Georgia FY 2005 – FY 2006 Plan of Work Update

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Introduction

This unified document represents the research and extension components of both the University of Georgia and Fort Valley State University. The contents of this plan represent a continuation of the FY2000 – FY 2004 Plan of Work with minor adjustments.

Georgia will also continue to collect stakeholder input, conduct program review, and evaluate our impact in a similar method for the continuation of this plan.

One significant change in Georgia's planning and accountability process is very positive. In an effort to more efficiently and effectively use the resources of the University of Georgia and Fort Valley State University's research and extension programs a joint accountability position has been created. This singular position will better facilitate joint planning and accountability of the federal plan of work and its documented impact.

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Federal Goal One - AN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION SYSTEM THAT IS HIGHLY COMPETITIVE IN THE GLOBAL ECONOMY

Agriculture remains the largest segment of Georgia's economy. The farm gate value of Georgia's agricultural commodities currently exceeds \$8.8 billion. The research and extension plans and performance goals in the FY 2000 – FY 2004 Plan of Work for Georgia will continue for the FY 2005 – FY 2006 planning cycle.

While Georgia's Plan of Work identifies the Hispanic worker and the Hispanic family as a target audience throughout all five goals in the plan of work, Georgia continues to increase its efforts. This increased effort for FY 2005 – FY 2006 will be most evident within this goal. Within each performance goal, the target audience has been adjusted to better define the needs of the Hispanic audience. While the overall goals have not changed, Georgia is increasing its efforts to ensure that the Hispanic audiences are being reached with its agricultural production system goals.

The update plan of work for goal one contains 39 state performance goals.

Resource Allocations for FY 2005 – FY 2006

Federal Funds: \$11,123,205.00 Federal Faculty EFTs: 88.17 Federal Staff EFTs: 60.07

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Federal Goal Two - A SAFE AND SECURE FOOD AND FIBER SYSTEM

A safe and secure food and fiber system continues to be an important part of our plan. Georgia will continue the plans and performance goals in the FY 2000 – FY 2004 Plan of Work for the FY 2005 – FY 2006 planning cycle with one additional goal.

Georgia will add a state performance goal involving the security of our food and fiber system. The new state performance goal (2-9) directs programming to educate and protect the agricultural industry of Georgia from a catastrophic agrosecurity or natural disaster event.

The key program components include but are not limited to three areas. Programs will help local governments assess security risks, develop disaster response plans and prepare for future action as needed. Programs will increase the abilities of county extension faculty to recognize foreign animal disease and better serve as first detectors of plant and animal pathogens. Programs will better prepare the food processing industries in the area of agrosecurity.

Georgia will continue to work toward all of the state performance goals within this federal goal. The updated plan of work contains 9 state performance goals under federal goal two.

Resource Allocations for FY 2005 – FY 2006

Federal Funds: \$1,115,988 Federal Faculty EFTs: 8.85 Federal Staff EFTs: 6.04

Federal Goal Three - A HEALTHY, MORE WELL-NOURISHED POPULATION

A healthy, more well-nourished population remains an important part of our plan. Georgia will continue the plans and performance goals in the FY 2000 – FY 2004 Plan of Work for the FY 2005 – FY 2006 planning cycle with no adjustments. Georgia will continue to develop and implement programs that address the health of its citizens.

The updated plan of work contains 5 state performance goals under this federal goal.

Resource Allocations for FY 2005 – FY 2006

Federal Funds: \$606,896.00 Federal Faculty EFTs: 5.25 Federal Staff EFTs: 3.57

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Federal Goal Four - GREATER HARMONY BETWEEN AGRICULTURE AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Greater harmony between agriculture and the environment remains an important part of our plan. Georgia will continue the plans and performance goals in the FY 2000 – FY 2004 Plan of Work for the FY 2005 – FY 2006 planning cycle with no adjustments.

The programs that are currently in the plan continue to play a critical role in Georgia. The proper management of water resources is increasing critical to the future of Georgia's food and fiber production. Waste management issues continue to be an important part of our plan of work.

The updated plan of work contains 16 state performance goals under federal goal four.

Resource Allocations for FY 2005 – FY 2006

Federal Funds: \$2,292,213.00 Federal Faculty EFTs: 17.92 Federal Staff EFTs: 12.21

Federal Goal Five – ENHANCED ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES AND QUALITY OF LIFE FOR AMERICANS

The economic opportunities and quality of life of Georgia's citizens remains an important part of our plan. Georgia will continue the plans and performance goals in the FY2000-2004 Plan of Work for the FY 2005-2006 planning cycle with one additional goal.

Georgia will add a state performance goal (5-12) that directs programming to improve the quality of life of families by building their capacity to acquire and maintain their housing, reduce the exposure to environmental contaminants in the home, and manage their demands on natural resources.

Program components include but are not limited to several key areas. Programs will be developed to address indoor air quality and increase knowledge about indoor air contaminants and how to handle moisture problems.

A housing education component to increase knowledge of various mortgage options, loan qualification and home buying processes will be targeted toward families with limited resources. A component to increase knowledge and practice of recycling and household-waste reduction lifestyle habits will strengthen Georgia's current environmental goals identified under federal goal two.

Other state performance goals identified within the Georgia's plan will continue. The updated plan of work contains 12 state performance goals under federal goal five.

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Resource Allocations for FY 2005 – FY 2006

Federal Funds: \$972,759.00 Federal Faculty EFTs: 7.68 Federal Staff EFTs: 5.23

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