

Below, we have a number of action items for you; the first two require brief responses to Dave by March 2nd. For the longer term action items (e.g., the NRSP review), you'll find that we've added "Action Items" (http://www.nerasaes.org/action-items) under the "Workroom" header on the NERA website.

Action items:

- As you know, planning is underway for the NEED/NERA Summer Meeting at the Greenbrier (June 12 14, 2017). The meeting folks at WVU are seeking an estimate on the number of significant others that intend to join to register (covers meals and activities) in the spouse program. Would you please report to Dave if your significant other will be joining the group this summer?
- Will you be attending the ESS Fall meeting in Philadelphia in September? Meeting dates are September 25-27, 2017. Your commitment is not required at this time, but please contact <u>Dave</u> if you might be interested.
- You can register on-line for the NERA spring meeting at http://www.regonline.com/nera2017. This will enable those of you that are paying the registration by travel or purchase cards to process the payment on line.
- If you have any supplemental materials that you want added to the NERA Spring meeting, please forward an electronic copy to <u>Dave</u> by March 9th. All meeting materials will be uploaded to the NERA website and will be available to you at the meeting site on a USB drive. Think: no paper!

Reminders:

- We're still seeking nominations for the 2017 ESS Award for Excellence in Multistate Research. Visit the Action Items page (http://www.nerasaes.org/action-items) to view the announcement.
- Please review the NRSP-1 proposal (http://www.nerasaes.org/action-items); we'll be reviewing that at the Spring meeting.

Informational items:

• A draft of the 2017 Northeast Joint Summer Session is posted on the NERA website (http://www.nerasaes.org/agenda-minutes). The theme for the meeting is "Social Media, Messaging, and Communications in the Digital Age: What's the Story? Registration for the meeting is expected to open on line on March 1st. Early-bird registration is estimated at \$450. That will increase to \$550 on May 1st.

- A draft of the agenda for the NERA Spring Meeting is posted on the NERA website (http://www.nerasaes.org/agenda-minutes). Please note that agenda is evolving, check it out.
- The University of Maryland seeks a Maryland Sea Grant Coastal Climate Specialist (Agent Associate). A job description is posted on the NERA site (http://www.nerasaes.org/employment-opportunities).
- New Mexico State University is searching for an Associate Dean of Academic Programs, College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences. A job description is posted on the NERA site (http://www.nerasaes.org/employment-opportunities).
- Washington State University seeks a Food Safety Specialist Assistant/Associate Professor (12-month, full-time tenure-track faculty position.) A job description is posted on the NERA site (http://www.nerasaes.org/employment-opportunities).
- The University of Tennessee is searching for Assistant/Associate/Full Professor of Agricultural and Resource Economics (12 month tenure-track, 100% Extension.) A job description is posted on the NERA site (http://www.nerasaes.org/employment-opportunities).
- The University of Delaware seeks a Dairy Manager for their Newark, DE Farm. A job description is posted on the NERA site (http://www.nerasaes.org/employment-opportunities).

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