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CONFERENCE NAME	AGENCY	LOCATION	START DATE	END DATE	USDA PARTICIPANTS	TOTAL COSTS	PROCUREMENT CONTRACT
ACQUISITION CONFERENCE	FOREST SERVICE	SANTA FE, NM	11/5/2007	11/9/2007	54	\$12,080	NO. EXPENSES FOR TRAVEL OR BELOW MICROPURCHASE LIMIT.
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS CONFERENCE	AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE	SAVANNAH, GA	12/2/2007	12/7/2007	91	\$116,509	YES. COMPETITIVELY AWARDED.
ALABAMA ASSOCIATION OF CONSERVATION DISTRICTS	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	ORANGE BEACH, AL	11/18/2007	11/20/2007	86	\$41,096	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
ALASKA WOOD ENERGY CONFERENCE	FOREST SERVICE	FAIRBANKS, AK	11/14/2007	11/15/2007	7	\$14,613	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
ALL EMPLOYEES MEETING AND AWARDS CEREMONY	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	PIKEVILLE, TN	11/7/2007	11/8/2007	200	\$19,800	YES. COMPETITIVELY AWARDED.
ALLIED SOCIAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION	ECONOMIC RESEARCH SERVICE	NEW ORLEANS, LA	1/3/2008	1/6/2008	19	\$26,205	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
AMERICAN GEOPHYSICAL UNION CONFERENCE	MULTIPLE	SAN FRANCISCO, CA	12/9/2007	12/14/2007	21	\$32,556	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
AMERICAN SOCIETY AGRONOMY CROP	MULTIPLE	NEW ORLEANS, LA	11/4/2007	11/8/2007	88	\$154,204	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR MASS SPECTROMETRY	AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE	DENVER, CO	6/1/2008	6/3/2008	4	\$10,259	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
AMERICAN SOCIETY OF AGRICULTURAL AND BIOLOGICAL ENGINEERS	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	PROVIDENCE, RI	6/29/2008	7/2/2008	45	\$113,738	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
AMERICAN SOCIETY OF AGRICULTURAL AND BIOLOGICAL ENGINEERS INTERNATIONAL MEETING	AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE	PROVIDENCE, RI	6/29/2008	7/1/2008	20	\$34,083	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
ANNUAL AWARDS/TRAINING CONFERENCE	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	ALEXANDRIA, LA	11/14/2007	11/15/2007	264	\$24,901	NO. EXPENSES FOR TRAVEL OR BELOW MICROPURCHASE LIMIT.
ANNUAL RABIES MGMT TEAM MEETING	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	MOBILE, AL	3/31/2008	4/3/2008	15	\$29,195	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
AREA EMERGENCY COORDINATOR/ESF-11 CONFERENCE	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	DALLAS, TX	4/7/2008	4/11/2008	14	\$13,719	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
ARIZONA ASSOCIATION OF CONSERVATION DISTRICTS 2008 ANNUAL WINTER MEETING	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	PHOENIX, AZ	3/19/2008	3/21/2008	33	\$16,555	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
ARIZONA CONSERVATION PLANNING COURSE	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	FLAGSTAFF, AZ	5/12/2008	5/23/2008	23	\$33,649	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
ASIA PACIFIC ECONOMIC COOPERATION MEETING	FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE	BALI, IN	6/5/2008	6/18/2008	3	\$23,215	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
ASSOCIATION OF RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICTS ANNUAL CONFERENCE	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	MORRO BAY, CA	10/3/2007	10/5/2007	17	\$11,280	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
ASSOCIATION OF RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICTS ANNUAL CONFERENCE	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	RANCHO CORDOVA, CA	11/7/2007	11/10/2007	36	\$18,143	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
AVIAN INFLUENZA SURVEILLANCE OPERATION	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	PLEASANT HILL, CA	12/3/2007	12/7/2007	15	\$36,308	YES. SOLE SOURCE.
