

September 26, 2013

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The Executive Director on behalf of the Regional Directors Association has RECOMMENDED APPROVAL of the following MRF project NRSP-8 – National Animal Genome Research Program beginning October 01, 2013 through September 30, 2018.

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

Accountability and Reporting Leader

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Deputy Director, NIFA

For all other project and program concerns, please contact us at 202–720–0747 or email bhewitt@NIFA.usda.gov