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USDA Strengthening Animal Health Programs by Awarding Additional Farm Bill Funding to Tribal Partners

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WASHINGTON, September 3, 2024 – The U.S. Department of Agriculture’s (USDA) Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) is awarding \$380,000 to support four new cooperative agreements with Tribal partners through the National Animal Disease Preparedness and Response Program (NADPRP). These projects were

selected from the NADPRP FY2024 Tribal Funding Opportunity.

Earlier this year, APHIS awarded \$830,000 to support two additional NADPRP projects that are collaboratively led by Universities and Tribes, bringing the total NADPRP funding for Tribal-related projects to \$1.2 million. These projects will enhance these Tribes' – and our nation's - animal disease response capabilities and strengthen APHIS' relationships with these partners.

The selected projects include education and training on the use of effective and practical biosecurity measures to protect domestic livestock; the development of animal disease emergency response plans; improved animal disease traceability capabilities; enhanced poultry health, biosecurity and flock management; methods to improve virus containment for swine owners; and the development and delivery of community-based outreach and education on animal disease prevention, early disease detection, and response to animal disease outbreaks.

NADPRP addresses the risk of introduction and spread of high-consequence animal pests and diseases through cooperative or interagency agreements between APHIS and states, universities, livestock producer organizations, Tribal organizations, land-grant universities, and other eligible entities. Together, APHIS and its partners carry out high-value projects that enhance prevention, preparedness, detection, and response to the most damaging emerging and foreign animal diseases that threaten U.S. agriculture.

View the full list of NADPRP-funded projects. More information about these programs is available at: <https://www.aphis.usda.gov/funding/nadprp>.