BELTWISE CONFERENCE	AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE	NASHVILLE, TN	1/8/2008	1/11/2008	15	\$13,869	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
BIOCONTROL INSPECTION CONFERENCE	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	FORT COLLINS, CO	4/1/2008	4/3/2008	53	\$20,138	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
BIOTECHNOLOGY REGULATORY SERVICES TRAINING, WESTERN REGION	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	SACRAMENTO, CA	2/25/2008	2/29/2008	31	\$24,336	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
BULB INSPECTION TRAINING	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	FREDERICK, MD	4/27/2008	5/9/2008	20	\$17,299	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
CALIFORNIA FIRST LINE LEADERS MEETING	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	SACRAMENTO, CA	2/20/2008	2/21/2008	89	\$17,549	YES. COMPETITIVELY AWARDED.
CENTRAL PLANT BOARD MEETING	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	MADISON, WI	3/8/2008	3/14/2008	9	\$12,260	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
CHILDREN YOUTH AND FAMILIES AT RISK CONFERENCE	COOPERATIVE STATE RESEARCH, EDUCATION AND EXTENSION	SAN ANTONIO, TX	5/2/2008	5/16/2008	10	\$17,653	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
CITRUS GREENING SUMMIT	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	BETHESDA, MD	12/17/2007	12/19/2007	9	\$16,106	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
CIVIL RIGHTS & DIVERSITY TRAINING	FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE	COLLEGE PARK, MD	4/15/2008	4/17/2008	20	\$10,179	NO. EXPENSES ARE REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES.
COLORADO ASSOCIATION OF CONSERVATION DISTRICTS (CACD)	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	COLORADO SPRINGS, CO	11/12/2007	11/15/2007	45	\$16,785	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
CONGRESSIONAL BRIEFING CONFERENCE	FOREST SERVICE	WASHINGTON, DC	5/5/2008	5/8/2008	11	\$29,025	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
CONSERVATION PLANNER TRAINING	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	RENO, NV	11/26/2007	11/30/2007	40	\$23,250	NO. EXPENSES FOR TRAVEL OR BELOW MICROPURCHASE LIMIT.
COOPERATIVE STATE RESEARCH, EDUCATION AND EXTENSION SERVICE ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE	COOPERATIVE STATE RESEARCH, EDUCATION AND EXTENSION	SAVANNAH, GA	5/3/2008	5/7/2008	16	\$20,855	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
COORDINATED REVIEW EFFORT (CRE) TRAINING	FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICE	ANNAPOLIS, MD	6/13/2008	6/20/2008	15	\$16,487	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
CORN & SORGHUM SEED RESEARCH CONFERENCE	AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE	CHICAGO, IL	12/4/2007	12/7/2007	15	\$11,506	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.

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CULTURAL RESOURCES TRAINING	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	OMAK, WA	4/8/2008	4/10/2008	27	\$13,000	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
DESIGNATED BRUCELLOSIS EPIDEMIOLOGY TRAINING COURSE	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	AUSTIN, TX	5/12/2008	5/16/2008	10	\$12,683	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
DESIGNING FOR AQUATIC ORGANISM PASSAGE AT ROAD STREAM CROSSINGS	FOREST SERVICE	CHATTANOOGA, TN	4/14/2008	4/18/2008	4	\$11,303	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
DISTRICT DIRECTOR TRAINING	FARM SERVICE AGENCY	SAN ANTONIO, TX	3/23/2008	4/2/2008	315	\$42,242	YES. COMPETITIVELY AWARDED.
E. KIKA DE LA GARZA FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM	AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE	WASHINGTON, DC	6/15/2008	6/19/2008	7	\$32,354	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
EAST REGION WIND EROSION PREDICTION SYSTEM (WEPS) TRAINING	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	GREENSBORO, NC	2/12/2008	2/14/2008	19	\$12,102	NO. EXPENSES FOR TRAVEL OR BELOW MICROPURCHASE LIMIT.
EAST TECHNOLOGY WORKGROUP	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	GREENSBORO, NC	3/12/2008	3/14/2008	75	\$16,140	NO. EXPENSES FOR TRAVEL OR BELOW MICROPURCHASE LIMIT.
EFFECTIVE LEADERSHIP PARTNERSHIPS	FOREST SERVICE	SEATTLE, WA	11/6/2007	11/9/2007	13	\$20,617	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
EMERALD ASH BORER RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	PITTSBURGH, PA	10/22/2007	10/24/2007	109	\$11,125	YES. SOLE SOURCE.
