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Hi All,

Please see the announcement tomorrow from Renee Wegrzyn about the DARPA Safe Genes program announcement set for tomorrow at 2 PM EST and embargoed before that time. Please also note that Renee requests that we also send any press releases to DARPA at [Outreach@darpa.mil](mailto:Outreach@darpa.mil).

They included several, but not all, of the suggestions that folks provided last week and decided to address LEEDR issues in a separate paragraph, but I think it looks good overall and hope you folks do too.

I am traveling today and tomorrow, but will try to check in frequently (including over the Atlantic probably) if there are questions or draft press releases from our group.

Thanks, John

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Dear Safe Genes Teams,

Thank you for all your timely responses to the request for comments on your project summaries for the DARPA Safe Genes Press Release. In preparation for the public announcement of Safe Genes, attached is the embargoed copy of the press release that DARPA plans to release at 2 pm EST on Wednesday, July 19, 2017. \*That date and time will be confirmed tomorrow.\*

If you plan to send out a press release to coincide with that announcement, please remember to send it to DARPA as a courtesy. If you share this copy with your subcontractors, please be sure to have them also abide by the embargo, and DARPA recommends that the subcontractors share their own press releases with the prime for comment (also feel free to share with DARPA as a courtesy as well).

Please also remember to limit your own discussion of the program to your specific project and technologies. You may refer any inquiry about DARPA specifically to [Outreach@darpa.mil](mailto:Outreach@darpa.mil).

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns and looking forward to the announcements!

Best regards,  
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