The Committee provides an additional $2,000,000 over the fiscal year 2019 level in support of the USWBS Initiative.

*Small Grain Genomics*.—The Committee supports research on small grain genomics to address national genomic and breeding needs for U.S. crops to keep small grains and feed as viable crops and continue their substantial contributions to the agricultural economy. The Committee provides an additional $1,000,000 above the fiscal year 2019 level for this research.

**Senate Report - FY2020 Agriculture Appropriations**

*Passed out of Committee September 19, 2019*

*Barley Estimates*.—The Committee is encouraged that NASS has reinstated acreage and production estimates for barley in States that were previously discontinued in 2016 and 2017. The Committee expects NASS to continue providing barley acreage and production estimates for those States.

*U.S. Wheat and Barley Scab Initiative [USWBSI]*.—The Committee recognizes that fusarium head blight is a major threat to agriculture, inflicting substantial yield and quality losses throughout the U.S. The Committee supports research carried out through the USWBSI. The Committee recommendation includes an additional $5,500,000 to conduct further research on reducing the impact of fusarium head blight on wheat and barley.

*Small Grains Genomic Initiative*.—The Committee supports research on barley and wheat high throughput genomics and phenotyping and recognizes its importance in improving crop traits and developing new cultivars. The Committee recommendation includes an additional $1,000,000 to support the Small Grains Genomic Initiative.