

Office of State Budget and Management
Establish New, Receipt-Supported Positions
(G.S. 143-34.1)

Agency: Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

Division: Veterinary

Budget Code: 13700

Center Title: Avian Influenza

Center Number:

***** Position Information *****

Proposed Classification: Animal Health Technician I (Poultry) **Proposed Salary Grade:** 63

Salary Range: 25,886 – 40,212 **Proposed Effective Date:** 6 / 1 / 06

Number of Positions: 2

	<u>Center Authorized Budget</u>	<u>Current Request</u>
Total Budget	\$ 0.00	\$ 85,526
Receipts	<u>0.00</u>	<u>85,526</u>
Appropriation	\$	\$

Funding Source(s): Avian Influenza Cooperative Agreements funded by USDA APHIS Veterinary Services

Justification for Position (including description of duties and responsibilities):

NCDA&CS is establishing an AI Mitigation Program to work cooperatively with the USDA in enhancing our state's ability to prepare for and respond to an avian influenza epidemic affecting our large poultry industry. Such an avian epidemic appears eminent given the rapid spread of the current Asian H5N1 Flu advancing across Asia, Africa and now Europe. The NCDA&CS AI Mitigation Program is being established with funding provided by USDA APHIS VS and in-kind contributions from NCDA&CS.

These time-limited Animal Health Technicians (Poultry) will be instrumental in fulfilling the enhanced on-farm bird testing surveillance being engaged by NCDA&CS. Their roles will be to interact directly with the small poultry and gamefowl producers across our state, as well as with our larger commercial companies as needed. The AHTs' initial goals will be to provide on-farm outreach and education as well as additional disease surveillance through testing of these bird populations for AI. Subsequent goals (pending outbreak status) may include on-farm testing, depopulation and cleaning and disinfection of the smaller producers' facilities.

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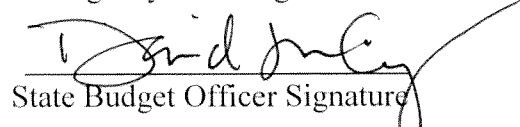
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Proposed Classification: Agricultural Program Specialist **Proposed Salary Grade:** 74

Salary Range: 39,623 – 65,491 **Proposed Effective Date:** 6 / 1 / 06

Number of Positions: 1

	<u>Center Authorized Budget</u>	<u>Current Request</u>
Total Budget	\$ 0.00	\$ 63,594
Receipts	<u>0.00</u>	<u>63,594</u>
Appropriation	\$	\$

Funding Source(s): Avian Influenza (AI) Cooperative Agreements, USDA APHIS Veterinary Services

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A time-limited Agricultural Program Specialist, working title to be AI Mitigation Program Manager, (PM), will be instrumental in providing oversight and direction for the entire program. The PM will initially be tasked with development of a strategic plan, timeline, measurable deliverables, as well as a personnel needs and utilization plan. The PM will also be tasked with development, management, and financial oversight of the 5 large cooperative agreements being generated by this program. The PM will interact closely with our program counterparts in the USDA, NC Wildlife Resources Commission, and NCDENR. Utilizing a coordinated, measurable approach to AI mitigation and response will be critical to NCDA&CS' ability to plan appropriately for and respond effectively to anticipated arrival of Avian Influenza.

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Proposed Classification: Medical Laboratory Technologist I **Proposed Salary Grade:** 68

Salary Range: \$31,204-49,965 **Proposed Effective Date:** 6 / 1 / 06

Number of Positions: 1

	<u>Center Authorized Budget</u>	<u>Current Request</u>
Total Budget	\$ 0.00	\$ 49,890
Receipts	<u>0.00</u>	<u>49,890</u>
Appropriation	\$	\$

Funding Source(s): Avian Influenza Cooperative Agreements, USDA APHIS Veterinary Services

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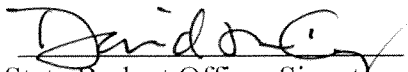
A time-limited Medical Laboratory Technologist I (MLT) will be instrumental in expanding our current AI testing capabilities in our NCDA&CS Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratories System. The additional capability to be implemented by this MLT includes the implementation of the recently-USDA-approved ELISA testing technology for Avian Influenza. This MLT will be tasked with installing, providing quality assurance and control, utilizing and maintaining this new technology in our system, which will greatly expand our testing capabilities as we prepare for the possible arrival of Avian Influenza.

