



New Committee Officers and Key Contacts
September 1, 2024 – August 31, 2025
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Annual Plan of Work
September 1, 2024 – August 31, 2025

Item to Accomplish	Responsibility (Names of people assigned to item)	Key Contact (Person who will serve as a key contact for item)	Goal Date (Anticipated completion date)	Completion Date (to be filled in when completed)
Conduct a regional analysis of urban agriculture programs to identify if there are curricula that we can duplicate and share.	Joshua Idassi (SCSU), Leonard Githinji (VSU), Saqib Mukthar (UF), John Kessell (WVSU), Jason Warren (OSU)	Mark Blevins (NCA&T)	August 2025	Completed – August 2025
Plan joint meetings with North Central-Southern Region ANR Program Leaders to include topical virtual meetings and a potential in-person meeting.	Jason de Koff (TSU), Becky Barlow (Auburn), Angel Forde (FAMU)	Adam Kantrovich (Clemson)	August 2025	Continue for 2025-2026; engage Central State

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Develop an extension publication for producers to provide assistance with understanding carbon credit contracts.	Dan Goerlich (VT), Ashley James (PVAMU), Tom Barber (UArk)	Jason Warren (OSU)	August 2025	Complete – August 2025 (information on Teams Site)
Revitalize the agroforestry consortium by engaging both 1890 and 1862 institutions in publishing factsheets related to climate-smart practices.	Ashley James (PVAMU), Angel Forde (FAMU), Mark Blevins (NCA&T), Uma Karki (Tuskegee), Tom Barber (UArk), Sanjun Gu (VSU), Cedric Ogden (FVSU)	Joshua Idassi (SCSU)	August 2025	Ongoing – will roll into 2026 plan, changing focus to sustainable practices
Develop a factsheet that identifies general information on pesticide strategies based on new EPA regulations.	Trent Irby (MSU), Daniel Stephenson (LSU), Saqib Mukhtar (UF)	Tom Barber (UArk)	August 2025	Ongoing – Will roll into the 2026 plan as regulations are updated
Implement a webinar series for Extension educators focused on climate-smart topics identified in the survey implemented in last year's POW.	Mark Blevins (NCA&T), Dan Goerlich (VT), Jason de Koff (TSU), Henry English (UAPB), Adam Kantrovich (Clemson),	Uma Karki (TU)	August 2025	Completed – August 2025
Implement a webinar series focused on sustainable small ruminant production in the southeast for Extension educators.	Uma Karki (TU), Sanjun Gu (VSU), Joshua Idassi (SCSU), Jason de Koff (TSU), Angel Forde (FAMU), Ashley James (PVAMU), Ricky Johnson, (Alcorn)	Roger Merkel (LU)	August 2025	Ongoing – Will roll into the 2026 plan
Explore existing programs and the need for a small ruminant quality assurance program.	Sanjun Gu (VSU), Jason Warren (OSU), Roger Merkel (LU)	Craig Wood (UK)	August 2025	Completed – summary upload to ANR Teams

Quarterly Conference Call Schedule: (Dates/Times – Please indicate time zone)

November 14 1PM CT/2PM ET

February 12 1PM CT/2PM ET

May 14 1PM CT/2PM ET

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