

From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: "[Jennifer Jenkins](#)"
Subject: RE: DEPARTMENT APPROVAL: USDA CSREES Agreement No 2009-34619-19965
Date: Thursday, August 20, 2009 5:44:00 PM

I approve.

Regards,

Bill

Dr. William L. Rooney
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-----Original Message-----

From: Jennifer Jenkins [<mailto:JAJenkins@ag.tamu.edu>]
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2009 3:56 PM
To: Bill L Rooney
Cc: Dianne Tanner; Pam Wilhelm; Stacy Ferrell
Subject: DEPARTMENT APPROVAL: USDA CSREES Agreement No 2009-34619-19965

Drs. Baltensperger and Rooney,

Attached please find the above referenced agreements for your review and approval. Please show your acceptance by replying to this email.

If there are any other investigators who will be using a portion of these funds and should receive recognition on our Awards report, please let me know who and what amount.

If you have any questions or concerns with the terms, please contact Dianne Tanner at phone 979-845-4782 or email drtanner@ag.tamu.edu.

Thanks,
Jenny

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Schuerman, Peter L."](#)
Cc: ["Stelly, David"](#); ["McCutchen, Bill"](#)
Subject: NFCA with Houma
Date: Thursday, August 20, 2009 5:42:00 PM

Peter:

We are rapidly approaching the a deadline to make a decision as to whether or not we continue to work with ARS Houma on the wide hybridization project.

I need to know if we ever completed the cooperative agreement. I expect if we have not, then ARS is probably not interested in continuing.

From my perspective there is value in continuing to make crosses at Houma. First, they have great diversity. Second, they have the set up (ours in Weslaco will not be ready until next fall). But we can't do it with an agreement.

So, any advice/input is of value.

regards,

bill

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: "[Patricia Klein](#)"; "n-unruh@tamu.edu"
Subject: RE: More Ma6/Ma5/Ma7 priority 2 screening
Date: Thursday, August 20, 2009 5:29:00 PM

Trish and Natalie:

We've got plenty of time; nurseries for PR are not shipped until the first week of November.

So, take your time and get good data.

Regards,

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Patricia Klein [<mailto:pklein@tamu.edu>]
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2009 1:45 PM
To: n-unruh@tamu.edu
Cc: Bill Rooney
Subject: More Ma6/Ma5/Ma7 priority 2 screening

Natalie

I spoke with Bill Rooney today and they would like to have more screening done on the [REDACTED] population that was a part of your priority 2/3 set. Bill has additional material in the field that has been bagged and they are going to harvest the panicles, thresh the seed, and then provide us with the seed from these selected F2's. You will need to grow 10-12 seeds of each to reconstitute the original F2 and then genotype the material for [REDACTED] alleles at the three loci and plant the material in Puerto Rico later this fall. Thus we will need to get the marker data to Bill in advance of their Puerto Rico planting date. I am not sure when the drop dead date is for this, but have copied Bill so that he can let us know. I believe they will be harvesting the panicles next week so hopefully we can get seed from the selected F2's shortly after that. Again Bill will need to let us know how long that should take.

Thanks
Trish

P.S. Bill depending on the number of lines to be tested, Natalie will need ~1 week to grow the seedlings, harvest and extract DNA and then a few additional weeks to run the markers. Thus if we had ~1 months lead time before needing to provide you with marker data for planting, that would be great.

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Rene Clara"](#); ["Joan Frederick"](#)
Subject: RE: PCCMCA meeting
Date: Thursday, August 20, 2009 5:18:00 PM

Joan:

I approve of Rene's travel expenses of \$1900.

Thanks,

bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Rene Clara [mailto:reneclara@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2009 2:18 PM
To: Bill Rooney; Joan Frederick
Subject: RE: PCCMCA meeting

Dear Dr. Bill,

The financing for the PCCMCA is not planned in the budget of CENTA-INTSORMIL, the case of my participation, I believe that neither this one in the budget of the regional coordination.

Therefore I believe that Joan must send the \$ 3,075 to the CENTA and the \$ 1,900 to my account to travel round plane. They must present receipts of expenses to the CENTA and CENTA to INTSORMIL.

I will present my financial report with receipts directly to INTSORMIL.

Regards,

René

--- El **jue 20-ago-09**, **Bill Rooney** <wlr@tamu.edu> escribió:

De: Bill Rooney <wlr@tamu.edu>
Asunto: RE: PCCMCA meeting
A: "'Rene Clara'" <reneclara@yahoo.com>
Cc: "Joan Frederick" <jfrederick1@unl.edu>
Fecha: jueves, 20 agosto, 2009, 12:35 pm

[Rene:](#)

I assume that we are funding your travel as well, but please tell me if those funds are already budgeted or should Joan send funding for your travel as well?

regards,

bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Rene Clara [mailto:reneclara@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 4:00 PM
To: Bill Rooney
Cc: 'Joan Frederick'; 'Vilma Ruth Calderon'
Subject: RE: PCCMCA meeting

Dr. Bill,

1 - Aldemaro Clará is my son and he is bean breeder in CENTA. I told to the Director that alone INTSORMIL supports to those who are employed at sorghum, but he said to me that we should try it with INTSORMIL because CENTA has no funds. Really I not like justifying it. Perhaps better to push it back and that CENTA looks for another support.

2 - CENTA is requesting additional funds because with the residual ones it has commitments dependent on payment.
Regards,

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--- El **mié 19-ago-09**, **Bill Rooney** <wlr@tamu.edu> escribió:

De: Bill Rooney <wlr@tamu.edu>
Asunto: RE: PCCMCA meeting
A: ""Rene Clara"" <reneclara@yahoo.com>
Cc: ""Joan Frederick"" <jfrederi@unlnotes.unl.edu>, ""Vilma Ruth Calderon"" <vilmaruth02@yahoo.com>

Fecha: miércoles, 19 agosto, 2009, 5:32 pm

Rene:

I have two questions.

1. How does support for the travel and presentation of Aldemaro Clara support INTSORMIL activities in El Salvador (the presentation is on beans)?
2. Is CENTA requesting additional funds from the Regional Program OR do they propose to use residual funds already in El Salvador?

Let me know and we'll make final arrangements.

regards,

bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Rene Clara [mailto:reneclara@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 3:17 PM
To: Bill Rooney
Cc: 'Joan Frederick'; Vilma Ruth Calderon
Subject: Re: PCCMCA meeting

Dear Dr. Bill,

With Vilma we have concluded that there must go to the PCCMCA meeting the same persons that the research manager of the CENTA requests, according to attached letter.

The budget traveling round bus would be the following one:

PARTICIPANTS OF CENTA TO THE PCCMCA MEETING IN CAMPECHE, MEXICO, September 7-11, 2009.

No.	NAME	PAPER	COST (\$)
1	Máximo Hernández	Validation of the photosensitive line of sorghum 99ZAM 676-1 in relief with corn.	1,025.00
2	Salvador Zeledón	Development of varieties and sorghum hybrids.	1,025.00

3	“ “	Incorporation of genes BMR (brown midrib) and B ₁ B ₂ (tannins) to commercial varieties of sorghum.	_____
4	Vilma Ruth Calderón	Evaluation of quality parameters of grain and mill's of sorghum for the making of food and flours.	1,025.00
5	Aldemaro Clará	Improvement of bean to increase iron and zinc in the grain, yield potential and resistance to diseases.	1,025.00
TOTAL			4,100.00

Regards,

René Clará

--- El mié 19-ago-09, Bill Rooney
<wlr@tamu.edu> escribió:

De: Bill Rooney <wlr@tamu.edu>
 Asunto: PCCMCA meeting
 A: ""Rene Clara"" <reneclara@yahoo.com>
 Cc: ""Joan Frederick""
 <jfrederi@unlnotes.unl.edu>
 Fecha: miércoles, 19 agosto, 2009, 11:15 am

Rene:

First, I do have to apologize because I didn't fully read all of the e-mails from the past week. I have been busy with travel and trying to finish harvest. At that time, I did not read every e-mail to the detail that I need to.

I have finished my e-mails and I have found the different e-mails requesting travel from CENTA to PCCMCA. Here is what I have and what I have agreed to do.

The list that I recieved from VILMA is: Cost estimates from Vilma of \$1,000/person

1. Maximo H.
2. Salavador Z.
3. Vilma C.

The list from RENE. Cost estimates from Rene of \$1,900/person

1. Maximo H.
2. Salavador Z.
3. Vilma C.
4. Aldemaro Clara

Rene - I assume you are going as well.

From INTA (via Rene)

1. Rafael Obando

I also have a request from Eliette but I did not respond to that request.

After I have a single list please send it to me. I assumed that we would pay for this from regional funds. As for cost, if people can take the bus, that would make it possible for more people to attend.

regards,

bill

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: "[Karen L Prihoda](#)"
Subject: RE: money left in 124704-84720
Date: Thursday, August 20, 2009 5:13:00 PM

Karen:

Please make sure we spend the residual by 8-31.

Thanks,

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Pam Wilhelm [<mailto:PWilhelm@ag.tamu.edu>]
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2009 2:28 PM
To: Bill L Rooney
Cc: Carol Rhodes; Karen L Prihoda
Subject: money left in 124704-84720

Payroll was released. We were able to use all but \$942.68 on the account. Please be sure you use these remaining funds by 8-31-09. Let me know if you have any questions.

From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Stefaniak, Thomas R"](#)
Subject: RE:
Date: Thursday, August 20, 2009 5:12:00 PM

Thomas:

Thanks for your message. I may have a post-doctoral opening in the very near future (current post-doc is interviewing for a position with Monsanto and will likely get a position with them). The position will have two major responsibilities: (i) manage a NIR lab primarily estimating bioenergy sorghum composition (but also grain sorghum and other biomass samples), and (ii) assist with the sorghum breeding program including but not limited to pollinations, selections and evaluations of a wide range of traits and sorghum types. I need an individual who wants to work in the field but has the ability to manage a composition lab (NIR only, no wet chemistry).

If you're interested please let me know. I'll know whether or not I have an opening by the end of August. If I do, then I'll be in contact in the very near future if you are interested.

regards,

bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Stefaniak, Thomas R [mailto:trstef1@uky.edu]
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2009 2:47 PM
To: 'wlr@tamu.edu'
Subject:

Dr. Rooney

My name is Thomas Stefaniak and I have been working with Drs. Barrett and Pfeiffer on our portion of the DOE sorghum trial grant at the University of Kentucky. During this time I have become very interested in sorghum and bioenergy.

I am writing you in search of post-doc opportunities either in your group or in similar projects at Texas A&M. I have extensive experience in stress response evaluation in bermudagrass, as well as field and lab experience with sorghum that I think could be an asset to your project. More details concerning my education and experience can be found in my C.V., transcripts and a generic letter of application I am attaching to this email. I would be grateful if you could consider me for current or future research opportunities, and or forward these documents to someone you think could benefit from my services.

Respectfully
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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: "[Bahree, Megha](#)"
Subject: RE: Your address?
Date: Thursday, August 20, 2009 1:27:00 PM

Megha: Send it to:

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Thanks,

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Bahree, Megha [<mailto:MBahree@forbes.com>]
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2009 1:25 PM
To: Bill Rooney
Subject: Your address?

Dear Bill,

Hope you are well. Thanks for all your help with my story last week. If you could give me your mailing address I'd be glad to send you a copy of the magazine. Best regards, Megha

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: "[Pamela White](#)"
Subject: RE: INTSORMIL - Years 4 & 5
Date: Thursday, August 20, 2009 10:55:00 AM

Pam:

This looks good. I would use the same budget for Year 5 as well (we have to submit both).

I approve.

Regards,

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Pamela White [<mailto:pwhite@rf-mail.tamu.edu>]
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2009 10:51 AM
To: Bill Rooney
Subject: RE: INTSORMIL - Years 4 & 5

Dr. Rooney:

Attached is the revised budget. Please let me know if it looks OK.

We will submit the budgets/workplans once we have done the routing.

Thanks,
Pam

>>> "Bill Rooney" <wlr@tamu.edu> 8/20/2009 10:26 AM >>>
Pam:

The student will be a 12 month appointment at 50% time. Thus the tuition should be based on 24 hours 9 Fall/9 Spring/6 Summer.

The US tuition is to pay for another student who's salary is supported on another source of funding (from which we cannot pay tuition and fees). So, I need that reinstated at the same rate as the funded student.

Once you make these changes, see how close it is to the funding level of 105,000. If there is a difference you can make appropriate adjustments to the materials and supplies category (U.S.)

Questions, please call me on my cell phone (79 220 1951).

Finally, will you submit to INTSORMIL or should I send?

Regards,

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Pamela White [<mailto:pwhite@rf-mail.tamu.edu>]
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2009 8:43 AM
To: wlr@tamu.edu
Subject: INTSORMIL - Years 4 & 5
Importance: High

** High Priority **

Good Morning Dr. Rooney:

I am working on the budget/routing for the INTSORMIL Continuation Proposal. Attached is a preliminary budget. Quick question - is the graduate student one student who will work on the project 25% time on behalf of El Salvador and 25% time on behalf of Nicaragua for a total of 50% time, 9 months? Also, I took tuition out of the US category since the grad. student was not budgeted there. It made a difference in the figures. Please just look this over and let me know what changes you wish to make.

Thanks,
Pam

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Avant, Bob"](#)
Subject: RE: Urgent. Re: visit by the new DARPA director (Regina Dugan) on Sept 18
Date: Thursday, August 20, 2009 10:53:00 AM

Bob:

I am available on that date.

bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Avant, Bob [mailto:bavant@tamu.edu]
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2009 10:52 AM
To: wlr@tamu.edu; Mullet, John E.; s-searcy@tamu.edu
Cc: McCutchen, Bill; Giroir, Brett; jmgould@tamu.edu; Simpson, Shay
Subject: Urgent. Re: visit by the new DARPA director (Regina Dugan) on Sept 18
Importance: High

Bill R.,

I just talked to Brett Giroir. The Director of DARPA will be on campus on Sept 18-19. She wants to see the WH plots the morning of the 19th. Are you available that morning for tours of the plots?

