

NRSP-RC Teleconference

June 3, 2013 at 2 pm ET, 1 pm CT

CALL NOTES

Participants: Tom Berwick (NIFA), Kirby Stafford (NERA), Brett Hess (WAAESD), Abel Ponce de León (NRSP-RC Chair, NCRA), Sarah Lupis (WAAESD), Arlen Leholm (NCRA), Clarence Watson (SAAESD), Shirley Hyman-Parker (ARD), Don Latham (CARET), Mike Harrington (WAAESD), Chris Hamilton (Recorder, NCRA)

Summary of Actions Taken During this Call:

- All projects up for midterm review were approved to continue without any changes
- NRSP_temp281's renewal and budget was recommended for approval without any revisions
- The Committee decided to table the NRSP-RC definition of "leveraging funds" until a later date (Continue discussion via email, as needed).
- The NRSP-RC approved the recommendation to NOT support an increase in funding for NRSP1 to support the impact writer full-time. (Final AES vote will take place this fall during our ESS meeting in Columbus, OH)

Item 1.0: Midterm Reviews

Action: Motion seconded and approved for all to move forward as-is.

1. NRSP4: All good, should continue.
2. NRSP6: All good, should continue.
3. NRSP9: All good, should continue.

Item 2.0: NRSP8 Renewal (NRSP_temp281)

1. 7 reviews, most were excellent to good, a few fairs, interesting comments
2. Increasing funds mentioned, problems with business plan, other sources to reduce OTT AES funds, we require listing of entire budget on other projects, no idea what kind of funding they are leveraging, not direct \$\$ to NRSP8
3. Need to develop a business plan on how they will directly leverage other funds to directly support NRSP8 and how they will reduce OTT funds?
4. NE region recommends NRSP8 have some plan to decline funding to maintenance level
5. NC, W, and S recommended move forward as-is
6. Definition of leveraging? Interpreted in broad sense, so even indirect funding (to researchers and supporting projects) is acceptable, leveraging doesn't have to be funds directly to the NRSP.
 - a. **Action Taken:** Motion to approve w/out changes: Bret, Clarence seconded. Motion approved.

- b. Table discussion of definition of “leveraging”, whether it needs to be direct to NRSP or not
7. Budget comments (see those listed above)

Item 3.0: NRSP1 Proposed Budget Increase for Full-Time Impact Writer

1. Comments from regions
 - a. Western: Support proposal, believe it is a worthwhile investment for minimal cost
 - b. North Central: Does not support
 - c. South: Supportive
 - d. Northeast: Does not support, time best spent on targeting, not full-time
 - e. Other comments:
 - i. Mike: Targeting makes more work, not less
 - ii. What do about split vote?
 1. All members of committee get a vote
 2. ARD doesn't pay to support NRSP1 (Shirley abstained)
 3. Vote: 4 N/3 Y
 - a. Kirby: N
 - b. Bret: Y
 - c. Abel: N
 - d. Arlen: N
 - e. Clarence: Y
 - f. Don: N
 - g. Mike: Y
 4. **Action Taken: Final NRSP RC recommendation is NOT to approve the proposed increase. Final AES vote will take place during Fall ESS meeting in September.**
2. Other Discussion - None

Item 4.0: Sequestration Cuts and NRSP budgets for FY13 and FY14 (see below table for FY13 summary)

- For information only.
- Budgets were reduced by 7.61%. Forward to NIFA for final FY13 allocations to NRSP committees
- We may see final cut as slightly higher, but that will not affect NRSP project allocations for FY13, since the 7.61% is now set
- We will know more about FY14 next year, hopefully in the fall

Item 5.0: Other Business

1. Status of 2013 Revised NRSP Guidelines – In final format and already posted to ESCOP site:
<http://escop.ncsu.edu/EZcontainer.cfm?pg=guidelines.htm>

Call adjourned, thanks for all your work, NRSP-RC members!

NRSP 2013-2014 Summary

Project	Request FY2011	Authorized FY2011	Request FY2012	Authorized FY2012	Request FY2013	Authorized FY2013	Revised FY2013 funding amounts based on sequestration cuts (Senate 7.61%)	†Request FY2014 (assuming a return to FY12 levels)
NRSP1	0	0	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	46,195	75,000
NRSP3	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	46,195	50,000
NRSP4	481,182	481,182	481,182	481,182	481,182	481,182	444,564	481,182
NRSP6	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000	138,585	150,000
NRSP7	325,000	325,000	325,000	325,000	325,000	325,000	300,268	325,000
NRSP8	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	461,950	-
NRSP9	350,000	175,000	175,000	175,000	175,000	175,000	161,683	175,000
NRSP_temp281							-	500,000

†Assuming an acceptable midterm review during year three, all NRSP budgets were approved during 2012 Fall ESS Meeting for the duration of their current, five-year cycle.

		Project Period	Midterm Review Year
NRSP-1	National Information Management and Support System (NIMSS)	2011-2016	2014
NRSP-3	The National Atmospheric Deposition Program (NADP)	2009-2014	-
NRSP-4	Enabling Pesticide Registrations for Specialty Crops and Minor Uses	2010-2015	2013
NRSP-6	The US Potato Genebank: Acquisition, Classification, Preservation, Evaluation and Distribution of Potato (Solanum) Germplasm	2010-2015	2013
NRSP-7	A National Agricultural Program for Minor Use Animal Drugs	2009-2014	-
NRSP-8	National Animal Genome Research Program	2008-2013	-
NRSP-9	National Animal Nutrition Program	2010-2015	2013
NRSP_temp281	National Animal Genome Research Program (NRSP8 renewal)	2013-2018	2016