EMPLOYEE AND LABOR RELATIONS CONFERENCE	FOREST SERVICE	NEW ORLEANS, LA	6/10/2008	6/12/2008	5	\$12,082	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
EMPLOYEE DEVELOPMENT SYMPOSIUM (EDS)	AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE	DENVER, CO	6/2/2008	6/4/2008	25	\$61,207	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
ENGINEERING BUSINESS AREA ADVISORY GROUP MEETING	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	FT. COLLINS, CO	5/6/2008	5/8/2008	15	\$10,216	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA CONFERENCE	MULTIPLE	SAN DIEGO, CA	12/7/2007	12/14/2007	180	\$245,785	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
EXPHOTEL	FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE	CANCUN, MX	6/11/2008	6/13/2008	3	\$13,978	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
FARMERS MARKET SUMMIT	AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE	BALTIMORE, MD	11/7/2007	11/9/2007	15	\$41,397	YES. SOLE SOURCE AND COMPETITIVE.
FEDERAL APPROPRIATIONS LAW TRAINING	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	MORGANTOWN, WV	6/10/2008	6/13/2008	26	\$30,350	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
FIELD OPERATIONS WORKSHOP	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	PORTLAND, OR	4/21/2008	4/24/2008	25	\$19,066	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT TRAINING	OFFICE OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	WASHINGTON, DC	6/10/2008	6/12/2008	400	\$220,828	YES. SOLE SOURCE.
FLORIDA INCIDENT COMMAND SYSTEM FULL-SCALE EXERCISE	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	GAINESVILLE, FL	3/3/2008	3/7/2008	83	\$10,583	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
FLORIDA WILDLIFE SERVICES STATE MEETING	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	PORT ST. JOE, FL	10/22/2007	10/26/2007	29	\$30,923	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION	FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE	ROME, IT	11/15/2007	11/24/2007	6	\$24,765	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION	FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE	ROME, IT	5/27/2008	6/7/2008	3	\$17,311	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICE UNIVERSITY FIELD OFFICE ACADEMY	FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICE	LAS VEGAS, NV	6/16/2008	6/20/2008	15	\$17,649	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
FOOD DISTRIBUTION RESEARCH SOCIETY CONFERENCE	AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE	NEW ORLEANS, LA	11/3/2007	11/7/2007	6	\$10,928	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
FOOD SAFETY AND INSPECTION SERVICE PRE-SLAUGHTER AUDIT SEMINAR & TEAMMATE USER TRAINING	OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL	KANSAS CITY, MO	4/14/2008	4/18/2008	23	\$10,470	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
FORTY FUELS MODELS WORKSHOP	FOREST SERVICE	ALBUQUERQUE, NM	10/10/2007	10/10/2007	34	\$10,642	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
GENERAL FIELD REPRESENTATIVE CONFERENCE	RURAL DEVELOPMENT	WASHINGTON, DC	12/11/2007	12/11/2007	15	\$12,005	NO. EXPENSES FOR TRAVEL OR BELOW MICROPURCHASE LIMIT.
GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISORS (GACDS) ANNUAL MEETING	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	AUGUSTA, GA	1/11/2008	1/13/2008	75	\$38,850	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
GLOBAL FOOD & STYLE EXPO	FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE	CHICAGO, IL	4/26/2008	4/30/2008	7	\$21,349	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
GRANTSMANSHIP WORKSHOP	COOPERATIVE STATE RESEARCH, EDUCATION AND EXTENSION	DENVER, CO	10/1/2007	10/3/2007	14	\$10,923	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
GRASSHOPPER MANAGEMENT BOARD ANNUAL MEETING (NATIONAL)	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	DENVER, CO	1/14/2008	1/18/2008	14	\$14,351	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
HISPANIC ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES MEETING	FOREST SERVICE	CHICAGO, IL	10/20/2007	10/22/2007	6	\$10,756	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
HORSE PROTECTION TRAINING	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	MEMPHIS, TN	5/19/2008	5/22/2008	10	\$12,213	YES. SOLE SOURCE.
IDAHO NRCS DISTRICT CONSERVATIONIST TRAINING MEETING	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	BOISE, ID	12/4/2007	12/6/2007	50	\$23,711	NO. EXPENSES FOR TRAVEL OR BELOW MICROPURCHASE LIMIT.
