

# North Dakota Department of Agriculture Call for Research Proposals, 2016



## 1. INTRODUCTION

The North Dakota Department of Agriculture (NDDA) is seeking grant proposals for research devoted to finding practical solutions to honey bee health problems. Multiple grants may be awarded. Proposals funding partial projects and proposals providing valuable extensions of previously funded projects will be considered.

Applicants are invited to respond to this request by submitting a proposal for any or all of the following research priorities:

- Colony collapse cause, management
- *Varroa* mite control
- Understanding honey bee viruses and effects on honey bee health
- Correlating pathogen presence to management practices
- Any other problem solving ideas of interest to the beekeeping industry

## 2. GRANT PROPOSAL INFORMATION

Proposals do not have to be elaborate or lengthy, but they must adequately explain the objective of the study, the experimental approach in enough detail to allow critical evaluation of feasibility, and the budget, in sufficient detail to explain how funds will be spent. The NDDA does not pay overhead or indirect costs on funded research grants. A presentation/interview may be requested from finalists.

Each grant proposal in response to this request must include the following:

- A. Honey Bee Research Funding Request Form
- B. A complete summary of the project including rationale and how the objectives will be met
- C. Budget
- D. Information about previous research experience and qualifications
- E. Additional information that is considered pertinent and will enhance the quality of the proposal
- F. Proposals must be received on or before June 1, 2016 at:

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