

Food and Agriculture Defense Initiative

Paragraph for member request letters going to the House and Senate Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittees:

The President's budget for CSREES includes a \$30 million request to fund the National Plant Diagnostic Network (NPDN) and its counterpart, the National Animal Health Laboratory Network (NAHLN). These networks of laboratories and experts can, more rapidly than ever, identify dangerous pathogens that threaten crops or livestock and give county extension agents, growers, veterinarians, processors and others the information they need to head off problems before they become widespread. Also included within the \$30 million request is funding for The Extension Disaster Education Network, or EDEN, a collaborative, nationwide effort by the Cooperative Extension Service, improves the delivery of services to citizens affected by disasters of all kinds. I support a funding level of \$30 million for these vital agrosecurity programs.

Note: Form for House members on reverse of this sheet.

**Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies
FY 2006 Funding Request Form**

For each and every project that is requested within your Member's letter, please enter the corresponding information on the form below. Each request requires a completed form. Requests will not be considered unless they are documented in either an official member letter or testimony and electronically transmitted via the form below. All member requests are due no later than ____ 2005. Please follow the numerical steps and enter applicable information relating to your project request. An "*" indicates a required field. Please contact the Appropriations Committee staff at x5-2718 with questions, problems, or concerns about this form.

Step 1: Member Information

*Member Name: ▼

*Staff point of contact and direct phone number:

Related members or co-signers:

Step 2: Project Information

*Agency: ▼

Account: ▼

*Project Name:

Priority (1 is highest): ▼

New Project: ▼

Project Description:

Description of Project's Legal Authorization and previous funding:

*Request *Requesting Amount \$

FY 06 share: ▼ << Leave this blank

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*Request Description: