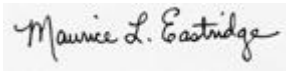


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DATE: October 5, 2015  
TO: Faculty and Staff, The Ohio State University  
FROM: Dr. Maurice Eastridge   
RE: Call for Research and Extension Proposals to the Ohio Dairy Research Fund

Dairy producers in Ohio voluntarily contribute 0.1% of their gross milk sales to the Ohio Dairy Research Fund. The Ohio Dairy Research Fund Committee consists of dairy farmers appointed to the Committee by the Ohio Dairy Producers organization. The mission of the Ohio Dairy Research Fund Committee is to make the best possible use of the funds to enhance the strength and profitability of the dairy industry in Ohio. Research projects and Extension programs submitted for funding will be evaluated based on: 1) importance to the dairy industry, 2) chances of significant results occurring in a reasonable period of time, and 3) cost-to-benefit ratio.

*The Ohio Dairy Research Fund Committee is hereby requesting proposals to be submitted for the 2016 funding year. Projects aimed at addressing any of the key issues facing the dairy industry are encouraged for submission.*

Proposals should be written in a clear, brief (maximum 2 to 3 pages plus cover letter) and concise manner so as to be easily interpreted by the Committee. The benefit of the project to the dairy industry should be clearly stated in layman's terms. The budget request should be definite, and if partial funding is available or the project can be jointly funded, it should be noted in the proposal. The outline for the proposal should be: title, investigator/department, probable duration, justification, objectives, procedures, budget, and the names of at least two colleagues who have reviewed the proposed work and provided suggestions to you. It will be assumed that relevant suggestions were addressed in the proposal prior to submission.

Those individuals submitting proposals will be asked to make a 10 to 15-minute presentation at the Committee's meeting when selections of proposals to be funded will be made. The Committee will be meeting in December (date and time TBA) at the Ohio Dairy Producers Association conference room at 5950 Sharon Woods Blvd. in Columbus. Those submitting proposals will be contacted about the time to meet with the Committee.

**Proposals are due by Friday, November 20, 2015 to Maurice Eastridge by being sent to the campus address provided or by electronic mail.**

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