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TO: State Extension Directors

FROM: Colien Hefferan *Colien Hefferan*

SUBJECT: Allocation of Fiscal Year 2007 Pesticide Safety Education Program Funds
and Request for Budget

A signed Interagency Agreement between the Environmental Protection Agency and the Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service, United States Department of Agriculture, has made available \$1,200,000, for fiscal year (FY) 2007 for the Pesticide Safety Education Program (PSEP). This amount is distributed based on the adopted formula.

The attached table reflects each State's share of funds allocated based on the adopted formula. Your total payment for FY 2007, as reflected on the attached table, will be included in your next funding authorization under the Payment Management System.

States are permitted to use up to 10 percent of their PSEP budget to fund new equipment.

Attached are copies of guidelines and a suggested form for your use in preparing a budget to cover the PSEP funds. The State contribution must be equal to the Federal funds. Two copies of this budget should be submitted no later than October 31, 2007, to:

Regular Mail

Oversight Section
Office of Extramural Programs
CSREES, USDA
STOP 2298
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20250-2298

Overnight Express

Oversight Section
Office of Extramural Programs
CSREES, USDA
Room 2242
800 9th Street, SW
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If you have any question regarding this allocation, please contact Barry Sims, Oversight Section, Office of Extramural Programs, at 202-205-0453 or via electronic mail at bsims@csrees.usda.gov.

Attachments

COOPERATIVE STATE RESEARCH, EDUCATION, AND EXTENSION SERVICE

Pesticide Applicator Training Education Funds

<u>STATE/TERRITORY</u>	FY 2007 Allocation Amount
ALABAMA	\$ 21,643
ALASKA	9,984
AMERICAN SAMOA	9,396
ARIZONA	15,044
ARKANSAS	17,749
CALIFORNIA	30,536
COLORADO	12,932
CONNECTICUT	11,521
DELAWARE	10,701
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	10,324
FLORIDA	28,814
GEORGIA	31,312
GUAM	10,081
HAWAII	11,553
IDAHO	13,765
ILLINOIS	38,087
INDIANA	25,372
IOWA	34,997
KANSAS	24,385
KENTUCKY	44,037
LOUISIANA	41,439
MAINE	12,609
MARYLAND	17,971
MASSACHUSETTS	13,103
MICHIGAN	24,771
MICRONESIA	0
MINNESOTA	31,455
MISSISSIPPI	21,394
MISSOURI	35,367
MONTANA	14,699
NEBRASKA	31,268
NEVADA	11,543
NEW HAMPSHIRE	10,549
NEW JERSEY	18,342
NEW MEXICO	12,359
NEW YORK	35,412
NORTH CAROLINA	26,396
NORTH DAKOTA	21,363
NORTHERN MARIANAS	9,395
OHIO	39,682
OKLAHOMA	25,691
OREGON	20,010
PENNSYLVANIA	32,752
PUERTO RICO	19,800
RHODE ISLAND	10,398
SOUTH CAROLINA	14,469
SOUTH DAKOTA	20,503
TENNESSEE	38,813
TEXAS	40,763
UTAH	12,833
VERMONT	11,431
VIRGIN ISLANDS	9,645
VIRGINIA	24,676
WASHINGTON	16,904
WEST VIRGINIA	17,450
WISCONSIN	28,968
WYOMING	13,544
TOTAL	<u><u>\$1,200,000</u></u>

**PESTICIDE SAFETY EDUCATION PROGRAM
FISCAL YEAR 2007
ACTUAL OF EXPENDITURES**

	EPA/USDA/PSEP PASS-THRU FUNDS	CES FUNDS (C)	Total
1. Salaries (A)			
a. Professional	_____	_____	_____
	(___ SYE)*	(___ SYE)*	(___ SYE)*
b. Paraprofessional and Technical	_____	_____	_____
c. Clerical and Secretarial	_____	_____	_____
2. Publication and Training Aids	_____	_____	_____
3. Travel	_____	_____	_____
4. Equipment (B)	_____	_____	_____
5. Supplies	_____	_____	_____
6. Other (specify)	_____	_____	_____
Total Program Costs	_____	_____	_____
Unobligated FY 2007 Funds	_____	_____	_____

*SYE Staff year equivalents

- (A) Identify all staff time devoted to Pesticide Safety Education Program (PSEP) including those not directly funded by EPA pass-through funds.
- (B) The Interagency Agreement with EPA indicates that the State shall be permitted to use up to 10 percent (10%) of their PAT budget to fund new equipment.
- (C) The State contribution must be equal to the EPA/USDA/PSEP allocation. Indirect costs are not allowable against the formula funded program nor can they be used as a match.

DATE

Director, Cooperative Extension Service

Name of Institution

GUIDELINES

BUDGET AND ACCOUNTABILITY **FOR STATE COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICES** **PESTICIDE APPLICATOR TRAINING PROGRAMS**

Situation: The Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), as amended, provides for cost-sharing by Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) of Pesticide Applicator Training (PAT). The amended FIFRA states:

Section 23, STATE COOPERATION, AID AND TRAINING.

- (a) Cooperative Agreements, —...Effective with the fiscal year beginning October 1, 1978, there are authorized to be appropriated annually such funds as may be necessary for the Administrator to provide through cooperative agreements an amount equal to 50 percent of the anticipated costs to each State or Indian tribe, as agreed to under such cooperative agreements, of conducting training and certification programs during such fiscal year. If funds sufficient to pay 50 percent of the cost for any year are not appropriated, the share of each State and Indian tribe shall be reduced in a like proportion in allocating available funds.

- (c) Information and Education,—...The Administrator shall, in cooperation with the Secretary of Agriculture, use the services of the Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service (CSREES) to inform and educate pesticide users about accepted uses and other regulations made under this Act.

In accordance with the “Memorandum of Agreement Between the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Department of Agriculture of June 14, 1972,” and subsequent amendments, CSREES has established an Interagency Agreement for training with EPA as noted in Section 23 above, as amended, on behalf of the State Cooperative Extension Services. CSREES has coordinated the training program with the State Cooperative Extension Services with the concurrence of EPA, by distributing and administering EPA “pass-through” funds on a formula basis, and has on file “Plans of Work” from each State Cooperative Extension Service for pesticide applicator training.

The State Cooperative Extension Services are encouraged to coordinate training activities with State Lead Agencies and to ensure that all training is compatible with Federal and/or State administered certification programs. Beginning with Fiscal Year 1991, the Interagency Agreement stipulates that the training must address requirements for certification as defined in 40 CFR 171.

Objectives: The purposes of the PAT Program are to help assure the proper, effective, and safe use as well as storage and disposal of pesticides; to assist both private and commercial applicators in meeting the initial and continuing standards of certification to apply restricted use pesticides; and to address adverse risks associated with pesticide misuse and consequences of pesticide drift. Emphasis should be placed on personal safety, protection of the environment, prevention of pesticide drift, endangered species, water quality, and food safety.

Allowable Costs: No expenditures can be charged to the PAT Program that do not directly relate to the objectives above and that are not reasonably moderate in comparison with national averages. Restrictions that apply to Smith-Lever, Section 3(d), funds apply to the "pass-through" funds. No overhead shall be charged to the Federal funds or as contribution of the State Cooperative Extension Service in determining funding assistance levels.

Funds allocated for the EPAT-PAT program are available for expenditure during the fiscal year in which they are allocated plus one additional fiscal year.