



**New Committee Officers and Key Contacts**  
**September 1, 2023 – August 31, 2024**  
*(See submission instructions at end of document)*

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PLC Representative 1862	James Henderson	PLC Representative 1890	Uma Karki
1862 Advisor	Laura Perry-Johnson	1890 Advisor	Janine Woods

**Annual Plan of Work**  
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For the next AR-PLN meeting, have a representative from FSA present on requirements of Ag damage to reach threshold and associated moneys.	James Henderson, Dan Hale, Dan Goerlich, Saqib Mukhtar	James Henderson	August 2024	August 2024
The committee will write a grant to fund a grad student to examine disaster preparedness, examine the documentation of ag damage assessment and funding for each state.	James Henderson, Dan Goerlich	James Henderson	August 2024	Difficulty identifying grant.

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Conduct a regional analysis of urban agriculture programs. Are there curricula that we can duplicate and share?	Joshua Idassi, Chris Mullins, Saqib Mukthar, Mark Blevins, John Kessell	Mark Blevins	August 2024	Survey implementation this week.
Each state will present on best practices to assess disaster damage in agriculture.	Jason Warren, James Henderson, Steven Klose (T A&M)	Jason Warren	August 2024	EDEN Network was identified which already has best practices.
Education for climate smart agriculture practices.	Jason Warren, Uma Karki, Joshua Idassi, John Kessell,	Uma Karki	August 2024	August 2024
Initiative to share USDA Discrimination Financial Assistance Program information to affected producers.	Mark Blevins	Mark Blevins, Carolyn Banks	October 2023	August 2024
Plan joint meetings with North Central-Southern Region ANR Program Leaders. These will include topical quarterly virtual meetings and a potential in-person meeting	Mark McCann, Jay Harmon (NC Region), Matthew Burns	Matthew Burns	August 2024	Still in progress.
Evaluate carbon credit contracts for producers.	Jason de Koff, Aaron Smith (UT), Jason Warren	Jason Warren	August 2024	Discussions were held and contract examples were identified. Will continue in next POW.

Quarterly Conference Call Schedule:

November 8, 2023 (Noon Central), Feb 7, 2024 (1PM Central), and May 8, 2024 (1PM Central). All meetings will be by zoom.