PRV Eradication Nets \$2.4 Million In Federal Funding

federal deficit reduction package signed by President Reagan just before Christmas means a \$900-million cut in the 1988 agriculture budget, America's pork

DES MOINES, IA - While the producers, through the efforts of the National Pork producers Council (NPPC), were able to obtain \$2.4-million in new federal funding for the start-up of the PRV eradication program.

The massive ten year program was approved by producer leaders at NPPC's annual meeting in March of this year. NPPC producer leades worked since that time to get the House and Senate to appro-

priate enough funds to get the program underway in 1988. When the stock market crashed in October, and the Congress and Administration started emergency budget cutting talks, the chances of

getting the new money for PRV funding looked bleak.

NPPC's Producer Oversight Committee, chaired by Don Gingerich, a pork producer from Parnell, Iowa, spent a great deal of time in recent weeks button-holing key numbers of Congress and letting them know how important the

PRV funds were to producers. The NPPC Washington, DC office staff was of great assistance, according to Gingerich. "This was perhaps the worst possible time to go after new money for a project, but our persistence paid off. We proved to lawmakers it was a prog-

ram that deserved priority fund-

ing," Gingerich said.

Chester Extension To Hold Annual Meeting

The Chester County Extension Service will hold its 1987 Annual Meeting on Friday evening March

4, 1988 at the Lionville Junior cher, of Pigeon's Forge, Tennes-High School. The featured speaker of the evening is Mr. Walt Bues-

Sign-Up Dates

WASHINGTON — Secretary of Agriculture Richard E. Lyng today announced that signup for the 1988 wheat, feed grains, cotton and rice programs will be from February 16 through April 15, 1988.

Legislation recently passed by Congress requires that a number of changes be made to the commodity programs. Accordingly signup for these programs will not begin until February and the provisions of these programs will be announced as soon as possible.

see. Mr. Buescher is a nationally known speaker who will be addressing trends in agribusiness that affect all of us. Registration

and educational exhibits open at 6:30 PM, with dinner following at 7PM. A short business meeting will also be held to elect members

to the 1988 Extension Executive Board. Reservations are required and are due by February 24, 1988. Call the Chester County Extension Office for further details and/or reservations.

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