

Sponsor/Title: US Department of Agriculture National Institute of Food and Agriculture (USDA NIFA) - Open Data Framework

External Link: <https://grants.gov/search-results-detail/360043>

Funding Opportunity Number: USDA-NIFA-OTHER-011816

Submission Limitation per Institution: One (1)

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Internal Expression of Interest Deadline: 2026-05-12

Sponsor Application Deadline: 2026-06-26

Purpose: Is to build frameworks to create neutral and secure data repositories and cooperatives where producers, universities and nonprofit entities can store and share data in ways that will foster agricultural innovation, support technological progress, profitability, and increase production efficiencies. The program prioritizes frameworks that address farm and ranch profitability, new markets and uses for agricultural products, invasive species, soil health to regenerate long-term productivity, or improving human health through precision nutrient and food quality.

Internal Application Requirements: Upload the following information to the Google Form at <https://forms.gle/yVdbyk6VBpH3h7af6> by the internal deadline:

- Name of the Principal Investigator (PI)
- Project Title
- All ND Collaborators:
 - For each ND Collaborator listed, include name, department or unit, and specific role for this project in three sentences (maximum).
- Project Summary: Three (3) pages (maximum) addressing the following Evaluation Criteria as outlined on pages 15-16 in the NOFO.
 - Scientific Merit of the Application
 - Project Relevance
 - Data Management Plan

Questions: Contact Notre Dame Research Limited Submissions at limited@nd.edu.

Unless otherwise noted, all internal applications are due by 11:59 PM Eastern Daylight Time on the internal expression of interest deadline.

Internal applications submitted after the deadline will not be accepted.