

USDA FIRST SCORECARD	FY2008 GOALS	FY2008 PLAN	COMMENTS FOR AGENCY												
<p>Initiative</p> <p>SMALL BUSINESS PROCUREMENT</p> <p>Agency Lead:</p> <p>OSDBU Director James House</p>	<table border="1" data-bbox="464 180 735 414"> <thead> <tr> <th>Goal</th> <th></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>SB 49.88%</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>SDB 5%</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>WOSB 5%</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>HUBZone 3%</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>SDVOS 3%</td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Goal		SB 49.88%		SDB 5%		WOSB 5%		HUBZone 3%		SDVOS 3%		<p>Acceptable</p> <p><u>Actions taken:</u></p> <p><u>_X_ Meets all Plan Requirements:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <u>_X_</u> Implemented strategic plan to increase the value of competitively awarded contracts to small businesses during the period. <u>_X_</u> Demonstrated top-level Agency commitment to small business contracting during the period. <u>_X_</u> Planned significant events to increase small business participation in the procurement process during the period. <u>_X_</u> Demonstrates that small business data is accurately reported in FPDS-NG during the period. <u>_X_</u> Demonstrates that policies and procedures are into ensure compliance with subcontracting plans and attainment of subcontracting goals during the period. <u>_X_</u> Demonstrated no unjustified bundling has taken place during the period. <u>_X_</u> Planned training to contracting staff/managers in executing small business/socioeconomic procurements during the period. <u>_X_</u> Planned to collaborate on formulation of small business procurement policy initiatives during the period. <u>_X_</u> Agency submits all strategic plans and reports that become due to SBA during the reporting period. 	<p>SBA RECOGNIZES THE AGENCY FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT</p> <p><u>BEST PRACTICES</u></p> <p>USDA holds monthly meetings with trade associations, prime contractors and the small business community. As a result, multiple teaming arrangements and subcontracting opportunities have materialized.</p> <p>USDA also requires OSDBU directors to review proposed acquisitions over \$100,000 involving possible bundlings and identifying alternate strategies to reduce its scope for maximum opportunity to small business. This best practice may significantly increase oversight and accountability.</p>
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