

Multistate Research Committee Report Spring 2016

Presenter: Clarence Watson

Background:

The Southern MRC is composed of Clarence Watson (Chair), Craig Nessler, Rick Bennett, Nathan McKinney and Deborah Brennan (ARS Rep).

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 9/30/2017

- **S1052** – “The Working Group on Improving Microbial Control of Arthropod Pests” - Rogers Leonard, LA
- **S1053** – “Ecological and genetic diversity of soilborne pathogens and indigenous microflora” - Harald Scherm, GA
- **S1058** – “Biological Control of Arthropod Pests and Weeds” - Saied Mostaghimi, VA
- **SCC81** – “Sustainable Small Ruminant Production in the Southeastern U.S.” – Bob Godfrey, VI
- **SERA003** – “Southern Region Information Exchange Group for IPM” – David Monks, NC
- **SERA006** – “Methodology, Interpretation, and Implementation of Soil, Plant, Byproduct, and Water Analyses” - Nathan McKinney, AR
- **SERA27** – “Nursery Crop and Landscape Systems” - Regina Bracy, LA
- **SERA37** – “Latinos in the New South” - Reuben Moore, MS

Replacement Projects/Activities Approved

- **S_temp1075 (S1057 replacement)** – “A framework for secondary schools agriscience education programs that emphasizes the STEM content in agriculture” – Lesley Oliver, KY
- **S_temp3662 (NEW)** – “Industrial Hemp Production, Processing, and Marketing in the U.S.” – Lesley Oliver, KY

Projects/Activities Terminating 9/30/2018

- **S-009** – “Plant Genetic Resource Conservation and Utilization” – Clarence Watson, AR
- **S-1032** – “Animal Production Systems: Synthesis of Methods to Determine Triple Bottom Line Sustainability from Findings of Reductionist Research” – Ron Lacewell, TX
- **S-1041** – “The Science and Engineering for a Biobased Industry and Economy” – Bill Brown, TN
- **S-1054** – “Biobased Fibrous Materials and Cleaner Technologies for a Sustainable and Environmentally Responsible Textile Industry” – Bob Shulstad, GA
- **S-1055** – “Biology, impact, and management of soybean insect pests in soybean production systems” – Rogers Leonard, LA
- **S-1056** – “Enhancing Microbial Food Safety by Risk Analysis” – Steve Lommel, NC
- **S-1057** – “A framework for secondary schools agriscience education programs that emphasizes the STEM content in agriculture” – Lesley Oliver, KY
- **S-1059** – “Peanut Variety and Quality Evaluation Program for Development of Virginia-type Cultivars with High Oleic Trait” – David monks, NC
- **S-1060** – “Fly Management in Animal Agriculture Systems and Impacts on Animal Health and Food Safety” – Rick Roeder, AR
- **S-1061** – “Nutritional Systems for Swine to Increase Reproductive Efficiency” – Phil Elzer, LA
- **S-1062** – “The importance of U.S. food and agricultural trade in a new global market

- environment” – Eric Young, NC
- **SCC-13** – “Statisticians Group” – Clarence Watson, AR
 - **SCC-84** – “Genetic selection and mating strategies to improve the well-being and efficiency of dairy cattle” – Joe West, GA
 - **SERA017** – “Organization to Minimize Nutrient Loss from the Landscape” – Nathan McKinney, AR
 - **SERA018** – “Rice Technical Workers Group” – John Russin, LA
 - **SERA025** – “Turf” – John Russin, LA
 - **SERA039** – “Public Policy Issues Education” – Lesley Oliver, KY

Terminating without Replacement 9/30/2017

Action Requested: For information