



Northeastern Regional Association of State Agricultural Experiment Station Directors

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Not surprisingly, this is a short newsletter in the aftermath of the Spring meeting. Many thanks to all of you that joined us in Arlington; it was a good one! Weather again affected the meeting and we're implementing some changes in our future meeting schedules.

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*Action items:*

- A draft of the Spring Meeting minutes is posted on the NERA website ([www.nerasaes.org/spring2018](http://www.nerasaes.org/spring2018)). Please review.
- We had several items on the Spring agenda that we did not discuss. This included a report from the NE Climate Hub. I'd ask that you review that PowerPoint on the NERA website ([www.nerasaes.org/spring2018](http://www.nerasaes.org/spring2018).)
- Please forward to me any [suggestions, additions, and deletions on the Administrative Advisor document](#). (For those that weren't able to join the meeting, we're seeking input on the Suggestions for Administrative Advisors; a draft of the document is on the NERA website, [www.nerasaes.org/spring2018](http://www.nerasaes.org/spring2018).)
- Would you please give us ([Dave or Rick](#)) a yes/no on whether your station received a letter from the USDA indicating a records freeze of all information, print or electronic, pertaining to agreements with the ARS, NASS or ERS. (All the regional EDs are gathering information about their region and will aggregate the results.)
- As a debrief, Dave and I would be interested to hear your reflections and suggestions on the NERA Spring meeting.

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*Reminders/Updates:*

- All materials presented at the NERA Spring meeting are posted on the NERA website ([www.nerasaes.org/spring2018](http://www.nerasaes.org/spring2018).)
- The Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Research Units have been zeroed out in the President's budget. These units are located in a number of our states including Maine, Maryland Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania, Vermont and West Virginia. These units support a collaborative research effort that includes graduate education in cooperation with the our universities. Jack Payne is leading the charge in restoring funding. [Click here to view information on the CRUs at the NERA Website](#).
- The ESS fall meeting planning committee is convening. Are there any burning topics that you'd like to

see addressed at the annual Experiment Station Directors meeting in Lincoln, NE on October 1-3, 2018? If so, please forward to me and we'll share those with the planning group.

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*Informational items:*

- NIFA has released their 2017 Annual Report. The report can be found at <https://nifa.usda.gov/sites/default/files/resource/NIFA-2017-Annual-Report.pdf>.
- The Northeast Climate Hub is hosting a meeting at Rutgers University on March 14-15, 2018. The theme for the meeting is Building Resiliency Through Adaptation. For more information check: <http://www.cpe.rutgers.edu/neclimatehub/RSVP.html>.
- The College of Agriculture, Urban Sustainability and Environmental Sciences (CAUSES) of the University of the District of Columbia is recruiting an Assistant Professor in Nutrition and Dietetics for the upcoming academic year beginning Fall 2018 (<http://udc.applicantstack.com/x/detail/a2hbyxhv0lqa>.)
- The College of Agriculture, Urban Sustainability and Environmental Sciences (CAUSES) of the University of the District of Columbia seeks an experienced academic and administrator for the position of Chair of the Department of Health Nursing and Nutrition/ Associate Professor for the Fall 2018 academic year (<http://udc.applicantstack.com/x/detail/a2hbyxhnr59j>.)



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