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**ISU REQUEST FOR CENTER TERMINATION: FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL POLICY
RESEARCH INSTITUTE**

Action Requested: Recommend approval of Iowa State University's request to terminate the Food and Agricultural Policy Research Institute.

The Council of Provosts and the Board office support this request.

Background: The Food and Agricultural Policy Research Institute (FAPRI) provided economic analysis of U.S. agricultural and trade policies. FAPRI was funded mostly through federal grants and was a jointly managed institute of the Center for Agricultural and Rural Development at ISU, and the FAPRI at the University of Missouri. FAPRI currently exists only at the University of Missouri.

Rationale for request to close: The funding for FAPRI was greatly diminished by the mid-2000s, making it impossible to maintain over the two institutions and eventually all remaining funds and all of FAPRI's management moved to the University of Missouri. Over the years, the Center for Agricultural and Rural Development at ISU continued providing minimal computer programming expertise and collaboration on a case-by-case basis and mostly as a courtesy. Faculty and staff retirements and reallocations have further diminished the amount of this collaboration in recent years. All such support stopped in 2019.

Impact of closure: Any calls, emails or other inquiries will continue to be directed to the University of Missouri FAPRI. All costs were eliminated several years ago with the end of funding.

Proposed date of closure: Upon approval by the Board of Regents.