

Beef Farmers of Ontario Call for Proposals

Sponsor

Beef Farmers of Ontario (BFO)

Description

The overarching goal of the BFO Beef Research Program is to increase the development, adaptation, assessment, and easy adoption of on-farm technologies that help beef producers respond to changing demands, and to quantify and investigate emerging issues of importance to the Ontario and broader Canadian beef industry. The BFO Research Committee recently considered both opportunities and problems facing the industry as well as current BFO, OMAFRA and BCRC research priorities. While BFO is open to all ideas, and encourage creativity and out-of-the-box thinking, the committee did identify the following topics, listed in no particular order, as being of particular interest:

1. Animal health and welfare
2. Antimicrobial use, resistance and alternatives
3. Food safety
4. Forages
5. Environmental sustainability
6. Other:
 - a. Feed efficiency
 - b. Beef quality
 - c. Technologies that accurately measure carcass traits of interest
 - d. 360-degree analysis of plant based versus livestock based protein
 - e. Producing dairy cross calves that meet market needs

As part of the review process, BFO will be looking for several key factors:

- Does the proposed project address a current problem or opportunity facing the Ontario beef industry?
- Is the work likely to leverage additional dollars from other sources?
- Is there opportunity to bring other livestock sectors into the project? Cross-organizational, cross-institutional, and cross-sector collaboration is encouraged.
- Does the proposal include a strong communications plan and, where possible, an economic analysis?

Indirect Costs

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Deadlines

If College-level review is required, your College will communicate its earlier internal deadlines.

Type	Date	Notes
Internal Deadline	Monday, November 25, 2019 - 4:30pm	Letters of Intent due for internal review require a signed OR5 form
External Deadline	Monday, December 2, 2019 - 4:30pm	Letters of Intent Selected projects invited for full proposal: week of December 15, 2019
Internal Deadline	Monday, January 27, 2020 - 4:30pm	Full proposal due for review
External Deadline	Monday, February 3, 2020 - 4:30pm	Full proposal BFO Research Committee and Technical Review process: February, 2020 Presentations to BFO Research Committee: early March, 2020 BFO Board of Directors approval: mid-March, 2020 Funding agreements signed: end of March, 2020

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How to Apply

Process: Letters of intent should be completed electronically through the Livestock Research and Innovation Corporation's website: lric.smartsimple.ca [1].

Letters of intent include a budget a must be submitted internally for review to the Office of Research

Following review of LOIs, selected initiatives will be asked for a full proposal.

Please note that projects must be completed by December 31, 2022.

For Questions, please contact

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