

## **Call for Applications to Climate-Smart Feed Management Committee**

The National Animal Nutrition Program (NANP; <a href="https://animalnutrition.org/">https://animalnutrition.org/</a>) provides an integrated and systematic approach to sharing, collecting, assembling, synthesizing, and disseminating science-based information, educational tools, and enabling technologies on nutrient needs of agricultural animals that will facilitate high-priority research across all domestic agricultural species.

An agreement between the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and the NANP, through Texas A&M AgriLife Research, was developed to increase (1) awareness of livestock feed management, (2) utilization and implementation of climate-smart feed management, and (3) application of current science and technical knowledge to demonstrate the impact of livestock feeding management.

This agreement aims to create a Climate-Smart Feed Management (**CSFM**) committee to work closely with the NRCS, current NANP committees, relevant organizations, animal and feed industries, and academia to improve livestock feeding management by engaging stakeholders, identifying priorities, providing training, and disseminating information. The committee's objectives are to:

- Serve as an objective forum for science-driven dialogue on climate-smart feed management.
- Serve as a source of science-based, readily accessible, easy-to-use feed and animal nutrition information, tools, and web-based technologies for conservation professionals, including conservation planners, technical service providers, producers, and others.
- Provide targeted feed management education and training opportunities for NRCS field staff, extension professionals, conservation planners, technical service providers, students, and others.
- Provide expertise and ideas to advance NRCS evaluation tools and modeling.
- Provide a forward-looking forum to scope future needs based on the collective effort of the program/collaboration.

Service on the CSFM provides an opportunity to shape the future of climate-smart animal agriculture, inform future research investments, and grow professional connections.

For more information check, <a href="https://animalnutrition.org/climate-smart-feed-management">https://animalnutrition.org/climate-smart-feed-management</a>, or to express an interest in being involved, please email the following materials to Phillip Miller (<a href="mailto:pmillerl@unl.edu">pmillerl@unl.edu</a>) or Luis Tedeschi (<a href="mailto:luis.tedeschi@tamu.edu">luis.tedeschi@tamu.edu</a>) with the subject line "CSFM":

- A 1-page letter indicating how you can assist with the listed objectives of the CSFM committee and
- A 2-page CV with current and relevant information for your application.

**DEADLINE: February 1, 2024**