# **Multistate Research Committee Report**

### Fall 2013

**Presenter:** Steve Workman

#### **Background:**

The Southern MRC is composed of Ed King (ARS Rep), Steve Workman (Chair), Craig Nessler, Clarence Watson, Steve Oliver, and Eric Young.

The following is a current status report, prepared by Donna Pearce, of MRF activities sorted by termination date. This information is also available on the southern directors' web site.

#### **Multistate Activities' Status**

#### **Projects/Activities Terminating 9/30/13**

8009 - "Plant Genetic Resources Conservation and Utilization" - Jerry Arkin, Ga

**S1032** – "Improving the Sustainability of Livestock and Poultry Production in the United States" – Saied Mostaghimi, VA

**S1036** – "Genetic improvement approaches to sustained, profitable cotton production in the United States" – Clarence Watson, OK

S1038 - "Peanut Variety Quality Evaluation Program" - Saied Mostaghimi, VA

**S1040** – "Genetic Selection and Crossbreeding to Enhance Reproduction and Survival of Dairy Cattle" – Nancy Cox, KY

S1041 – "The Science and Engineering for a Biobased Industry and Economy" – Bill Brown, TN

**S1042** – "Modeling for TMDL Development, and Watershed Based Planning, Management and Assessment" – John Liu, AL

**S1043** – "Economic Impacts of International Trade and Domestic Policies on Southern Agriculture" – Eric Young, NC

S1044 - "Nutritional Systems for Swine to Increase Reproductive Efficiency" - Nancy Cox, KY

S1047 - "Enhancing Reproductive Efficiency of Poultry" - Nathan McKinney, AR

SDC343 – "A model for secondary schools agriscience education programs that emphasizes the STEM content in agriculture" – Lesley Oliver, KY

SCC13 - "Statisticians Group" - Ken Koonce, LA

SERA017 - "Organization to Minimize Phosphorus Losses from Agriculture" - John Liu, AL

SERA018 - "Rice Technical Workers Group" - John Russin, LA

**SERA019** – "The Changing Rural Health System: Education for Consumers and Providers" – Gail Cramer, LA

SERA025 - "Turf" - John Russin, LA

SERA038 - "Biobased Energy Research and Information Exchange Committee" - Nancy Cox, KY

SERA039 – "Public Policy Issues Education" – Lesley Oliver, KY

**SERA040** – "Coordination of Winter Canola Research Programs in the Southern Region" – Clarence Watson, AR

#### **Terminating Without Replacement 9/30/2013**

**S1031** – "Improvement and Sustainability of Channel-Blue Hybrid Catfish Embryo Production and Performance" – Saied Mostaghimi

**S1036** – "Genetic improvement approaches to sustained, profitable cotton production in the United States" – Clarence Watson, OK

S-1047 – "Enhancing Reproductive Efficiency of Poultry" - Nathan McKinney, AR

**SERA019** – "The Changing Rural Health System: Education for Consumers and Providers" – Gail Cramer, LA

SERA038 - "Biobased Energy Research and Information Exchange Committee" - Nancy Cox, KY

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## Replacement Projects/Activities Approved

**S009** (**re-write for SDC352/S009**) – "Plant Genetic Resources Conservation and Utilization" – Jerry Arkin, Ga

**S1032** (**re-write for SDC354/S1032**) – "Animal Production Systems: Synthesis of Methods to Determine Triple Bottom Line Sustainability from Findings of Reductionist Research" – Ron Lacewell, TX

**S1057** (**re-write for SDC343/NEW**) – "A framework for secondary schools agriscience education programs that emphasizes the STEM content in agriculture" – Lesley Oliver, KY

**S1058** (**re-write for SDC351**) – "Biological Control of Arthropod Pests and Weeds" – Jonathan Edelson, OK

**S1059** (re-write for SDC350) – "Peanut Variety and Quality Evaluation Program for Development of Virginia-type Cultivars with High Oleic Trait" – Jody Jellison, VA

**S1041S** (re-write for SDC353) – "The Science and Engineering for a Biobased Industry and Economy" – Bill Brown, TN

**S1060** (**re-write for SDC355**) – "Fly Management in Animal Agriculture Systems and Impacts on Animal Health and Food Safety" – Rick Roeder, AR

**S1061** (re-write for SDC356) – "Nutritional Systems for Swine to Increase Reproductive Efficiency" – Nancy Cox, KY

**S1062**(re-write for SDC357) – "The importance of U.S. food and agricultural trade in a new global market environment" – Eric Young, NC

**SDC358** (**re-write for S1042**) - "Quantification of best management practice effectiveness for water quality protection at the watershed scale" – John Liu, AL

SCC13 (re-write for S\_temp3242/SCC13) - "Statisticians Group" - Kenneth Koonce, LA

SCC84 (re-write for S\_temp3042/S1040) – "Genetic selection and mating strategies to improve the well-being and efficiency of dairy cattle" – Nancy Cox, KY

**SERA017** (re-write for S\_temp3162/SERA017) – "Organization to Minimize Nutrient Loss from the Landscape" – John Liu, AL

SERA018 (re-write for S\_temp3102/SERA018) – "Rice Technical Workers Group" – John Russin, LA

SERA025 (re-write for S\_temp3202/SERA25) - "Turf" - John Russin, LA

SERA039 (re-write for S\_temp3222/SERA039) - "Public Policy Issues Education" - Lesley Oliver, KY

**SERA043** (re-write for S\_temp3122/NEW SERA) (approved for 1-year) – "Southern Region Integrated Water Resources Coordinating Committee" – Wes Burger, MS

**SERA044** (re-write for **S\_temp3262/NEW SERA**) (approved for **1-year**) – "Landscapes and Gardens for Better Living" - Eric Young, NC

#### **Projects/Activities Terminating 9/30/2014**

**S1045** – "Genetic Considerations for Beef Cattle Production in Challenging Environments" – Joe West, GA

**S1046** – "Improved management of plant-parasitic nematodes through modern diagnostic tools and increased use of host resistance" – Ron Lacewell, TX

SDC349 - "The Poultry Food System: A Farm to Table Model" - David Monks, NC

SERA005 - "Sweet Potato Collaborators Conference" - David Monks, NC

SERA008 - "Fescue Endophyte Research and Extension" - Jody Jellison, VA

SERA015 – "Competitiveness and Sustainability of the Southern Dairy Industry" – Joe West, GA

SERA020 - "Southern Conservation Tillage Systems Conference" - Jonathan Pote, MS

**SERA041** – "Beef Cattle Production Utilizing Forages in the Southeast to Integrate Research and Extension Programs across State Boundaries" – Steve Oliver, TN

**SERA043** (**re-write for S\_temp3122/NEW SERA**) – "Southern Region Integrated Water Resources Coordinating Committee" – Wes Burger, MS

**SERA044** (re-write for S\_temp3262/NEW SERA) – "Landscapes and Gardens for Better Living" - Eric Young, NC

SCC76 – "Economics and Management of Risk in Agriculture and Natural Resources" – Reuben Moore, MS

**Action Requested: For information**