She is a mechanical engineer so I would also like to show her our sorghum logistics equipment. Steve, are you available.

We will have an hour and a half of her time (30 minutes for travel) so we will have 1 hour to discuss WH and view equipment.

Bob Avant
512/422-6171 (Cell)

From: Giroir, Brett
To: McCutchen, Bill; Avant, Bob
Sent: Thu Aug 20 10:27:55 2009
Subject: RE: visit by the new DARPA director (Regina Dugan) on Sept 18

Bill or Bob:

Can you call me at my office or on the cell 979-676-0066 so I can figure out logistics, time allocation, etc?

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From: McCutchen, Bill
Sent: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 9:46 AM
To: Giroir, Brett; 'JSeemann@vprmail.tamu.edu'; Dugas, William; Seemann, Jeffrey
Cc: Hussey, Mark; Portales, Lily; 'LWoods@vprmail.tamu.edu'; 'krdb@tamu.edu'
Subject: Re: visit by the new DARPA director (Regina Dugan) on Sept 18

Brett, Jeff and all,

Just one request if it can be accommodated, Regina's tour of sorghum and wide-hybrids would be a lot more comfortable in the morning of 18th - the earlier the better per heat and humidity.

If you think this possible, we could arrange to have breakfast at JKW or Centeq prior to leaving on tour.

Thanks again and just a suggestion.

Bill

From: Giroir, Brett
To: McCutchen, Bill; 'JSeemann@vprmail.tamu.edu' <JSeemann@vprmail.tamu.edu>; Dugas, William; Seemann, Jeffrey
Cc: Hussey, Mark; Portales, Lily; 'LWoods@vprmail.tamu.edu' <LWoods@vprmail.tamu.edu>; 'krdb@tamu.edu' <krdb@tamu.edu>
Sent: Wed Aug 19 09:00:47 2009
Subject: Re: visit by the new DARPA director (Regina Dugan) on Sept 18

We are not having individual pitch sessions for projects. However, I am working on a field trip for her on this technology. This is a good opportunity with darpa and we are well along the way.

Sent using BlackBerry

From: McCutchen, Bill
To: 'jseemann@vprmail.tamu.edu' <jseemann@vprmail.tamu.edu>; Dugas, William; Giroir, Brett; Seemann, Jeffrey
Cc: Hussey, Mark; Portales, Lily; 'LWoods@vprmail.tamu.edu' <LWoods@vprmail.tamu.edu>; 'krdb@tamu.edu' <krdb@tamu.edu>
Sent: Wed Aug 19 08:49:27 2009
Subject: Re: visit by the new DARPA director (Regina Dugan) on Sept 18

Thanks much.

Bill

From: Jeff Seemann <jseemann@vprmail.tamu.edu>
To: Dugas, William; Giroir, Brett; Seemann, Jeffrey
Cc: McCutchen, Bill; Hussey, Mark; Portales, Lily; Lisa Woods
<LWoods@vprmail.tamu.edu>; Katherine Rojo del Busto <krdb@tamu.edu>
Sent: Wed Aug 19 06:54:34 2009
Subject: Re: visit by the new DARPA director (Regina Dugan) on Sept 18

Bill

Will do.

Jeff

On 8/19/09 6:52 AM, "William Dugas" <w-dugas@tamu.edu> wrote:

Brett and Jeff,

Mark asked me to follow up on this.

If appropriate, Ag would like to provide Regina an update/briefing on the research on wide hybridization of sorghum that is being considered by DARPA for funding at this time. Please work w/ Bill Mac. to organize this presentation, if it fits in w/ Regina's visit objectives.

We also would welcome the chance to provide briefings on other relevant life science programs in our College and Agencies and to allow her to visit w/ some of our students.

We defer to you to arrange the details for her visit and to identify the best way we can help make this a successful visit.

Thanks for arranging this and let me know how I can help.

Bill

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From: Hussey, Mark
Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2009 7:43 AM
To: Dugas, William; Sams, Alan
Cc: Auckerman, Cady; Lacewell, Ron; Kenimer, Ann
Subject: FW: visit by the new DARPA director (Regina Dugan) on Sept 18

FYI. I will be out of town on September 18th but I wanted you to know about the

upcoming visit.

Mark

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From: Hussey, Mark
Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2009 7:41 AM
To: 'Jeff Seemann'; Giroir, Brett; Portales, Lily
Cc: Pollard, Claudia; Bennett, Kemble; Newton, Joseph
Subject: RE: visit by the new DARPA director (Regina Dugan) on Sept 18

Jeff,

Count Ag in. This is an excellent opportunity.

Mark

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From: Jeff Seemann [<mailto:jseemann@vprmail.tamu.edu>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2009 7:37 AM
To: Giroir, Brett; Portales, Lily
Cc: Pollard, Claudia; Bennett, Kemble; Hussey, Mark; Newton, Joseph
Subject: Re: visit by the new DARPA director (Regina Dugan) on Sept 18

Brett

I would welcome some time with the new DARPA director, and am sure some of the Deans would as well (I have copied Kem, Mark and Joe).

Jeff

On 8/17/09 2:02 PM, "Brett Giroir" <Brett.Giroir@tamu.edu> wrote:

Jeff:

So far, I have the Chancellor and Frank Ashley at 0800; Bowin and Karan Watson at 0900 by Regina request.

Thought we would have a session with the Distinguished Professors.

Do you and the Deans want a session? Would be great?

Would also like to have a lunch with students and students researchers. Graduates and undergraduates – Regina would like to meet students. What are your ideas?

Brett P. Giroir, MD

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From: Junkins, John

Sent: Monday, August 17, 2009 1:21 PM

To: DISTINGUISHEDPROFESSORS@LISTSERV.TAMU.EDU; Giroir, Brett; JSeemann@vprmail.tamu.edu <JSeemann@vprmail.tamu.edu> '

Subject: visit by the new DARPA director (Regina Dugan) on Sept 18

Colleagues:

Based on input from Brett Giroir, the new DARPA director (Regina Dugan) has been invited and will visit us on Sept 18. As most of you know, the scope of DARPA's research programs is mainly focused on engineering, science, life science, and mathematics, her calendar is being established, and a meeting with senior researchers in the relevant disciplines is likely possible. If you wish to participate in this meeting, please indicate your interest by responding affirmatively to this email.

Her calendar will evolve over the coming month, and the venue for this possible meeting will be announced.

Best regards,

John

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: "[John Mullet](#)"; "[Patricia Klein](#)"
Subject: RE: [REDACTED]
Date: Thursday, August 20, 2009 10:51:00 AM

John and Trish:

I think it is time that we have a brief discussion on moving forward with this material re PS, maturity and breeding. There is a fair amount of material in the field, some processed some not. There is interest from a breeding and science perspective. I need to understand the different phases to make the right decisions about what to keep and what to toss.

Now, Monday is really the only day that I have available to make that harvest. I'm out tomorrow, so I would like to meet at 1 pm (I'm trying to leave this afternoon). Would both of you be available by chance?

Bill

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From: John Mullet [<mailto:jmullet@tamu.edu>]
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2009 10:06 AM
To: Bill Rooney
Cc: Patricia Klein
Subject: Conversion of PS lines using R.07007

Bill,

Trish sent me the MAB data from the grain R-line and PS R-line conversions done last year and this summer. Looks much better this year. Good to be able to throw out material based on the markers.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Does this make sense?

If Karen tells you I called, this was the topic. I just wanted to mention this in case you still have these panicles for advancing in PR.

Thanks,

John

From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Rene Clara"](#)
Cc: [Joan Frederick \(jfrederick1@unl.edu\)](mailto:jfrederick1@unl.edu)
Subject: RE: PCCMCA meeting
Date: Thursday, August 20, 2009 10:35:00 AM

Rene:

I assume that we are funding your travel as well, but please tell me if those funds are already budgeted or should Joan send funding for your travel as well?

regards,

bill

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: "[Pamela White](#)"
Subject: RE: INTSORMIL - Years 4 & 5
Date: Thursday, August 20, 2009 10:26:00 AM

Pam:

The student will be a 12 month appointment at 50% time. Thus the tuition should be based on 24 hours 9 Fall/9 Spring/6 Summer.

The US tuition is to pay for another student who's salary is supported on another source of funding (from which we cannot pay tuition and fees). So, I need that reinstated at the same rate as the funded student.

Once you make these changes, see how close it is to the funding level of 105,000. If there is a difference you can make appropriate adjustments to the materials and supplies category (U.S.)

Questions, please call me on my cell phone (79 220 1951).

Finally, will you submit to INTSORMIL or should I send?

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Subject: INTSORMIL - Years 4 & 5
Importance: High

** High Priority **

Good Morning Dr. Rooney:

I am working on the budget/routing for the INTSORMIL Continuation Proposal. Attached is a preliminary budget. Quick question - is the graduate student one student who will work on the project 25% time on behalf of El Salvador and 25% time on behalf of Nicaragua for a total of 50% time, 9 months? Also, I took tuition out of the US category since the grad. student was not budgeted there. It made a difference in the figures. Please just look this over and let me know what changes you wish to make.

Thanks,
Pam

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["David Baltensperger"](#)
Subject: RE: Reference request for Dr. Steve Hague
Date: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 7:29:00 PM

David:

In this commentary, I have a couple of questions

1. To whom is this directed - the candidate or the committee?
2. Is this public record writing?

Insight is helpful as I formulate an evaluation.

On an unrelated note, any insight on faculty working on Pecos who would fit the salinity work Avant wants done? I have my own ideas but I'm likely missing people cause I don't know them all.

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To: Bill L Rooney
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>>> "Bill Rooney" <wlr@tamu.edu> 8/17/2009 3:53 PM >>>
David:

I can look at Hague's package. Have Judy send it to me.

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Avant, Bob"](#)
Subject: RE: DOE FOA 0000123
Date: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 4:31:00 PM

Bob - I can get you a 2 pager in a few hours, but I need the faculty so that it can be written appropriately.

bill

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From: Avant, Bob [mailto:bavant@tamu.edu]
Sent: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 4:29 PM
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Cc: McCutchen, Bill; Baltensperger, David; j-moore@tamu.edu; Mullet, John E.
Subject: Re: DOE FOA 0000123

Bill,

You are correct on the size of the total team. Let's assume \$1.5 million total for three years for a screening/agronomics project. ie \$341,296 direct costs per year..

David can you provide guidance on the team. I need a 2-3 page mini-proposal as soon as possible.

Bob Avant
512/422-6171 (Cell)

From: Bill Rooney <wlr@tamu.edu>
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Cc: McCutchen, Bill; Baltensperger, David; 'Jaroy Moore' <j-moore@tamu.edu>; Mullet, John E.
Sent: Wed Aug 19 16:18:06 2009
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Bob:

I am assuming based on the information provided and a brief review of the FOA, that this project is a small portion of a much larger project that encompasses much more than sorghum.

At the proposed funding level, there is \$227,000 in direct costs for research, not a huge amount but there would be sufficient opportunity to accomplish a few things relative to salinity and sorghum.

Potential participants:

W.L. Rooney
J.E. Mullet
Dr. G. Ganjengunte at El Paso - agronomy and trials

Who is the best choice for involvement at Pecos? Or should it be managed from El Paso or Pecos? I've got some ideas, but I'm not sure of all the players and would like to identify the best options, so I'm open to input.

Finally, is there anyone/anything I'm missing? I'm all for inclusive BUT I'm also realistic on how far this funding will go if it is divided into too many pieces.

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I spoke too soon, the \$1million budget would be broken down over 3 years as shown on the attached spreadsheet. Based on this, it might make more sense to add breeding and agronomics into one project for screening and agronomics. Also note the match requirement and be thinking about how we deliver. Could Ceres \$ be used as match? Your thoughts?

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General Atomics is assembling a consortium in response to a recent DOE FOA for cellulose production and they would like us to submit a mini proposal to develop salt

tolerant energy sorghum varieties for production at Pecos and the Southwest. (Ceres is also part of the consortium to evaluate compositional analysis of sorghum.)

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As you will see in the string, I asked two questions after receiving the list with the goal of identifying how Aldemaro Clara presentation benefits INTSORMIL and if they are requesting funds from the regional coordinator (they are).

Rene responded (see below) and indicated that even he is not comfortable because it is his son and it is not INTSORMIL related.

I take this as CENTA assumes that we will approve his travel. It seems to me that we really can't approve the travel of A. Clara because it is not INTSORMIL related. I would value your opinion on this issue before I respond with final approvals (which I need to do tomorrow).

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Regards,

René Clará

--- El mié 19-ago-09, Bill Rooney <wlr@tamu.edu> escribió:

De: Bill Rooney <wlr@tamu.edu>
Asunto: PCCMCA meeting
A: "Rene Clara" <reneclara@yahoo.com>
Cc: "Joan Frederick" <jfrederi@unlnotes.unl.edu>
Fecha: miércoles, 19 agosto, 2009, 11:15 am

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Avant, Bob"](#)
Cc: ["McCutchen, Bill"](#); ["Baltensperger, David"](#); ["Jaroy Moore"](#); ["Mullet, John E."](#)
Subject: RE: DOE [REDACTED]
Date: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 4:17:00 PM

Bob:

I am assuming based on the information provided and a brief review of the FOA, that this project is a small portion of a much larger project that encompasses much more than sorghum.

At the proposed funding level, there is [REDACTED] in direct costs for research, not a huge amount but there would be sufficient opportunity to accomplish a few things relative to salinity and sorghum.

Potential participants:

W.L. Rooney
J.E. Mullet
Dr. G. Ganjengunte at El Paso - agronomy and trials

Who is the best choice for involvement at Pecos? Or should it be managed from El Paso or Pecos? I've got some ideas, but I'm not sure of all the players and would like to identify the best options, so I'm open to input.

Finally, is there anyone/anything I'm missing? I'm all for inclusive BUT I'm also realistic on how far this funding will go if it is divided into too many pieces.

regards,

bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Avant, Bob [mailto:bavant@tamu.edu]
Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2009 7:30 PM
To: Mullet, John E.; Bill Rooney
Cc: McCutchen, Bill; Baltensperger, David; Jaroy Moore
Subject: RE: DOE FOA 0000123

I spoke too soon, the [REDACTED] budget would be broken down over 3 years as shown on the attached spreadsheet. Based on this, it might make more sense to add breeding and agronomics into one project for screening and agronomics. Also note the match requirement and be thinking about how we deliver. Could Ceres \$ be used as match? Your thoughts?


