

Crop Year 2024 Wheat Request for Research Pre-Proposal Due by 4:00 p.m. Friday, November 17th, 2023

Dear Researchers,

The Minnesota Wheat Research and Promotion Council will once again accept research proposals that aim to improve the productivity of wheat production in Minnesota and the region by increasing yields, lowering input costs, or increasing the value of wheat we produce. Attached is a list of research areas the Committee would be interested in funding.

The deadline to submit a pre-proposal is 4:00 p.m. on Friday, November 17, 2023.

This year, the Minnesota Wheat Research and Promotion Council (MWRPC) will have up to approximately~\$250,000 to fund proposal requests for the Crop Year 2024 funding cycle. Projects may be funded for up to three years, beginning January 1st and ending December 31st of the calendar year. Contracts are typically not fully executed until February-March of the grant award year, however Pl's may back-charge any expenses incurred for the project beginning January 1st of the award year.

Each PI will be given 10-15 minutes to present their pre-proposal virtually or in-person to the research committee on the afternoon of December 13th, 2023, in Grand Forks at MN Wheat's Prairie Grains Conference.

If funded, one half of the awarded research funds will be deposited by July of the current grant award year, and the second half will be deposited upon the submission of the annual research report and a report of expenditures due November 1st each year of the grant award. The annual research report will be due to mcarlson@mnheat.com AND Beth@agmgmtsolutions.com by 12:00pm on November 1st, and will be published in MN Wheat's annual Wheat Research Review and reporting booklet that will be disseminated to area farmers and industry workers by MN Wheat and University of MN Extension during winter educational meetings.

Attached is the pre-proposal form, our current list of research priorities, and the Crop Year 2024 research timeline. These forms can also be downloaded at https://mnwheat.org/council/requestforproposals/

We encourage coordination between small plot research and large scale on-farm research wherever coordination may enhance or accelerate the research and education outcomes.

If you would like additional guidance or grower feedback, we can arrange for a few of our growers to meet with you prior to the pre-proposal deadline to discuss and provide their feedback on your pre-proposal ideas. The outcome of this could be a more refined pre-proposal through grower input.

If you have questions or you would like us to line up a conference call with a few of our growers, please call Melissa Carlson at 952-738-2000 or email mcarlson@mnwheat.com.

We look forward to receiving your research project proposal(s).

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