

Nursery Research

Call for 2016 Project Pre-proposals

Each year the Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) in cooperation with the Oregon Association of Nurseries (OAN) and other interested individuals award financial grants to support research that would benefit the Oregon nursery industry. These grants are primarily funded by the nursery industry itself through the collection of a Nursery Research Assessment Fee collected by the ODA. Last year a total of eight projects were supported with a total allocation of approximately \$74,322.05.

Research pre-proposals are now being sought for the 2016 project year. Initial consideration for funding will be based on a review of submitted preproposals. **All preproposals should be brief, one (1) or two (2) page overviews.** Specific information that must be submitted with all preproposals are:

- Date
- Name, address, telephone, FAX and E-mail information
- Project background and/or justification
- Project objectives
- Overview of methods and time lines
- Budget summary (Note: Include "indirect costs" for your institution or agency)
- Benefit to Nursery Industry

All research project proposals should be for a **one-year duration only**.

Projects approved for funding will be expected to deliver a presentation of their results to the nursery industry. A brief written **mid-year report** and a **final report** detailing the research results are required as part of the grant process. These written reports must follow specific guidelines.

Funding for all approved projects is provided in the following allotments:

- **50%** paid upon project approval
- **25%** paid upon receipt and approval of mid-year report
- **25%** payment paid upon receipt and approval of a final report

Research project preproposals are reviewed, evaluated and prioritized by representatives from the nursery industry. Final approval and grant awards are made by the ODA.

Submit research project pre-proposals, via e-mail to: snash@oda.state.or.us by September 23, 2015.

If you have any questions, please contact Sue Nash at 503/986-4640.