Bob Avant
Program Director

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bavant@tamu.edu
<http://agbioenergy.tamu.edu>

From: Avant, Bob
Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2009 7:00 PM
To: 'John Mullet'; Bill Rooney
Cc: Bill McCutchen (bmccutchen@tamu.edu); David Baltensperger (dbaltensperger@ag.tamu.edu); Jaroy Moore
Subject: DOE FOA 0000123
Importance: High

John and Bill,

General Atomics is assembling a consortium in response to a recent DOE FOA for cellulose production and they would like us to submit a mini proposal to develop salt tolerant energy sorghum varieties for production at Pecos and the Southwest. (Ceres is also part of the consortium to evaluate compositional analysis of sorghum.)

 Would you be interested in participating? If so GA needs a 2 page miniproposal within a week.

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Rene Clara"](#)
Cc: ["Joan Frederick"](#); ["Vilma Ruth Calderon"](#)
Subject: RE: PCCMCA meeting
Date: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 3:32:00 PM

Rene:

I have two questions.

1. How does support for the travel and presentation of Aldemaro Clara support INTSORMIL activities in El Salvador (the presentation is on beans)?

2. Is CENTA requesting additional funds from the Regional Program OR do they propose to use residual funds already in El Salvador?

Let me know and we'll make final arrangements.

regards,

bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Rene Clara [mailto:reneclara@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 3:17 PM
To: Bill Rooney
Cc: 'Joan Frederick'; Vilma Ruth Calderon
Subject: Re: PCCMCA meeting

Dear Dr. Bill,

With Vilma we have concluded that there must go to the PCCMCA meeting the same persons that the research manager of the CENTA requests, according to attached letter.

The budget traveling round bus would be the following one:

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: "[Bridges, Brenda](#)"
Cc: "shay-simpson@tamu.edu"; "bavant@tamu.edu"; "[John Mullet](#)"
Subject: RE: Aug 25 photo shoot for Chevron at A&M
Date: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 2:51:00 PM

Brenda et al

In looking at the schedule below, I'm still a little confused. The agenda implies that that greenhouse visit is focused on sorghum. That sorghum is being grown by Mullet's group and if that is the only sorghum that the Chevron group wants to see, then Joseph Evans is the logical contact (my guys don't work in the greenhouse and cannot help with that presentation).

The bigger question for me - is their an expectation by either Corporate or Chevron to see the energy sorghum in the field? It is here that there is potential overlap with Ceres and there would be a need for Nilesch and Leo to assist in showing the fields and the research activities.

Please clarify and adjust the agenda and guides as appropriate.

regards,

bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Bridges, Brenda [<mailto:bridges@tamu.edu>]
Sent: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 12:31 PM
To: Dunham, Nancy B.
Cc: Johnson, Russell; Long, Michelle; shay-simpson@tamu.edu; bavant@tamu.edu; Travis Miller; John Mullet; Bill Rooney
Subject: Aug 25 photo shoot for Chevron at A&M

Nancy,

Here is the tentative plan for Chevron's visit to A&M on Tuesday, Aug 25.

6:30 to 8:30 a.m.

Nancy Dunham and Chevron photographer will take photos of jatropha and other oilseeds in the field (as well as photos in the greenhouses: Rooney/Stelly greenhouses + Borlaug greenhouses). Travis Miller will serve as guide to plots. Greenhouse guides can be post-doc Nilesch Dighe, grad student Leo Hoffman, and grad student Joseph Evans (all supported by Chevron funding). Travis Miller will meet Nancy at her hotel at 6:20 a.m.

11 a.m.

Michelle Long and Russell Johnson will arrive, and Chevron photographer will take photos of Michelle Long with jatropha and perhaps with some plants in the greenhouses. Greenhouse guides will be the same as above.

12:30 p.m. Chevron visitors will depart campus.

Though the jatropha here was planted this spring and is only ~3 feet tall, the jatropha in the valley is ~11 feet tall. If you'd like, we can ask our Weslaco Center to email some photos of that crop that we could give you. Other crops you will see while here are peanuts, Chinese tallow, miscane, miscanthus, and sugarcane.

Nancy, please let me know if this schedule meets with your approval. We're flexible! We look forward to your visit.

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: "[dustin borden](#)"
Subject: FW: Job for graduating plant breeding grad student
Date: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 11:28:00 AM

did you emphasize the plant breeding aspects of your project and training?

bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Mark H Hall [mailto:MHall@ag.tamu.edu]
Sent: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 11:03 AM
To: Amir M Ibrahim; Steve Hague; C Wayne Smith; David M Stelly; Bill L Rooney
Subject: Job for graduating plant breeding grad student

From Luke Manning with CERES:

Currently, we are looking for two senior technicians/RA's to work in plant breeding. It would be a well-paid, FT, salary position out here on the farm, with travel required. At least 2 or 3 years of experience in small plot experimentation would be needed. A masters degree would help, too, especially if the experience isn't there. Are any of the **plant breeding grad students** getting close to finishing that might be interested?

Luke Manning
Research Associate
Ceres, Inc.

College Station Research Center
3199 CR 269 E
Somerville, TX 77879
(979) 272-2260, ext. 2276

From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Bartek, Matthew S"](#)
Cc: ["dustin borden"](#); ["Collins, Stephen D"](#)
Subject: WH field
Date: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 10:13:00 AM

Matt:

I have a request from admin for a show and tell on the WH plots on September 18.

So, I would recommend putting a little fertilizer on the WHs (not the energy sorghum) to darken them up a little and maybe promote a little more growth. Make sure we are clean of weeds by that date as well.

thanks,

bill

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Matthew Bartek"](#)
Cc: ["dustin borden"](#); ["Collins, Stephen D"](#)
Date: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 10:11:00 AM

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: "[Brummett, Robert G.](#)"
Subject: RE: Sorghum germplasm request
Date: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 10:07:00 AM

Robert:

I'd be happy to meet with them, but until the date is set, I can't confirm my presence. I know that I will be out October 5-12 and likely for other weeks (but those dates are not yet set).

If I recall the list was very much like the lists for those other companies, but I'll have to dig it up to be sure.

Regards,

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Brummett, Robert G. [<mailto:brummettr@tamu.edu>]
Sent: Monday, August 17, 2009 9:52 PM
To: wlr@tamu.edu
Subject: FW: Sorghum germplasm request

Bill,

I can answer some of these but not all. Refresh my memory, are we including the same lines as Biomatrix or Agricomm..... been a while and its not on the top of my head what lines we're looking at for Granar.

I can answer the licensing questions.

Are you able to meet with them if they come here?

Thanks,
Robert

Robert Brummett
Licensing Associate
The Texas A&M University System
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<http://technology.tamu.edu>

-----Original Message-----

From: Daniel Arnalda [<mailto:zeusresearch@s10.coopenet.com.ar>]

Sent: Mon 8/17/2009 8:49 PM

To: Brummett, Robert G.

Subject: Re: Sorghum germplasm request

Dear Dr. Brummett:

I am in Argentina again after three weeks of travelling by Paraguay and Bolivia.

I had some meetings with the Directory of Granar S.A. (Igra Semillas). Some questions:

Would you tell me the list of the germplasm (lines or populations) of sorghum that you would send us? Which of this lines are by Licence Agreement and which of these lines need a initial payment and they have not licence? Could you tell me some things about the Licence Agreement, for example, which is the rate that TAM University contract?

On this manner, we want to travel to U.S.A. specially for visiting TAM University in a few months, when we finish the planting in Paraguay. Would TAM University receive us?

Best regards.

Daniel Arnalda

----- Original Message -----

From: "Brummett, Robert G." <brummettr@tamu.edu>

To: "Daniel Arnalda" <zeusresearch@s10.coopenet.com.ar>

Cc: "Brummett, Robert G." <brummettr@tamu.edu>

Sent: Monday, July 20, 2009 10:26 AM

Subject: RE: Sorghum germplasm request

> Thanks Daniel,

>

> We look forward to hearing from you.

>

> Best regards,

> Robert

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Daniel Arnalda [<mailto:zeusresearch@s10.coopenet.com.ar>]

> Sent: Sunday, July 19, 2009 4:55 PM

> To: Brummett, Robert G.

> Cc: horacio biga

> Subject: Re: Sorghum germplasm request

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> Dear Dr. Brummett:

> Thank you very much for the draft of the Agreement. I am traslating it

> to Horacio because he don't spike English and then I will send it to

> him. I will travel to Paraguay on July 27. There, I will have a

> meeting with Horacio and the other directors of Granar S.A. and we

> will be seeing the Agreement. Some doubt, I will be in contact with

> you. Best regards.

>

> Daniel Arnalda

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> ----- Original Message -----

> From: "Brummett, Robert G." <brummettr@tamu.edu>

> To: "Daniel Arnalda" <zeusresearch@s10.coopenet.com.ar>;

> <horacio@igrasemillas.com>
> Cc: "Brummett, Robert G." <brummettr@tamu.edu>
> Sent: Friday, July 17, 2009 11:38 AM
> Subject: RE: Sorghum germplasm request
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> Dear Daniel and Horacio,
>
> Please find attached a draft of a Material Transfer and Evaluation
> License Agreement for your review.
>
> Note that I will have to check with our sorghum breeder, Dr. Bill
> Rooney,
> to
> verify the sorghum lines to include in this Agreement, and I will get that
> final list to you as soon as I get it from Dr. Rooney.
>
> Please review the attached and let me know if you have any questions
> or would like to discuss any specific terms in the draft Agreement.
>
> Thank you both for your time and consideration, and I look forward to
> hearing from you.
>
> Best regards,
> Robert

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> Robert Brummett,
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: Daniel Arnalda [<mailto:zeusresearch@s10.coopenet.com.ar>]
> Sent: Wednesday, July 15, 2009 7:15 PM
> To: Brummett, Robert G.
> Cc: horacio biga
> Subject: Re: Sorghum germplasm request

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> Dear Robert:
> We have not changed the seed companies. I have a sunflower breeding
> program
> with my seed company that is Zeus Research de Daniel Arnalda that works in
> Argentina only. It is not a commercial company. It is a seed company that
> licence sunflower hybrids with royalties system. I have a Agreement with

> Granar S.A. in which I give exclusive right to trade sunflower hybrids of
> my
> sunflower breeding program in Paraguay, Brazil, Bolivia and Uruguay. In
> these countries I am the Sunflower Manager of the Sunflower Program. For
> these reasons, you see two E-Mails.
> The Agreement you have to make with Granar S.A.. This seed company have
> asked to me that I manage the sorghum program, so, I am in contact with
> you
> but the Agreement you have to make with Granar S.A.
> I sent you this mail with copy to Mr. Horacio Biga, President of Granar
> S.A.
> I will hope your news.
> Best regards.

>
> Daniel Arnalda

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> ----- Original Message -----

> From: "Brummett, Robert G." <brummettr@tamu.edu>
> To: "IGRA Semillas - Daniel Arnalda" <daniel@igrasemillas.com>
> Cc: "Brummett, Robert G." <brummettr@tamu.edu>
> Sent: Wednesday, July 15, 2009 6:16 PM
> Subject: RE: Sorghum germplasm request

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>> Daniel,

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>> I'm still checking with my boss on her review of the agreement I've
>> drafted.

>>

>> Have you changed companies? I see you have a different email
>> address?

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>> We are still looking at this agreement being with Granar S.A. and
>> Zeus Research receiving the seed under contract with Granar correct?

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>> Thanks,

>> Robert

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>> From: IGRA Semillas - Daniel Arnalda [<mailto:daniel@igrasemillas.com>]
>> Sent: Tuesday, June 16, 2009 2:17 AM
>> To: Brummett, Robert G.
>> Subject: Re: Sorghum germplasm request
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>> Dear Dr. Brummett:
>> Some months ago I sent you by mail the Material Request Form that you
>> asked me. Have you received this information? I have not received any
>> thing more from you about our sorghum lines request. If you need
>> other information, I will thank you inform me about it. We will plant
>> sorghum lines seeds in September, so we have not enough time for
>> completing the importation steps. Please, remember you that the
>> seeds will have to be sent to Argentina. There, the seeds will be
>> planted one year because there are not importation of sorghum seeds
>> from USA to Paraguay in a lot of years, so, Paraguay will have to
>> make the Risk Analysis. It will delay more than a year. So, we
>> consider better that the seeds are sent to Argentina where I will
>> plant them this year and the next year, we can export the seeds to
>> Paraguay from Argentina because I will have not problems for
>> exporting. I will hope your news.
>> Best regards.
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>> Daniel Arnalda
>> Igra Semillas
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>> Brummett, Robert G. escribió:
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>>> Dear Mr. Arnalda,
>>>
>>> Dr. Bill Rooney has informed us of your interest in obtaining
>>> sorghum germplasm lines from Texas A&M University.
>>>
>>> I'm attaching a Material Request Form and ask that you complete it
>>> and return via email. It should be emailed back to us at
>>> mta@tamu.edu <<mailto:mta@tamu.edu>>, but please copy me directly on
>>> it as well (brummettr@tamu.edu <<mailto:brummettr@tamu.edu>>).
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>>> This form will help us better understand your interests and provide
>>> information we would need for a license.
>>>
>>> Please don't hesitate to call or email me if you have any questions.
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>>> We look forward to hearing from you.
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>>> Best regards,
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>>> Robert
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>>> /Robert Brummett/
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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Rene Clara"](#)
Subject: RE: PCCMCA meeting
Date: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 9:54:00 AM

Okay, I trust your judgement on the performance of people. Discuss and I will act based on the recommendations.

After your meeting, send me an update.

We do have some residual funds - if you wish to fly (only you) then we could make that possible.

regards,

bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Rene Clara [mailto:reneclara@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 9:47 AM
To: Bill Rooney
Cc: 'Joan Frederick'
Subject: Re: PCCMCA meeting

Dr. Bill,

In case of INTA we have recommended that 2008-2009 should use the remaining funds of the budget for Rafael Obando (for plane) and it seems that they have accepted.

