

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
DATA GOVERNANCE BOARD
CHARTER**

ARTICLE I

Purpose

The USDA Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO) is responsible for the overall information technology strategy and management across the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) including enterprise data and analytics activities. The USDA Chief Data Officer (CDO) is part of OCIO and leads the data and analytics strategy for the department.

This Charter establishes the Enterprise Data Governance Board (EDGB) as a permanently chartered committee of the USDA and defines its authority, scope, and membership.

ARTICLE II

Authority

The EDGB is established under the authority of the Foundations for Evidence-based Policymaking Act; OMB M-19-23, the Federal Data Strategy; and other applicable laws, rules, and regulations.

ARTICLE III

Scope

The USDA EDGB shall serve as the principal decision-making body for setting and enforcing priorities for managing data as a strategic asset to support USDA's strategic plan, learning agenda, evaluation plan, and other high-level priorities.

The USDA EDGB sets agency data policy to leverage USDA data as a strategic asset, promote data sharing, efficient use of resources, and enable mission delivery.

The USDA EDGB coordinates implementation of USDA's data strategy, assessing data maturity, risks, and technical and workforce capabilities to create data investment priorities.

ARTICLE IV

Membership

The EDGB Steering Committee includes the following voting members:

USDA Chief Data Officer, Chair
USDA Chief Evaluation Officer
USDA Chief Statistical Official
USDA Mission Area Chief Operating Officers

The Council may include advisory (non-voting) members as prescribed in the Steering Committee By-Laws.

The USDA CDO shall serve as chair of the USDA Data Governance Steering Committee.

ARTICLE V

Duration

The Charter and the EDGB Steering Committee will remain in place until it is revoked by the USDA Deputy Secretary.

Approved by:

Gary S. Washington

USDA CIO

Date