

**Research, Education, and Economics (REE)**

**National Agricultural Research, Extension, Education, and Economics (NAREEE) Advisory Board**

**National Genetic Resources Advisory Council (NGRAC) Meeting Agenda**

**January 15, 2025**

- 1:00 pm – 1:10 pm ET** Welcome Back! Roll Call, Quorum Check, Agenda review – Kate Lewis  
VOTE – Sept 2024 NGRAC meeting minutes - Michele Simmons  
Status and prospects for continued NGRAC authorized activities – Kate Lewis  
New member recruitment
- 1:10 – 1:15** Report/Remarks from the Chair - Jim McFerson
- 1:15 - 1:55** Current Business  
Work Product - NPGS Crop Vulnerability Report - Michele Simmons  
Status - NAREEE Board approved in Aug 2024  
  
Work Product - Deployment Document Final draft (v21) – Michele Simmons  
Status – Approved via email vote  
USDA Pipeline Step - NAREEE Board approval needed  
  
Work Product – Tribal Document Jim McFerson  
Status – Update  
  
Work Product - Patent and Trademark Office request for info on Experimental Use  
Exception Margaret Smith  
  
Work Product - FY22/23 – NGRAC recommendations for NPGS Strategic Plan  
Gayle Volk/Harvey Blackburn  
Status - Forwarded to OSEC in Feb 2023; OSEC acknowledged in Sept 2023  
USDA Pipeline Step - Status of NPGS Plan response from ARS  
  
Work Product - FY22/23 – NGRAC reports: Algal; Animal; Microbial; and Crop Wild  
Relative Genetic Resources – Gayle Volk/Harvey Blackburn  
Status - Forwarded to OSEC in Feb 2023; OSEC acknowledged in Sept 2023  
USDA Pipeline Step - Status of ARS Responses  
  
Annual Meeting, timing location - All
- 2:00 pm ET** Adjourn  
Reminders:  
Approved meeting minutes may be found [here](#)  
- Recurring NGRAC meetings will take place the third Wednesday of each month  
- Next meeting: Wed 2/19/25, 1–2 pm ET