FOCUSED MISSION: GROWING FEDERAL INVESTMENT
IN FOOD & AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH, EXTENSION AND EDUCATION

NCFAR ACTION PROGRAM

EDUCATION WITH A PURPOSE!
Focusing resources on initiatives that help congressional staff and policy makers better appreciate the value of federally funded food and ag RE&E and make more informed funding recommendations and decisions:

‘LUNCH~N~LEARN’ HILL SEMINAR SERIES—Signature initiative. 154 seminars reaching 9,600 attendees in the past 16+ years. Leading-edge researchers and extension specialists from over 70 institutions presenting outstanding examples of federally funded food and ag RE&E, BOTH inter- and intra-mural.  http://www.ncfar.org/Hill_Seminar_Series.asp

CONGRESSIONAL AG RESEARCH EXHIBITION—Collaborative initiative, working with allied groups and co-chairs of the bipartisan Congressional Ag Research Caucus. Now in its fourth year, over 30 ag scientists from across the nation share their exciting work at a hill exhibition with Members of Congress and the Administration and over 200 hill staff.

ADVOCACY!

ACTIVE SUPPORT FOR INCREASED FUNDING—Prepare and submit testimony and comments to Congressional appropriations and budget committees and the Administration. Facilitate broader group letters and statements. Encourage members and supporters to include support for funding in their submissions. Coordinate meetings with hill staff and Administration officials.

FARM BILL REAUTHORIZATION & IMPLEMENTATION—Actions in support of strong research provisions, authorization and funding.

NCFAR UNIQUE STRENGTHS

CUSTOMER-LED! NCFAR is the only coalition in which ‘Customers’—stakeholders who need and benefit from RE&E outcomes—are the leading voices in making an effective case for federal funding. Active ownership involvement of members-sponsors is key to leveraging limited resources.

DIVERSITY! NCFAR is the only coalition that provides a unified forum and voice for diverse stakeholders, including research and extension institutions, scientific societies, foundations and other stakeholders in food and ag RE&E.

ALL FOOD & AG RE&E! NCFAR is the only coalition whose focused mission is advocacy for federal funding for BOTH inter- and intra-mural food & ag RE&E.

TRUSTED ORGANIZATION! USDA REE leadership make it a priority to engage and think with NCFAR members.

For more information, go to http://www.ncfar.org.

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