California Department of Food and Agriculture BCTVCB Financial Subcommittee

SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA Thursday, July 21, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.

California Department of Food and Agriculture Integrated Pest Control Branch, Fresno Office 2895 N. Larkin Ave, Suite A Fresno, CA 93727

Zoom Meeting Information:

Link: <u>https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85607196058</u> Meeting ID: 856 0719 6058 Passcode: bctv_0721

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1. Call to Order/Introductions	Chairman Ron Dalforno
2. Roll Call	Kaitlyn Beames, CDFA
 3. Review of Previous Subcommittee Minutes • August 26, 2021 Financial Subcommittee Minutes 	Chairman Ron Dalforno
 4. Financial Review and Discussion Expenditures FY 21/22 Revenues FY 21/22 Current Fund Condition Statement 	Canh Nguyen, CDFA
5. Research Funding and Proposals Update	Canh Nguyen, CDFA
6. Assessment Rate	Chairman Ron Dalforno
7. Public Comments on Matters Not on the Agenda	
8. Agenda Items for Future Meetings	

9. Adjourn

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California Department of Food & Agriculture Integrated Pest Control Branch BEET CURLY TOP VIRUS CONTROL BOARD FINANCIAL SUBCOMITTEE Virtual Zoom Meeting August 26, 2021 MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT

MEMBERS ABSENT

Zach Bagley Darryl Bettencourt Dan Burns Ron Dalforno Joseph Nicoll Kyle Perez

Mario Caimotto Daniel Waterhouse

CDFA PERSONNEL

Kaitlyn Beames Michelle Dennis Samuel Krasnobrod Lauren Murphy Canh Nguyen Chris Ogawa

INTRODUCTIONS

The Beet Curly Top Virus Control Board (BCTVCB) Financial Subcommittee Meeting was convened at 9:35 am by BCTVCB Financial Subcommittee Chairman, Ron Dalforno, and introductions were made.

BAGLEY-KEENE OPEN MEETING ACT

The meeting was held in compliance with the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act.

REVIEW OF PREVIOUS SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES

The Subcommittee reviewed the minutes from the BCTVCB Financial Subcommittee Meeting that took place January 14, 2021.

Ron Dalforno suggested that the BCTVCB Financial Subcommittee recommend to the full BCTVCB Board that they accept and approve the minutes from the BCTVCB Financial Subcommittee meeting that took place January 14, 2021, as presented. Darryl Bettencourt made the recommendation and Zach Bagley seconded.

FINANCIAL REVIEW AND DISCUSSION

Michelle Dennis provided a quick update on an issue raised at past meetings regarding potential CTV susceptible commodity growers that were missing from and/or may not be paying into the assessment rate fees. Ms. Dennis stated that the Program submitted an inquiry to the CDFA legal department to look into this issue further and is still waiting on complete feedback from them at this time.

EXPENDITURES FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2020/2021

Canh Nguyen reviewed and discussed the expenditures for FY 2020/2021. The Board Approved Budget for FY 2020/2021 was \$2,134,100. As of July 2021, the total Program expenditures spent in FY 2020/2021 were \$1,289,420 with a remaining unused balance of \$844,680. Mr. Nguyen stated that although the FY 2020/2021 was over, he anticipated some charges to hit later, and the overall Program expenditures for that fiscal year would increase to some extent.

Mr. Nguyen reviewed the FY 2021/2022 Proposed Budget, which was put together by Program personnel based on past actual expenditures and projected needs. The total FY 2021/2022 Proposed Budget is \$2,081,800.

Discussion followed.

Mr. Nguyen reviewed the Actual Budget Expenditures from FY 2016/2017 – FY 2020/2021. He stated that over the past five years the Program has been able to consistently reduce expenses where possible in order to reduce the overall Total Program Budget. He stated that the FY 2020/2021 was even lower than anticipated due to salary savings from retirement and staff vacancies.

REVENUES FY 2020/2021

Mr. Nguyen reviewed and discussed the revenues received for FY 2020/2021. The total revenue received for FY 2020/2021 was \$1,786,888.

