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TO: UF/IFAS Unit Leaders
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SUBJECT: 2019 Call for High Impact Research Publications

We are again working to celebrate and recognize some of the recent high impact publications that were led by UF/IFAS faculty. We define “impact” in its broadest sense, including:

- impacts on science by extending the frontiers of fundamental scientific understanding;
- impacts on agricultural production by improving agricultural practices, varieties, and technologies;
- impacts on human welfare by improving human health and wellbeing;
- impacts on the environment by developing sustainable practices and conservation measures;
- impacts on communities and the economy by spawning new products, technologies, businesses, and jobs;
- and many more!

Each unit is invited to identify one or two peer-reviewed research journal articles resulting from research led by UF/IFAS faculty that have important impacts. Nominated publications should have been published in final form in either 2017 or 2018 (not in press) by at least one faculty currently assigned to your unit. Publications submitted for this recognition in a previous year are not eligible.

The publications will be recognized at the 2019 UF/IFAS Research Award Ceremony, on the UF/IFAS Dean for Research web page, and at other appropriate venues. In addition, a handful of these publications and their UF/IFAS authors will be selected for special recognition.

The internal process that your unit uses to determine which publications to submit is up to you. We encourage you to engage your faculty or a committee of faculty members in this process, but again, this is at your discretion. In addition, we encourage you to take advantage of the lists of peer-reviewed publications generated by your unit for 2017 and that which you are working on for 2018.

For each of your submitted publications, please input the following nomination information by **Friday, February 1, 2019 by 5:00pm** at <http://researchtools.ifas.ufl.edu/impact/>:

- Unit name
- Full citation
- PDF of the publication
- Impact statement: A general audience description (500 words or less) of the publication’s impact. Quantifiable and measurable impacts are encouraged where possible, but not required. The role of UF/IFAS researchers should be discussed if there are external authors on the paper.
- Current UF/IFAS authors with their unit affiliation and rank; Please note, as an internal award, we only recognize our current faculty at the ceremony.