

## ANSTF Meeting Presentation Information

- 1) **Name and affiliation of presenter:** Stephanie Showalter Otts, National Sea Grant Law Center, University of Mississippi School of Law.
  
- 2) **Background information about presentation** This presentation will provide an overview of the U.S. regulatory framework governing genetic biocontrol efforts, including the Coordinated Framework for Regulation of Biotechnology, the Food and Drug Administration's New Animal Drug Application (NADA) process, and laws regulating the release of genetically modified organisms. Other related domestic legal issues, such as compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act and the Endangered Species Act, will also be discussed.
  
- 3) **If the presentation supports a decision, what is the decision point to be considered by the ANSTF?** Whether additional research on this issue is desirable and if so, what other statutory and regulatory authorities should be included in the analysis.
  
- 4) **Does the subject matter relate to an objective(s) identified in the 2007-2012 ANS Strategic Plan? If so, explain.**

Yes, this presentation may relate to two separate objectives in the ANS Strategic Plan. Objective 5.2 Explore opportunities to establish statutory and regulatory authorities necessary to implement ANSTF goals and objectives and Goal 3 Facilitate research to address the threat and harmful effects of ANS. While the use of GM species for biocontrol has the potential to help in control efforts, agency authorities need to be clarified so that research can move forward without harmful environmental effects.

- 5) **What is the ANSTF role(s) regarding the subject and decision points?**

The ANSTF can highlight statutory and regulatory gaps for biocontrol and work to establish the necessary authorities to fill the gaps.