CURRENT FUND CONDITION STATEMENT

Mr. Nguyen reviewed the Current Fund Condition Statement, as of August 2021. He discussed the funds for the Program's Bank of the West account, CDFA account, and the overall total Program Reserve. The total Program Reserve at the end of FY 2020/2021 was \$2,710,681. Mr. Nguyen stated that the total Program Reserve was pulled on August 5, 2021 and does not capture the month of July 2021, which was not final yet. The total projected Program Reserve for the end of FY 2021/2022 was \$2,901,748.

Ms. Dennis clarified that the CDFA Fund Condition Statement transfer amount is what the Board votes on each year through the Fund Agreements. The CDFA Reserve compliance level minimum is a 6-month reserve, but the Program is now currently at a 12-month reserve. If no transfers are needed, the Program won't make them. The Program's plan is to keep a 12-month reserve in that CDFA Account. Mr. Nguyen included that the Program's current transfer rate per month is \$174,000 and will not be transferred unless the funds are needed.

Discussion followed.

The Subcommittee discussed the projected tonnage for the 2021 season for the Processing Tomato crop. Mr. Dalforno asked if the Program could use projected commodity tonnage rates to help project future revenues.

Discussion followed.

Zach Bagley stated that the FY 2019/2020 Revenue by Commodity spreadsheet was missing a significant percentage of Processing Tomato crop on the Processing Tomato tonnage reporting line. He was concerned that a significant amount of Processing Tomatoes was not being captured by the CTV Assessment fees. Mr. Bettencourt agreed that the Processing Tomato tonnage reported on the spreadsheet accounted for only 57% of the total tonnage for Processing Tomatoes during the 2019 tomato crop year.

Ms. Dennis stated that the Program would go back, look at the FY 2019/2020 revenues received, and separate them out by commodity in order to trace back if the Program was missing assessment fees for Processing Tomatoes. Mr. Dalforno suggested using the PTAB tonnage numbers for comparison. Mr. Bagley agreed and stated the PTAB also breaks the commodities down by county so the Program could get a closer look at what should have been received through assessment fees. The Subcommittee requested this information be presented at the next BCTVCB Financial Subcommittee Meeting.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

- A deeper look into past years' revenues received by Fresh Market and Processing Tomatoes and comparing those numbers with PTAB reported tonnages for those commodities in order to see if the Program has been missing assessment fee revenues.
- Revisit the Strategic Plan at the next full Board meeting.
- Discuss when the Board might be financially stable enough to reduce the assessment fee rates.
- Update on Legal's input regarding how to address and capture missing assessment fees.

Ms. Murphy stated that the next Financial Subcommittee meeting is scheduled for October 21, 2021 and the next Board Meeting is scheduled for November 10, 2021.

Mr. Dalforno adjourned the meeting at 10:35 am

Lauren Murphy Secretary to the Board

ACTUAL BUDGET EXPENDITURES Beet Curly Top Virus Control Program FY 2017/2018 - FY 2021/2022

