

**CALL FOR KEARNEY TRAVEL GRANT PROPOSALS  
FOR**

**2<sup>nd</sup> INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON MECHANISMS OF  
ORGANIC MATTER STABILIZATION AND  
DESTABILIZATION IN SOILS**

October 9 - 13, 2005      Asilomar, Pacific Grove, CA

**Deadline to submit requests to Kearney:  
ASAP but no later than June 30, 2005**

The Kearney Foundation will consider applications for travel grants (number of awards dependent upon fund availability) to attend the 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Mechanisms of Organic Matter Stabilization and Destabilization in Soils, to be held October 9 - 13, 2005, at the Asilomar Conference Center in Pacific Grove, California. This conference is being co-sponsored by the Kearney Foundation, NASA, NSF, as well as other organizations. For details about the conference, please see the conference website at <http://wwwdata.forestry.oregonstate.edu/SoilConf/index.html>

**Deadlines for conference:**

Submit abstracts: June 1, 2005 strongly advised (there is no formal deadline)

\$275 Registration (1) June 15th

\$300 Registration (2) August 1st

\$350 Late Registration Fee (up to Conf date)

**ELIGIBILITY FOR KEARNEY SUPPORT:** Faculty, extension specialists, farm advisers, graduate students and postdocs involved with projects funded (current or previous) by the current Kearney mission ("Soil Carbon and California Terrestrial Ecosystems"). Invited speakers (supported by the Conference) are not eligible for this call.

**Allowable expenses:**

1. Conference registration: \$150 (student) to \$300 (non-student registration by August 1, 2005)
2. Lodging: Attendees at Asilomar conferences normally stay in the housing and eat meals at the conference center.  
Housing and meals cost \$426.84 per person (to share a standard double at Asilomar) This sum can be applied to the cost of a single room, if desired, but Kearney will not fund the total cost of a single room.

***NOTE: Transportation costs will not be covered by Kearney.***

Travel awards are available only to individuals presenting a poster or oral presentation at the conference and only one travel award will be given per presentation. Proof of giving a presentation is required. Highest priority will be to support one attendee representing each Kearney grant; however, depending upon availability of funds, it may be possible to support more than one individual per grant. Priority will also be given to support requests from as many campuses as possible. *Graduate students are encouraged to apply.*

**Travel Award Application Process:**

1. Requests should include complete name of applicant, title of Kearney project and applicant's contact information. Your abstract should be submitted as an attachment to your request.
2. Submit requests to the Kearney Director via email at [Kearney@ucdavis.edu](mailto:Kearney@ucdavis.edu) including your abstract
3. Requests must be submitted no later than June 30, 2005

**Administrative Process of Travel Reimbursements:**

1. All travel reimbursements will be processed by the awardee's departmental Business Office after obtaining written approval from Kearney. To obtain approval from Kearney, awardee must complete, sign and fax a Travel Reimbursement Voucher along with receipts and proof of giving presentation (e.g., photocopy from book of abstracts) at the conference to Kearney at fax # (530) 752-2360.

The travel reimbursement form can be found at  
[http://accounting.ucdavis.edu/Forms/AP\\_TravelExp2004.xls](http://accounting.ucdavis.edu/Forms/AP_TravelExp2004.xls)

Please include a cover page with your contact information (fax #, phone # and email address) to contact you in case we have questions.

Note: for Non-UC Davis awardees, an Intercampus Travel Expense Transfer Approval also must be completed at your campus and approved by Kearney before expenses can be charged to the Kearney Account.

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2. Kearney will fax the approved travel expense voucher to awardee
3. Awardee will provide the approved travel expense voucher plus original receipts to their Department Business Office to process travel reimbursement.

**NO ADVANCE PAYMENTS WILL BE MADE. ONLY REIMBURSEMENTS WILL BE CONSIDERED.**

Please contact Gladis Lopez at [Kearney@ucdavis.edu](mailto:Kearney@ucdavis.edu), phone #(530) 754-9668 with any questions.