

2015 OAP PrePlan Solicitation and Fund Management

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Objectives

- 1) Develop and evaluate water management strategies and technologies that could reduce water withdrawals for irrigation by 20% in 2020 compared to 2012.
- 2) Develop and evaluate management strategies and technologies that would increase the productivity and profitability of dryland cropping systems.
- 3) Improve the understanding of hydrological and climatic factors that affects water use and economic profitability.
- 4) Determine the impacts of alternative water withdrawal/use policies on the economic viability.

Project Plan's 7 sections

- 1) Title- Relationship to water conservation,
- 2) Investigator(s) and their institutional affiliation
- 3) Summary/abstract
- 4) Project narrative
- 5) Relevant publications
- 6) Resources and Budget.
- 7) Literature Cited / References

Project Narrative

4a) Objective: How the results will help to achieve the objective.

4b) Rationale/Literature Review/ Conceptual framework identifies knowledge gaps; and /or theoretical analysis of the problem

4c) How the objective will be met

4d) Expected outcomes including publications, economic assessments and technology transfer activities.

Submissions Review

- Excel Budget Sheet
 - One worksheet / scientist; Submit an excel
 - Reviewed by university's pre-award office
- Submission date: May 15, 2015
- Review process
 - Favors multi-agency and multi-disciplinary projects

Fund Management

- Pre 2015 Projects
 - Funds must be spent by August 31, 2017
- 2015 Projects
 - Funds must be spent by December 31, 2018
 - Spend some funds every year

Output from Today

- Minimum:
 - Title(s) of potential project