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	2017/2018	2018/2019		2020/2021**		
OBJECT DESCRIPTION	Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year	
Permanent Salaries	\$654,986	\$683,809	\$741,164	\$499,194	480,182.81	
Temporary Salaries	\$120,317	\$140,997	\$75,285	\$73,356	\$14,239	
Overtime and other pay	\$6,842	\$5,073	\$332	\$26	\$5,282	
Salary/Wage & Benefit Recovery	-\$293,678	-\$394,436	-\$306,969	-\$126,438	-\$54,986	
Staff Benefits	\$294,202	\$457,915	\$261,216	\$228,965	\$247,831	
Unemployment and Worker's Comp	\$28,072	\$28,109	\$33,626	\$14,804	\$10,468	
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TOTAL PERSONNEL SERVICES	\$810,741	\$921,466	\$804,654	\$689,908	\$703,017	
General Expense	\$6,885	\$5,195	\$2,906	\$3,314	\$7,998	
Printing	\$294	\$0,150	φ <u>2</u> ,000 \$0	φ0,014 \$0	¢7,550 \$0	
Communications	\$4,374	\$3,350	\$6,542	\$6,798	\$6,695	
Postage	\$781	\$2,082	\$354	\$655	\$3,687	
Insurance	\$7,143	\$2,082 \$9,954	\$9,002	\$055 \$7,056		
Travel In-State					\$10,399 \$4,170	
	\$4,770	\$6,237	\$7,108	\$1,372	\$4,170	
Travel Out-of-State	\$3,316	\$233	\$0 ****	\$0	\$0	
Training	\$925	\$1,420	\$555	\$2,140	\$1,510	
Facilities Operations	\$59,750	\$60,343	\$62,982	\$60,054	\$64,547	
Utilities	\$11,848	\$10,173	\$10,987	\$13,303	\$13,802	
Consult/Pro Interdept'l	\$7,592	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Consult/Pro Srvs-External	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Direct Chrg-Dept Services	\$0	\$4,678	\$3,526	\$4,561	\$1,663	
ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGES:						
Department Indirect Exec/Adm	\$141,806	\$125,166	\$134,781	\$127,487	\$106,639	
Division Indirect	\$83,560	\$70,630	\$79,614	\$75,287	\$68,545	
Legal Indirect	<i><i><i>vcciccccccccccccc</i></i></i>	\$744	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Information Technology (Direct and Indirect)	\$131,018	\$108,660	\$141,200	\$124,083	\$155,000	
State Admn Services-Pro-rata	\$64,671	\$2,704	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Equipment	\$341	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
OTHER ITEMS OF EXPENSE:	φ0-11	ψŪ	ψŪ	ψū	ψõ	
Clothing & Personal Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Misc Ag Services/Rentals (airplane)	\$64,136	\$49,869	\$88,140	\$65,402	\$162,467	
Ag Supplies (Field Expenses)	\$284	\$941	\$1,763	\$3,900	\$8,498	
Chem/Drugs/Lab Supplies	\$392	\$3,760	\$1,703 \$0	\$3,900	\$0,490 \$172	
Interest Penalties	\$392 \$0	\$3,700 \$0	\$0 \$0			
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Vehicle Operations[1]	\$41,111	\$43,831	\$26,683	\$27,431	\$48,914	
Pesticide Purchase	\$0	\$60,192	\$63,936	\$74,899	\$0 \$0	
Research Contracts/Univ	\$73,851	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
TOTAL OTHER ITEMS OF EXPENSE	\$179,774	\$158,593	\$180,522	\$173,402	\$220,051	
OE&E Budget Adjustments TOTAL OE&E	\$708 847	\$570,162	\$640,078	\$599,512	\$664,706	
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TOTAL BCTVCP EXPENDITURES	\$1,519,588	\$1,491,628	\$1,444,731	\$1,289,420	\$1,367,722	
Fund Sources and Contributions:						
Unclaimed Gas Tax Funds	\$28,310	\$26,584	\$74,286	\$61,421	\$61,421	
Required from Agriculture Fund	\$1,491,278	\$1,465,044		· · ·	\$1,306,301	
Required non Agriculture Fund	ψι, 4 81,270	ψτ, 4 00,044	φ1,570,445	ψ1,ΖΖ <i>Ι</i> ,399	φ1,000,001	
	BCTVC Program Expenditures vs Proposed Budget:					
Total BCTVCP Expenditures =	\$1,519,588	\$1,491,628	\$1,444,731	\$1,289,420	\$1,367,722	
BCTVC Board Approved BUDGET=		\$2,600,245	\$2,219,242	\$2,134,100	\$2,171,714	
DIFFERENCE =		\$1,108,617		\$844,680	\$803,992	

RECEIVED REVENUE by MONTH Monthly Interest Included In Each Month

Curly Top Virus Control Program

28,306
28,306
18,924
88,534
86,686
24,123
16,022
\$6,501
\$554
\$544
\$814
22,286
82,667

Total	\$1,975,961
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Department of Food and Agriculture Fund Condition Statement Curly Top Virus Program July 19, 2022

Bank of America (B of A)/ Bank of the West (B of W) Funds

_	Actual 2021/22	Projected 2022/23	Projected 2023/24	Projected 2024/25	Projected 2025/26
B of W BEGINNING BALANCE	1,144,564	1,912,293	1,912,293	2,313,852	2,715,411
Revenues deposited into B of W	1,974,403	2,100,000	2,100,000	2,100,000	2,100,000
Funds transferred to CDFA Account	-1,208,233	-1,700,000	-1,700,000	-1,700,000	-1,700,000
Money Market Account	743,815	743,815	743,815	743,815	743,815
Penalties	0	0	0	0	0
Bank Charges	0	0	0	0	0
Interest*	1,559	1,559	1,559	1,559	1,559
TOTAL B of W RESERVE	1,912,293	2,313,852	2,313,852	2,715,411	3,116,970