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Agency: Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

Division: Veterinary

Budget Code: 3700

Center Title: Avian Influenza

Center Number:

***** Position Information *****

Proposed Classification: Administrative Assistant I **Proposed Salary Grade:** 63

Salary Range: 25,886 – 40,212 **Proposed Effective Date:** 6 / 1 / 06

Number of Positions: 1

	<u>Center Authorized Budget</u>	<u>Current Request</u>
Total Budget	\$ 0.00	\$ 41,263
Receipts	<u>0.00</u>	<u>41,263</u>
Appropriation	\$	\$

Funding Source(s): Avian Influenza (AI) Cooperative Agreements, USDA APHIS Veterinary Services

Justification for Position (including description of duties and responsibilities):

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A time-limited Administrative Assistant I (AA) will be instrumental in providing administrative support for the Program Manager and Veterinarian, who are tasked with oversight and direction of the entire program. The AA will be tasked with development and implementation of an effective program to provide timely and efficient administrative support for all personnel engaged in this program, under the direction of the Program Manager. Duties may include coordination of educational presentations, meetings, conference call scheduling, group notification of activities, and similar. The AA will also be tasked with supporting the financial oversight of the 5 large cooperative agreements being generated by this program. Having appropriate support for the Program Manager and Veterinarian leading this large program will be critical to NCDA&CS' ability to plan appropriately for and respond effectively to anticipated arrival of Avian Influenza.

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Proposed Classification: Processing Assistant V **Proposed Salary Grade:** 61

Salary Range: 24,101 – 37,183 **Proposed Effective Date:** 6 / 1 / 06

Number of Positions: 1

	<u>Center Authorized Budget</u>	<u>Current Request</u>
Total Budget	\$ 0.00	\$ 37,494
Receipts	<u>0.00</u>	<u>37,494</u>
Appropriation	\$	\$

Funding Source(s): Avian Influenza (AI) Cooperative Agreements, USDA APHIS Veterinary Services

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A time-limited Processing Assistant V (PA) will be instrumental in providing essential clerical and data entry support for the Program Manager and Veterinarian, who are tasked with oversight and direction of the entire program. The PA will be tasked with implementation of an effective data management program to provide timely and efficient records support for all personnel engaged in this program, under the direction of the Program Manager. The PA will also be tasked with supporting the documentation of financial oversight of the 5 large cooperative agreements being generated by this program. Having appropriate clerical support for the Program Manager and Veterinarian leading this large program will be critical to NCDA&CS' ability to plan appropriately for and respond effectively to anticipated arrival of Avian Influenza.

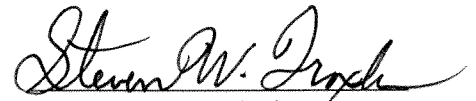
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Division: Veterinary

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Center Title: Avian Influenza

Center Number:

***** Position Information *****

Proposed Classification: Medical Laboratory Technologist II **Proposed Salary Grade:** 70

Salary Range: 33,790 – 54,668 **Proposed Effective Date:** 6 / 1 / 06

Number of Positions: 1

	<u>Center Authorized Budget</u>	<u>Current Request</u>
Total Budget	\$ 0.00	\$ 54,061
Receipts	<u>0.00</u>	<u>54,061</u>
Appropriation	\$	\$

Funding Source(s): Avian Influenza Cooperative Agreements, USDA APHIS Veterinary Services

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A time-limited Medical Laboratory Technologist II (MLT) will be instrumental in expanding our current AI testing capabilities in our NCDA&CS Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratories System. The additional capability to be enhanced by this MLT includes the expansion of the USDA-approved real-time PCR testing technology for Avian Influenza. This MLT will be tasked with expanding, providing quality assurance and control, utilizing and maintaining this new technology in our system, which will greatly expand our testing capabilities as we prepare for the possible arrival of Avian Influenza.

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Center Title: Avian Influenza

Center Number:

***** Position Information *****

Proposed Classification: Veterinarian **Proposed Salary Grade:** 78

Salary Range: 47,232 – 78,692 **Proposed Effective Date:** 6 / 1 / 06

Number of Positions: 1

	<u>Center Authorized Budget</u>	<u>Current Request</u>
Total Budget	\$ 0.00	\$ 75,505
Receipts	<u>0.00</u>	<u>75,505</u>
Appropriation	\$	\$

Funding Source(s): Avian Influenza Cooperative Agreements, USDA APHIS Veterinary Services

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A time-limited veterinarian will be instrumental in developing and directing the on-farm bird testing surveillance program being engaged by NCDA&CS. The veterinarian's initial role will be to develop the education and outreach program and implement these activities with the small poultry and gamefowl producers across our state and with the larger commercial companies as needed. The veterinarian will have additional goals of providing oversight of the AHTs' on-farm outreach and educational efforts as well as oversight for additional disease surveillance through testing of these bird populations for AI. Subsequent goals (pending outbreak status) may include direction of on-farm testing, depopulation and cleaning and disinfection of the smaller producers' facilities. Significant media contact may also be required.