In case of the CENTA at 10:00 a.m. are going to do with Vilma the ready piece of news, but it seems sure that only three go for bus and we are speaking about a few \$ 2,700.00.

Thus only we would use \$ 2,700 of the regional fund. I like. Apart from them there would be my participation that might be for bus also or I can remain if we do not have many funds.

With my participation we would have a whole of \$ 3,600.00, which I like. I only have doubts in the participation of one of them, due to his poor work and want to discuss it with Vilma. If we decide to remove it of the list, only we would remain three participants with \$ 2,700.00.

Regards,

René Clará V.

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--- El mié 19-ago-09, Bill Rooney <wlr@tamu.edu> escribió:

De: Bill Rooney <wlr@tamu.edu>
Asunto: PCCMCA meeting
A: "Rene Clara" <reneclara@yahoo.com>
Cc: "Joan Frederick" <jfrederi@unlnotes.unl.edu>
Fecha: miércoles, 19 agosto, 2009, 11:15 am

Rene:

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Patricia Klein"; "asharma@tamu.edu"](#)
Cc: ["Collins, Stephen D"](#)
Subject: RE: anthracnose
Date: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 9:51:00 AM

Trish, Arun and Delroy:

Let's meet in our office at 1:30 pm on Monday. We will discuss the SE locations and other traits that we should measure.

regards,

bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Patricia Klein [mailto:pklein@tamu.edu]
Sent: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 8:39 AM
To: Bill Rooney; asharma@tamu.edu
Cc: 'Collins, Stephen D'
Subject: Re: anthracnose

Bill

That is too bad about the population here in CS, but as you stated earlier "that is what you get with field work". Hopefully the other population in AL and GA will look better. I am open on Monday as well so whatever time works for you should be fine for Arun and me. Just let us know when and where.

Thanks
Trish

At 06:47 AM 8/19/2009, Bill Rooney wrote:

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: "jblumenthal@ag.tamu.edu"
Subject: clean cutting sorghum plots
Date: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 9:46:00 AM

Jurg:

Your new technician Robert contacted us about clean cutting a forage sorghum field that you've got on the farm. However, both my guys and folks in your group have indicated that this field contains a fair amount of volunteer castor - I can't risk contamination of the machine as we are also harvesting material to be used as forage or silage.

If the castor can be completely removed then we could harvest it, but several have indicated that this maybe difficult if not impossible. Another option is if Searcy has a machine with which he is not harvesting anything to be used with silage.

I don't have Robert's e-mail address (don't even know his last name), but I trust you'll let him know. I'll try to talk directly with him as well.

regards,

bill

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Rene Clara"](#)
Cc: ["Joan Frederick"](#)
Subject: PCCMCA meeting
Date: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 9:15:00 AM

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: "[John Mullet](#)"
Subject: RE: Hegari/100M field population
Date: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 8:46:00 AM

I wrote the wrong field the dates I sent were for field 405
bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: John Mullet [<mailto:jmullet@tamu.edu>]
Sent: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 8:45 AM
To: Bill Rooney
Subject: Re: [REDACTED] field population

Bill,

How about Field 405 - the [REDACTED] plots were on the far end of the
same field where the [REDACTED] were planted. I am guessing the [REDACTED]
and Hegari population was planted about the same time.

Thanks,

John

On Aug 19, 2009, at 8:11 AM, Bill Rooney wrote:

> John:
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> Field 102 was planted in early April between April 5 to April 10.
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> This was very likely similar to the same date as last year for the
> [REDACTED]
> population.
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> Bill
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: John Mullet [<mailto:jmullet@tamu.edu>]

> Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2009 9:53 AM
> To: Bill Rooney
> Subject: Hegari/100M field population
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> Bill,
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> Could you remind me when the [REDACTED] M population was planted this
> year in the field in CS (Field 405; plots 1-45)?
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> Is this about the same date the [REDACTED] population was planted last
> year in CS?
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> Thanks,
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> John
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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Collins, Stephen D"](#)
Subject: FW: Sorghum Germplasm
Date: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 8:32:00 AM

I was holding this request from Miguel until we had some anthracnose data, but since we likely won't get much this year, I'm going to ask you to go back to past years and pull the anthracnose data on lines that are now in the BRON and ADIN and find the most resistant B and R lines. We'll provide that information with the field information to Miguel and he can look at the material and make a request. We could also send some more exotic material as well.

regards,

bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: GUTIERREZ, MIGUEL 1 [AG/2538] [mailto:miguel.1.gutierrez@monsanto.com]
Sent: Monday, July 27, 2009 7:19 AM
To: Bill Rooney
Cc: VARISI, VANDERLEI A [AG/6209]; KLINK, URUBATAN P [AG/6209]
Subject: Sorghum Germplasm

Dear Dr. Rooney

As we discussed last week, the sorghum colleagues in Brazil have interest in test new and different sources of anthracnose resistance, as you know this disease is a serious threat in Brazil and we constantly are looking for new sources of resistance to cope with the continuous new races/pathotypes of this fungus.

We would like to test as many as 40-50 different material, maturity is probably not an issue since the target environment is Central Brazil, however we would like to get most of the material with some breeding (Tested parents), but also have interest in plant introductions .

Please let us know if you can help us with this request, and we can start the process for MTA etc.

To start we would like to test/screening the material only, and afterward use in breeding only the resistance material under Brazil condition.

Thanks for your help

Miguel A Gutierrez

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Rene Clara"](#); ["Vilma Ruth Calderon"](#)
Cc: ["Joan Frederick"](#)
Subject: PCCMCA
Date: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 8:16:00 AM

Rene and Vilma:

I think I know what has happened with regard to the PCCMCA meeting. Evidently, Rene was preparing a list of attendees (for both CENTA and INTA?) and Vilma had a list of attendees (from CENTA only).

I did not realize that Vilma was not communicating with Rene regarding PCCMCA and I did not realize there were two lists until this morning. I'm sure that the attendees include most of the same people.

I would ask that Vilma and Rene provide both lists and a compiled list in a single e-mail and send that to me and to Joan. We will make arrangements accordingly.

I would also ask that any requests for supplemental funds from either CENTA or INTA are copied to Rene if they are sent to me.

regards,

bill

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John

From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: "[John L Jifon](#)"
Subject: RE: Sugarcane Breeder INTERVIEWS
Date: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 8:04:00 AM

Thanks,

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: John L Jifon [<mailto:jjjifon@ag.tamu.edu>]
Sent: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 7:52 AM
To: Bill L Rooney
Subject: RE: Sugarcane Breeder INTERVIEWS

Hi Bill,

I have communicated with Anna several times and most recently to give her guidance on how to resolve any potential issues with the GreatJobs System. Unfortunately I have neither heard back from her nor seen any indication that she has attempted to resubmit her application. I spoke with a few people who have had a conversation with her since this position became available and she was invited to apply, and they all indicate that she was somehow reluctant apply. I am not sure if the delay is because she is on the road to Australia for the Breeders' conference. For now I am inclined to proceed with the possibility that if she does apply, we can bring her in for an interview as well.

Thanks

John.

>>> "Bill Rooney" <wlr@tamu.edu> 8/19/2009 6:39 AM >>>
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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Collins, Stephen D"](#)
Subject: FW: Sorghum questions
Date: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 6:50:00 AM

Since you are doing crop budgets for the Amarillo group, can you contact this lady over in engineering and make arrangements for the same discussion with her? If I'm around, I'd like to sit in on this one, but I don't have time to coordinate the meeting.

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Diane Hurtado [<mailto:d-hurtado@tamu.edu>]
Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2009 9:20 PM
To: Bill Rooney
Cc: Mark Holtzapple
Subject: Sorghum questions

Dr. Rooney,

Hello. I don't know if you remember me, but I used to work for Theresa Maldonado when she was in engineering. Anyway, I am working on my Ph.D. and for my research I am doing a life cycle analysis of the MixAlco process. I want to use Sorghum as the feedstock, and I need some data. I was wondering if you could point me to a paper that would tell me fertilizer, water, and pesticide use. And anything else you think I need to know. FYI, I have the paper by Lau, et al. ("The Economics of Ethanol from Sweet Sorghum Using the MixAlco Process").

Thanks so much for your time!

Regards,
Diane

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["asharma@tamu.edu"](mailto:asharma@tamu.edu); ["Patricia Klein"](#)
Cc: ["Collins, Stephen D"](#)
Subject: anthracnose
Date: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 6:47:00 AM

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["John L Jifon"](#)
Subject: RE: Sugarcane Breeder INTERVIEWS
Date: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 6:34:00 AM

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From: John L Jifon [<mailto:jjifon@ag.tamu.edu>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2009 11:02 AM
To: Erik Mirkov; John L Jifon; Nael El-Hout; Qingyi Yu; C. Wayne Smith; Bill L Rooney
Subject: Sugarcane Breeder INTERVIEWS

Dear Search Committee,
Since our last conference call meeting and consensus on the top three candidates (Brown, Kimbeng & Edme), Dr Gould sent out invitation letters to these candidates requesting recommendation letters and possible interview dates.

Also, there has since been two new applications added to the pool; please rank them and send your updated matrix table to me.

I have now received three recommendation letters for Patrick Brown (attached). Still waiting for letters for Kimbeng & Edme.

Regarding potential interview dates, JR has contacted the candidates and here is the tentative schedule:

Serge Edme: Weslaco on Sept 20-22; College Station on Sept 22-23. Kimbeng, Collins: Weslaco on Sept 27-29; College Station on Sept 29-30.
Brown, Patrick: To be determined (possibly week of 13th Sept or 4th OCT.)

JR and I are working on detailed interview schedules – to be distributed soon.
Let me know if there are any new thoughts.
Thanks
John.

From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Travis Miller"](#)
Subject: RE: FW: Departmental Visits
Date: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 6:31:00 AM

Thanks, Travis

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-----Original Message-----

From: Travis Miller [mailto:td-miller@tamu.edu]
Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2009 4:46 PM
To: Steve Hague; 'Russell Jessup'; Bill L Rooney
Cc: David Baltensperger
Subject: Re: FW: Departmental Visits

Bill;
See attached.
Travis

>>> "Bill Rooney" <wlr@tamu.edu> 8/18/2009 3:40 PM >>>
Travis, Russ, Steve

As you may have seen, Dr. Hussey will be here for a discussion on departmental opportunities on August 26th. Dr. Baltensperger has asked me to present on activities/opportunities in the bioenergy production/improvement areas, with specific reference to ongoing activities and future opportunities.

We have very limited time (5 minutes) so I'm leaning toward a simple outline (single page) provided to Hussey and a discussion (no slides). A draft outline follows: if you can add/delete and/or provide your comments, I sure would appreciate it.

Regards,

Bill

OUTLINE of Bioenergy Activities/Opportunities for the Department

1. Algal Bioenergy Production - "agronomics" of algae production for oil/cellulose, etc. This program complements current activities in the GA project and these will be major issues if algal production progresses past small testing.

2. Oilseed Agronomics/Improvement

a. Agronomics (Chevron Funded Projects) (Travis - please help here)

b. Oilseed improvement

Steve - update on your activities, funding opportunities (ties to Chevron)

Travis - peanut improvement is ongoing, anything else here?

3. Perennial Grasses - Russ - please give me a few highlights
4. Sorghum
Agronomy - Ceres, Federal Funds
Energy Sorghums - Ceres
Wide Hybridization Platform and connection to perennial energy
grasses (including genomics via Chevron)
5. ANYTHING ELSE (ie, who else should be contacted?)

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-----Original Message-----

From: David Baltensperger [mailto:DBaltensperger@ag.tamu.edu]
Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2009 10:13 AM
To: Dirk Hays; Jim Muir; C. Wayne Smith; Frank Hons; Charles Thomas
Hallmark; James L Heilman; J Cothren; Larry Redmon; Lloyd Rooney; Mark L
McFarland; Richard White; Tony L Provin; Travis Miller; Bill L Rooney
Subject: Fwd: Departmental Visits

Presentation Team:

In view of these updated directions from Dr. Hussey, please keep your comments to five minutes maximum. We will only be able to hit the high points and these should emphasize the changes we would like to make. Examples are: enhance graduate training capacity in forages, enhance water education delivery, explore role in production of algae, expand wide hybridization of C-4 species, develop integrated solution to aflatoxin problems. If you have questions please feel free to give me a call.

I have attached a blank slide show for your use in preparing any slides that we might want to present, but you may use any presentation type you are comfortable with. We would like to have any ppts loaded prior to the meeting so would request them by noon the day of the meeting. Please provide on a stick or send them to Judy Young. Thanks.

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>>> "Hussey, Mark" <mhussey@tamu.edu> 8/15/2009 10:39 AM >>>
All,

As you know I will be visiting each of your departments over the next few weeks. My intention is to make a few opening remarks (< 15 minutes) and then to have a round-table discussion with faculty (45+ minutes) on a variety of subjects (their choice or mine). Please do not go out of your way for my visit. I would like for it to be as informal as possible.

Mark

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Hale, Anna"](#)
Subject: Weslaco Job
Date: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 6:28:00 AM

Anna:

I was evaluating applicants for the Weslaco sugarcane job this morning; I was hoping to see an application from you.

I had been informed that you had applied, but for some reason, it had been kicked out before the committee could evaluate it. The folks at Weslaco were to inform you of this situation and give you the opportunity to change that (evidently you have to do that, we can't). Anyway, I checked this morning and didn't see your app.

I'm just bringing this to your attention because they are wanting to schedule interviews; I'm stalling because I wanted to see your application. However, if you are not interested in the position, then there is no reason for me to stall the process any longer. So, can you let me know if you still wish to be considered for the job? If so, please get on that application web site and make the appropriate changes so we can look at your app. I am almost positive that you will get an interview if we see your app. If you are not interested, let me know as well so we can move on the applicants that we have.

On other topics, the paper is essentially ready. I assume that George is in contact with you regarding the ARS approval. Just let us know when done and we'll submit. Eventually we should talk about plans this fall etc., but I've got to get through harvest first.

regards,

bill

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Rene Clara"](#)
Subject: RE: Double host coordination.
Date: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 6:16:00 AM

Rene:

Do I understand correct - there were two lists? (I had assumed that your travel was separate).