INTERMEDIATE AUDIT ACADEMY	OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL	SAN ANTONIO, TX	1/7/2008	1/18/2008	55	\$135,022	YES. COMPETITIVELY AWARDED.

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INTERNAL CONTROLS TRAINING	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	SALT LAKE CITY, UT	10/22/2007	10/25/2007	20	\$14,799	YES. COMPETITIVELY AWARDED.
INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LANDSCAPE ECOLOGISTS	FOREST SERVICE	MADISON, WI	4/6/2008	4/10/2008	7	\$11,965	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
INTERNATIONAL BEAVER MANAGEMENT & ECOLOGY CONFERENCE	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	CHANDLER, AZ	10/9/2007	10/12/2007	68	\$37,900	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
INTERNATIONAL FOOD AID CONFERENCE	FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE	KANSAS CITY, MO	4/13/2008	4/17/2008	20	\$28,646	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
INTERNATIONAL SUNFLOWER CONFERENCE	AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE	MADRID, SP	6/6/2008	6/10/2008	5	\$18,929	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON AGROTERRORISM	MULTIPLE	KANSAS CITY, MO	4/21/2008	4/24/2008	16	\$19,341	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON FIRE ECONOMICS, PLANNING AND POLICY	FOREST SERVICE	CAROLINA, PR	4/29/2008	5/2/2008	11	\$18,527	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON SOCIETY AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT	FOREST SERVICE	BURLINGTON, VT	6/10/2008	6/14/2008	5	\$10,033	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
JOB CORPS LEADERSHIP SUMMIT	FOREST SERVICE	WASHINGTON, DC	10/15/2007	10/18/2007	8	\$18,411	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
KENTUCKY CHAPTER OF THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	CAVE CITY, KY	2/28/2008	2/29/2008	8	\$71,328	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
L-21 LEADERSHIP TRAINING	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	FREDERICK, MD	12/2/2007	12/8/2007	12	\$13,613	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
LAND TRUST ALLIANCE NATIONAL RALLY	FOREST SERVICE	DENVER, CO	10/3/2007	10/6/2007	9	\$12,338	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
LEADERSHIP FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY	AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE	CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA	4/20/2008	8/1/2008	1	\$16,258	YES. SOLE SOURCE.
LEADERSHIP RENEWAL	FOREST SERVICE	MILFORD, PA	11/6/2007	11/8/2007	25	\$14,608	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
LIVESTOCK AND SEED INDUSTRY MEETING	AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE	KANSAS CITY, MO	5/21/2008	5/23/2008	12	\$12,049	YES. SOLE SOURCE.
MANAGEMENT WILDLIFE HAZARDS AT AIRPORTS	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	DENVER, CO	5/5/2008	5/8/2008	73	\$31,500	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
MANAGING BLACKBIRDS, STARLINGS & CORVIDS CONFERENCE	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	NASHVILLE, TN	1/28/2008	1/30/2008	64	\$23,594	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
MARKET NEWS & CLASSIFICATION TECHNOLOGY TRAINING	AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE	MEMPHIS, TN	5/6/2008	5/14/2008	18	\$24,783	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
MIDWEST LABORATORY SUMMIT	FOOD SAFETY AND INSPECTION SERVICE	ST. LOUIS, MO	5/14/2008	5/16/2008	37	\$17,559	NO - EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND SALARY.
MINORITIES IN AGRICULTURE NATURAL RESOURCES AND RELATED SCIENCES	OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR CIVIL RIGHTS	DENVER, CO	3/27/2008	3/29/2008	10	\$14,435	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
NATIONAL ANIMAL HEALTH MONITORING AND SURVEILLANCE	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	RENO, NV	10/16/2007	10/26/2007	36	\$72,179	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
NATIONAL ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM CONFERENCE	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	NEW ORLEANS, LA	6/9/2008	6/13/2008	18	\$26,317	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CONSERVATION DISTRICTS	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	SPARKS, NV	2/10/2008	2/15/2008	8	\$190,000	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
NATIONAL CIVIL RIGHTS LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	PHOENIX, AZ	2/26/2008	2/28/2008	54	\$19,470	YES. SOLE SOURCE.
