2008 Farm Bill, Section 10201: Plant Pest and Disease Management and Disaster Prevention Planning for Fiscal Year 2010

The purpose of this document is to facilitate <u>suggestions</u> for APHIS to consider when developing a Spending Plan for fiscal year 2010 under the 2008 Farm Bill, Section 10201, *Plant Pest and Disease Management and Disaster Prevention*. The objectives are to help: (1) standardize suggestions, (2) submit basic information, and (3) achieve an efficient, transparent, unbiased process.

See the APHIS website for detailed descriptions of all activities under each goal within the current *Implementation Plan for Section 10201* posted at: http://www.aphis.usda.gov/plant_health/plant_pest_info/pest_detection/downloads/Section10201-3-09.pdf

10201 Fiscal Year 2010 Suggestion Format

1. Suggestion Title

2. Person submitting the suggestion (name, institution, address, phone, fax, and email).

Name of person who would conduct the work, if not the same person (name, institution, address, phone, fax, and email).

3. Relevancy

A. Alignment with 10201 Goals (2-3 sentences)

Suggestions should clearly address at least one of the 10201 Implementation Plan goals:

- 1) Enhance analysis and surveys
- 2) Target domestic inspection activities
- 3) Pest identification & technology enhancement
- 4) Safeguarding nursery production
- 5) Outreach and education
- 6) Enhance mitigation capabilities

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See the APHIS Section 10201 website for links to the National Plant Board survey results, the June 8-9 Stakeholder Meeting notes, presentations, and other information from activities that occurred after the plan was written:

http://www.aphis.usda.gov/plant health/plant pest info/pest detection/farm bill.shtml

Choose one primary goal that applies to the suggestion, but also indicate whether other goals apply and why. Address specific activities in the Implementation Plan as well as new activities you may wish to propose that are not contained in the current Plan.

B. Specialty and Other Crops (2-3 sentences)

List all specialty crop groups (Nursery, Floriculture, and Horticulture Crops; Fruits and Tree Nuts; Vegetables; Culinary Herbs and Spices; Medicinal Herbs) that apply to the suggestion. See the USDA, Agricultural Marketing Service website for a definition of specialty crops, and a list of those crops by group: http://www.ams.usda.gov (type "specialty crops" in the search box). Section 10201 is not restricted to specialty crops, so suggestions may address non-specialty crops.

C. Impact (2-3 sentences)

Describe the expected impact of this work. Who will benefit and how does it help small producers?

4. Scope of Work and Methodology

A. Introduction and Summary (2-3 sentences)

Provide a brief overview of the proposed project. Explain how it will help to implement Section 10201. This section of the suggestion will serve to inform stakeholders of this and other suggestions. Write this section with an eye towards sharing it with the public. Assure it does not contain confidential information.

B. Purpose and Objectives (2-3 sentences)

Clearly explain the objectives of the project.

C. Scope of Work, Methodology/Approach, and Deliverables (1-2 pages)

Clearly describe the scope of work of the project including a description of the methodology/approach and the products or services. Address the beneficiaries of this work.

D. Communication Plan (2-3 sentences)

The project should include an outreach component that supports communication between the project and stakeholders. Explain the networking infrastructure (producer organizations, extension, etc.) used for outreach. Explain how the industry will gain a better understanding of Section 10201 because of the project and how the project will be coordinated, and communicated among stakeholders. Explain the type of feedback solicited and method of sharing results so that future projects and communication efforts may be improved.

E. Cooperators and Other Participating Institutions (3-5 sentences)

Describe program and funding coordination expected among two or more states, networking, and involvement of other cooperators, including industry partners, universities, and other government cooperators besides APHIS. List the cooperators and their roles.

5. Project Administration

A. Budget (less than ½ page)

Cost-sharing is not a requirement under Section 10201. Describe significant costs such as salaries, travel, equipment, contracts, supplies and the usual budget categories. APHIS may ask the originator of a suggestion to coordinate efforts with other entities if the suggestions are very similar.

The funds provided under Section 10201 must be obligated (i.e. provided to a cooperator or spent internally) in the fiscal year received by APHIS. The Federal fiscal year begins October 1 and ends September 30 of the following year. There is no guarantee that additional funds will be available or provided in succeeding fiscal years. A cooperator has one year to complete the work for funds provided through a cooperative agreement.

B. Sustainability (3-5 sentences)

Explain whether the work or impact is likely to continue after fiscal year 2010 funding for 10201 ends. If it will continue, explain how this will happen. Address whether there will be a decreasing need for ongoing Federal financial support over time and how long.

C. Milestones/Time Tables and Performance Measures (3-5 sentences)

Describe milestones as significant deliverables during the course of a project, e.g. a report, proof of concept, or similar achievement that helps denote progress to project completion. Describe specific performance measures used to evaluate the success of the project. APHIS will require these if the suggestion is favorable and APHIS requests a work plan.

Where to Send Suggestions

Send suggestions to APHIS by **August 17, 2009** to allow time for APHIS to consider all suggestions and then prepare a draft FY10 Spending Plan by October 1, 2009. APHIS may invite parties to submit work plans if their suggestions strongly address Section 10201 and the Implementation Plan, depending upon its ability to conduct the work itself. Suggestions may or may not result in APHIS offering funds to pursue an endeavor under this Section.

APHIS will use a very similar format to consider suggestions originating within its organization.

Anyone within or external to USDA may submit a suggestion to the following email addresses (choose the Goal that best matches the suggestion):

- 1. Enhance analysis and surveys PPQ.10201.Survey@aphis.usda.gov
- 2. Target domestic inspection activities PPQ.10201.Domestic@aphis.usda.gov
- 3. Pest identification & technology enhancement PPQ.10201.Technology@aphis.usda.gov
- 4. Safeguarding nursery production PPQ.10201.Nursery@aphis.usda.gov
- 5. Outreach and education PPQ.10201.Outreach@aphis.usda.gov
- 6. Enhance mitigation capabilities PPQ.10201.Mitigation@aphis.usda.gov
- 7. Section 10201 General PPQ.Section.Farmbill-10201@aphis.usda.gov

Send written suggestions to:

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