



# **Fifth Nationwide Formula Grants Teleconference**

**Sponsored by the Office of Extramural  
Programs, CSREES/USDA  
Wednesday, June 4, 2008  
3:00 pm to 4:30 pm**



# Welcome and Introductions

## CSREES/USDA Attendees:

- **Office of Extramural Programs**
  - Barry Sims, Staff Accountant (Formula)
  - Brenda Barnett, Budget and Fiscal Specialist
- **Information Systems and Technology Management**
  - Jason Hitchcock, Director, Information Policy, Planning, and Training



# Welcome and Introductions

- **Send questions to:**  
[formulagrantsquestions@csrees.usda.gov](mailto:formulagrantsquestions@csrees.usda.gov)



# 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 (USDA-CSREES-SLBCD-001589)**
- » **SL Special Needs (USDA-CSREES-SLBCD-001585)**
- » **DCPPERA (USDA-CSREES-SLBCD-001588)**
- » **Cotton Pest Management (USDA-CSREES-SLBCD-001587) and Integrated Pest Management (USDA-CSREES-SLBCD-001586)**



## Common Issues Encountered in Reviewing SF-424M Packages

- Please remember that this application is considered an “Update.”
- Please list all Congressional Districts in which the project/program operates.
- Please verify your HHS-PMS PIN.
- Please complete boxes 1(c) and 1(d) of the Budget (SF-424A).



# Common Issues Encountered in Reviewing SF-424M Packages

- The total Object Class Categories amount must equal the total resources (Federal and non-Federal) applied to the Program.
- The Budget Narrative must account for total funding (Federal and non-Federal).
- Please remember that all attachments must be in Portable Document Format (PDF). We can not open non-PDF files.



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- Remember that your budgets must conform to all grant laws, regulations (including the codified cost principles and administrative requirements), policies and procedures.





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- Formula grant funds cannot be used to finance competitive programs.
- Neither indirect costs nor tuition remission may be charged to formula grant funds.
- Please read the definitions of each Object Class carefully in the FGO.



## Proposed Revised Administrative Guidance

- Significant Changes
  - Reset Target Percentages for 1862's selecting Options C or D in FY 2000.
  - Reconfirm Target Percentages for 1862's selecting Options A or B in FY 2000.
  - Via Memorandum to Formula Grants Section.
  - Use Form CSREES-TARG (Rev. 04/08) and Form CSREES-BASE (2/00) for resetting targets.



# Questions

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## **Next Nationwide Teleconference (Wednesday, June 11, 2008)**

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