



RESEARCH GRANT PROPOSAL APPLICATION FORM

Applicants are required to provide all requested information in the sections below, except when the information is explicitly described as optional. Please see the Research Grants [Proposal Application Guidance Document](#) for additional information and suggestions to aid in developing your Proposal Application.

Proposal Application Eligibility Requirements and Review Process

Applicants must meet all of the Eligibility Requirements set forth in the Solicitation and be able to meet all of the Terms and Conditions appropriate to applicant status as either a University of California/California State University System (UC/CSUS) or non-UC/CSUS applicant. Both the [Solicitation and Terms and Conditions documents](#) can be downloaded.

Proposal Applications are reviewed and ranked by DPR staff and the Pest Management Advisory Committee (PMAC)¹, a stakeholder group with members from diverse affiliations with expertise and/or interest in pest management that assists DPR's Grants Programs with Proposal Application review.

The PMAC will make grant funding recommendations to the Director via a consensus-based Proposal Application ranking process that occurs during a [public meeting](#). DPR staff will also rank the Proposal Applications and provide a staff recommendation to the Director. The Director considers these separate recommendations and selects projects for funding. Applicants whose projects were not selected for funding will be provided feedback after awards are announced.

Answers submitted in response to the four Research Proposal Application Questions will be considered by PMAC and DPR staff reviewers in determining their rankings of the Proposal Applications. PMAC reviewers and DPR staff will use the Ranking Considerations for Reviewers section of the Research Grant [Proposal Application Guidance Document](#) for their use in evaluating answers and justifying their rankings.

¹ For more information about the PMAC, including dates and agendas of public meetings and the current roster, visit the [PMAC website](#).

Applicant and Submitter Information

Contact Person:

- Name:
- Organization:
- Position:
- Email:
- Street Address:

Submitting Person (if different from the Contact Person):

- Name:
- Organization:
- Position:
- Email:
- Street Address:

Certification and Submission Statement

I certify under penalty of perjury:

- I am an employee of, or a consultant for, the Applicant and I am authorized to submit the application on behalf of the Applicant;
- The information provided on behalf of the Applicant is true and complete to the best of my knowledge; and
- I understand that any false, incomplete or incorrect statements may result in the disqualification of this application.
- By submitting this application, I waive any and all rights to privacy and confidentiality of the proposal on behalf of the Applicant, to the extent provided in this Solicitation.

Submitted By

Relationship to Applicant

Submission Date

Eligibility Questions

Applicants must answer *yes* or *no* to each of the following questions:

- Does the project intend to advance integrated pest management (IPM) knowledge in wildland, urban, and agricultural settings?
- Does the Applicant meet all of the Eligibility Requirements set forth in the [Solicitation](#)?
- Can the applicant meet all of the applicable [University of California/California State University System \(UC/CSUS\) or non-UC Terms and Conditions](#)?
- Does any participating entity or individual have outstanding fines or penalties with DPR or with any County Agricultural Commissioner?
- Is the amount of funding requested within the minimum and maximum funding limits of \$50,000-\$3.75 million?
- Does the project primarily benefit the people of California?
- Can the project be completed without the mention, promotion, or disparagement of a pest control brand or trade name in the deliverables or the use of product images in the deliverables?
- Do the applicants and project members have the appropriate background and technical experience to complete the project?

RESEARCH PROPOSAL APPLICATION QUESTIONS

(Limit responses to one 8.5" x 11" page each for Questions 1, 2, and 3 and two pages for Question 4; 10 point font and one-inch margins minimum)

Question 1 – Benefits to Californians (25 percent weight):

Describe why there is a need for this project and describe how the people of California and expected beneficiaries of the integrated pest management (IPM) systems or practices will significantly benefit from the project.

Provide letters of support from expected beneficiaries of the IPM systems or practices as a separate PDF.

Question 2 – IPM Systems (25 percent weight):

Describe how the project would aid the development or enhancement of IPM systems. Describe how implementation of the project would lead to reductions of public health risks or environmental damage that is associated with pesticides of high regulatory concern and/or considered high-risk. List the pesticides and active ingredients being addressed in this proposal that are of high regulatory concern and/or are considered high-risk.

If the number of active ingredients to be listed is extensive, you may provide the list as a separate optional PDF.

Question 3 – Economic Benefits and Feasibility (25 percent weight):

Describe the potential economic benefits and feasibility of the IPM systems that will be developed. In particular, discuss how to overcome economic barriers to implementation of the IPM systems in the relevant agricultural, urban, or wildland setting. The project must demonstrate the economic feasibility and efficacy related to scalable implementation of the proposed IPM practices being researched.

Question 4 – Project Details (25 percent weight):

- Include a project Title; list the Principal Investigator and Key Personnel; and provide a project Summary including relevant citations.
- For each Objective included in the Scope of Work and Budget Information document, describe the experimental design (controlled or observational), methods (statistical, modeling, and other), and any software that will be employed.

Completed Proposal Applications should contain all the required documents listed below. Optional documents may be included as needed to support the Proposal Application. **Please submit all documents as PDFs. Please additionally include the Scope of Work and Budget Information document as a Microsoft Word file.**

Required

- Completed Research Grant Proposal Application Form, including:
 - Completed Applicant and Submitter Information section;
 - Completed Certification and Submission Statement section;
 - Yes/no responses to the Eligibility Questions; and

- Answers to Questions 1 – 4 (not to exceed one page each for Questions 1, 2, and 3 and two pages for Question 4 for a total of five pages maximum).
- Letters of Support from expected beneficiaries of the IPM systems or practices or from others who can attest to the quality or effectiveness of the applicant's similar work.
- Full-text versions of up to five Key Cited Documents that document the effective and proven IPM systems or practices that your project will build upon.
- Curriculum vitae or resumes of Principal Investigators (PIs) and Key Personnel.
- Completed Scope of Work and Budget Information document.

Optional

- A list of pesticides and active ingredients being addressed in this proposal that are of high regulatory concern and/or are considered high-risk.
- Illustrative graphics that enhance the application (e.g. plot design or flow charts).