ON CAMPUS INTERVIEWS OF CANDIDATES FOR CALS ASSOCIATE DEAN FOR RESEARCH AND DIRECTOR OF THE AG EXPERIMENT STATION

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The search committee for the CALS Associate Dean for Research and Director of the Ag Experiment Station is pleased to announce the interview schedule for three outstanding candidates. The search process was open and applications from across the country were evaluated. The top three candidates will be visiting campus in Tucson on one day and then the Maricopa Ag Center on a second day. We encourage you to participate in one or more of their open forums (schedule is below) as we will be seeking input from the broader CALS community. Final schedules and information on how to provide input will be made available on line shortly.

Each candidate will meet with multiple groups during the visit. From 3-5pm on the first day they will give a 20 minute presentation on their vision for CALS research followed by an hour and a half of questions from the audience. We will videotape the presentations and make available online and will have a process for questions conveyed by online. On their second day of visit, they have a similar forum hosted at the Maricopa Ag Center (BigMac).

Ron Allen (UA-Animal Sciences)

Dr. Allen has been at the UA since 1980 when he began in the Departments of Animal Sciences and of Nutrition and Food Science. Since 2006 he has served as Head of Animal Sciences. His research focuses on regulation of skeletal muscle mass during growth, regeneration, disease and aging and the role of muscle stem cells.

Th 12/1 Tucson campus

3-5 20 min presentation followed by Q&A (Chavez Bldg, Room 400)

Fri 12/2 Maricopa Ag Center

11-1 20 min presentation followed by Q&A

Jeff Silvertooth (UA-SWES)

Dr. Silvertooth has been at the UA since 1987 when he joined the Department of Plant Sciences. Since 2000 he has served as the Head of the Soil, Water and Environmental Science. His areas of expertise include cotton production and soil fertility.

Mon 12/5 Tucson campus

3-5 20 min presentation followed by Q&A (Chavez Bldg, Room 405)

Tu 12/6 Maricopa Ag Center

11-1 20 min presentation followed by Q&A

Bradley Hillman (Rutgers University)

Dr. Hillman is currently Director for Research, New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Station at Rutgers University in New Brunswick, NJ. He has served in this role since 2007. He began at

Rutgers in 1989 eventually becoming Professor in Plant Biology. His expertise lies in plant virology.

Th 12/15 Tucson campus

3-5 20 min presentation followed by Q&A (Room TBD)

Fri 12/16 Maricopa Ag Center

11-1 20 min presentation followed by Q&A

For more questions on the candidate visits, please contact Jennifer Smith jsmith@ag.arizona.edu.