



Third Nationwide Formula Grants Teleconference

**Sponsored by the Office of Extramural
Programs,
CSREES/USDA**

**Wednesday, April 30, 2008
3:00 pm to 4:30 pm**



Welcome and Introductions

CSREES/USDA Attendees:

- **Office of Extramural Programs**
 - Andrea Brandon, Deputy Administrator, Office of Extramural Programs
 - Ellen Danus, Chief, Policy, Oversight, and Funds Management Branch
 - Barry Sims, Staff Accountant (Formula)
- **Information Systems and Technology Management**
 - Jason Hitchcock, Director, Information Policy, Planning, and Training



Welcome and Introductions

- **Send questions to:**
formulagrantsquestions@csrees.usda.gov
- **Other opportunities:**
 - **2008 CSREES Administrative Officers' Conference**
 - **Formula Update Breakout Sessions**
 - **Formula Track Breakout Sessions**
 - **Future Nationwide Teleconferences**



Foreign Travel

- Currently, all travel except program-related travel to Canada and Mexico requires CSREES pre-approval
- Will delegate to State Extension Director or 1890 Administrator in proposed Administrative Manual for Extension Formula Grants.



Indirect Costs

- Per NARETPA section 1473, neither indirect costs nor tuition remission may be charged to formula grants.



Program Income

- Research: Added to State program funds.
- Extension: Added to State program funds.
- Included in Proposed Terms and Conditions and Administrative Manual for Extension Formula Grants.



Status

- Allocation Memos
- Funding Distributions (i.e., Letters of Authorizations)



Status of FY 2008 EFNEP Funding

- Current Status
- Expected Release Date



Status

- **FGOs**

- » **1890 Research (USDA-CSREES-EA1445-001487) and 1890 Extension (USDA-CSREES-LG1444-001488)**
- » **RREA (USDA-CSREES-OP-001546) and McIntire-Stennis (USDA-CSREES-MSCFR-001547)**
- » **SL 3b&c (Reg and SPN), UDC, and Pest Management (IPM and CPM)**



Submission of non-Grants.gov Forms

- Please submit SF-269s, pre-FY 2008 certifications, etc. to:
- Fax: (202) 690-3002
- E-mail:
`formulagrantsforms@csrees.usda.gov`



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 - **Need Adobe 8.1.2**
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 - » **Toll Free: 1-800-518-4726**
 - » **Business Hours: M-F 7:00 am – 9:00 pm**
Eastern Standard Time
 - » **Email: support@grants.gov**



Formula Grant Policies and Procedures

- Status of Terms and Conditions for Extension Formula Grants
- Send questions for “Use of Funds” session at Administrative Officers’ Conference to formulgrantquestions@csrees.usda.gov today or tomorrow



Questions

- **Questions**
 - **Northeast Region**
 - **Southern Region**
 - **North Central Region**
 - **Western Region**
- **Questions my be emailed to:**
 - **formulagrantsquestions@csrees.usda.gov**



Next Nationwide Teleconference (Wednesday, May 28, 2008)

- **SF-424M Application Packages**
- **Status on Allocation Memos,
FGOs, and Letters of
Authorization**
- **Topics??**