The request for funds to support participation of LTER scientists at the 2016 ILTER Open Science Meeting was combined into a single supplement request, along with the funds for unexpected transition costs from the LNO to the NCO.

I’m including here only the relevant portions of the proposal, the budget justification, and the budget..

**Proposal:**

This Supplement Request if for two separate activities:

1. We are requesting funds to support LTER researcher participation in the International Open Science Meeting at Kruger National Park, South Africa, in October 2016.The meeting provides an important opportunity to expand and strengthen interactions and collaboration between US-LTER scientists and the international LTER community. The LTER Network Communications Office will work with NSF LTER Program Officers on criteria for evaluating researcher requests for travel funds, and will administer and disperse those funds.

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**Budget Justification**

**Participant Support Costs**

We have budgeted for 18 LTER researchers to attend the 5-day International LTER Open

Science Meeting in Kruger National Park, South Africa in October 2016. Airfare and

hotel costs are estimates based on prior experience and web searches on sites such as

Orbitz. Hotel and per diem costs include 2 additional days for travel to and from the

meeting. The number of participants may change slightly depending on prices at time of

purchase. Participant support costs are not subject to indirect costs.

**Travel**

We have budgeted for 2 UC Santa Barbara LTER researchers to attend the 5-day

International LTER Open Science Meeting in Kruger National Park, South Africa in

October 2016. Airfare and hotel costs are based on prior experience and web searches

on sites such as Orbitz. Hotel and per diem costs include 2 additional days for travel to

and from the meeting. The number of participants may change slightly depending on

prices at time of purchase.

**Budget**

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| **Participant Support (non-UCSB participants)** | |  | **Travel**  **(UCSB participants)** | |
| **Travel** | **$53,190** | **Travel** | **$6,820** |
| **Subsistence** | **$8,190** | **Subsistence** |  |
| **Total** | **$61,380** | **Total** | **$6,820** |

*The original, proposed budget was for $68,200 for 20 people. The final cost was $74,000 for 24 people.*