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Division: Veterinary

Budget Code: 13700

Center Title: Classical Swine Fever

Center Number: 11302064

***** Position Information *****

Proposed Classification: Medical Laboratory Technologist II **Proposed Salary Grade:** 70

Salary Range: 33,790 – 54,668 **Proposed Effective Date:** 6 / 1 / 06

Number of Positions: 1

	<u>Center Authorized Budget</u>	<u>Current Request</u>
Total Budget	\$ 0.00	\$ 54,061
Receipts	<u>0.00</u>	<u>54,061</u>
Appropriation	\$	\$

Funding Source(s): Classical Swine Fever Cooperative Agreements, USDA APHIS Veterinary Services

Justification for Position (including description of duties and responsibilities):

NCDA&CS is establishing a Classical Swine Fever (CSF) Surveillance Program to work cooperatively with the USDA in enhancing our state's ability to more effectively monitor our swine population's exposure to this foreign animal disease. Rapid detection of this disease will be the key to preventing the devastation of our large commercial swine industry. In addition to providing testing for North Carolina, this cooperative agreement provides expanded duties to encompass surveillance for other states as well as for Puerto Rico, a likely source for CSF entry in to the United States. The NCDA&CS CSF Surveillance Program is being established with funding provided by USDA APHIS VS and in-kind contributions from NCDA&CS.

A time-limited Medical Laboratory Technologist II (MLT) will be instrumental in developing and enhancing our ability to provide real-time PCR testing for CSF in our NCDA&CS Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratories System. The additional capability to be enhanced by this MLT includes the expansion of the USDA-approved real-time PCR testing technology for CSF. This MLT will be tasked with implementing, expanding, providing quality assurance and control, utilizing and maintaining this new technology in our system, which will greatly expand our testing capabilities as we increase national surveillance for CSF.

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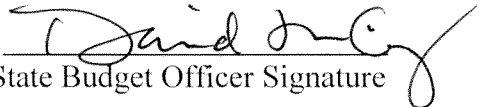
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Center Title: Avian Influenza

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***** Position Information *****

Proposed Classification: Business & Technology Applications Analyst **Proposed Salary Grade:** NG

Salary Range: 37,740 – 87,050 **Proposed Effective Date:** 6 / 1 / 06

Number of Positions: 1

	<u>Center Authorized Budget</u>	<u>Current Request</u>
Total Budget	\$ 0.00	\$ 69,206
Receipts	<u>0.00</u>	<u>69,206</u>
Appropriation	\$	\$

Funding Source(s): Avian Influenza (AI) Cooperative Agreements, USDA APHIS Veterinary Services

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This time-limited Business & Technologist Applications Analyst (BTAA) will be instrumental in expanding the current AI data management and GIS capabilities of our Poultry Health Program Database. The initial capabilities to be enhanced by this BTAA include: the development and implementation of a field tool that will capture field testing data, provide routing of said data to the current database to capture the significant increase in testing data being generated and to develop the methodology to import this data into a GIS mapping format to be used by field staff during an event. This BTAA will be tasked with working closely with field employees to develop a practical, useful field tool to capture data efficiently that can be imported into the database and mapping modules that the BTAA will also develop. The ability to capture and report field data accurately and in a timely manner will greatly enhance and expand our response capabilities as we prepare for the possible arrival of Avian Influenza.

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Division: Veterinary

Budget Code: 13700

Center Title: Rollins Lab – Satellite Lab (USDA CREES)

Center Number: 11302054

***** Position Information *****

Proposed Classification: Business & Technology Applications Analyst Proposed Salary Grade: NG

Salary Range: \$37,740-87,050 Proposed Effective Date: 6/01/06

Number of Positions: 1

	<u>Center Authorized Budget</u>	<u>Current Request</u>
Total Budget	\$ 750,000	\$ 69,825
Receipts	<u>750,000</u>	<u>69,825</u>
Appropriation	\$ -0-	\$

Funding Source(s): Grant from USDA, Cooperative Extension Service (CREES)

Justification for Position (including description of duties and responsibilities): This time-limited position will provide information technology (IT) support for North Carolina Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory System (NCVDLS). The duties and responsibilities of this position include Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS) support, configuration and training. Analysis and design of LIMS software enhancement proposals, Lotus Notes Forms and Views, SQL tables and queries, IBM CL programs, LIMS statistical reports, DB2 queries, and LIMS web site enhancements are integral to this position. Additional duties include administration of the IBM iSeries 270 Server and Windows 2003 Server along with associated network components.

Furthermore, this position will enable the senior IT professional to implement and maintain the National Animal Health Laboratory Network (NAHLN) messaging system. The messaging system utilizes Rhapsody messaging software and Microsoft Structured Query Language (SQL) databases to transport Health Level 7 (HL7) messages to a central site in Ft. Collins, Colorado. Currently, the senior IT professional is unable to dedicate the necessary time and attention to these duties due to excessive work load in other areas. One of the primary assignments for NCVDLS when it became a NAHLN testing laboratory was to develop a state of the art LIMS for routine messaging to the NAHLN. This position will enable the NCVDLS to meet its IT responsibilities to the NAHLN as the Biosafety Level 3 laboratory completes tests for foreign animal diseases, including bird flu H5N1, other High Pathogenicity Avian Influenza strains, Exotic Newcastle Disease, Classical Swine Fever, and Foot and Mouth Disease.

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