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Dear PEPA Workshop Participant,

Thank you very much for helping to make our workshop on Performance-based Environmental Policies for Agriculture an apparent success. As part of our synthesis of the workshop and to help evaluate the potential of performance-based policies, we would greatly value your thoughts and opinions. Toward that end, we have put together a brief *participant input and evaluation form* which you will find below.

Please take a few moments to give us your candid thoughts and opinions for the questions provided. Your answers will help us to gauge the potential for the development and use of performance-based environmental policies for agriculture, create the workshop report, and design the follow-up activities on this subject. Your prompt response will be greatly appreciated.

Upon completing the *participant input and evaluation form*, please either:

- fax it to (703) 525-1744 attn: Arig Wageeh;
- mail it to me at the address at the top of this page; or
- if completing the form electronically, email it to me at jwinsten@winrock.org

This form below can also be found on the workshop's website:
<http://www.winrock.org/events/wallace/pepa/>

Thanks again!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Jonathan R. Winsten'.

Jonathan R. Winsten
Agricultural Economist

Performance-based Environmental Policies for Agriculture Workshop

Participant Input and Evaluation Form

Name (optional):

1. Workshop Breakout Session that you participated in (circle one):
 - a. Oregon
 - b. California
 - c. Iowa
 - d. Florida
 - e. New York

2. What were your expectations prior to the workshop? (Circle as many as apply.)
 - a. To learn about performance-based environmental policies for agriculture.
 - b. To share information about performance-based environmental policies.
 - c. To develop specific performance-based policies.
 - d. I had no prior expectations for this workshop.
 - e. Other (please elaborate): _____

3. What ideas did the workshop generate or reinforce for you regarding agri-environmental policy? (Circle as many as apply.)
 - a. Incentives can be linked to environmental performance.
 - b. Performance-based approaches could benefit farmers.
 - c. Performance-based approaches could benefit the environment.
 - d. Performance-based approaches are not possible to implement.
 - e. Performance-based approaches are not a good idea for farmers.
 - f. Performance-based approaches are not a good idea for the environment.
 - g. Other (please describe): _____

4. Describe the most valuable outcomes of your breakout session? (Circle as many as apply.)
 - a. Starting a discussion on performance-based policy approaches.
 - b. Identifying possible performance measures.
 - c. Identifying incentive mechanisms for the achievement of performance targets.
 - d. Identifying information needs for performance-based policy approaches.
 - e. Moving the policy elements into ideas for performance-based approaches.
 - f. There were no valuable outcomes from the breakout session.
 - g. Other (please describe): _____

5. Please list all ideas generated in your breakout session that you feel are important to explore further.

6. What do you see as the greatest benefit(s) of using performance-based environmental policies for agriculture? (Circle as many as apply.)

- a. Increasing environmental quality related to agriculture.
- b. Improving the cost-effectiveness of agricultural conservation funding.
- c. Increasing farmer flexibility and innovation in solving environmental problems.
- d. Rewarding farmers for PRACTICES THAT PROTECT environmental quality.
- e. I do not see any benefit in using performance-based policies for agriculture.
- f. Other (please describe): _____

7. What do you see as the greatest challenge(s) for using performance-based environmental policies for agriculture? (Circle as many as apply.)

- a. The ability to effectively link incentives with environmental outcomes.
- b. The costs of measuring and monitoring performance.
- c. The information needs of farmers to manage for environmental performance.
- d. The ability to change the current policy approach for agri-environmental management.
- e. I do not see any challenge for using performance-based policies for agriculture.
- f. Other (Please describe): _____

8. What next steps would you like to see as a follow-up to this conference?

Please provide any additional thoughts or ideas that you have related to performance-based environmental policies for agriculture and the workshop. (Use additional pages if necessary.)