V(A). Planned Program (Summary)

Program # 11

1. Name of the Planned Program

Global Food Security and Hunger: Goat Internet Website

☑ Reporting on this Program

V(B). Program Knowledge Area(s)

1. Program Knowledge Areas and Percentage

KA Code	Knowledge Area	%1862 Extension	%1890 Extension	%1862 Research	%1890 Research
903	Communication, Education, and Information Delivery		100%		100%
	Total		100%		100%

V(C). Planned Program (Inputs)

1. Actual amount of FTE/SYs expended this Program

V- o 2042	Exter	nsion	Rese	earch
Year: 2012	1862	1890	1862	1890
Plan	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1
Actual Paid Professional	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.1
Actual Volunteer	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

2. Actual dollars expended in this Program (includes Carryover Funds from previous years)

Extension		Research	
Smith-Lever 3b & 3c	1890 Extension	Hatch	Evans-Allen
0	5101	0	1177
1862 Matching	1890 Matching	1862 Matching	1890 Matching
0	24896	0	24896
1862 All Other	1890 All Other	1862 All Other	1890 All Other
0	78036	0	99594

V(D). Planned Program (Activity)

1. Brief description of the Activity

Meat goat production is one of the fastest growing sectors of the livestock industry in the United States. New producers, as well as some established ones, have an expressed need for current, correct

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information on how to raise goats and produce safe, wholesome products in demand by the public. As the meat goat industry grows and evolves, a quality assurance (QA) program is essential. Such a QA program ensures the production of a wholesome product that satisfies consumers and increases profits for the meat goat industry.

2. Brief description of the target audience

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3. How was eXtension used?

eXtension was not used in this program.

V(E). Planned Program (Outputs)

1. Standard output measures

2012	Direct Contacts	Indirect Contacts	Direct Contacts	Indirect Contacts
	Adults	Adults	Youth	Youth
Actual	51699	52000	500	700

2. Number of Patent Applications Submitted (Standard Research Output) Patent Applications Submitted

Year: 2012 Actual: 0

Patents listed

3. Publications (Standard General Output Measure)

Number of Peer Reviewed Publications

2012	Extension	Research	Total
Actual	0	0	0

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V(F). State Defined Outputs

Output Target

Output #1

Output Measure

• Number of Research Projects completed on Goat Internet Website.

Year	Actual
2012	0

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V(G). State Defined Outcomes

V. State Defined Outcomes Table of Content

O. No.	OUTCOME NAME
1	Number of goat producers learning about information found on the goat internet website.
2	Number of goat producers using the goat internet website.
3	Goat producers who improved their operations with information from the goat internet website.

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Outcome #1

1. Outcome Measures

Number of goat producers learning about information found on the goat internet website.

2. Associated Institution Types

- 1890 Extension
- 1890 Research

3a. Outcome Type:

Change in Knowledge Outcome Measure

3b. Quantitative Outcome

Year	Actual	
2012	450	

3c. Qualitative Outcome or Impact Statement

Issue (Who cares and Why)

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Results

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Two thousand one hundred (2,100) goat producers have enrolled in the on-line certification program and 261 goat producers have been certified via the site to date. Knowledge gained by producers for more efficient and effective goat production can potentially result in increased profits for many of these 261 producers. Based upon Goggle Analytics data, there were 69,931 visits to the online site in 2012 and visitors spent an average of 2 minutes and 55 seconds per visit. These visits represented 195 countries or territories, all 50 states and the District of Columbia.

4. Associated Knowledge Areas

KA Code Knowledge Area903 Communication, Education, and Information Delivery

Outcome #2

1. Outcome Measures

Number of goat producers using the goat internet website.

2. Associated Institution Types

- 1890 Extension
- 1890 Research

3a. Outcome Type:

Change in Condition Outcome Measure

3b. Quantitative Outcome

Year	Actual	
2012	100	

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Outcome #3

1. Outcome Measures

Goat producers who improved their operations with information from the goat internet website.

2. Associated Institution Types

- 1890 Extension
- 1890 Research

3a. Outcome Type:

Change in Condition Outcome Measure

3b. Quantitative Outcome

Year	Actual	
2012	50	

3c. Qualitative Outcome or Impact Statement

Issue (Who cares and Why)

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V(H). Planned Program (External Factors)

External factors which affected outcomes

Natural Disasters (drought, weather extremes, etc.)

Brief Explanation

External factors did not affect outcomes.

V(I). Planned Program (Evaluation Studies)

Evaluation Results

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Eagerness of goat producers to register for and complete the goat producer certification module.

Key Items of Evaluation

Certified goat producers improved their goat production practices

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