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Dear Dr. Leholm:

I am writing you to express support for the proposed project, "Biology, Etiology and Management of Dollar Spot in Turfgrass". The turfgrass industry is responsible for significant revenue in North Carolina and it is an industry that we want to continue to support. Dr. Lane Tredway, one of our plant pathologists, has interest in this project. Our state benefits greatly from regional projects and collaborations and we would like to see this project move forward.

Sincerely,



Sylvia Blankenship
Interim Director, NC Agricultural Research Service

cc: Lane Tredway
James Moyer