

North Dakota Department of Agriculture

Call for Research Proposals, 2013

1. INTRODUCTION

The North Dakota Department of Agriculture (Department) is seeking grant proposals for research devoted to finding practical solutions to honey bee health problems. Up to \$75,000 will be made available during this grant process. Research must be completed by June 1, 2015. Multiple grants may be awarded. 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 Department 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. The name of the institution or individual submitting the proposal, street address, mailing address, telephone number, email address and the person(s) who will be responsible for the project.
- B. Budget
- C. Information about previous research experience and qualifications
- D. Additional information that they consider pertinent and that will enhance the quality of their proposal
- E. Proposals must be received on or before December 2, 2013 at:
Samantha Brunner, State Apiary Inspector
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State Capitol, 6th Floor
Bismarck, ND 58505-0020
OR email to:
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Please direct any questions to the above address or contact Samantha Brunner at (701)328-4765 or at sbrunner@nd.gov.