Were the people the same on both lists?

If there were two lists, I did not understand that until this morning.

I apologize for the miscommunication. It was probably because of direct communication with Vilma. I will make sure that does not happen again.

Your coordination in El Salvador is important and I want that to continue for as long as you would like to do it.

regards,

bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Rene Clara [mailto:reneclara@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2009 6:45 PM
To: Bill Rooney
Subject: Double host coordination.

Dr. Bill,

I'm going to do honest with you. I believe that you see that we are practising double host coordination in the region, principally in CENTA. I believe that this is creating to us unnecessary problems of order in the region. The solution to this situation you have it. I ask you to say me if I have some fault of this situation to correct me.

Thanks,
Rene

From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Vilma Ruth Calderon"](#)
Cc: ["Rene Clara"](#); ["Joan Frederick"](#)
Subject: RE: PCCMCA funds
Date: Tuesday, August 18, 2009 4:05:00 PM

Vilma:

Please send to Joan Frederick, the following:

Names of the individuals who attend (and the titles of their presentations)

Rough budget request for each (by category, like you provided to me earlier)

I expect the amount per person to be between \$900-1,000.

Joan will make arrangements for payment.

regards,

bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Vilma Ruth Calderon [mailto:vilmaruth02@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2009 2:08 PM
To: Bill Rooney
Cc: Rene Clara
Subject: PCCMCA funds

Dr Bill

How are you_ i want to know about the PCCMCA funds. PCCMCA will be from september 7 to september 11 and we need to start making arrangements.

Another thing ...because Dr Mario Parada Jaco is not going maybe you can increase our budget per person to \$ 1,000 because hotel accomodations increased because of the event. We are always traveling by bus.

Thank you in advance

Vilma Ruth

From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["David Baltensperger"](#)
Subject: RE: Maunder's e-mail
Date: Tuesday, August 18, 2009 4:00:00 PM

David:

We'll call you in about 45 minutes. (ie, 4:50 pm)

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From: David Baltensperger [<mailto:DBaltensperger@ag.tamu.edu>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2009 3:55 PM
To: Bill L Rooney
Subject: Re: Maunder's e-mail

Bill,

If you call in 5 minute to an hour it would work if the two of you are there.

979-450-9904

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From: "Bill Rooney" <wlr@tamu.edu>
Cc: Peterson, Gary C <GPeterso@ag.tamu.edu>
To: Baltensperger, David <DBaltensperger@ag.tamu.edu>

Sent: 8/18/2009 3:51:15 PM
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From: [Bill Rooney](mailto:Bill.Rooney@tamu.edu)
To: "[Terry J Gentry](mailto:Terry.J.Gentry@tamu.edu)"; "[Scott Senseman](mailto:Scott.Senseman@tamu.edu)"; "d-zuberer@tamu.edu"
Subject: FW: Departmental Visits
Date: Tuesday, August 18, 2009 3:56:00 PM

Terry, Scott and David

Dr. Baltensperger tells me you three are the on campus departmental contacts for algal work. Please see below and respond accordingly!

Thanks,

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Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2009 3:40 PM
To: 'Travis Miller'; 'Russell Jessup'; 'Steve Hague'
Cc: 'David Baltensperger'
Subject: FW: Departmental Visits

Travis, Russ, Steve

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: "[Karen L Prihoda](#)"
Subject: FW: Want seed of the parents
Date: Tuesday, August 18, 2009 3:53:00 PM

She needs seed only of the two parents listed below. Please make sure and send her code 1 seed that is close to the source numbers she is listing for the populations.

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From: Babitha Jampala [<mailto:bjampala@ag.tamu.edu>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2009 3:38 PM
To: wlr@tamu.edu
Cc: K-prihoda@tamu.edu
Subject: Want seed of the parents

Hi Dr Rooney

I want seed of the parents of the population that I am using for my project.

The parents are Sureno and P850029

The source of my population is 07CS4401-07CS4672.

Thanks
Babitha

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David:

On the algae side of this presentation, is there a specific person in our department (ON CAMPUS) to whom I should speak regarding input on the presentation? I know the off campus folks and I know the corporate group, but I'm ignorant of any specific person on campus in our department that I should include.... I'm also assuming that you would prefer to keep this within the department at this time. If I'm wrong please let me know.

If there is not a specific person, then I'm going to take the liberty to talk very superficially per our discussion last week. Bill

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Edgar Haro"](#); ["Bud Wylie"](#)
Cc: ["dustin borden"](#); ["Collins, Stephen D"](#)
Subject: mill
Date: Tuesday, August 18, 2009 3:21:00 PM

Edgar and Bud:

We will not get our new motor for the mill until noon on Thursday.

That is a little late for crushing on Thursday.

I know there are people coming from CA and possibly elsewhere. We have three options:

1. We bring our subsamples to the office for processing. (mill inside), it won't show the exact process we use in the field but it'll be close.....
2. Postpone until Friday.
3. Use a mill from Ceres (if you have one available).

Just let us know.

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Tanya Kruse"](#); ["Parthiban Radhakrishnan"](#)
Cc: ["Walter Nelson"](#); ["dustin borden"](#); ["Edgar Haro"](#); ["Bud Wylie"](#); ["Rebecca Corn"](#)
Subject: RE: Ceres RA visit on Wed/Thurs
Date: Tuesday, August 18, 2009 3:09:00 PM

Tanya and Parthi

There will be a group sampling and then harvesting sweet material on Thursday morning. They will begin around 7:30 am. Most of the sampling will be finished by 9-9:30 am. Then the plots will be harvested with a silage harvester.

The plots are located on FM60 at the TAMU research farm (~1 mile west of the Brazos River and 1/2 mile east of the FM50/FM60 intersection) The field is located on the north side of the highway; if you know what energy sorghum looks like, you can miss it.

You can call the office 979 845 2151 (Foundation Seed Building) or you can call Dustin Borden (512) 635-0985. For HPLC work, you should talk with Rebecca (copied on the e-mail)

FYI - UPDATE - Just realized that we are getting a new motor on the mill; not sure if it will be here on Thursday. If not, we'll have to delay large milling until Friday morning. We'll still be able to mill but not large amounts and we'll have to bring it to the building (electric motor).

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From: Tanya Kruse [mailto:tkruse@ceres-inc.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2009 1:23 PM
To: Bill Rooney
Cc: Parthiban Radhakrishnan
Subject: Ceres RA visit on Wed/Thurs

Good afternoon Bill! I'm sure Walter has been keeping you informed of our intention to send one of our RA's, Parthi, to Texas. He'll be arriving on Wednesday to be involved in the sweet sorghum harvest there at TAMU on Thursday morning. He'll be taking samples for the chemistry team and testing out different ways to stabilize the samples. It would be wonderful if he could also talk to those who have actually run juice on your HPLC to learn from their experiences as well.

I had hoped to get directions and contact information from Walter, but it looks like he is out of the office, and I may not get an immediate response. Could you possibly provide us with directions, names, and phone numbers of those Parthi should be in contact with? I'd really appreciate it, especially as he is leaving tomorrow! Thank you so much!

Tanya Kruse, PhD

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Susan Wilganowski"](#)
Cc: ["James L. Heilman"](#)
Subject: RE: Departmental Approval - Subaward Amendment 1
Date: Tuesday, August 18, 2009 1:02:00 PM

Susan:

This looks good. I approve.

Approximately 1/2 of the funding is for Dr. Jim Heilman. I've copied him and he should be included on your awards report. If he has others, he will let you know.

Regards,

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From: Susan Wilganowski [<mailto:SRWilganowski@ag.tamu.edu>]
Sent: Monday, August 17, 2009 12:23 PM
To: Bill L Rooney
Subject: Departmental Approval - Subaward Amendment 1

Dr. Rooney

Attached please find the above referenced agreements for your review and approval. Please show your acceptance by replying to this email.

If there are any other investigators who will be using a portion of these funds and should receive recognition on our Awards report, please let me know who and what amount.

If you have any questions or concerns with the terms, please contact Susan Wilganowski at phone 979-458-4397 or email srwilganowski@ag.tamu.edu.

Thanks,

Susan Wilganowski
Contract Negotiator

From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: "[John Mullet](#)"
Subject: RE: Energy R-line genetic diversity analysis
Date: Tuesday, August 18, 2009 12:59:00 PM

Nothing attached?

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From: John Mullet [<mailto:jmullet@tamu.edu>]
Sent: Saturday, August 15, 2009 12:42 PM
To: Bill Rooney
Subject: Energy R-line genetic diversity analysis

Bill,

Attached is the high resolution diversity dendogram of the first set of R-lines + other sorghum materials we have run on the Illumina.

Do you have R-lines you would like us to prioritize in subsequent runs?

Thanks,

John

From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: "[Karen L. Prihoda](#)"
Subject: FW: DOE/Biomass review - Password, updates
Date: Tuesday, August 18, 2009 12:51:00 PM

for cd

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From: Moore, Liz [mailto:liz.moore@go.doe.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2009 10:48 AM
To: undisclosed-recipients:
Subject: DOE/Biomass review - Password, updates

Reviewers,

By now, your FedEx shipments should be arriving. Once you receive the CD, open the CD and copy the files to your desktop to unencrypt. The password is: [REDACTED] (including exclamation points). If you try to unencrypt directly from the CD you will receive an error message. They were sent by FedEx yesterday so if you do not receive your package by COB tomorrow please let me know and we can track them down.

The CD contains:

- Your assigned applications
- The workbooks that you will use to record your comments for each application.
- A separate document with only the criteria (also found in the FOA and the Evaluation and Selection Plan)
- The Evaluation & Selection Plan, this describes the rating scale you should be using as well as how we distinguish between "significant" and "minor" in terms of the strengths and weaknesses. This information is also pulled out in a separate "Technical Rating Standards" document.
- The FOA in its final form as posted on FedConnect. This is a good source to understand what was requested of the applicants in each application document and also the descriptions of the differences between topic areas.
- Strengths and Weaknesses Examples – feel free to use these comments as-is or as a starting place for drafting your own comments.

In last week's email I mentioned that we would be starting at noon on Monday. Please plan on staying through noon on Friday of your assigned week(s). If the available flights for you make it difficult to meet this schedule, please do the best you can in making your travel plans.

I will keep the emails to a minimum so you can work on your reviews but if I receive multiple inquiries of a similar nature I will send out updates.

Thank you for your continued participation and interest,

Liz

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: "[George L Hodnett](#)"
Subject: FW: suspension of your pro-card
Date: Tuesday, August 18, 2009 6:46:00 AM
Importance: High

George:

I got this message (copied) so I assume that I got it because you are missing a receipt. I assume you got it too. And I'll assume you've taken care of it.

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From: Carol Rhodes [mailto:cj-rhodes@tamu.edu]
Sent: Monday, August 17, 2009 3:19 PM
To: Alfred Nelson; Dirk Hays; George L Hodnett; Ismael Brown; Pamela Littlejohn
Cc: David Baltensperger; Joseph M Awika; Lloyd Rooney; Bill L Rooney
Subject: suspension of your pro-card
Importance: High

This is your last warning.... If requested receipts are not turned in by noon tomorrow, we will suspend your pro-card for a minimum of thirty days. If the lack of action on your part results in an audit finding, they could be terminated permanently.

Thanks for your prompt attention/action to this matter.

C. J. Rhodes

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Abernathy, Chris"](#)
Cc: ["Payne Burks"](#)
Subject: RE: 2008 Sorghum Trials
Date: Tuesday, August 18, 2009 6:44:00 AM

Chris

We have data for 2008 - we've been compiling it in bits and pieces from the cooperators this summer. Because I was doing such a poor job (didn't have time), I've assigned a graduate student to compile the data for both 2008 and 2009. He will be in contact with the data as soon as I have a chance to approve what he has.

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Sent: Monday, August 17, 2009 9:59 AM
To: William Rooney (wlr@tamu.edu)
Subject: 2008 Sorghum Trials

Bill,

Were there any sorghum trials planted in 2008? If so, were data collected on them? If not, are there trials in place now for 2009?

I am trying to determine which trials I can expect data for 2008.

Thanks for your help,

-Chris

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Suchismita Mondal"](#)
Subject: RE: committee meeting
Date: Tuesday, August 18, 2009 6:41:00 AM

Suchismata:

I will be traveling Aug 31-Sept4

I will be in town the following week. That would be best for me.

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Sent: Monday, August 17, 2009 12:30 PM
To: wlr@tamu.edu
Subject: committee meeting

Dear Dr. Rooney

I would like to set a committee meeting for my Phd Dissertation work. Please suggest some dates in first or second week of September that you may be available for the meeting.

Thank you
suchismita

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'Dreams are not what you see in your sleep, but dreams are that, which do not allow you to sleep'

From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Jaster, John"](#)
Subject: RE: Genetics question
Date: Monday, August 17, 2009 4:40:00 PM

John:

The seed color of the donor parent is irrelevant; it'll be the same as the B-line parent in a few generations unless you specifically select to keep it segregating (which you won't do).

I used to match a cytoplasm donor with a new B-line, but I quit because it was just too much trouble. I always use A [REDACTED] because it is easy to cross and pretty simple to recover the types that look like your B-line.

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Subject: RE: Genetics question

Bill,

Just full of details this morning. So what is your Dad's title these days? I always enjoy his presentations tell him he did good last week.

Okay got a more traditional question:

I have some new red B lines that need to be sterilized. If I use [REDACTED] which is white for the initial cross to sterilize will that white trait be a constant problem?

If it is a problem then why not sterilize with females that have all the disease resistant traits then we have a good problem? The old breeders would say "wrong thinking" since we are dealing with the cytoplasm and those traits will eventually be backcrossed out of the new A line.

So will the recessive white trait be eventually backcrossed out of the new A line or will it show up in hybrids when made on a white or yellow R line?

jj

From: Bill Rooney [mailto:wlr@tamu.edu]
Sent: Monday, August 17, 2009 6:07 AM
To: Jaster, John
Subject: RE: Genetics herbicide question

John:

I expect some differential expression, but how much depends on those modifiers - both alleles (from both parents) and their expression in the F1.