CDFA Fund Condition

_	Actual 2021/22	Projected 2022/23	Projected 2023/24	Projected 2024/25	Projected 2025/26
CDFA BEGINNING BALANCE Prior Year Adjustments	1,764,888	1,535,433	1,502,546	1,469,446	1,446,880
Adjusted Balance	1,764,888	1,535,433	1,502,546	1,469,446	1,446,880
REVENUE:					
Transfer from B of W	1,208,233	1,700,000	1,700,000	1,700,000	1,700,000
SMIF Interest **	11,542	10,042	9,827	9,610	9,463
Interest from Loan					
Sale of Fixed Assets					
TOTAL REVENUE	1,219,775	1,710,042	1,709,829	1,709,614	1,709,467
TOTAL RESOURCES	2,984,663	3,245,475	3,212,375	3,179,060	3,156,347
EXPENDITURES:					
Paid in current year	1,306,301	1,600,000	1,600,000	1,600,000	1,600,000
Pro Rata (SB 836)	96,959	96,959	96,959	96,959	96,959
Pension Payment (SB 84)	45,970	45,970	45,970	35,221	0
Revenue transfer					
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	1,449,230	1,742,929	1,742,929	1,732,180	1,696,959
CDFA RESERVE	1,535,433	1,502,546	1,469,446	1,446,880	1,459,388

Combined Reserves					
	Actual	Projected	Projected	Projected	Projected
-	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
TOTAL B of W RESERVE	1,912,293	2,313,852	2,313,852	2,715,411	3,116,970
CDFA RESERVE	1,535,433	1,502,546	1,469,446	1,446,880	1,459,388
TOTAL PROGRAM RESERVE =	3,447,727	3,816,398	3,783,298	4,162,291	4,576,357

**SMIF Interest rate updated as of 6/30/22.

California Department of Food and Agriculture BEET CURLY TOP VIRUS CONTROL PROGRAM

2022 PROPOSAL SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

The Beet Curly Top Virus Control Program (BCTVCP) may consider funding projects that develop new management methods for treating the beet leafhopper (BLH), the primary vector of the beet curly top virus or development of enhancements to other program areas that will mitigate the virus. The funding will be based on the researcher using a no pesticide alternative or Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) approved pesticides registered for use in CA on BLH and/or on rangeland/hillside.

BCTVCP does not support proprietary product development projects.

FUNDING AMOUNTS

Funding will be considered on a case by case basis; not to exceed \$20,000. Proposals leveraging other sources of funding are strongly encouraged and are welcomed.

PREPARING YOUR PROPOSAL

Please note that these guidelines have changed. Be sure to thoroughly read and adhere to all submittal requirements or your proposal <u>will not be accepted</u>.

Proposals must include Sections A through I as described below. Sections A through G <u>must</u> be submitted in Microsoft Word, single spaced using one-inch margins and 12-point Times New Roman font. Section H: Budget Template <u>must</u> be submitted in Microsoft Excel using the provided template. Budgets that do not use the provided template will not be accepted. Section I: Appendices may be submitted in Microsoft Word or Adobe PDF. Sections A through G must not exceed 15 pages. Proposals that do not meet the specified formatting requirements or exceed 15 pages will not be accepted.

If you have questions about formatting or submitting your proposal, please contact Canh Nguyen at (916) 206-2529. To ensure fair competition, BCTVCP staff does not provide guidance on the development of proposals.

SEND PROPOSALS TO

Submit an electronic version of your proposal to: <u>canh.nguyen@cdfa.ca.gov</u>

Proposals that are incomplete, late, do not comply with formatting requirements or exceed 15 pages will be returned and eliminated from consideration. Proposals must be submitted via e-mail; mailed and faxed copies will not be accepted. BCTVCP staff will reply with a confirmation e-mail when proposals are received; contact BCTVCP staff by calling (916) 206-2529 if you have not received a confirmation e-mail within two business days of your submission. BCTVCP is not responsible for incomplete e-mail transmissions. Proposals should be submitted at least 21 days before the next scheduled Board meeting to allow sufficient time to review.

