

Response to S temp 1080/S1055 rewrite Reviews

We, the rewrite committee, would like to thank the reviewers of our project rewrite. It is evident by the extensive reviews that time and attention were taken. Below are our responses to the reviews.

Reviewer #1

Reviewer Comment	Committee Response
there were some references that were mentioned in the text, but that I could not find in the references cited list.	Fixed
Five references were cited in the reference list that were not mentioned as such in the text.	Fixed
additional components should be added, particularly regarding differences in soybean for different regions and different IPM needs in various Southern areas.	We disagree. There separation between regions is clear based on insect species. Many are regional but the IPM needs are the same.
On line one of the second paragraph, I think it would be fitting to include the new project in parenthesis after mentioning the old project	Agree. We did not have the new number available until it was submitted.
On line 6 of the second paragraph, before soybean aphid, please insert the word “the”.	Disagree. Writing style.
Also, six lines from the bottom of the 2nd paragraph, add a comma after technologies.	Done
For the 3rd partial paragraph on page one, next to the last line, please delete “and”.	Done
Pg. 2 – Line 3, first full paragraph: Change last word to “many”.	Done
Page 2, first full paragraph: Please add the following sentence at the end “Additionally, USDA-NIFA collaborators from various states also have worked and published together in this proposal.”	Done
Line 2 – second full paragraph: Delete “all” and replace with “the various”.	Done
Second full paragraph – (near the end of the 4th line down): I think the last five words should read “as well as with private”.	Done
Line 6 – second full paragraph: I prefer the word “soybean” whenever mentioned. We do not say “corns”, for example.	But we do say “soybeans” Done
Page 2 – Likely impacts 3rd line: For the 7th word, please add “the”.	Disagree. Writing style.
Line 5 – First partial paragraph at the top of page 3: The first word of the line, please change the word “significant” to “major”. In	Done

scientific writing I think it is better to save significant for experimental statistics.	
Last 4 lines about honey bees and neonicotinoids on the first partial paragraph at the top of page 3: Please develop this concept a little more, especially since this is an important issue with EPA and their impact on soybean pesticide labels. Maybe also include herbicides and plant pathogen chemicals. This issue is particularly important to the Southern region, and most EPA scientists do not understand our need for pesticides	We disagree. The issue is evident and though we entomologists use herbicides and fungicides, most of our research does not involve these issues.
Last line – first full paragraph on page 3: After identified, please add “and documented”.	Done
Last line – Page 3 on the Kudzu Bug: After establishing please add the word “more”.	Disagree. No need.
Line 2 – Page 3, Objective 1: Please change “significantly” to “markedly”.	Done
6th line from the bottom of the page on page 3, Objective 1: replace “growing” (3rd word from the end of the) with “increasing”.	Did not find in text
4th line on the bottom of the page on page 3, Objective 1: - Avoid “done” and replace it with “conducted”. This is more scientific.	Did not find in text
Line 4 – Page 4, partial paragraph at the top of the page: Please change that “to”.	Did not find in text
Line 6 – Page 4 partial paragraph at the top of the page: After the word “efforts”, please add “continue” with “and” after “decline” and add “more” after “expands”.	Did not find in text
Line 7 – Page 4, partial paragraph at the top of the page: Change add to “as”.	Did not find in text
Line 8 – Page 4 partial paragraph at the top of the page: Replace “them” with “bees” or “honey bees”.	Done

Reviewer 2

Reviewer Comments	Committee Response
I am not sure, though, how some of the data will be collected, especially with: "acres infested, acres treated, cost of treatment, and estimated loss due to each insect." Will this be based on actual data or just surveys? Will this be across the whole state? Region? Will common questions be asked by each participant? The specifics of how the data will be collected are lacking, but are critically needed if members and clientele are to trust the data.	Much discussion has been given within the committee as to how to document this. We are currently creating a survey which will be handled by each state representative to ask these same questions identified here.
Perhaps they could consider meetings that offer different audiences, like IPM meetings or engage with other various soybean meetings (World Soybean Conference, Molecular Biology of Soybean, Soybean Breeders Workshops, etc.)	An excellent idea. We think the Breeders Workshop would be a great place to give it as well. We are trying to reach our fellow entomologists but should reach all scientists, if possible.

Reviewer 3

Made changes in documented. Incorporated.