My guess (and it is a guess) is that you will see more variation in the F1's than usual.

bill

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: "[David Baltensperger](#)"
Subject: RE: Reference request for Dr. Steve Hague
Date: Monday, August 17, 2009 3:53:00 PM

David:

I can look at Hague's package. Have Judy send it to me.

Regards,

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: David Baltensperger [<mailto:DBaltensperger@ag.tamu.edu>]
Sent: Monday, August 17, 2009 9:42 AM
To: Bill L Rooney
Subject: Reference request for Dr. Steve Hague

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["C. Wayne Smith"](#)
Subject: RE: ARP
Date: Monday, August 17, 2009 6:55:00 AM

Wayne:

Sounds fine, I'll participate, but not much in the writing phase.

Bill

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From: C. Wayne Smith [<mailto:cwsmith@tamu.edu>]
Sent: Friday, August 14, 2009 10:29 AM
To: Amir M Ibrahim; Hongbin Zhang; Michael R Baring; Steve Hague; Seth C Murray; dirk hays; Dave Stelly; Keerti Rathore; Russell Jessup; Bill L Rooney
Cc: David Baltensperger; Dave Reed
Subject: ARP

Guys,

IM thinking about submitting a pre proposal with a title something like "Beachell Borlaug Center for Plant Breeding Pilot Program" to ARP. I've given this about 30 minutes of thought so it obviously isn't very far along but I would propose 3 MS graduate students support and 4 summer PB interns. This would consume all of the 100K per year and so the research would have to be at the PI or major professor expense. You'll note that I have not included off campus folks nor hort although I will at some point.

I need input:

Worthwhile?

Would you participate?

Can we specify 5+ breeding programs/objectives from which students could choose? Specify how we'll advertise for graduate students and interns? What else???

Give me your thoughts?

Wayne

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Ken Davenport"](#)
Subject: RE: Visit to TAMU re: Sorghum
Date: Monday, August 17, 2009 6:54:00 AM

The week of September 7 is acceptable. However, I will be teaching on Tuesday and Thursday mornings so those are not good days for me. Monday, Wednesday or Friday are acceptable to me.

regards,

bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Ken Davenport [mailto:kdavenport@chromatininc.com]
Sent: Friday, August 14, 2009 9:21 AM
To: Bill Rooney; bavant@tamu.edu
Cc: lelamb@swbell.net
Subject: RE: Visit to TAMU re: Sorghum

Hello Bill,

Since I wish to have Larry Lambright join me and he believes that having a discussion with you would be preferred, we would be happy to accommodate your schedule the week of 7 September, recognizing that Monday is Labor Day holiday. Tuesday or Wednesday is preferable for me. (Bill how does your schedule look for these two days?) Please advise at your convenience.

Thanks kindly,

Ken

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From: Bill Rooney [mailto:wlr@tamu.edu]
Sent: Thu 8/13/2009 1:29 PM
To: Ken Davenport; bavant@tamu.edu
Subject: RE: Visit to TAMU re: Sorghum

Ken and Bob:

I will be in Denver during that week and thus, unavailable. However, if that time works for both of you, then I would identify a member of my group to provide a field tour.

I will be in town the following week if that schedule works for you.

regards,

bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Ken Davenport [mailto:kdavenport@chromatininc.com]
Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2009 10:16 AM
To: bavant@tamu.edu
Cc: wlr@tamu.edu
Subject: Visit to TAMU re: Sorghum

Hello Bob,

I just returned from the Sorghum Improvement Conference in Amarillo and had the chance to speak with Bill about a possible visit the first week of September. Bill stated that I was welcome to visit, but asked that I coordinate through your office. I have recently joined Chromatin, a plant biotech company who was one of my former clients after I left Bayer. We are assessing the bioenergy space from feedstocks (e.g., cane, sorghum, sugarbeets, etc.) and conversion processes. Given that efforts of Bill who appears to be setting the pace for bioenergy sorghum breeding in the academic world, I requested a visit.

I will be in San Antonio area on 1-2 September to defend the city against "white wing" dove. Ideally, a visit on Thursday or even Friday would be preferable if Bill's schedule permits.

Please advise at your earliest convenience. Feel free to contact me on my cell if you wish.

Best regards,

Ken

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Rene Clara"](#)
Subject: RE: RE: Request of the INTA
Date: Monday, August 17, 2009 6:50:00 AM

Rene:

We can support Ing. Obando's attendance at the PCCMCA, but the \$2,000 seems too high. Please adjust as appropriate. It would be best for them to use remnant funds at this point.

Funds for the CENTA are approved, they should send the invoices to me and to Joan.

bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Rene Clara [mailto:reneclara@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, August 14, 2009 6:51 PM
To: Bill Rooney
Subject: Rv: RE: Request of the INTA

Dear Dr. Bill,

INTA already did his selection of papers for the next meeting of the PCCMCA of Campeche, Mexico and the Licda. Maria Isabel Martínez Chavarría, INTA General Director, request officially to INTSORMIL financing for Ing. Rafael Obando to present the paper of " Validation of the hybrid sorghum INTA forrajero ". Below you will find the request.

She is requesting \$ 2,150.00, but I think that it is a lot of money. Firstly I am going to prepare a budget and this can be the base to define the quantity of funds for participation.
Another thing, they (INTA) can use the remanent funds of the budget 2008-2009. What do you think about?

Regards,

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--- El vie 14-ago-09, Maria Isabel Martínez <imarcha@inta.gob.ni> escribió:

De: Maria Isabel Martínez <imarcha@inta.gob.ni>
Asunto: RE: Informe INTSORMIL 2008 - 2009
A: reneclara@yahoo.com
Fecha: viernes, 14 agosto, 2009, 8:21 pm

Estimado Rene, con motivo de celebrarse el encuentro de PCCMCA en Campeche México, se realizo una especie de congresillo para determinar trabajos a presentarse en dicho evento, en proceso de selección los compañeros que trabajan con INTORMIL presentaron propuestas, de las cuales se selecciono el trabajo de Validación del híbrido INTA Forrajero, presentado por Rafael, y para quien estamos solicitando la posibilidad de financiamiento en dicho evento el que asciende a un [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Ma. Isabel – INTA Nicaragua.-

De: Rene Clara [mailto:reneclara@yahoo.com]
Enviado el: Jueves, 26 de Marzo de 2009 05:23 p.m.
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Asunto: Re: Informe INTSORMIL 2008 - 2009

Payo,

La reunión del PCMCA esta tentativamente programada para Septiembre/09 en Campeche, México, pero se tiene que confirmar para dar un aviso oficial.

Que tengas buenas vacaciones, yo tendré las de Semana Santa.

Hasta pronto,

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--- El **jue 26-mar-09**, **raobando@mx.inta.gob.ni**
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Fecha: jueves, 26 marzo, 2009, 7:21 pm

> Rene:

Yo tambien pienso que la presentacion de estos informes a
INTSORMIL
se

pueden mejorar. Nosotros estamos acostumbrados a escribir
los informes

extensos, pero con tu ayuda vamos a aprender a escribir
informes resumidos

a como los solicita INTSORMIL.

A mi me parece bien la propuesta de tu visita a Nicaragua
del 19 al 22 de

mayo. Como te comente en otra oportunidad, si hay cambios
en los calculos

de la cosecha de la semilla del hibrido ESHG-3 te lo hare
saber. Para

mientras mantengamos esa fecha de visita.

En mis vacaciones esta incluida la semana santa. Creo que
vos tambien vas

a descansar esa semana.

Aprovecho para preguntarte si sabes algo de la reunion
anual del PCCMCA.

Rafael Obando

Gracias Rafael,

>

> Sabemos que cuesta escribir, así también estamos en CENTA. Voy a revisar

> estos informes y se los enviaré al Dr. Bill para su traducción y

> conformación del informe regional.

>

> Quiero agradecerles a todos por este esfuerzo y pedirles disculpas por

> nuestra exigencia.

> También decirles que quisieramos hacer mas de lo que dicen los informes,

> quisieramos ya ver el impacto que estos proyectos estan causando en

> Nicaragua. Pero de esto platicaremos en mi visita.

>

> El 15 de Mayo cae viernes, entonces quisiera proponerte el 19 de Mayo para

> llegar a Nicaragua por la tarde, ir a ver la producción del ESHG-3 el 20,

> discutir la temática de proyectos para 2009-2010 el 21 de Mayo y

> regresarme el 22. Estas de acuerdo?

>

> Felices vacaciones, yo sigo trabajando.

>

> Saludos,

>

>

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> Fecha: jueves, 26 marzo, 2009, 5:35 pm
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> Ing. Rene Clara:
>
> Adjunto le envio el informe INTSORMIL del periodo 2008 -
2009. Ya se
> hicieron los resúmenes por cada uno de los seis
proyectos ejecutados
> durante el periodo.
> Saldre de vacaciones a partir del 30 de marzo y regreso
hasta el día 13 de
> abril.
>
> Rafael Obando
>
>
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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Karen L. Erihoda"](#)
Cc: ["Clint Johnson"](#); ["Jeff Gwyn"](#); ["Walter Nelson"](#)
Subject: RE: Seed shipment to Clint
Date: Monday, August 17, 2009 6:28:00 AM

Karen:

Please send 50-100 grams (depending on amount left - make sure to hold 50-100 gm in remnant) to Clint Johnson at Ceres.

1 08PR2045 232 R.07020

There are TWO sources of 08PR2045 - MAKE SURE YOU PULL FROM THE CODE 1 SOURCE and NOT the Code 3.

bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Walter Nelson [mailto:wnelson@ceres.net]
Sent: Friday, August 14, 2009 3:22 PM
To: Bill Rooney
Cc: Clint Johnson; Jeff Gwyn
Subject: RE: Seed shipment to Clint

Bill,

I'm sorry I didn't think of this before, but I just realized an additional line I should have requested..

We had discussed sometime in the past that you had a pure stock of R07020 available that was grown in the greenhouse. As you probably recall, the original R07020 we got and did the pilot production with had outcrossed with something (it was OPS) and had that grassy head phenotype in it in PV. We had also wanted to try to increase it in Chile, but decided against.

Early feedback from the pre-commercial testing this season is that it looks pretty good. As we have also discussed, whether or not we try to produce it in quantity will depend on how differentiated the 007 hybrids turn out to be this year and next. However, I want to continue to prepare to advance it, if needed.

Clint is doing a late season bloom date experiment in Arizona...working on trying to deal with the photoperiod sensitivity of some of these things. If you have some pure seed of it, please ship some to Clint at the address below.

Thanks,

Walter

Clint Johnson
44741 S. US Highway 87
Happy, TX 79042

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Les Kuhlman"](#)
Subject: paper
Date: Monday, August 17, 2009 6:08:00 AM

Les:

I made the changes to the references as requested in the review. While uploading the revised file, I noted it also has location for image and table files. When you published the last paper, did you provide them with a separate image file? If so, do you have that file or should we just send it in word format?

regards,

bill

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Jaster, John"](#)
Subject: RE: Genetics herbicide question
Date: Monday, August 17, 2009 6:06:00 AM

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: "[David Baltensperger](#)"
Subject: RE: Monday sorghum session
Date: Friday, August 14, 2009 5:51:00 PM

I don't know if there are enough days.....

Bill

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From: David Baltensperger [<mailto:DBaltensperger@ag.tamu.edu>]
Sent: Friday, August 14, 2009 5:38 PM
To: Gary Peterson; Bill Rooney
Subject: Fwd: Monday sorghum session

Guys -- take a deep breath prior to reading, then after a few days give me some ideas for a response.
Thanks.

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["jmbt@ufl.edu"](mailto:jmbt@ufl.edu)
Subject: Tillman evaluation packet
Date: Thursday, August 13, 2009 6:56:00 PM

Jerry:

I apologize for not having an evaluation letter back to you on Dr. Tillman's P and T package, but evidently it got misplaced in our campus mail until this Monday. I'll be reviewing the packet this week and I hope to have a letter to you later this week.

regards,

bill

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Zak, Kendra"](#)
Subject: RE: Wide Hybrid PI Meeting
Date: Thursday, August 13, 2009 5:33:00 PM

Probably so, I'll have to find out once I know my schedule. Certainly George can sit in.

regards,

bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Zak, Kendra [mailto:kzak@tamu.edu]
Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2009 3:12 PM
To: Bill Rooney
Cc: Schmitt, Brian C.
Subject: RE: Wide Hybrid PI Meeting

Bill,

Would it be possible for you to call in during an allotted time and have George sit in for you?

Thanks sir,

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From: Bill Rooney [mailto:wlr@tamu.edu]
Sent: Sunday, August 09, 2009 9:40 AM
To: Zak, Kendra
Subject: RE: Wide Hybrid PI Meeting

Kendra:

I'm tentatively scheduled to be in Denver that week. It may change but that is the situation right now.

bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Zak, Kendra [mailto:kzak@tamu.edu]

Sent: Friday, August 07, 2009 3:11 PM

To: Bill Rooney; Mullet, John E.; Stelly_David; Gould Mike; e-mirkov@tamu.edu;
rathore@tamu.edu; rhanson@sonnenschein.com

Cc: Avant, Bob; McCutchen, Bill; Slovacek, Jackie; Schmitt, Brian C.

Subject: Wide Hybrid PI Meeting

All,

We are scheduling a meeting for a gathering of the Wide Hybrid minds for a meeting to discuss enablers along with bioenergy sorghum. Currently, the date and time that work on Bob, Bill, and Brian's calendars is Thursday September 3rd from 11-2 in the CR Conference Room. Also, to help the minds work, we are providing lunch!

Please let me know what the date looks like on ya'lls calendars. For those who are out of town, we will have a conference line available. However, Fedex doesn't mesh well with food though.

Please let me know by next Wednesday August 12th.

Thank you,

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: "[Karen L Prihoda](#)"
Subject: FW: Invoices for summer Tuition and/or Fees
Date: Thursday, August 13, 2009 5:32:00 PM

Can you remind of the account number for those funds over in the RF that will expire in September. I'd like to use all of them to pay these T and F.

