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Cooperative State
Research, Education,
and Extension Service

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TO: Extension Directors and Administrators

FROM: Colien Hefferan
Administrator

SUBJECT: Renewable Resources Extension Act (RREA)Funds Distribution for FY 2005

The Renewable Resources Extension Act (RREA) allocation to States for fiscal year (FY) 2005 is attached. The Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service (CSREES) FY 2005 appropriation for this program is \$4,060,256; this is an increase of \$20,234 or 0.5%. This small increase will be allocated to the National Focus Fund Project program for which the ECOP Forestry Task Force provides project recommendations.

In May 2004, the ECOP Forestry Task Force released the FY 2005 - FY 2009 RREA Strategic Plan (www.rreaprograms.net) which was jointly developed by the Federal and State partners. Working in concert with the Forestry Task Force, we will use the plan to invest in specific RREA program priorities for the next five years. Thus, I ask that you now focus your institution's RREA funds on one or more of the strategic issues that are identified in the plan:

- Diverse Audiences
- Economic Opportunities for Individuals and Communities
- Forest Stewardship and Health
- Invasive Species
- Land Conversion, Fragmentation, and Parcelization
- Public Policy
- Rangeland Stewardship and Health
- Wildlife and Fisheries Resources

You will note on the attached budget form that the program categories parallel the issues in the RREA Strategic Plan. Please align your RREA-supported programs with the strategic issues. I call your attention to the issue of serving diverse audiences and ask that you ensure your programs reached the diversity of under-served audiences that would benefit from your programs.

The criticality of ensuring that federal funds are spent as intended and that results are achieved necessitates that we increase the emphasis on program accountability. A key to program accountability is ensuring that RREA funds are spent in a manner that directly results in extension education programs. Additionally, over the next several months, the RREA Program Manager will be working closely with extension forest and rangeland program leaders and

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evaluation specialists to identify processes that will provide more substantive and robust program impact reports that meet the needs of CSREES to demonstrate program effectiveness. As part of our commitment to implementing the RREA Strategic Plan, we have allocated some administrative funds to support a three-day workshop this year to determine how the Federal-State partnership can acquire the data called for by the performance indicators in the RREA Strategic Plan. Additionally, beginning in FY 2006, we anticipate that RREA program planning and reporting will be incorporated into the electronic system currently known as the Current Research Information System (CRIS). Together, we can and must do better in reporting the impacts of the federal funds that are provided through the Renewable Resources Extension Act.

Please submit the attached budget form by June 30, 2005 to:

Regular Mail

Funds Management
Office of Extramural Programs
CSREES-USDA
STOP 2298
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20250-2298

Overnight Express

Funds Management
Office of Extramural Programs
CSREES-USDA
Waterfront Centre, Room 2235
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Washington, DC 20024

If you have any questions about the RREA program, please contact Eric Norland, National Program Leader, Natural Resources and Environment Unit at (202) 401-5971 or via e-mail at enorland@csrees.usda.gov. If you have any fiscal questions, please contact Armita Cross, Staff Accountant, Funds Management, at (202) 401-8982 or via email at across@csrees.usda.gov.

Attachments

Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service
Renewable Resources Extension Act (RREA) Allocation for FY 2005

<u>State</u>	<u>Institutions</u>	<u>FY 2005 Allocation</u>
AL	Auburn University	598,822
AL	Alabama A & M University	11,250
AL	Fiskejee University	11,250
AK	University of Alaska - Fairbanks	34,575
AZ	University of Arizona	73,494
AR	University of Arkansas	88,158
AR	University Of Arkansas - Pine Bluff	11,250
CA	University of California	101,986
CO	Colorado State University	82,413
CT	University of Connecticut	46,583
DE	University of Delaware	46,583
DE	Delaware State University	11,250
DC	University of the District of Columbia	11,250
FL	University of Florida	87,741
FL	Florida A & M University	11,250
GA	University of Georgia	100,405
GA	Ford Valley State University	11,250
GU	University of Guam	11,250
HI	University of Hawaii	46,583
ID	University of Idaho	54,488
IL	University of Illinois	56,081
IN	Purdue University	52,915
IA	Iowa State University	46,583
KS	Kansas State University	46,583
KY	University of Kentucky	70,328
KY	Kentucky State University	11,250
LA	Louisiana State University	82,992
LA	Southern University	11,250
ME	University of Maine	97,162
MD	University of Maryland - College Park	46,583
MD	University of Maryland - Eastern Shore	11,250
MA	University of Massachusetts	46,583
MI	Michigan State University	81,409
MN	University of Minnesota	80,830
MS	Mississippi State University	96,686
MS	Alcorn State University	11,250
MO	University of Missouri	71,911
MO	Lincoln University	11,250
MT	Montana State University	83,996
NE	University of Nebraska	46,583
NV	University of Nevada	48,166
NH	University of New Hampshire	46,583
NJ	Rutgers University	46,583
NM	New Mexico State University	68,745
NY	Cornell University	94,073
NC	North Carolina State University	97,239
NC	North Carolina A & T State University	11,250
ND	North Dakota State University	46,583
OH	The Ohio State University	66,576
OK	Tulahoma State University	57,884
OK	Langston University	11,250
OR	Oregon State University	82,490
PA	Pennsylvania State University	85,324
PR	University of Puerto Rico	11,250
RI	University of Rhode Island	46,583
SC	Clemson University	75,077
SC	South Carolina State University	11,250
SD	South Dakota State University	46,583
TN	University of Tennessee	78,680
TN	Tennessee State University	11,250
TX	Texas A & M University	183,564
TX	Prairie View A & M University	11,250
UT	Utah State University	49,749
VT	University of Vermont	46,583
VI	University of the Virgin Islands	11,250
VA	Virginia Tech	90,907
VA	Virginia State University	11,250
WA	Washington State University	76,826
VA	West Virginia University	96,247
VA	West Virginia State University	11,250
WI	University of Wisconsin	78,243
WY	University of Wyoming	51,932
	Total Payments to States	\$3,630,921
	Federal Administration	182,410
	National Focus Projects	286,925
	Grand Total	\$4,090,256

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BUDGET STATEMENT FOR
 RENEWABLE RESOURCES EXTENSION ACT (RREA) PROGRAM
 P.L. 95-306, RENEWABLE RESOURCES EXTENSION ACT OF 1978

STATE	INSTITUTION	SUMMARY										TOTAL AMOUNT											
		ESTIMATED CARRIED OVER EXPENDITURE ALLOCATION	INSTITUTION	FTE	PROFESSIONALS AMOUNT	SALARIES	PERMANENT FTE AMOUNT	STIPENDIAL FTE AMOUNT	TRAVEL	SUPPLIES	EQUIPMENT		OTHER										
	RREA STRATEGIC ISSUES																						
	LOWY AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSIONS																						
	FOREST RESEARCH AND HEALTH																						
	WILDLIFE SPECIES																						
	LAND USE AND FRAGMENTATION AND PARCELIZATION																						
	WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES RESOURCES																						
	TOTAL RREA FUNDS																						

APPROVED:

FROM RREA STRATEGIC PLAN FY 2005-2006
 TOTAL FUNDING REQUEST AMOUNT

Extension Director / Extension Administrator

Date

Administration CSREES

Date

DUE:

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