

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. DENNY REHBERG

OF MONTANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 8, 2009

Mr. REHBERG. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 2997—Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: Rep. DENNY REHBERG
Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: Rural cooperative development Grants

Name and Address: National Center for Appropriate Technology, 3040 Continental Dr., Butte, MT 59701

Appropriate Technology Transfer for Rural Areas (ATTRA) provides information, educational resources and technical assistance to farmers, ranchers, and agricultural information providers across the U.S., with a special focus on sustainable ag technologies, farm energy, and information on marketing and adding value to farm products.

Amount: \$2,582,000

Requesting Member: Rep. DENNY REHBERG
Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: Buildings and facilities

Name and Address: Montana State University—Bozeman, 202 Linfield Hall, Bozeman, MT 59717

The progressive evolution of animal and range sciences has generated increasingly complex opportunities for research, teaching and outreach. The Animal Biosciences Research Facility will use the bovine genome sequence to identify ways to improve economic and environmental sustainability in the production of safe, high quality and consistent beef products by: identifying genes and their function; developing tools to control disease; improving nutrient utilization, management and production efficiency; and enhancing the nutrient composition of a safe supply of beef for the consumers in the United States and abroad.

Amount: \$3,654,000

Requesting Member: Rep. DENNY REHBERG
Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: Science and Research Grant

Name and Address: Montana State University & National Barley Improvement Committee, 209 Plant Biosciences Building, Montana State University, Bozeman, MT 59717

This project addresses the critical need of growers in production agriculture to increase economic yield and on-farm income, enhance domestic and international market access, improve production technologies, and better compete with Canadian and European barley and barley value-added imports, and with Australia, Canada, and Europe in world export markets.

Amount: \$514,000

Requesting Member: Rep. DENNY REHBERG
Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: Science and Research Grants

Name and Address: Montana State University—Bozeman, 202 Linfield Hall, Bozeman, MT 59717

B. abortus is a communicable disease that has already affected Montana's livestock industry and will continue to pose future threats

until improved vaccines are developed. Montana must regain its Brucella-free status in order for the livestock industry to prosper. Furthermore, the presence of Brucella abortus in YNP poses a biosafety hazard to tourists that could impact the state's tourism industry, particularly, for southwestern Montana. Thus, efforts spearheaded by MSU are warranted, and the development of novel vaccines and study of livestock and bison immune responses will have a tremendously positive impact for Montana agriculture.

Amount: \$305,000

Requesting Member: Rep. DENNY REHBERG
Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: Science and Research Grants

Name and Address: Montana State University—Bozeman, 202 Linfield Hall, Bozeman, MT 59717

Improving beef quality depends upon: (1) assisting producers with selection and management techniques to produce cattle that fit customer expectations for marbling, red meat yield and weight, (2) developing a cattle ID system that facilitates data collection and information feedback and reduces reliance on hot-iron branding and (3) continuing to develop and apply technology to enhance the safety of beef. The Montana Beef Network addresses each of these areas. Montana's beef cattle industry generates approximately \$900M dollars in yearly income and accounts for approximately one-half of the state's total agricultural income. The stockgrowers of the state own approximately 1.6 million beef cows. It has been suggested that in the future, producer ability to market calves may require process verification of calves from birth until slaughter, so that vaccination history, breed, age and weight can be factored into subsequent management programs to guarantee food safety and ensure product quality and consistency.

Amount: \$682,000

Requesting Member: Rep. DENNY REHBERG
Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: EPA—Salaries and expenses

Name and Address: The Montana Department of Livestock, PO Box 202001, Helena, MT 59620—2001

To conduct brucellosis prevention, surveillance, control and eradication activities in Montana and the Greater Yellowstone Area (GYA), and to develop and implement brucellosis herd unit management plans.

Amount: \$650,000

CONGRATULATING THE SOCORRO
BULLDOGS BASEBALL TEAM

HON. SILVESTRE REYES

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 8, 2009

Mr. REYES. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Socorro High School baseball team for winning the 2009 Texas 5A State Baseball Championship. The Socorro High Bulldogs ended their championship season with an impressive record, becoming the second team in El Paso history to bring home the coveted state title.

