

Essential Facts

NATIONAL INSTITUTES FOR FOOD AND AGRICULTURE (NIFA)

- **CREATE-21** will consolidate USDA's research, extension, and teaching agencies and programs into a single, unified organization more responsive to stakeholder concerns and better able to address national and emerging problems.
- **CREATE-21** will enhance program effectiveness by combining the in-house research capacity of the Agriculture Research Service, Economic Research Service, and U.S. Forest Service R&D and integrating it more closely with the research, education, and extension capacity of America's land-grant universities and related institutions.
- **CREATE-21** will improve budgetary efficiency through elimination of duplicative programs and activities and a streamlined bureaucracy.
- **CREATE-21** will raise funding for agriculture, food, and natural resources research, teaching, and extension programs from \$2.7 billion per year to \$5.3 billion per year over a seven-year period (with special provisions to enhance the capacity and competitiveness of the 1890, 1994, and small 1862 land-grant institutions).

BACKGROUND AND STATUS

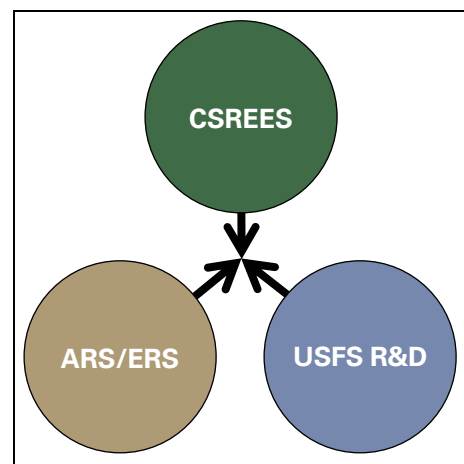
- **CREATE-21** is a proposal by the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges (NASULGC) and its partners.
- **CREATE-21** will be introduced in the Senate and House of Representatives as the discussion basis for the Research Title of the 2007 Farm Bill.
- **CREATE-21** closely resembles (in many respects) USDA Secretary Johanns' Farm Bill proposal and includes the key elements of the Danforth-NIFA proposal.

BENEFITS TO THE AMERICAN PUBLIC

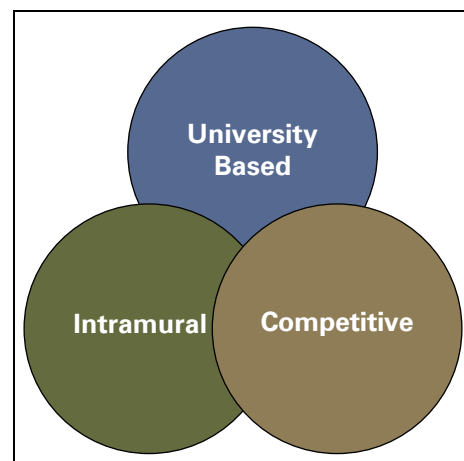
- **CREATE-21** will help food, agriculture, and natural resource producers secure the benefits of: improved animal, crop, and forest quantities, qualities, and production efficiencies; new/expanded markets; new bioproducts and new/improved technologies; and sustainable production systems.
- **CREATE-21** will provide consumers and families with food/fuel cost savings and health improvements through: increased food and nutritional value; a safe, secure, and affordable food supply; new biofuels; and the best quality information to enable healthy food choices.
- **CREATE-21** will boost the economic vitality of rural and urban communities by: greatly expanded leadership programs; and increased efforts to stimulate entrepreneurship and business development.



From Collaboration...



... to Integration



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