

has been done on a state by state basis. More than 100 research projects are currently underway in an attempt to find scientific answers to greening/HLB, the ACP and Canker. A new federal ARS research initiative could ultimately provide long-term solutions to these invasive pests and diseases. This new approach has become necessary to help protect U.S. citrus production and mitigate the impact of these exotic pest and diseases. Scientists are confident that intensive and sustained research can solve the Greening/HLB, ACP and Canker puzzles once and for all.

Requesting Member: Representative MARIO DIAZ-BALART (FL-25)

Bill Number: H.R. 2997

Account: CSREES

Name of Requesting Entity: University of Miami

Address of Requesting Entity: 142 Collegiate Loop, Tallahassee, FL, 32306

Description of Request: I have secured \$2,494,000 for the Southeast Climate Consortium. This funding will be used to characterize the impacts of ENSO-related climate variability (a global coupled ocean-atmosphere phenomenon producing the most prominent known source of inter-annual variability in weather and climate around the world) on agricultural commodities and specialty crops. Explore alternative management responses to realistic climate scenarios and quantify expected outcomes. Establish communications process that can rapidly disseminate climate information and decision support tools regularly while gleaning user feedback on the usefulness and relevance of the provided analyses via agricultural stakeholders and state extension services. Study the agricultural impact of water managers' decisions in response to climate variability. Weather and climate significantly affect agriculture; year-to-year climate variability (e.g., flooding, droughts) can dramatically impact agricultural productivity. Climate forecast information for a relatively small regional group of agricultural decision-makers has proven useful. By expanding efforts into Georgia and Alabama via new collaborations with universities there, we enhance our understanding and predictive abilities as we tailor information for a wider range of Southeast agricultural decision makers.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. HOWARD COBLE

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2009

Mr. COBLE. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information for publication in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 2996, the Interior, Environment and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman HOWARD COBLE

Bill Number: H.R. 2996

Account: Land and Water Conservation Fund

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Uwharrie Trail, Randolph County, North Carolina.

Address of Requesting Entity: U.S. Forest Service, 160 Zillicoa Street, Suite A, Asheville, NC 28801

Description of Request: The bill provides \$500,000 for land acquisition to complete the second portion of the Uwharrie Trail in Randolph County, NC. The Uwharrie National Forest is located in the Piedmont area of central North Carolina. It is located in a rural but developing area 40 miles from Charlotte (more than 1.3 million in population), and almost as near to the Research Triangle cities of Greenville/Raleigh and Durham, NC. At 50,189 acres, the Uwharrie is the smallest National Forest with the most fragmented ownership in North Carolina, owning only 23% of lands within the forest boundary. Land acquisition offers the best opportunity to consolidate this scattered ownership pattern and will also improve plant and wildlife habitat, reduce the threat to endangered species, increase recreation opportunities, and improve water quality in the Uwharrie River watershed. The Uwharrie National Recreation Trail currently runs north from a trailhead on Highway 24/27 near Wood Run Hunt Camp in Montgomery County through lands along the north portion of the Uwharrie National Forest in Randolph County. The current trail is 20.4 miles in length and provides views of the surrounding countryside containing a mixture of oak, hickory, maple and conifer tree communities.

RECOGNIZING THE W*I*N OF ROUND ROCK

HON. JOHN R. CARTER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2009

Mr. CARTER. Madam Speaker, I would like to recognize W*I*N (Women Impacting the Nation) of Round Rock, Texas for their success in making a difference in the community in such a short time frame with Freedom Festival 2009.

The W*I*N organization helped organize and host the 2009 Freedom Fest held July 4th at Dell Diamond, a concert and firework presentation benefiting The Children of Fallen Soldiers. Children of Fallen Soldiers is a non-profit organization based out of Round Rock, Texas with a goal to provide each child who has lost a parent in the line of duty, with \$25,000 to assist with college expenses, or to otherwise help them to start out in the world when they turn 18. Fifteen central Texas children have been identified through the program to have lost a parent in the line of duty. The soldiers who were killed were all from Ft. Hood, Texas.

The Freedom Fest 2009, is just one of the events the W*I*N organization has sponsored and organized in Texas District 31. It is an honor to recognize and thank the local W*I*N group for their dedication to the families in Texas District 31, our community and our country.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. HOWARD P. "BUCK" McKEON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2009

Mr. McKEON. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on ear-

marks, I am submitting the following information regarding Member priority requests I received as part of H.R. 3082, the "Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act, 2010."

Requesting Member: Congressman HOWARD P. "BUCK" McKEON

Bill Number: H.R. 3082, the "Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act, 2010"

Account: MILCON, Navy

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: U.S. Marine Corps Mountain Warfare Training Center
Address of Requesting Entity: U.S. Marine Corps Mountain Warfare Training Center, Bridgeport, CA, 93517

Description of Request: I requested and received a Member priority authorization request totaling \$6,830,000 for a new commissary at the U.S. Marine Corps Mountain Warfare Training Center. This project would construct a permanent commissary at the U.S. Marine Corps Mountain Warfare Training Center. Due to the remote location of the base outside Bridgeport, California, military members and their families travel dozens of miles over steep and sometimes impassable roadways to buy groceries and supplies. This project would eliminate that drive and provide an improved quality of life on base, especially during the winter months.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. ERIK PAULSEN

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2009

Mr. PAULSEN. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican standards on Member requests, I am submitting the following information regarding congressionally directed appropriations projects I sponsored as part of H.R. 2847, FY 2010 Department of the Interior, Environment and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill.

Account: STAG Water and Wastewater Infrastructure

Amount: \$500,000

Requesting entity: City of Maple Plain

Address: 1620 Maple Avenue; Maple Plain, MN 55359

Description of Project Request: Funding would allow the City of Maple Plain to comply with Federal water standard mandates by helping finance a new water treatment facility. The facility is necessary to meet Environmental Protection Agency requirements for the city's water radium levels.

I certify that this project does not have a direct and foreseeable effect on the pecuniary interests of me or my spouse.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. JOHN SHIMKUS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 7, 2009

Mr. SHIMKUS. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 2847.

Requesting Member: JOHN M. SHIMKUS

Bill number: H.R. 2847