The team was tested by fierce competitors from across the great State of Texas, one of the most competitive states in the entire nation for high school baseball. As the post-season

progressed, the Bulldogs fended off tough challengers and finished with an impressive 35–4 record.

On Saturday, June 13th, the Bulldogs had their toughest test this year when they faced the Lufkin Panthers in the state championship game at the Dell Diamond in Round Rock, Texas, and were down 2–0 in the game's early innings. The talented young men on the Socorro Bulldog team never wavered and forged an impressive come-from-behind victory.

I am extremely proud of the dedication, determination, sportsmanship, and discipline of this talented baseball team and their Coach Chris Forbes. The members of this championship team are to be commended for their drive and perseverance. The 2009 team members include: Tavi Amparan, Chuy Diaz, Cory Falvey, Roger Favela, Chris Guzman, Eric Herrera, Bobby Mares, Sergio Mendoza, Marcus Molina, Armando Muniz, Jessirey Navarrete, Aaron Olivas, Josh Rodriguez, Rene Rodriguez, Oscar Sandate, Ivan Sigala, Angel Soria, George Stoltz, and Luis Yanez.

Head Coach Chris Forbes and his great team of assistant coaches, Joe Alvarez, Adrian Garcia, Federico Contreras, and Herbert Reyes, were the masterminds behind the team's success. Coach Forbes, in particular, instilled a sense of hard work and discipline that kept the players motivated throughout the regular season and post-season. As part of his 25-year career in coaching, the former Austin High School baseball player has taken Socorro to 20 playoff appearances. Coach Forbes also boasts the most wins (576) of any varsity baseball coach in El Paso.

The Bulldogs' championship title energized El Paso sports fans, as over a thousand parents and members of the community made the long journey to Round Rock to cheer the team to victory. This team will forever be remembered for its historic victory that brought the State Championship Trophy to El Paso, 60 years after the storied Bowie Bears baseball team achieved the same feat in 1949. I am proud to join my constituents from the 16th District of Texas in commending the Socorro Bulldogs baseball team for a job well done.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 8, 2009

Mr. ROGERS of Michigan. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 2997, The Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS

Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: United States Department of Agriculture/Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Services (USDA/CSREES) Special Grants Account

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Michigan State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 302 Administration Building, East Lansing, MI 48824

Description of Request: Provide funding of \$384,000 for the detailed investigation of the

most promising technologies to determine the value proposition that is needed to interest commercial partners in the further development of bio based production of fuels, chemicals, and materials. Approximately, \$150,000 is for salaries; \$150,000 is for materials and supplies; and \$84,000 is for equipment purchases and travel costs.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS

Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: United States Department of Agriculture/Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Services (USDA/CSREES) Special Grants Account

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Michigan State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 484 Administration Building, East Lansing, MI 48824

Description of Request: Provide funding of \$346,000 for fire blight research to be shared by Michigan State University in East Lansing Michigan and Cornell University in New York. Approximately, \$184,000 is for the salaries of laboratory and \$162,000 for field research personnel and for materials and supplies at Michigan State University. The remaining funds will be allocated to Cornell University in New York. Researchers at both universities will collaborate on findings. Michigan State University has obtained funding from the State of Michigan, Michigan Apple Committee and industry sources and will continue to fund the fire blight research at MSU at a level of \$112,000 in FY10.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS

Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: United States Department of Agriculture/Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Services (USDA/CSREES) Special Grants Account

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Michigan State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 484 Administration Building, East Lansing, MI 48824

Description of Request: Provide funding for \$104,000 for research of Armillaria Root Rot. Approximately, \$70,000 is for the salaries of laboratory researchers; \$13,000 is for operating costs; \$1000 is for travel to field sites; and \$20,000 is for equipment necessary.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS

Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: United States Department of Agriculture/Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Services (USDA/CSREES) Special Grants Account