PROPOSAL REVIEW AND EVALUATION

The California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) may reject any proposal if it is conditional, incomplete or contains irregularities. CDFA may waive an immaterial deviation in the proposal. Waiver of an immaterial deviation shall in no way modify the Request for Proposal documents or excuse the proponent from full compliance with the grant funding requirements if the proponent is awarded the funding.

Proposals will be circulated to peer reviewers with relevant expertise. Reviewers will be asked to evaluate the project using the evaluation form found at the end of this packet. Peer reviewers' comments will be provided to the Beet Curly Top Virus Control Board (BCTVCB) to assist them in their review. The BCTVCB will then evaluate the proposals using the same evaluation form and a final score will be developed. Authority for final funding approval lies with the Secretary of Agriculture.

AWARD NOTIFICATION

You will be notified by CDFA whether your project was selected for funding. If your project is selected for funding, please note that work on the project cannot begin until the grant agreement signed by both parties and executed. Interim and annual reports are required to assess project accomplishments, problems, and plans for the next work period. Grant payments are subject to receipt and acceptance of deliverables as defined in the Scope of Work. Please thoroughly read the BCTVCP Grant Procedures Manual for detailed information about grantee responsibilities and reporting requirements; the manual is available on the BCTVCP website under Information for BCTV Researchers. Researchers are required to attend a Board meeting in person to review their proposal with the Board.

TIMELINE

Proposals due_____09/23/2022

REPORT SECTIONS

A. Cover Page

1. Project Title.

Provide a unique and concise name for the proposed project. If the proposal is a continuation of a previous project, please keep the title consistent.

2. Project Leader(s).

Specify each project leader's name, title, affiliation, mailing address, telephone number, and email address. *A two-page resume, a list of recent publications, and a description of current research/outreach activities must be included for each project leader under Section I: Appendices.

3. Cooperator(s).

Specify each cooperator's name, title, affiliation, mailing address, telephone number, and email address. *A letter from each cooperator must be included under Section I: Appendices describing their role in the project, estimated time commitment, and a statement of agreement to participate in the project. Do not include a cooperator's name on the proposal unless a support letter is included with the proposal at the time of submission.

4. CDFA Funding Request Amount/Other Funding.

Provide funding request (\$\$) figure from CDFA and amount committed from extra-mural or in-kind sources for each year of the project. Specify organizations that have committed funding to this project including funding amounts, contact names, addresses, and telephone numbers.

5. Agreement Manager.

Specify the person who will manage the grant on behalf of the recipient (i.e. UC Regents, Office of Sponsored Research, etc.). Include the organization/entity, grant manager name, phone number, email address, and mailing address.

B. Executive Summary (not to exceed two pages)

1. Problem.

Simply and concisely define the problem to be addressed.

2. Objectives, Approach, and Evaluation.

State specific project objectives, describe the approach to be used, and identify criteria that will be used to evaluate the project's success.

3. Audience.

Specify those who will use and benefit from the project findings or products. Please use plain English and define technical words.

C. Justification

1. BCTVCP Mission and Research Priorities.

Explain how the project will address the identified BCTVCP Research Priorities, as well as how the project will contribute to BCTVCP's mission of advancing the environmentally safe and agronomically sound use of insecticide materials.

2. Impact.

Explain agronomic, economic, environmental or other implications on a local, regional, and statewide basis.

3. Long-Term Solutions.

Indicate the project's potential for measurable progress toward long-term solution(s) to the specific problem(s) addressed in the proposal.

4. Related Research.

Describe previously conducted related research and/or education efforts.

5. Contribution to Knowledge Base.

Explain the project's contribution to current knowledge and specify new information to be generated by the project.

6. Grower Use.

Describe practical applications and incentives for growers to adopt the proposed practices.

D. Objectives

1. Provide a clear, concise, and complete statement of each specific research and/or educational objective(s), including outreach.

E. Work Plans and Methods (for multi-year projects, include a work plan for each year)

1. Work Plan.

Organize the work plan into project tasks and sub-tasks, which are units of work designed to achieve the specific project objectives. Each task should be numerically identified with a descriptive title and should include a description of the activities and methods. Describe interim and final task products and completion dates or milestones.

2. Methods.

Explain the methods to be employed, indicating data to be gathered, parameters to be measured, and methods of analysis to be used, including sampling scheme and experimental design, if applicable.

