



United States Department of Agriculture

National Institute of Food and Agriculture

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Director C. Colin Kaltenbach
Arizona – University of Arizona
Agricultural Experiment Station

Tucson, Arizona 85721

Dear Director Kaltenbach:

The Executive Director on behalf of the Regional Directors Association has **RECOMMENDED APPROVAL** of the following MRF project W-2173 – Impacts of Stress Factors on Performance, Health, and Well-Being of Farm Animals (from W1173) beginning October 01, 2011 through September 30, 2016.

NIFA concurs with the recommendation of the Executive Director and has **APPROVED** this project. A copy of the approved MRF project outline will be available to all participating stations and agencies via the National Information Management and Support System.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Barbara A. Hewitt".

Accountability and Reporting Leader
for Meryl Broussard
Deputy Director, NIFA

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