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RE: Letter of support for earmark funding

Dear Chuck,

It is my pleasure to offer my enthusiastic support for an earmark funding request submitted to Nebraska Congressman Adrian Smith for lab equipment, Global Information System (GIS) equipment, and livestock handling equipment that will be used by Chadron State College students and staff to educate and develop future leaders in the field of agriculture.

My education in applied sciences at Chadron State College has provided me with the necessary knowledge and tools to perform in my current position of Senior Land Management Specialist with the Wyoming Office of State Lands and Investments. Current and future students of Chadron State College have the same opportunity to gain the knowledge necessary to succeed in all fields of agriculture. However, the purchase of the equipment mentioned above, combined with the dedication of the staff of Chadron State College, will greatly enhance students' educational experience and provide additional tools to aid in the development of their agricultural disciplines.

I am excited about the future of Chadron State College and admire the dedication of the staff and the quality of the students produced by the Department of Applied Sciences. I wish you the best of luck in acquiring the funding needed to accomplish your goals.

Sincerely,



Lance Schutte  
Senior Land Management Specialist