## Office of State Budget and Management Establish New, Receipt-Supported Positions

(G.S. 143-34.1)

Agency: North Carolina Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services

**Division:** Emergency Programs

**Budget Code: 3700** 

Center Title: USDA - NC Terrorism Vulnerability Self-Assessment and Threat Project

Center Number: 1017-0008

## \*\*\* Position Information \*\*\*

Proposed Classification: Applications Programmer II / GIS Projects App. Prog. II

Proposed Salary Grade: 74

Salary Range: \$37,003 to \$61,149 Proposed Effective Date: December 15, 2004 Ending 07/29/05

Number of Positions: \_\_\_1\_\_\_\_

	Center Authorized Budget	Current Request
Total Budget	\$263,460	41,985
Receipts	\$263,460	<u>41,985</u>
Appropriation	0	0
	Vulnerability Self-Assessment and Threat Project	(100% FFP).

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

Salary for 8 month period = \$35,000 plus benefits (period ends 07/29/05). This position was approved by the legislature at a higher pay grade; the job description was later classified as a pay grade 74 by Human Resources. This is the second year of funding, with possible renewal for the third year through Congressman Price.

## **DESCRIPTION OF WORK:**

The Information Support Services (ISS) Section is responsible for developing and enhancing the most technically complex computer applications. The ISS Section maintains the multiple large data sets with multiple variables and provides application development and support for all NCDA & CS Divisions, Department of Health and Human Services, State Bureau of Investigation, and the Department of Justice for the Multi-Hazard Threat Database. This section is crucial to disease management, prevention, preparedness, surveillance, epidemiology, and planning to the NCDA & CS and the Swine and Poultry Industries of North Carolina, and have become valuable sources of information to other state agencies, local governments, and the United States Government. This section provides Modeling and Scenario Excercise capabilities for the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Department of Defense (DOD), National Defense University (NDU), Department of Homeland Security (DHS), and Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). The Section provides Geographic Information System Analysis and Reporting expertise to the entire North Carolina Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services (NCDA&CS) to aide in the decision making process and to aide in the prevention and preparedness of such Foreign Animal Diseases (FAD) as Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) and Bovine Spongiform Encephalitis (BSE (i.e.Mad Cow Disease)). The same expertise is also provided to United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Department of Defense (DOD), National Defense University (NDU), Department of Homeland Security (DHS), and Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).

## **Primary Purpose of Positions:**

These positions assists the ISS Director by designing, planning, analyzing, reviewing, evaluating, and implementing applications to meet group objectives in completing deliverables for the NC Self Assessment and Threat Reduction Project and the Multi-Hazard Threat Database. These positions work at the project level of applications development and systems

analyst. Doing so will entail the maintenance, modification, and enhancement of existing computer programs as well as analysis and programming of complex new programs, using SQL, AML, Avenue, and C++ in addition to Visual Basic, Pascal, ASP, JSP, VB.Net, and other programmer languages as needed. System Administration on both Hardware and Software will be maintained and/or implemented.

Statutory Reference for Request

G.S. 143-34.1

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