

**Northern Pulse Growers Association Research Fund
Request for Proposals FY2010**

Due 5:00 p.m. (Central Time) on February 12, 2010

The Northern Pulse Growers Association is seeking proposals for dry pea, lentil, chickpea or lupin research. The Northern Pulse Growers Association currently has \$160,000 to distribute towards research projects.

For your assistance in proposal preparation, accompanying this document are the Northern Pulse Growers Association Research Priorities.

Send proposals by February 12, 2010 to:

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If you have any questions regarding this process, please contact Shannon at 701-222-0128 or berndt@northernpulse.com.

REQUIRED FORMS and FORMAT:

❖ **Required Proposal Outline Format**

1. **Length and format:** 6 page maximum, font type Times New Roman, font size 12, one inch margins.
2. **Project Title:** Project title should be brief and indicate what the project is about.
3. **Personnel:** List the project leader(s), collaborators, and support personnel assigned to the project and identify their university and/or agency affiliation.
4. **Address:** List the **lead** principal investigator address, phone number, and email address.
5. **Abstract of the Proposed Research Project/Scope of Work:** In text, not to exceed 1600 characters, provide a concise abstract/summary of the proposed research project.
6. **Justification and Statement of the Problem:** Include a short statement of the problem, its magnitude, the status of current research knowledge, and the anticipated benefits/impacts of the proposed work to industry and/or end-users.
7. **Hypothesis and Research Objectives:** State the hypothesis to be tested in the project and state specific objectives of the proposed study. The concise objectives should be numbered and listed in order of importance.
8. **Research Procedures (including cooperative efforts):** Include research methodology, expected results, beneficial impacts and how results will be disseminated.
9. **Duration:** Give the expected duration of the project. Multi-year projects are generally funded for one fiscal year at a time. Continued funding beyond the initial year is dependent upon adequate progress and subsequent yearly funding.
10. **Technology Transfer/Implementation Plan:** Provide a statement concerning how the research findings will be transferred to users and implemented.
11. **Budget:** Provide a budget that identifies the costs associated with the research project. The NPGA will not allow charges of indirect institutional costs within the budget.
12. **Final Report:** If you are granted funding you will be required to provide the NPGA Research committee a full report following the completion of your project. The report should contain a full report and summary of the results of your project and future research needed as a result of your project completion.