Once I have that number I will get the information to Glenda.

Bill

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From: Glenda Kurten [<mailto:g-kurten@tamu.edu>]
Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2009 5:16 PM
To: Bill L Rooney
Subject: Invoices for summer Tuition and/or Fees

Bill,

I have prepared the invoice for your accounts as follows (acct numbers can be changed). You had indicated that Matt's should be paid from RF, but I don't have that number.

Packer, Daniel	\$857.90	240028-84720
Bartek, Matt	\$857.90	
Borden, Dustin	\$1,278.20	405235-84720
Burks, Payne	\$2,137.40	503884-84720
Felderhoff, Terry	\$2,137.40	503900-84720
Hoffman, Leo	\$2,183.40	405523-84720

Thanks,
Glenda

From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Walter Nelson"](#)
Subject: RE: Composition and conversion data for growth
Date: Thursday, August 13, 2009 5:10:00 PM

Good information Walter.

I appreciate you sending it to me.

We are looking at harvest in the sweet material probably on Thursday (next week) weather permitting.

WE will confirm that tomorrow. I'll let you know.

regarrds,

bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Walter Nelson [mailto:wnelson@ceres.net]
Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2009 11:14 AM
To: John Mullet
Cc: Bill Rooney; Jeff Gwyn; Joon-Hyun Park; Tanya Kruse; Remy Jacobs
Subject: Composition and conversion data for growth

John,

Apologies for the delay on this.

Attached is a summary document for the composition and conversion analysis of the sorghum developmental profile samples you sent us. The conversion assay results are in the first couple slides and the composition data (some of which you have seen already) is in the later part of the deck. I thought Bill may be interested in this as well, hence the CC.

I would be happy to schedule a call with you and the conversion team (Joon-Hyun and Tanya) to discuss the results and answer any questions you may have. Just let me know.

Also, please note that we are designating this data and information as CERES Confidential Information, which is defined in the Sponsored Research Agreement.

Best regards,

Walter

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: "[Brummett, Robert G.](#)"
Subject: RE: Material Request Form (Selahattin Aydn)
Date: Thursday, August 13, 2009 12:48:00 PM

Robert:

As per Ceres, we should probably restrict use to research purposes only, with no commercial development.

Regards,

Bill

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From: Brummett, Robert G. [<mailto:brummettr@tamu.edu>]
Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2009 8:59 AM
To: Bill Rooney
Cc: Brummett, Robert G.
Subject: RE: Material Request Form (Selahattin Aydn)

Thanks Bill,

I've attached the Research Material Disclosure form.

Is this material something we need to look at regarding the Ceres agreement?

I know things are busy, but we need to get the disclosure forms for the other recent agreements we've done - do you want me to get with Karen on that?

Thanks,
Robert

-----Original Message-----

From: Bill Rooney [<mailto:wlr@tamu.edu>]
Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2009 6:14 AM
To: Brummett, Robert G.
Subject: RE: Material Request Form (Selahattin Aydn)

Robert:

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From: Brummett, Robert G. [<mailto:brummettr@tamu.edu>]
Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2009 9:45 PM
To: wlr@tamu.edu
Cc: Hurley, Janie C.
Subject: FW: Material Request Form (Selahattin Aydn)

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Robert

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-----Original Message-----

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Sent: Wed 8/12/2009 5:59 PM

To: Brummett, Robert G.

Subject: Material Request Form

Dear Mr. Brummett,

I am so sorry for interrupting you, but I am sending this message to request a material that we need in our mapping project.

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If you have any question, please feel free to contact with me, best regards...

Selahattin Aydin, Ph.D

From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Moran, Jorge"](#)
Subject: RE: Contact info
Date: Thursday, August 13, 2009 12:32:00 PM

Jorge:

How are things going? I imagine that you are rather busy. We sure are.

Raul's address is listed below. It should work unless he has changed it in the past six months.

Raul Rodriguez [rrh961@hotmail.com]

Regards,

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Moran, Jorge [<mailto:jorge.moran@pioneer.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2009 5:52 PM
To: 'wlr@tamu.edu'
Subject: Contact info

Would you have by any chance Raul's contact info?

Jorge L. Moran

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Ken Davenport"; "bavant@tamu.edu"](#)
Subject: RE: Visit to TAMU re: Sorghum
Date: Thursday, August 13, 2009 12:29:00 PM

Ken and Bob:

I will be in Denver during that week and thus, unavailable. However, if that time works for both of you, then I would identify a member of my group to provide a field tour.

I will be in town the following week if that schedule works for you.

regards,

bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Ken Davenport [mailto:kdavenport@chromatininc.com]
Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2009 10:16 AM
To: bavant@tamu.edu
Cc: wlr@tamu.edu
Subject: Visit to TAMU re: Sorghum

Hello Bob,

I just returned from the Sorghum Improvement Conference in Amarillo and had the chance to speak with Bill about a possible visit the first week of September. Bill stated that I was welcome to visit, but asked that I coordinate through your office. I have recently joined Chromatin, a plant biotech company who was one of my former clients after I left Bayer. We are assessing the bioenergy space from feedstocks (e.g., cane, sorghum, sugarbeets, etc.) and conversion processes. Given that efforts of Bill who appears to be setting the pace for bioenergy sorghum breeding in the academic world, I requested a visit.

I will be in San Antonio area on 1-2 September to defend the city against "white wing" dove. Ideally, a visit on Thursday or even Friday would be preferable if Bill's schedule permits.

Please advise at your earliest convenience. Feel free to contact me on my cell if you wish.

Best regards,

Ken

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If you have any question, please feel free to contact with me, best regards...

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: "[Brummett, Robert G.](#)"
Subject: RE: Agricomseeds
Date: Wednesday, August 12, 2009 1:48:00 PM

I assume you saw my e-mail from yesterday. It had a list of lines to omit from the final agreement.

bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Brummett, Robert G. [mailto:brummettr@tamu.edu]
Sent: Tuesday, July 21, 2009 2:48 PM
To: Bill Rooney
Cc: Brummett, Robert G.
Subject: Agricomseeds

Bill,

Let me know when you get a final list of lines for Jean Carlo.

We have one definition we're discussing on the Agreement (what "Net Sales" is), but very close to finalizing except the list of lines.

Thanks,
Robert

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Alberto Artola"](#)
Cc: ["Federico Pick"](#)
Subject: RE: Sweet sorghum lines
Date: Wednesday, August 12, 2009 7:30:00 AM

jhurley@tamu.edu

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-----Original Message-----

From: Alberto Artola [mailto:artola23@hotmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2009 7:25 AM
To: rooney texas
Cc: Federico Pick
Subject: RE: Sweet sorghum lines

Please the e-mail of Janie Hurley
Thanks

From: wlr@tamu.edu
To: artola23@hotmail.com
Subject: RE: Sweet sorghum lines
Date: Tue, 11 Aug 2009 21:12:53 -0500

Alberto:

The announcement that you have was released about 18 months ago.

In that announcement, we had six different A/B pairs that were grain types with higher brix concentrations that could be used to produce sweet sorghum hybrids.

In the past two growing seasons, we have reduced that number to two lines that could be considered. We are in the process of providing a more detailed summary of those two A/B pairs.

As for obtaining the seed, you can contact Janie Hurley directly. She coordinates requests for this material.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Alberto Artola [mailto:artola23@hotmail.com]

Sent: Monday, August 10, 2009 11:39 AM

To: rooney texas

Subject: Sweet sorghum lines

Dear Dr. Rooney:

We would like to obtain information about your new releases on sweet sorghum lines.

Thanking in advance your cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

Alberto Artola

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Gary Odvody"](#); ["Scott Staggenborg"](#); ["Moore, Kenneth J \[AGRON\]"](#); ["Todd Pfeiffer"](#); ["Bisoondat Macoon"](#); ["Ron Heiniger@ncsu.edu"](#)
Subject: FW: sorghum subaward amendments
Date: Tuesday, August 11, 2009 9:37:00 PM

FYI - You should check for your funds in the next week or so.

regards,

bill

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From: Dawkins, Teresa [mailto:Teresa.Dawkins@SDSTATE.EDU]
Sent: Tuesday, August 11, 2009 1:37 PM
To: Stokes, Bryce; Bill Rooney
Cc: Doolittle, James; Owens, Vance
Subject: sorghum subaward amendments

The sorghum subaward amendments have been mailed out today (8/11/09) by our Grants & Contracts Administration office.

Teresa Dawkins
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Accountant
Sun Grant Center
605-696-7871

From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: "[David D Baltensperger](#)"
Subject: RE: Meeting with Dr. Hussey on August 26
Date: Tuesday, August 11, 2009 9:12:00 PM

In the bioenergy section, you specifically mention sorghum, oil, algae. I assume this is general and this should be expanded to include the perennial grasses, bioenergy corn etc. (If I am wrong, please let me know). What about SCS related work on the centers (ie, the energycane and miscanes)?

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: David D Baltensperger [<mailto:DBaltensperger@ag.tamu.edu>]
Sent: Friday, August 07, 2009 1:44 PM
To: Frank Hons; James Heilman; Larry Redmon; Lloyd Rooney; Mark McFarland; Richard White; Bill Rooney
Cc: David D Baltensperger; Dirk Hays; Joe Cothren; Jim Muir; C Wayne Smith; Charles Thomas Hallmark; Travis Miller
Subject: Meeting with Dr. Hussey on August 26

Dear Presentation Team:

The Faculty advisory committee met last week to discuss items that we should present to Dr. Hussey when he visits our department on the afternoon of August 26th. He will be here for roughly 2 hours for discussion with us.

We identified some key areas to make sure they were covered from our departmental review and our strategic plan and I am asking you to coordinate one of the sections identified below. We will only have a brief amount of time for the presentations so they will have to be well thought out and to the point. Handouts would be appropriate or copies of your power points for notes (if used). It was felt that we should emphasize our opportunities as outlined in the review. I would encourage you to hold open discussion as time permits with anyone with interest in the area prior to the meeting.

- 1.) Urban ecology/soil testing lab/agronomy farm road lab replacements --Richard White coordinator with Tony Provin and Wayne Smith assisting.
- 2.) Research capacity enhancement -- Frank Hons will coordinate this and cover issues identified in our review including labs/hoods, major equipment for labs and improved irrigation/water study areas.
- 3.) Water and soils issues -- Mark McFarland will coordinate
- 4.) Bioenergy sorghum/oil/algae -- Bill Rooney will coordinate
- 5.) Food safety -- Lloyd Rooney will coordinate
- 6.) Forages -- Larry Redmon will coordinate
- 7.) Curriculum review, departmental majors, name -- Jim Heilman will coordinate

8.) Plant breeding center -- Wayne Smith will coordinate

If you are identified as coordinator and unable to do so please get an alternate suggestion to me as soon as possible.

Obviously, with 8 issues we will only have a few minutes for each. I would like to see presentations limited to 5 minutes with a few minutes for discussion. The session will wrap up with a discussion with the FAC (roughly 30 minutes). If you have questions and I am unavailable please feel free to discuss it with anyone on the FAC, including Dr. Smith and Dr. Miller.

Remember it will cover teaching, research and extension missions.

This is a real opportunity and I appreciate your efforts to make it productive. Thanks in advance!

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Alberto Artola"](#)
Subject: RE: Sweet sorghum lines
Date: Tuesday, August 11, 2009 9:07:00 PM

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: "[Karen Pihoda](#)"
Subject: RE: Gas Receipts
Date: Tuesday, August 11, 2009 8:56:00 PM

Karen:

I don't think I have any, but if I do, they are in the console of the Trailblazer.

regards,

bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Karen Pihoda [mailto:kpihoda@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 11, 2009 9:47 AM
To: Dustin Borden; Delroy Collins; Bill Rooney
Subject: Gas Receipts

Hey Guys:

Nancy is looking for three GAS Receipts two for Vehicle No. 2108, amounts \$38.68 and \$33.06 and for Vehicle No. 1144, amount \$30.81. Please look around for them.

Thanks,

Karen

Karen Pihoda Teal
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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: "[Ostilio Portillo](#)"
Subject: RE: Greetings Dr. Rooney.
Date: Tuesday, August 11, 2009 9:05:00 AM

Ostilio - thanks for the note and the reminder. I'm glad you're still interested in graduate school and I'm still interested in having you back as a Ph.D. student. I've got to check on several issues before I can make you any offer of an assistantship, but if you are ready to apply, I would encourage that be done so that we can move as fast as possible.

regards,

bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Ostilio Portillo [mailto:oportillo2005@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, August 10, 2009 8:10 PM
To: Dr. William L. Rooney
Subject: Greetings Dr. Rooney.

Dear professor Rooney;

I hope you are fine by the time you receive this brief e-mail. I just wanted to drop a line to let you know that since my debt with the US State Department is almost done I have started the process to go back to graduate school.

I know it has not been too long since you requested my current status. However, I know time goes fast and if I want to start classes in the spring of 2010 I better start sending applications asap. For that reason, I want to ask you what are the chances to join your team the next semester? Should I apply to the Crop and Soil Department? I will appreciate your input so I can act accordingly.

Take care and I hope to hear from you soon.

Ate.

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Rodrigo Iglesias"](#)
Subject: RE: GENOBIOTEC 09
Date: Tuesday, August 11, 2009 9:10:00 AM

Rodrigo:

Thanks for the reminder, and I was looking forward to presenting at you meeting. Unfortunately, but there have been meetings that have been scheduled at Texas A&M on during the week of October 2 and I will not be able to attend the meeting on October 2nd.

If it helps you, I can ask one of my students (DAN PACKER, Ph.D candidate) who is active in the project to attend and make the presentation. In fact, Dan is fluent in Spanish and would likely be able to make the presentation in Spanish. While I realize his experience may not be suitable for this meeting, I wanted to offer you a solution to fill my spot at the meeting.

If you would like me to ask Dan, please let me know.

regards,

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-----Original Message-----

From: Rodrigo Iglesias [mailto:sebiogen.cv@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 09, 2009 10:50 PM
To: Bill Rooney
Subject: GENOBIOTEC 09

Dr. Willian rooney,

Once again, I'm writing to you with news about GENOBIOTEC 09. Two months ago we had a conversation about your participation on the Second International Congress on Biotechnology and Genomics, and you asked me to remember you about the schedule in this month.

