

Egg Industry Center

2018 Research Request For Pre-proposals



The scientific needs for the egg industry are growing and innovations are needed to navigate the cage-free trend and provide sustainably produced, safe and affordable eggs.

The Egg Industry Center's 2018 Request for Proposal (RFP) is focusing on research that can add to the current body of knowledge in any area included on the EIC Research Priorities list. Specific areas of interest this year include:

- 1) **Sustainability**
- 2) **Precision flock management**
- 3) **Effective sanitation management**

Pre-proposal Content (Maximum of 2 pages, 12 Times New Roman font)

- A descriptive title of the project
- Name of the Principal Investigator (PI)
- PI's affiliation, full mailing address, phone number, and e-mail
- Any co-investigators and their affiliations
- Estimated project timeframe (begin date and end date)
- Total funds requested (*Note: EIC does not fund indirect or overhead cost*)
- Statement of the issue
 - Clear statement of the current issue and/or research questions the project will address
- Project objectives
 - Clear, concise, and complete statement of the specific project objectives
- Methodology
 - Concise description of how the data will be collected, analyzed, and interpreted
- Expected outcomes and stakeholder value statement
 - Clear description of the expected results and their value to the egg industry and consumers
- Statement regarding any secured or plans for matching funds

Submission, Deadline, Evaluation and Contact

Pre-proposals must be received by December 15, 2018. Submit pre-proposal electronically (Word document preferred for the purpose of evaluation compilation) to: Lesa Vold lvold@iastate.edu

Pre-proposals will be evaluated for research relevance to industry, scientific merit, and potential impact. Research team qualifications will be reviewed as well as appropriateness of timeline and proposed budget. Final decisions for funding will rest with the EIC Board of Directors.

Invitation for full proposals will be made by mid-Jan 2019, with a due date of mid-February 2019. Anticipated project start dates should be August 2019.

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