NATIONAL CROP INSURANCE SERVICE	RISK MANAGEMENT AGENCY	OVERLAND PARK, KS	4/21/2008	4/24/2008	1	\$12,258	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
NATIONAL CROP INSURANCE SERVICES SPRING UPDATE CONFERENCE	RISK MANAGEMENT AGENCY	OVERLAND PARK, KS	11/5/2007	11/7/2007	17	\$11,454	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
NATIONAL EMPLOYEE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	LOGAN, UT	6/16/2008	6/27/2008	5	\$10,275	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
NATIONAL FARM LOAN PROGRAMS TRAINING	MULTIPLE	TUCSON, AZ	11/26/2007	11/30/2007	304	\$109,065	YES. COMPETITIVELY AWARDED.
NATIONAL FERAL SWINE CONFERENCE	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	ST. LOUIS, MO	4/13/2008	4/15/2008	24	\$18,917	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
NATIONAL GRANTS & AGREEMENT CONFERENCE	FOREST SERVICE	ALBUQUERQUE, NM	5/12/2008	5/15/2008	11	\$11,906	NO. EXPENSES FOR TRAVEL OR BELOW MICROPURCHASE LIMIT.
NATIONAL LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETING	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	RENO, NV	2/13/2008	2/15/2008	100	\$140,517	YES. COMPETITIVELY AWARDED.
NATIONAL ORGANIC STANDARDS BOARD MEETING	AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE	BALTIMORE, MD	5/20/2008	5/22/2008	8	\$17,255	YES. COMPETITIVELY AWARDED.
NATIONAL ORGANIC STANDARDS BOARD MEETING	AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE	WASHINGTON, DC	11/27/2007	11/30/2007	9	\$56,598	YES. COMPETITIVELY AWARDED.
NATIONAL PLANT GERPLASM SYSTEM WORKSHOP	AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE	DENVER, CO	12/1/2007	12/4/2007	18	\$15,216	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
NATIONAL POULTRY IMPROVEMENT PLAN ANNUAL CONFERENCE	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	PORTLAND, ME	6/3/2008	6/8/2008	9	\$12,137	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.

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NATIONAL STATE SOIL SCIENTIST WORKSHOP	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	PHOENIX, AZ	4/28/2008	5/2/2008	34	\$40,261	YES. COMPETITIVELY AWARDED.
NATIONAL STATE SOIL SCIENTISTS WORKSHOP	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	FLORENCE, KY	3/17/2008	3/21/2008	75	\$86,021	YES. COMPETITIVELY AWARDED.
NATIVE AMERICAN WORK GROUP	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	YAKIMA, WA	5/18/2008	5/23/2008	11	\$11,081	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE ALL EMPLOYEES MEETING	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	AGUSTA, GA	1/9/2008	1/10/2008	250	\$72,463	YES. COMPETITIVELY AWARDED.
NAVIGATING THE NEW CARBON WORLD CONFERENCE	FOREST SERVICE	SAN DIEGO, CA	5/14/2008	5/16/2008	7	\$10,125	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
NECROPSY & BIOLOGICAL SPECIMEN TRAINING	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	FT COLLINS, CO	6/2/2008	6/7/2008	9	\$11,936	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
NEW YORK ALL EMPLOYEES MEETING	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	AUBURN, NY	12/12/2007	12/13/2007	190	\$49,921	YES. COMPETITIVELY AWARDED.
NORTH AMERICAN PLANT PROTECTION ORGANIZATION ANNUAL MEETING	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	NEW FOUNDLAND, CA	10/22/2007	10/26/2007	44	\$113,504	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
OUTREACH PANEL REVIEW	RISK MANAGEMENT AGENCY	ARLINGTON, VA	5/19/2008	5/23/2008	25	\$31,058	YES. SOLE SOURCE.
PENNSYLVANIA ALL EMPLOYEES MEETING	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	STATE COLLEGE, PA	12/13/2007	12/14/2007	240	\$45,200	YES. COMPETITIVELY AWARDED.
