NCFAR
MISSION

Through Education, Outreach and Advocacy—

Sustain and enhance federal funding for food and agricultural research, extension and education to help bring about outcomes that provide a range of major public benefits
NCFAR
Unique Role

Nonpartisan, consensus-based and CUSTOMER-LED (stakeholders who need and benefit from research outcomes) coalition that brings food, agriculture, nutrition, conservation and natural resource organizations together with the REE community—providing a forum and a unified voice for enhanced public investment in food & agricultural REE
Board Direction

FOCUS LIMITED RESOURCES ON WHAT WE DO WELL

• Education & outreach to hill & agency officials through hill seminars, including collaborative congressional ag research exhibition
• Targeted advocacy role through budget & appropriations, farm bill reauthorization, FFAR, etc.
• Manage Future of Ag Research Summit
NCFAR MAKING A DIFFERENCE

HILL SEMINARS—Education With A Purpose

• 153 Seminars in 15 Years
• Nearly 9,600 Attendees—Overwhelmingly Hill Staff
  – 9 Seminars in 2019-500 Attendees
  – Senate Briefings When Appropriate
  – Positive Feedback From Hill, Agency Staff
• Diversity of Disciplines, 60+ Institutions, Timely Topics
ENABLING OPEN-SOURCE DATA NETWORKS
BEGINOME EDITING IN FOOD ANIMALS
GENE DRIVES TTER WHISKEY THROUGH SCIENCE
STATUS OF TO COMBAT OUR WORST WEEDS
EXTENSION & PARTNER RESPONSE TO FARM
FINANCIAL & MENTAL HEALTH STRESS
COMBATING ANTIMICROBIAL RESISTANCE
MORE THAN JUST THE MALL * SOY-FREE CHICKEN?
BOLSTERING RURAL AMERICA’S FUTURE
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3rd Annual Ag Research Exhibition

• 30+ Exhibits
• 250+ Attendees
• Co-Hosted by Congressional Ag Research Caucus
• Moderated by NCFAR President LaVigne
• Inaugural Senate Ag Briefing
• Organizing Cmte: AFRI Coalition, APLU, SoAR Foundation, Lewis Burke Assoc
Cong Ag Research Caucus Co-Chairs
Jimmy Panetta (D-CA) & Rodney Davis (R-IL)
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Targeted Advocacy Actions

PRIMARY GOAL: Support increased funding for **ALL** parts of USDA’s REE mission, both *intramural and extramural*

- Participate in Budget/Approps Process, FB Implementation
  - Testimony to House and Senate Ag Approps, Senate Approps
  - Encouraged Collaborative Action thru Group Letters/Statements
- Constructive Engagement, USDA Planned NIFA, ERS Actions

Go to [http://ncfar.org/what.asp](http://ncfar.org/what.asp) for Archive of Actions
YOUR COALITION’S HEALTH

• 2019 Balanced Budget, strong surplus
• ~1 Year Operating Reserves
• Solid Member-Sponsor Support