& VEGE GROWERS' ASSOCIATION

Request for Research and Service Proposals

The Niagara Peninsula Fruit & Vegetable Growers' Association invites submissions of research or service proposals commencing in 2020. Projects are to benefit the grape, fruit and vegetable industries in Niagara and may be single or multi-year in length.

Particulars:

- Single-year projects will require a written summary due December 31st, 2020. If the project is approved for funding support greater than \$5,000 from NPF & VGA, 15% of the total funds will be withheld until the final report is received.
- Multi-year projects will be reviewed annually via summary report due November 30th of each year. If the project is approved for funding support greater than \$5,000 from NPF & VGA, 15% of each invoice will be withheld yearly and will be released after the final report is received (due November 30th in the final project year).
- Oral presentations for both single and multi year projects may be requested by the directors of the NPF & VGA.
- The budget for 2020 is set at \$ 35,000 and will be disbursed as required to fund all apporved projects. For this reason, funding support from NPF & VGA is generally used as seed money for other grants. All approved projects are contingent on applicant(s) receiving matching funding, if required, and submitting proof thereof.

A "Summary of Project and Goals outline" is attached, along with a fillable application form. The total proposal should not exceed 7 pages including the Summary. Please send completed applications electronically to npfvga+research@gmail.com. The deadline for submission is 5:00 p.m. Monday, December 2nd, 2019. Late proposals will not be accepted. Requests will be reviewed and all applicants notified of their funding status in early February, 2020.

Sincerely,

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