



This is a short newsletter; we're in Bethany Beach this week for the Joint Summer Meeting. I hope that you'll be joining us!

Action items:

- The updated Time and Effort Reporting fact sheet is now available on the NIFA website at: <https://nifa.usda.gov/resource/time-and-effort-reporting-omb-standards>. Please review.
- The 2018 NERA Funding Support for Grant Applications: Request for Proposals remains untapped (see <http://www.nerasaes.org/planning-grants>.) Please encourage your faculty to apply.

Reminders/Updates:

- The National Institute of Food and Agriculture's AFRI Foundational and Applied Science (FAS) Request for Applications has been released. The FAS program supports grants in six AFRI priority areas to advance knowledge in both fundamental and applied sciences important to agriculture. Check NIFA's funding opportunity page: <https://nifa.usda.gov/funding-opportunity/agriculture-and-food-research-initiative-foundational-applied-science-program> or the Grants.gov page: <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=305681>.
- The National Coalition for Food and Agricultural Research (NCFAR) is hosting a summit on May 31 - June 1 in Washington, DC to craft a strategic vision for the future of the agriculture research, extension and economics enterprise. Rick and Gary Thompson are attending to represent the Northeast. [If you'd like to provide suggestions, please contact Rick or Gary.](#)

Informational items:

- The University of Maine invites applications for the position of Dean, Cooperative Extension. Information about this position can be found at the following link: <https://umaine.hiretouch.com/job-details?jobID=48047&job=dean-of-cooperative-extension>.
- The University of Maryland is seeking applicants for four positions: Manager (Fiscal Operations), 4-H Extension Educator (2 positions), and Area Extension Director (Northern MD Cluster). For more information and to apply, visit <https://ejobs.umd.edu/>.
- The National Academies of Science will be releasing Breakthroughs 2030 in early July. We'll share that with NERA. This precedes the release of the NCFAR's report from the Ag Summit, which Gary and I

both attended last week.

- Northeast SARE has announced the call for preproposals for three grant programs: [Research and Education](#), [Professional Development](#), and [Research for Novel Approaches](#). You can use SARE's [decision tree](#) to help decide which grant program best fits your project. The online application system opened for submissions on June 1st. Preproposals are due by 11:59 p.m. ET on July 10, 2018. Invited full proposals are due on October 30 with projects awards made in late February 2019.



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