PERSONAL COMPUTER TABLET ROLLOUT PLAN	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	RALEIGH, NC	3/3/2008	3/9/2008	14	\$18,590	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
PEST SURVEY SPECIALIST	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	FREDERICK, MD	2/25/2008	3/6/2008	10	\$10,355	NO. EXPENSES FOR TRAVEL OR BELOW MICROPURCHASE LIMIT.
PLANT BOARD MEETING (SOUTHERN)	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	NASHVILLE, TN	4/6/2008	4/9/2008	12	\$16,792	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
PLANT PROTECTION AND QUARANTINE EXECUTIVE TEAM MEETING	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	CODY, WY	5/6/2008	5/10/2008	10	\$10,195	YES. SOLE SOURCE.
POULTRY PROGRAMS MANAGEMENT RETREAT	AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE	ST. MICHAELS, MD	5/14/2008	5/16/2008	12	\$14,467	YES. SOLE SOURCE.
PRACTICE STANDARDS WORKSHOP	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	HONOLULU, HI	1/28/2008	1/30/2008	12	\$11,031	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
PROFESSIONAL AGRICULTURAL WORKERS CONFERENCE	MULTIPLE	TUSKEGEE, AL	12/1/2007	12/5/2007	25	\$22,904	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
RABIES IN THE AMERICAS INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	GUANAJUATO, MX	9/30/2007	10/6/2007	14	\$16,427	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
RABIES MANAGEMENT TEAM MEETING	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	MOBILE, AL	3/31/2008	4/3/2008	9	\$46,560	YES. SOLE SOURCE.
RECRUITMENT CONFERENCE	FOOD SAFETY AND INSPECTION SERVICE	WASHINGTON, DC	6/9/2008	6/13/2008	52	\$90,304	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
REMOTE SENSING APPLICATIONS CONFERENCE	FOREST SERVICE	SALT LAKE CITY, UT	4/15/2008	4/17/2008	12	\$16,885	YES. COMPETITIVELY AWARDED.
RESEARCH WORKERS IN ANIMAL DISEASE	AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE	CHICAGO, IL	12/1/2007	12/4/2007	12	\$12,838	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
RISK MANAGEMENT EDUCATION/REQUEST FOR APPLICATION REVIEW PANEL	RISK MANAGEMENT AGENCY	KANSAS CITY, MO	5/13/2008	5/16/2008	9	\$11,208	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
RURAL DEVELOPMENT ELECTRIC PROGRAM CONFERENCE	RURAL DEVELOPMENT	ANAHEIM, CA	2/20/2008	2/20/2008	50	\$20,000	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
RURAL RENAISSANCE MARKETING MEETING	RURAL DEVELOPMENT	MINNEAPOLIS, MN	10/30/2007	10/31/2007	225	\$386,639	YES. COMPETITIVELY AWARDED.
SHIPPING POINT TRAINING	AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE	IDAHO FALLS, ID	5/19/2008	8/15/2008	1	\$15,231	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
SNOWPAC	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	PORTLAND, OR	12/3/2007	12/7/2007	24	\$18,580	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
SOCIETY FOR RANGE MANAGEMENT & AMERICAN FORAGE & GRASSLAND COUNCIL JOINT MEETING & TRADE SHOW	MULTIPLE	LOUISVILLE, KY	1/26/2008	1/31/2008	128	\$123,739	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
SOCIETY OF AMERICAN FORESTERS CONVENTION	MULTIPLE	PORTLAND, OR	10/21/2007	10/27/2007	39	\$49,729	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
SOUTHERN RESEARCH STATION MANAGEMENT TEAM MEETING	FOREST SERVICE	RIO GRANDE, PR	10/2/2007	10/4/2007	12	\$23,793	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
STAFF OFFICER'S LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM	FOREST SERVICE	MILFORD, PA	10/15/2007	10/18/2007	27	\$17,869	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
STATE DIRECTOR MEETING	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	RALEIGH, NC	10/10/2007	10/11/2007	30	\$31,011	YES. SOLE SOURCE.
STATE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER	FARM SERVICE AGENCY	SAN FRANCISCO, CA	6/23/2008	6/26/2008	250	\$126,193	YES. COMPETITIVELY AWARDED.
