



# National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA)/USDA

## Agency Update

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# Agenda

- New Personnel
- ASAP
- Transition to REEport
- NIFA Terms and Conditions
- Requests for Applications



# New Personnel

- Policy and Oversight Division
  - Mr. Bill Bethel, Director
- Oversight Branch
  - Ms. Hannan Hardy
  - Mr. Jack Goldberg



# ASAP

- USDA-NIFA will be suspending all open ASAP accounts Sept 27, 2011 thru Oct 2, 2011.
- Draw the necessary funding for that period on or before Sept 27, 2011.
- Payments will be available for drawdown Oct 3, '11.
- For questions relating to NIFA awards, send an email NIFA to  
**[ASAPcustomerservice@nifa.usda.gov](mailto:ASAPcustomerservice@nifa.usda.gov)**.



# REReport

- CRIS: USDA's documentation and reporting system for publicly-supported projects
- REReport: a new reporting system which format is based on the RPPR



# Transition to REEport

- Roll out – target date of April 2012
  - May be impacted by budget
- Alpha testing of software
- Select states will be chosen for testing



## REport Information

- [http://www.nifa.usda.gov/business/reepor\\_t\\_i\\_mp.html](http://www.nifa.usda.gov/business/reepor_t_i_mp.html)
- Web Conferences
  - Previous at  
[http://www.csrees.usda.gov/about/strat\\_plan\\_web.html](http://www.csrees.usda.gov/about/strat_plan_web.html)
  - Future ones planned for December 8, 2012 and February 9, 2013



# Terms and Conditions

- Updated July 2011
- Changes to address responses to audit recommendations regarding the reporting and monitoring of research incidents involving rDNA.
- Update to the e-mail address for the Planning, Accountability, and Reporting Staff contact.



# Requests for Applications

- Agriculture and Food Research Initiative
  - Climate
  - Sustainable Bioenergy
  - Fellows
  - Agricultural & Natural Resources Science for Climate Variability & Change
- Biomass Research and Development Initiative



# QUESTIONS?