BEAN IMPROVEMENT COOPERATIVE



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TO: Members of the Bean Improvement Cooperative - BIC

FROM: Dr. Phillip Miklas, President

<u>2011 BIC meeting reports:</u> Participants at the 2011 BIC meeting in San Juan, PR, who made presentations (talk or poster) are asked to submit 2-page reports for each presentation to Dr. James Beaver <u>james.s.beaver@gmail.com</u> for inclusion in the Meeting Section of the 2012 report. Please follow guidelines below for completion of the reports. These reports are due Jan 24, 2012.

For 2012 Research Notes: Submission of **2-page reports** is requested by **Feb 24, 2012** for inclusion in the next 2012 BIC Annual Report (Vol. 55). Reports, notes and other items concerned with research on *Phaseolus* species should be submitted **electronically**, as an e-mail attachment to: <u>phil.miklas@ars.usda.gov</u>. Only electronic copies will be accepted. An original hard copy is **NOT** required. Notes should be of general interest to BIC members; thus local variety, fertilizer or other legume results are not suitable due to BIC space limitations.

- Each BIC member can submit two, 2-page research reports, exclusive of news items, germplasm releases, or biennial meeting proceedings. [Additional 2-page reports may be submitted at the rate of US \$25/report, with payment included.]
- 2-page reports must be single-spaced, typed on 8.5 by 11 inch letter size. (Not A4 paper) with 1-inch wide margins on all sides. Please use 12-point font size, Times New Roman. All reports must be limited to 2-pages or will be returned to the author.
- All tables, graphs and figures must fit within the 2-page limit and size format. If tables and figures are not in MS Word format they may not be reproduced accurately. Metric units are preferred.
- Center the title at the top of the page, and include authors' names, institution or company, and address beneath the title.
- Please submit the electronic copy of your report as an e-mail attachment to: <u>phil.miklas@ars.usda.gov</u> and use MS Word (<u>No pdf. files</u>). All e-mail submissions will be acknowledged and no hard copy will be required. If you do not receive an acknowledgment within 10 days, please resubmit your report.
- □ Faxed copies of reports are **not acceptable** for publication.

To further reduce costs and mailings, future notifications of dates and deadlines for the BIC report will be posted on BIC web page <u>http://www.css.msu.edu/bic/</u>
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