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SUBJECT: FNM—ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SOCIETY FOR RANGE MANAGEMENT (SRM)

To: All Employees

ACTION REQUIRED BY: NOVEMBER 21, 2008

Purpose. To inform Natural Resource Conservation Service Employees of meeting attendance and approval requirements for the Annual SRM meeting.

Expiration Date. December 31, 2008

The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) encourages attendance and participation by employees in career-related professional organizations that enhance career development and professionalism.

The 62nd Annual meeting of the International Society for Range Management will be held in Albuquerque, New Mexico, January 8-13, 2009. Additional information on the SRM meeting is available at the following website: http://www.srmmeetings.org.

The New Mexico Section of the Society for Range Management will be held in Albuquerque, January 7-9, 2009. Only supervisor approval is needed to attend the New Mexico Section meeting. Additional information on the New Mexico Section SRM meeting is available at the following web site: http://agecon.nmsu.edu/nmsrm/.

The following attendance categories will receive consideration for approval to attend the National meeting on a "government time and expense" basis:

1. Officer and Executive Board member
2. Chairperson/Member – SRM Committee/Task Force
3. Presenting a topical paper
4. Participating on the scheduled program
5. Training
6. Receiving an Award, Citation, or Commendation

Approval to attend on government time and expense will be in accordance with New Mexico policy in General Manual, Title 250, Part 406. Under that policy, the state conservationist will determine the number of employees that New Mexico can support financially to attend on government time and expense. Employees who are a member of SRM may request to attend on government time only.

Requests and justifications for meeting attendance should be submitted through proper channels to Financial Management (FNM) in the State Office. Requests for attendance must be submitted in time to be received by FNM by November 21, 2008.

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