We have reserved an space for your conference on October 2nth, at 15:00 hours aprox.

The title of your conference is : Development of Energy Sorghums - Integrating New and Traditional Approaches.

Now It would be great If you could tell me the flight that fits to your needs, for me to start making the reservations.

Thanks Again.

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Rodrigo I. Iglesias Escobar
Coordinador Vinculación GENOBIOTEC 09
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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Patricia Klein"](#)
Cc: ["asharma@tamu.edu"](mailto:asharma@tamu.edu); ["Collins, Stephen D"](#)
Subject: RE: screening for anthracnose
Date: Tuesday, August 11, 2009 9:02:00 AM

Trish:

We are monitoring the anthracnose; however, given the dry weather there has not been much development of the disease. WE will start scoring next week, but we'll probably just leave the material until we get some moisture to develop the disease. When it does develop, we'll have to move very quickly to score as it will all go to death fast. If that doesn't work, then we just won't be able to get an accurate phenotype here in CS. That's the way field work is!

Remember there are two other locations of the smaller population planted in GA and AL. They were planted in early July; we'll look at screening them in mid to late September.

Bill

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From: Patricia Klein [<mailto:pklein@tamu.edu>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 11, 2009 8:52 AM
To: Bill Rooney
Subject: screening for anthracnose

Bill

I know you are in Amarillo and very busy but I wanted to ask you a quick question. I believe that you were going to have Delroy screen the anthracnose populations with Arun's help. Do you about when this will be done? In doing some reading it seems that if the screening is done too late, then we might have complications with senescence of the material. Since you guys are planting in Weslaco later this week, I wasn't sure when Delroy would have time to work with Arun on this and so I am wondering if Arun should try to begin phenotyping on his own. We could always ask Louis Prom to show Arun how to screen and then he could try to get it done. Arun showed me some of the material late last week and it clearly is segregating for anthracnose resistance but I am not sure when it might be too late to get good phenotyping on the population since neither Arun or I have ever worked with this disease before. Your thoughts on this would be greatly appreciated.

Thanks
Trish

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: "[Robert M. Harris](#)"
Subject: RE: Call at 9 PM EST
Date: Tuesday, August 11, 2009 6:30:00 AM

Bob:

No problem.

I've got meetings this morning and all of tomorrow, but this afternoon/evening or Thursday afternoon/evening are good.

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Robert M. Harris [<mailto:rharris@nj.rr.com>]
Sent: Monday, August 10, 2009 10:50 PM
To: Bill Rooney
Cc: Bill Rooney
Subject: Call at 9 PM EST

Since it is now 11:47 PM EST, and I forgot, I will call you in a day or two. I drove to New York to be ready to pick up my granddaughter in the morning. We are driving out to the end of Long Island in the morning. I just plain forgot until now. Sorry, Bill.

Bob

From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: "[Rene Clara](#)"
Subject: RE: Presentation of my paper in PCCMCA meeting.
Date: Monday, August 10, 2009 3:48:00 PM

Thank you.

bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Rene Clara [mailto:reneclara@yahoo.com]
Sent: Saturday, August 08, 2009 10:42 PM
To: Bill Rooney
Subject: Presentation of my paper in PCCMCA meeting.

Dear Dr. Bill,

Attached I send to you the work that I will present in the PCCMCA meeting of Campeche, Mexico.

René

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: "[David Bransby](#)"
Subject: RE: Co-authorship
Date: Monday, August 10, 2009 3:44:00 PM

David

I can help you with the sorghum work. I assume that you will be writing or at least have an outline of the document; when you can share that, I would like to see it as it will help me determine how best to write.

Regards,

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: David Bransby [<mailto:bransdi@auburn.edu>]
Sent: Sunday, August 09, 2009 7:16 PM
To: wlr@tamu.edu
Subject: Co-authorship

Bill,

I have been asked to coordinate a chapter on for a book on "Plant Biotechnology for Sustainable Production of Energy and Co-products". Would you be willing to co-author this with me, with 1,000-2,000 on the role and advantages of sorghum, the most important traits for genetic improvement, and the best strategy for achieving this genetic improvement? I would need your contribution by Oct 1. If you are agreeable, I'll send you more guideline. I hope you can help us out with this.

Thanks!

David.

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Brummett, Robert G."](#)
Cc: ["Selahattin Aydin"](#)
Subject: FW: Sweet Sorghum Project
Date: Monday, August 10, 2009 3:35:00 PM

Robert:

We would like to distribute F2 seed of some sweet x non-sweet populations to a faculty member in Turkey who is interested in mapping sweet sorghum QTLs. WE would provide seed of the F2 population and they would derive the population for evaluation in Turkey. This would be populations that we have not mapped but have used for breeding.

Let me know your thoughts and what we should do and can do to make this happen.

regards,

bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Selahattin Aydin [mailto:saydin571@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, August 10, 2009 1:37 PM

To: Bill Rooney

Subject: Re: Sweet Sorghum Project

Dear Dr. Rooney,

Have you had any news from the licencing office yet? please let me know, best regards...

Selahattin

On Wed, Jul 22, 2009 at 8:03 AM, Bill Rooney <wlr@tamu.edu> wrote:

Selahattin:

It'll be very difficult to cross M81 with Tx623 because of the maturity. The only way to do it that I know of is to grow and cross them in the winter season under short days.

I have an F2 population of [REDACTED] with that material. Obviously you'll have to derived the RILs, but this should get you a little further down the line.

I have to check with our licensing office to make sure that they are okay with providing the material, but I don't expect anything major - you may have to sign a simple agreement indicating that you got

the material from us. Either way, I'll let you know.

regards,

bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Selahattin Aydin [mailto:saydin571@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, July 20, 2009 12:38 PM

To: Bill Rooney

Subject: Sweet Sorghum Project

Dear Dr. Rooney,

I hope you are doing well, and enjoying with summer time.

As you we have an ongoing project funded by National Science Foundation (TUBITAK), and the topic is about determination of the markers that affect the sugar rate in sorghum.

So far, we tried to establish the F1's, but unfortunately we could not produce F1. The reason is that [REDACTED] is not flowering in our environment or flowering very late, so we could not have a chance to cross with [REDACTED]. Right now we need to find or produce F1 that we can continue to the project.

What I am asking now that if you have any F1 population produced between [REDACTED] and one of the sugar sorghum lines, we ask you to help us to have some F1 seeds in order to finish this project. At the end when we have the paper to publish we are going to put your name on the paper.

So I look forward to hearing a good news from you, regards...

Selahattin Aydin

From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["John L Jifon"](#)
Subject: RE: Wslc Sugarcane Breeder Search UPDATE
Date: Monday, August 10, 2009 3:26:00 PM

Thanks, I'll talk to Nilesh.

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: John L Jifon [<mailto:jljifon@ag.tamu.edu>]
Sent: Monday, August 10, 2009 3:25 PM
To: Bill L Rooney
Subject: RE: Wslc Sugarcane Breeder Search UPDATE

Bill,

Yes, I sent her the same instructions last week; I am still waiting for an update from her as well.
John.

>>> "Bill Rooney" <wlr@tamu.edu> 8/10/2009 3:21 PM >>>
John:

Have you asked Anna to check on the status of her application? WE need her application.

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: John L Jifon [<mailto:jljifon@ag.tamu.edu>]
Sent: Monday, August 10, 2009 3:05 PM
To: Bill L Rooney
Subject: Wslc Sugarcane Breeder Search UPDATE

Hi Dr. Rooney,

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["C. Wayne Smith"](#)
Subject: RE: Fall TA
Date: Monday, August 10, 2009 3:23:00 PM

Awfully early in the career for Payne, but I'll ask him.

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: C. Wayne Smith [<mailto:cwsmith@tamu.edu>]
Sent: Monday, August 10, 2009 3:00 PM
To: Bill L Rooney
Subject: RE: Fall TA

I won't go down that road. What about Payne Burks?

cws

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>>> "Bill Rooney" <wlr@tamu.edu> 8/10/2009 2:33 PM >>>
Wayne:

If she will commit to the fall semester, I have no issues. However, I have a first draft of her dissertation and she will likely defend in late September. If a job appears, I expect she'll leave as soon as possible. If a job doesn't then I imagine she'll be glad to stay and teach until December.

You should ask her what she would like to do.

Regards,

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-----Original Message-----

From: C. Wayne Smith [<mailto:cwsmith@tamu.edu>]

Sent: Monday, August 10, 2009 10:58 AM

To: Bill L Rooney

Cc: Glenda Kurten

Subject: Fall TA

Bill,

I have Rebecca Corn penciled in to TA SCSC 105 during the Fall 09 Semester.

Any issues?

Wayne

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: "Nilesh Dighe"
Subject: FW: Wslc Sugarcane Breeder Search UPDATE
Date: Monday, August 10, 2009 3:22:00 PM

Please call the number below and request that they change your answer on the sugarcane application.

Regards,

Bill

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Rafael Nieves"](#)
Subject: RE: MEDCO Indonesian Project Update
Date: Monday, August 10, 2009 9:27:00 AM

Rafael

I apologize for the delay in responding, but I've been busy with harvest and field work. Right now, I'm reviewing the NDA and should have that back to you on Thursday (as I'm traveling until Wednesday pm).

As of now, I'm obligated from October 1-12, so mid to late October is best for me.

regards,

bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Rafael Nieves [mailto:rafaelnieves@neatechllc.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 06, 2009 10:21 AM

To: 'Gharabegian, Areg'; 'Kendrick Wentzel'; 'Bill Rooney'; RVOSGOOD@aol.com; 'Mark McCorkle'

Cc: markyancey@neatechllc.com; 'Brian Duff'

Subject: MEDCO Indonesian Project Update

Good morning MEDCO team members,

We are currently working on signing our agreement with USTDA that will then be followed by signing the agreement with MEDCO.

The plan is for the NEAtch Team to arrive in Jakarta sometime in October. I will let you know the planned dates as soon as I know. We are to use US carriers and there are RT flights currently at \$1,800 which is the cost we would like to target.

Some of us will be there for two weeks and others may not have to be there that long. This will be determined by further conversations with MEDCO as we proceed. The two weeks are needed for the site visit, data gathering and for some of us to attend meetings with US and Indonesian Department and Ministries as required by USTDA to inform them of the project. I will be keeping you abreast as I become informed.

In preparation for our future travel, I thought I would pass on this information which was provided to us by a past client in Indonesia (2006). Let me know if you have any additional questions, concerns, or comments.

Rafael

Further to our correspondence below regarding Indonesia visas, please be advised that about 6 months ago a new facility has been instituted by Indonesian Immigration authorities that welcomes tourists from most major countries, including the USA, upon arrival and provides a 30 day visitor visa on the spot for \$10. We are therefore instructing you to forego the business visa process for the following compelling reasons:

- you are not coming to work and receive payment for services while in Indonesia
- you are not going to engage in business activities for profit to be gained while in Indonesia
- you are coming to look at business opportunities
- you are coming to get acquainted and spend time with friends
- you are arriving on a Friday evening and departing on a Monday morning
- the administration requirements are a major hassle for both parties while time is a premium
- our CEO looks at business developments and opportunities on a frequent basis as a visiting tourist from Singapore w/o any difficulties
- you will be accompanied by CMS executives on the flight and throughout the arrival procedures

From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: "[Unruh, Natalie C](#)"
Subject: RE: 007xPS -Ma6 priority 2 & 3 unzipped file
Date: Monday, August 10, 2009 2:33:00 PM

Ours wasn't - we got it on Saturday

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: Unruh, Natalie C [<mailto:n-unruh@neo.tamu.edu>]
Sent: Monday, August 10, 2009 11:03 AM
To: Bill Rooney; Daniel Packer
Subject: 007xPS -Ma6 priority 2 & 3 unzipped file

Here is the [REDACTED] scores priority 2 & 3 again - don't know why it was zipped before - sorry

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From: [Bill Rooney](#)
To: ["Karen L Prihoda"](#)
Cc: ["Daryl Morishige Morishige"](#)
Subject: FW: Early White Milo, Double dwarf Yellow milo, Short Kaura
Date: Monday, August 10, 2009 6:36:00 AM

Karen:

Add these to the list to send to Daryl M. at Dr. Mullet's office

Daryl - I'm sending three just pick one.



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-----Original Message-----

From: Morishige, Daryl T [<mailto:dmorishige@neo.tamu.edu>]
Sent: Sunday, August 09, 2009 3:17 PM
To: Bill Rooney
Subject: Re: Early White Milo, Double dwarf Yellow milo, Short Kaura

Hi Bill,

Regarding the short kaura, if you could pick from you stocks that would be great.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Daryl

----- Original Message -----

From: "Bill Rooney" <wlr@tamu.edu>
To: "John Mullet" <jmullet@tamu.edu>
Cc: "Karen Prihoda" <kprihoda@yahoo.com>, "Daryl Morishige Morishige" <dmorishige@neo.tamu.edu>
Sent: Sunday, August 9, 2009 10:07:57 AM GMT -06:00 US/Canada Central
Subject: RE: Early White Milo, Double dwarf Yellow milo, Short Kaura

Karen:

Please pull 40 seed of each of the following for Daryl and John.

[REDACTED]

John, Daryl

As for short kaura, we've got several Kaura and even derivatives of a s. kaura (prob. Short), but I don't have any that specifically match. You want me to pick one or do you want to try GRIN?

Bill

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-----Original Message-----

From: John Mullet [<mailto:jmullet@tamu.edu>]
Sent: Sunday, August 02, 2009 10:05 AM
To: Bill Rooney
Cc: Karen Prihoda; Daryl Morishige Morishige
Subject: Early White Milo, Double dwarf Yellow milo, Short Kaura

Bill,

I am trying to fill in a few gaps in our genotyping profiles. If you have a few seed for any of the above genotypes for DNA extraction (20 seed), this would be very helpful. I realize there may be several sources of each, but we can start with any representative sample of these genotypes.

Daryl Morishige is the point of contact on this request because I will be out next week.

Thanks,

John

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