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USDA Honors the Food and Agricultural Policy Research Institute

The Food and Agricultural Policy Research Institute (FAPRI), an affiliate of CARD, received a Secretary’s Honor Award from U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Ann Veneman at a ceremony in Washington, D.C., on Monday, July 8. FAPRI is a dual organization administered by Iowa State University and the University of Missouri-Columbia.

The Secretary’s Honor Awards are the highest awards bestowed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. FAPRI’s recognition was in the category “Expanding Economic and Trade Opportunities for United States Agricultural Producers.”

CARD Director and FAPRI Co-director Bruce Babcock said he appreciated this acknowledgement of the FAPRI team’s efforts in helping to inform the discussion surrounding the new farm legislation. “This award recognizes the outstanding research effort by FAPRI at ISU and Missouri in analyzing policy proposals during the 2002 farm bill debate,” Babcock said. “This group has dedicated itself to being the world’s best at conducting agricultural policy analysis.”

The 56th annual Secretary’s Honor Awards were held at the Ronald Reagan International Trade Center in Washington, D.C. Individuals and groups nationwide were singled out for their exemplary performance in work relating to the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s mission of public service.

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