

## **Questions and Answers FY12 Spending Plan**

### **Now that the FY12 Spending Plan has been released, when will funds be made available to cooperators?**

Within a week of the release of the FY12 Spending Plan, cooperators will be contacted by APHIS to initiate the process of establishing cooperative agreements. Depending on the type of agreement to be established (i.e., new agreement, renewal of existing agreement, etc.), the time frames for cooperators to receive funds will vary.

### **Will renewing projects be given priority processing over new agreements?**

All agreements will be processed as quickly as possible. Projects that might suffer as a result of a lapse of funding as well as new projects that must begin at this time of the year to succeed will be given priority status.

### **Is it possible to get feedback specific to my suggestion if it wasn't included in the FY12 Spending Plan?**

Yes. To obtain feedback specific to a suggestion that wasn't included in the FY12 Spending Plan, please send an email to [PPQ.Section.farmbill-10201@aphis.usda.gov](mailto:PPQ.Section.farmbill-10201@aphis.usda.gov) that includes your name, phone number, the title of your suggestion, and the suggestion number (if known). A representative from the Goal Team that reviewed and evaluated your suggestion will contact you. General feedback for all parties that submitted a suggestion is available online at [http://www.aphis.usda.gov/plant\\_health/plant\\_pest\\_info/pest\\_detection/farm\\_bill.shtml](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/plant_health/plant_pest_info/pest_detection/farm_bill.shtml).