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Michigan State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 484 Administration Building, East Lansing, MI 48824

Description of Request: Provide funding of \$246,000 for research of Bovine Tuberculosis. Approximately, \$174,000 is for Salaries and support for 3 graduate students; \$60,000 is for Laboratory supplies; and \$12,000 for research related travel. Michigan State University will provide \$127,500 in-kind funding.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS

Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: United States Department of Agriculture/Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Services (USDA/CSREES) Special Grants Account

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Michigan State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 484 Administration Building, East Lansing, MI 48824

Description of Request: Provide funding of \$147,000 to improve fruit practices for sugar beets and dry beans. Approximately, \$100,000 is for salaries and expenses and \$47,000 is for lab maintenance and equipment. In addition to the federal funds provided by this grant, this research is supported by personnel, equipment, and facilities funded by the Michigan agricultural Experiment Station and Michigan State University Extension.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS

Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: United States Department of Agriculture/Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Services (USDA/CSREES) Special Grants Account

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Michigan State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 484 Administration Building, East Lansing, MI 48824

Description of Request: Provide funding of \$266,000 to enhance the environmental sustainability of food and agricultural systems under research at Michigan State University. Michigan State University expects to leverage at least \$150,000 in state, local, and private funds to expand the impacts of the special grant. Approximately, \$285,000 is for salaries of 11 researchers; \$15,000 is for travel expenses; \$10,000 is for farmer stipends; \$25,000 is for materials and supplies; and \$81,000 is for communication and outreach.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS

Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: United States Department of Agriculture/Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Services (USDA/CSREES) Special Grants Account

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Michigan State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 484 Administration Building, East Lansing, MI 48824

Description of Request: Provide funding of \$4,545,000 for wood utilization research with Michigan's share being \$728,545. The requested funds will be used for salaries of key personal and graduate students. Grant funds will also be used to purchase equipment, materials and supplies needed. Michigan State University provides in excess of \$500,000 in support of this project annually through use of lab space, equipment, and personnel assigned to the project.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS

Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: United States Department of Agriculture/Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Services (USDA/CSREES) Special Grants Account

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Michigan State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 484 Administration Building, East Lansing, MI 48824

Description of Request: Provide funding of \$346,000 for Phytophthora Capsici Research to reduce the loss experienced by Michigan vegetable growers from this disease. Approximately \$100,000 will be to fund graduate and undergraduate students and technical staff. \$246,000 will be for research, travel and equipment purchases.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. JOHN BOOZMAN

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 8, 2009

Mr. BOOZMAN. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as a part of H.R. 2997, the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for FY 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN BOOZMAN

Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: Rural cooperative development grants

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Appropriate Technology Transfer for Rural Areas (ATTRA)

Address of Requesting Entity: 207 W. Center St., P.O. Box 3657, Fayetteville, AR 72702

Description of Request: The funding would be used for the national sustainable agriculture information service, to offer technical information and assistance to farmers, ranchers and agricultural information providers

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN BOOZMAN

Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: Rural-Business Cooperative Service

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture

Address of Requesting Entity: 207 E212 AFLS Building, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR 72701

Description of Request: The funding would be used for the continuation of University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture Endophyte Research programs

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN BOOZMAN

Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: Salaries and expenses

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: National Agricultural Law Center, University of Arkansas School of Law

Address of Requesting Entity: 107 Waterman Hall, Fayetteville, AR 72701

Description of Request: The funding would be used to provide a leading source of objective, scholarly, and authoritative agricultural and food law research and information

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN BOOZMAN

Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: SRG

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Animal Science Food Safety Consortium, University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture

Address of Requesting Entity: E212 AFLS Building, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR 72701

Description of Request: the funding would be used for the continuation of Animal Science and Food Safety Consortium programs

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN BOOZMAN

Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: SRG Legal

Name of Requesting Entity: National Consortium for Rural Geospatial Innovations in America, RGIS—Mid-South Center for Advanced Spatial Technologies