



Cooperative State,
Research, Education, and
Extension Service

Planning and Accountability/Multistate
Research Office, STOP 2211
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20250-2211
202.720-4088 (T) – 202.690-3858

May 31, 2006

Director Gary Lemme
South Dakota – South Dakota State University
South Dakota State University – Box 2207
Ag Hall Room 129
Brookings, 57007-0291

Dear Director Lemme:

The Executive Director on behalf of the Regional Directors Association has RECOMMENDED APPROVAL of the following MRF project NC-1032 – Characterizing active soil organic matter pools controlling soil N availability in maize-based cropping systems beginning October 01, 2006 through September 30, 2011. CSREES 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 cursive script that reads "Barbara A. Hewitt".

for Larry Miller
Associate Administrator, CSREES

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