

2011-2012

CED State Report Template

University: Florida

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Please briefly discuss:

1. Staffing changes (levels, new allocation system, staffing patterns, etc.)

New Extension Dean effective middle of September—Nick Place

All county positions being filled

Sr. VP is using a “cluster hire” process for state faculty hires that is in progress now

2. Financial Changes (budget cuts / growth, new funding opportunities, new partners, etc.)

Minimal budget cut for the college of \$1.47 M—all from academic programs/teaching budget

Extension budget remains flat

3. Notable programming successes and their impact

Economic Impact Model has had significant successes in the past year (continuing from previous year) being selected by the state legislature to provide the state estimates of the direct and indirect losses from the Deep Water Gulf oil spill, being requested by the State University System Chancellor and Board of Governors to provide the economic impact of the state university system and completing a study requested by the UF President on the economic impact of UF. Impact: these three studies have generated/participated in excess of \$800,000 in external funding in less than 12 months

The county commissioner basic and advanced certification programs continue to grow. Over 300 commissioners have graduated from a 42 hour basic curriculum and over 100 of them have also have completed a 27 hour three class seminar for advanced certification. Impact: IFAS Extension this year has become the sole sponsor of county commissioner education and has made a significant financial commitment to this program

4. New initiatives proposed

IFAS Extension is on the back-side of a long range planning process

Several county faculty have expressed an interest in trying to establish a state chapter of the NACDEP

A county lead effort on the "The Business of Ag" is also in the planning phase

5. Opportunities for collaboration

6. Other

7. General Comments:

Work in CRED on focus and priorities is still needed as well as a good definition of what CRED is