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Reject proposal, instead increase over site.

MU extension, Pulaski County, State of Missouri, is a current living example of incremental grifting thru creative financial practices, established MU oversight and administration of the antiquated land grant program referred to in this public comment. Currently, actively and pretentiously.

More over-site is needed for every local county extensions to receive accountability and protection of time essential taxpayer money/data/resources for analysis, verification and budgeting.

Rural America is a scarce resource area, we need assurances and trust in government to use our tax money immediately and appropriately. We need more over site now.

The influence of local social capital and the concepts of federal IRS 501c3 and 501 c4 are very real strategies and another reason to perform closer over site.

More Federal over site will address the constant complex growing responsibilities and good stewardship of federal funds while simultaneously supporting internal and external compliances, eg. training, planning, EEO and IRS of grantees, pass thru entities, stakeholders, etc.

Finally, besides assuring a lower liability toward fraud, more over site may slowly move towards a high standard overall, and lower the bar for audit, restitution, reconciliation and legal roles, which is also a cost benefit.