



Northeastern Regional Association of State Agricultural Experiment Station Directors

**We extend our holiday greetings and best wishes for a safe and prosperous New Years!**

### Action items:

- A full association teleconference is scheduled for **January 5, 2017 at 11:00 AM**. The dial in number is **(515) 604-9000** and the access code is **920096**.
- The BAA is *seeking the input* from all the regional sections (both Station and Cooperative Extension) on the concept of the "Single Number Request for BAA Priorities". In short, this is a request for a \$200M increase (totaling \$1,227,467,000) to support the six priority areas which include Smith-Lever, Hatch, Evans-Allen, 1890's Extension, McIntire-Stennis, AFRI. Please review the one-pager (created by Cornerstone, Option A One-pager) the table that shows Option A (\$200M increase request, Option A B Spreadsheet), the proposed timeline and the FAQ's (FAQ and Timeline, see all these docs at <http://www.nerasaes.org/single-number-request-for-baa-prior>). We expect to discuss this during our quarterly conference call on January 5th or having a joint call with NEED. We'll keep you posted on the "who" and "when".
- We are still **seeking station-specific photos** to showcase on the NERA website. Please gather some photos from your institution and forward them to David Leibovitz, NERA Coordinator ([david\\_leibovitz@uri.edu](mailto:david_leibovitz@uri.edu)).

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### Issues resolved:

- We've received some new station photos; check the NERA website homepage.

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### Informational items:

- NIFA hosted a webinar on capacity grant prior approval for equipment on December 6, 2016 at 2:30. The items that were shared during the webinar are posted on the NERA website (see <http://www.nerasaes.org/nifa-updates>). Further, NIFA has a webpage that provides resources related to prior approval; see <https://nifa.usda.gov/program/capacity-grantee-resources>.
- The USDA's Agricultural Research Service has an open position for National Program Leader in the area of Specialty Crops. The job announcement is posted on the NERA website: <http://www.nerasaes.org/employment-opportunities>.
- Prairie View A&M is seeking a Dean of the College of Agriculture and Human Sciences and Director of Land Grant Programs. The announcement can be found at <http://www.nerasaes.org/employment-opportunities>.
- The University of Delaware is seeking applicants for five positions including: Tenure track Assistant Professor of Statistics (60%R, 40%T; <https://apply.interfolio.com/38986>), Non-tenure track Assistant Professor of Statistics (100% T; <https://apply.interfolio.com/38594>), Non-tenure track Agronomist (65%E, 20%R, 15%T; <https://www1.udel.edu/udjobs/>), Non-tenure track Ag Entomologist (75%E, 25%R; <https://www1.udel.edu/udjobs/>) and a Dairy Manager (<https://www1.udel.edu/udjobs/>).
- The University of Georgia, College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences is seeking applicants for an Associate Dean for Research. The announcement can be found at: <http://www.nerasaes.org/employment-opportunities>
- The Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station (Auburn University) is seeking applicants for an Associate

Director, Ag Research / Extension Center. The announcement can be found at: <http://www.nerasaes.org/employment-opportunities>.

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