LETTER OF NOTIFICATION – 11R

REVISION OF EXISTING DEGREE PROGRAM (Act 747)

1. Institution submitting request: University of Arkansas, Fayetteville

2. Contact person/title: Dr. Sharon Gaber, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

3. Title of degree program: Crop Management, BS

4. CIP Code: 01.1102

5. Degree Code: 3370

6. Effective Date: Fall 2013

7. Reason for proposed change: Compliance with Act 747

8. Provide <u>current</u> and <u>revised</u> curriculum outline. (Indicate total credit hours for current degree and total credit hours for revised degree.)

Current degree: 124 hours Revised degree: 120 hours

See attached for current curriculum, showing tracked changes. Indicated changes to the CPMG major were requested independently of the effort to bring the degree program into Act 747 compliance. The name of the major will be changed to Crop Science to attract more students interested in science into the major. To facilitate student completion of the degree, CSES 4143 OR CSES 4133 will be available as options in the Pest Management section of the CPMG major. This option provides a 4000-level course in both the fall and spring semesters from which students can choose to fulfill degree requirements. Additionally, CSES 4133 (Weed ID, Morphology and Ecology) will be added as a fall semester offering in Group C. The introductory plant science course requirement will chance from BIOL 1613/1611L (Plant Biology) to BIOL 1613/1611L or CSES 1203 (Introduction to Plant Science) to allow CSES students to take the CSES course. Degree specific requirements in Group A change from "at least two courses must be from Group A" to "at least six hours must be from Group A". New courses were added to the major as options in the Group B course list, including CSES 4303 Bioenergy Feedstock Production and ENSC 3103 Plants and Environmental Restoration. The HORT 2303 Introduction to Turfgrass Management was moved to Group B to retain a consist structure of 2-hr courses in Group A, but to also retain the option for students to enroll in HORT 2303. To be compliant with Act 747, the chemistry course requirements were changed from CHEM 1103 and 1101L (University Chemistry I and laboratory) and CHEM 1123 and 1121L (University Chemistry II and laboratory) to CHEM 1103 and 1101L or CHEM 1073 and CHEM 1071L (Fundamentals of Chemistry). The credit hours in the Physical and Biological Science hours were changed to reflect changes and options presented above. Elective credit hours were changed to allow for flexibility in choosing from among the Physical and Biological Sciences course options. The 8-semester plan reflects that the overall number of credit hours required is to be 120.

- 9. Institutional curriculum committee review/approval date for revised degree:
- 10. Provide additional program information requested by ADHE staff.

President/Chancellor Approval Date:

Board of Trustees Notification Date:

Chief Academic Officer: Date: