

(1) sufficient funds are available to pay the non-Federal share of the cost of the proposed expansion or security upgrades; and

(2) the proposed expansion or security upgrades meet such reasonable qualifications as may be established by the Secretary with respect to biosafety and biosecurity requirements necessary to protect facility staff, members of the public, and the food supply.

(d) Additional requirements for grants for facility expansion

The Secretary shall make a grant under this section for the expansion, renovation, remodeling, or alteration (collectively referred to in this section as “expansion”) of a facility only if the grant applicant provides such assurances as the Secretary determines to be satisfactory to ensure the following:

(1) For not less than 20 years after the grant is awarded, the facility shall be used for the purposes of the research for which the facility was expanded, as described in the grant application.

(2) Sufficient funds will be available, as of the date of completion of the expansion, for the effective use of the facility for the purposes of the research for which the facility was expanded.

(3) The proposed expansion—

(A) will increase the capability of the applicant to conduct research for which the facility was expanded; or

(B) is necessary to improve the quality of the research of the applicant.

(e) Amount of grant

The amount of a grant awarded under this section shall be determined by the Secretary.

(f) Federal share

The Federal share of the cost of any expansion or security upgrade carried out using funds from a grant provided under this section shall not exceed 50 percent.

(g) Authorization of appropriations

There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section such sums as are necessary for each fiscal year.

(Pub. L. 95-113, title XIV, § 1485, as added Pub. L. 107-171, title VII, § 7221(a), May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 453.)

§ 3353. Agricultural biosecurity

(a) Security at colleges and universities

(1) Grants

The Secretary of Agriculture (referred to in this section as the “Secretary”) may award grants to covered entities to review security standards and practices at their facilities in order to protect against bioterrorist attacks.

(2) Covered entities

Covered entities under this subsection are colleges or universities that—

(A) are colleges or universities as defined in section 3103 of this title; and

(B) have programs in food and agricultural sciences, as defined in such section.

(3) Limitation

Each individual covered entity may be awarded one grant under paragraph (1), the amount of which shall not exceed \$50,000.

(4) Contract authority

Colleges and universities receiving grants under paragraph (1) may use such grants to enter into contracts with independent private organizations with established and demonstrated security expertise to conduct the security reviews specified in such paragraph.

(b) Guidelines for agricultural biosecurity

(1) In general

The Secretary may award grants to associations of food producers or consortia of such associations for the development and implementation of educational programs to improve biosecurity on farms in order to ensure the security of farm facilities against potential bioterrorist attacks.

(2) Limitation

Each individual association eligible under paragraph (1) may be awarded one grant under such paragraph, the amount of which shall not exceed \$100,000. Each consortium eligible under paragraph (1) may be awarded one grant under such paragraph, the amount of which shall not exceed \$100,000 per association participating in the consortium.

(3) Contract authority

Associations of food producers receiving grants under paragraph (1) may use such grants to enter into contracts with independent private organizations with established and demonstrated expertise in biosecurity to assist in the development and implementation of educational programs to improve biosecurity specified in such paragraph.

(c) Authorization of appropriations

There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section such sums as may be necessary for each fiscal year.

(Pub. L. 107-188, title III, § 334, June 12, 2002, 116 Stat. 679.)

Editorial Notes

CODIFICATION

Section was enacted as part of the Public Health Security and Bioterrorism Preparedness and Response Act of 2002, and not as part of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 which comprises this chapter.

§ 3354. Agricultural bioterrorism research and development

(a) In general

The Secretary of Agriculture (referred to in this section as the “Secretary”) may utilize existing research authorities and research programs to protect the food supply of the United States by conducting and supporting research activities to—

(1) enhance the capability of the Secretary to respond in a timely manner to emerging or existing bioterrorist threats to the food and agricultural system of the United States;

(2) develop new and continue partnerships with institutions of higher education and other institutions to help form stable, long-term programs to enhance the biosecurity and