



Sixth Nationwide Formula Grants Teleconference

**Sponsored by the Office of Extramural
Programs, CSREES/USDA
Wednesday, June 18, 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**



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- **Send questions to:**
formulagrantsquestions@csrees.usda.gov



Status of FY 2008 EFNEP Funding

- Current Status
- Expected Release Date



Status of 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)



Status of FGOs

- DCPPERA (USDA-CSREES-SLBCD-001588)
- Cotton Pest Management (USDA-CSREES-SLBCD-001587) and Integrated Pest Management (USDA-CSREES-SLBCD-001586)
- Animal Health (USDA-CSREES-AHFP-001686)
- Hatch Regular (USDA-CSREES-HATCH-001687)
- Hatch Multistate (USDA-CSREES-HATCH-001685)



Common Issues Encountered in Reviewing SF-424M Packages

- Please remember that this application is considered an “Update.”
- Please list all areas affected by the funding and the 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.



Common Issues Encountered in Reviewing SF-424M Packages

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



Common Issues Encountered in Reviewing SF-424M Packages

- 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.



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- Please describe the type of fringe benefits being funded.
- Contingency funds can not be budgeted for. You can always revise the budget should contingencies arise.



Questions

- **Questions may be emailed to:**
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Next Nationwide Teleconference (Wednesday, June 25, 2008)

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