3. Experimental Site.

Provide a graphical description of experimental site, if applicable.

F. Project Management, Evaluation, and Outreach

1. Management.

Describe the role of project leaders and cooperators and briefly explain how the various participants' work will be coordinated.

2. Evaluation.

For primarily research-oriented projects, provide a method for assessing the progress and success of the project, including cost/benefit analysis of adoption of new technologies, as well as barriers to adoption, where applicable. For applicable education projects, define and provide a means to analyze success of project activities beyond counting the number of participants in educational activities. Provide specific plans for the evaluation.

G. Budget Narrative

Provide a detailed narrative of your proposed budget. Assume a start date of July 1 and explain all of the following:

- a. <u>Personnel Expenses</u>. Provide classification level, percent of time based on full time salary/wages, benefits, employment period, and name of individual to be hired, if available. For University of California and other public agencies and universities, specify if other funds come from existing staff salary, are extra-mural, or are in-kind. If funds are from staff salary, specify the amount on a percentage of Full Time Equivalent-basis.
- b. <u>Operating Expenses</u>. Itemize and justify all of the following operating expenses:
 - Supplies: Itemize and justify all supplies to be purchased.
 - Equipment: Itemize and justify all equipment purchases. During the grant period, titles to equipment purchased with CDFA funds will vest with the State. CDFA will only authorize expenditure for equipment (equipment with a life expectancy greater than one year or with a value greater than \$500) on a pro-rated basis. After the grant period, the state may transfer ownership or allow the grantor to purchase such equipment. The grantor must maintain inventory records for such equipment.
 - *Travel*: Itemize the number of trips, estimated mileage, destination(s), and identify who will be traveling. CDFA will reimburse travel expenses at the rates specified by the California Department of Personnel Administration. Only travel expenses to and from the project site(s) or to conduct outreach activities within California will be covered.
 - *Professional/Consultant Services*: Identify and explain any and all work or services to be sub granted. Sub granting will only be allowed with the expressed written permission of the state.
 - Other Expenses: Identify and explain any additional expenses not covered by the above categories.
- c. <u>Other Funding Sources</u>. List and explain all other organizations providing funding for this project.

H. Budget Template (not included in the 15-page maximum)

Prepare a budget table for the project using the attached 2022 BCTVCP Project Proposal Budget Template Excel spreadsheet. The template uses formulas to automatically generate totals as numbers are entered into the fields; do not alter the formatting or formulas in the unshaded cells. Budgets submitted without using the template will not be accepted; applicants will be asked to resubmit the budget using the approved budget template or their proposal will be disqualified. Assume a project start date of January 1, 2023 and show amounts requested for each of the following categories:

- a. Personnel Expenses.
 - Salary: For each individual working on the project, list the name, percent time based on fulltime salary, and their role in the project in the salary section.
 - Benefits: Percentage of benefits (fringe) to be paid may be listed in the benefits section.
- b. <u>Operating Expenses</u>. Enter the total amount requested for each year for all of the following operating expense categories. **All expenses must by itemized and justified in Section G: Budget Narrative.*
 - Supplies
 - Equipment
 - Travel
 - Professional/Consultant Services
 - Other Expenses
- c. <u>Other Funding Sources</u>. List each additional organization contributing funding to the proposed project. Specify funding to be contributed each year.
- I. Appendices (not included in the 15-page maximum)

1. Project Leaders.

Include a two-page resume and list of recent publications. Also include a description of current

research/outreach activities; provide information on all current, planned, pending, and recent projects, whether there is a specific time commitment and how it will impact the proposed project.

2. Cooperators.

Include a letter from each cooperator describing their role in the project, estimated time commitment, and statement of agreement to participate in the project. Copies of faxed letters are acceptable if attached to the proposal at submission time.

3. Supporters.

Include a letter from each supporter explaining the rationale for their support. Copies of faxed letters are acceptable if attached to the proposal at submission time.

J. CEQA

 Project lead is responsible for compliance with all applicable State and federal laws and regulations, including the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), and other environmental permitting requirements. Applications for activities subject to CEQA and/or NEPA must identify the lead agency or agencies and provide documentation evidencing that the agency or agencies have accepted the lead agency role.