STRATEGIC PLANNING ACCOUNTABILITY 5 YEAR ACCOUNTABILITY STRATEGY PLANNING SESSION	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	BELTSVILLE, MD	6/24/2008	6/26/2008	44	\$19,600	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
STREAMBANK STABILIZATION AND RESTORATION TECHNICAL TRAINING WORKSHOP	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	TUCSON, AZ	3/24/2008	3/28/2008	27	\$15,351	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.

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CONFERENCE NAME	AGENCY	LOCATION	START DATE	END DATE	USDA PARTICIPANTS	TOTAL COSTS	PROCUREMENT CONTRACT
SUSTAINABLE OPERATIONS SUMMIT	FOREST SERVICE	DENVER, CO	11/13/2007	11/15/2007	186	\$98,923	YES. COMPETITIVELY AWARDED.
TEXAS SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	WACO, TX	10/22/2007	10/24/2007	174	\$117,371	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
TICK TRAINING	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	TUCSON, AZ	5/19/2008	5/21/2008	10	\$11,085	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
TRANSMISSIBLE SPONGIFORM ENCEPHALOPATHY CONFERENCE	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	AMES, IA	3/3/2008	3/7/2008	171	\$128,978	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
TRI-REGIONAL FOOD STAMP PROGRAM CONFERENCE	FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICE	KALISPELL, MT	5/31/2008	6/5/2008	7	\$10,045	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
U.S. AGRICULTURAL EXPORT DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL CONFERENCE	FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE	BALTIMORE, MD	11/13/2007	11/15/2007	112	\$31,910	YES. COMPETITIVELY AWARDED.
UNITED STATES COAST GUARD	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	RENO, NV	10/18/2007	10/24/2007	36	\$64,015	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AIR QUALITY TASK FORCE	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	SALT LAKE CITY, UT	5/12/2008	5/16/2008	40	\$55,080	YES. COMPETITIVELY AWARDED.
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AIR QUALITY TASK FORCE	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	INDIANAPOLIS, IN	10/2/2007	10/5/2007	45	\$59,460	YES. COMPETITIVELY AWARDED.
UNIVERSAL COTTON STANDARDS CONFERENCE	AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE	MEMPHIS, TN	6/6/2008	6/13/2008	20	\$56,885	YES. SOLE SOURCE.
US ANIMAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION/AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF VETERINARIANS LABORATORY DIAGNOSTICS CONFERENCE	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	RENO, NV	10/17/2007	10/25/2007	9	\$11,419	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
USDA INTERAGENCY RESEARCH FORUM ON INVASIVE SPECIES	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	ANNAPOLIS, MD	1/8/2008	1/11/2008	12	\$15,972	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
VERTEBRATE PEST CONFERENCE	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	SAN DIEGO, CA	3/16/2008	3/21/2008	43	\$72,196	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
WEST REGION CULTURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT CONSORTIUM MEETING	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	CASTLE ROCK, CO	6/17/2008	6/19/2008	29	\$24,170	NO. EXPENSES FOR TRAVEL OR BELOW MICROPURCHASE LIMIT.
WESTERN FOREST INSECT WORK CONFERENCE	FOREST SERVICE	BOULDER, CO	4/7/2008	4/10/2008	10	\$11,564	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
WESTERN INTERNATIONAL FOREST DISEASE WORK CONFERENCE	FOREST SERVICE	SEDONA, AZ	10/15/2007	10/19/2007	11	\$17,263	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL.
WESTERN PLANT BOARD MEETING	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	CODY, WY	5/5/2008	5/8/2008	20	\$24,917	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
WETLAND DELINEATION TRAINING	NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE	FORT COLLINS, CO	6/23/2008	6/27/2008	36	\$23,777	NO. EXPENSES FOR TRAVEL OR BELOW MICROPURCHASE LIMIT.
WILDLIFE SERVICES AIRPORT TRAINING COURSE	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	LANGLEY AIRFORCE BASE, VA	4/7/2008	4/11/2008	69	\$13,777	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
WILDLIFE SERVICES WESTERN REGION STATE DIRECTOR ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE	ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE	SAN ANTONIO, TX	11/5/2007	11/9/2007	78	\$32,253	NO. EXPENSES ARE FOR TRAVEL AND REGISTRATION FEES.
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