

FVI 2026

New York Farm Viability Institute

Overview, Eligibility, Requirements and Technical Notes

Overview

This RFP is for the Farm Viability Institute (FVI) grant program. This is the second round of the FVI program to be conducted on the new online platform, following the initial launch of last year's RFP.

The research and education grant program is the foundation of the New York Farm Viability Institute (NYFVI); the work it solicits and funds is how the organization's mission-- to create and share knowledge to improve the economic viability of NY's farms-- is operationalized.

Agriculture is constantly changing and NYFVI believes it is critical for farmers to have the sound science and effective educational outreach they need to help them evolve their practices. Competitive proposals require clear relevance to NY's agricultural community, demonstrated producer support, and the ability to deliver-farm-level economic impact over time.

This RFP is aligned with NYFVI's five strategic priorities which are used as the RFP's outcomes:

1. Improve Individual Farm's Operating Practices
2. Foster Industry Innovation
3. Incubate New Ideas
4. Improve Routes to Market and Marketing Practices
5. Develop Human Capital

The RFP integrates these outcomes into the application and requires applicants to identify indicators and establish specific performance targets for their work. More information about the FVI outcomes and indicators may be found [here](#).

While all outcomes are important, the NYFVI board is particularly interested in proposals that accelerate practice adoption. Ideas include, but are not limited to:

- Demonstrating the value of new technology and tools. How will your work show farmers which new tools or practices are most valuable, and in which situations?
- Increasing the use of data-based decision-making on farms.
- Projects that show farmers the economic value of practices for their business.

If after reading the full RFP you have questions about these outcomes, please email Brooke Johnston, the FVI Grant Coordinator at bjohnston@nyfvi.org

Eligibility

As long as the applicant seeks to create and share knowledge to benefit NY farmers, and their organization is able to effectively manage the financial requirements of the project, they are eligible to apply. Typically, this would include technical assistance providers, researchers and educators from academic organizations, ag membership groups, and businesses. Applicants may represent nonprofit or for-profit organizations. All organizations must be willing to share all findings associated with a project's work.

NYFVI encourages individuals with ideas to partner with existing organizations to ensure project viability and execution.

Program Requirements

Grant size: Proposals between \$15,000 to \$125,000 will be accepted.

Timeframe and Duration: Funded projects must begin between April 1, 2026 and January 1, 2027. Projects must last at least two quarters (six months) and may last no more than eight quarters (two years).

Location: Work must take place in New York State, and outcomes must benefit the State's agriculture community.

Payment and Reporting schedule: Projects must submit quarterly progress reports and reimbursement requests. Payments are made only after a quarterly progress report and reimbursement claim (with required backup documentation) are submitted and approved by NYFVI, and funds are received from NYS. A final report is due within 60 days of project completion. 10% of the total project budget will be withheld until the final report is completed and approved.

Measurement: All projects must measure and report on the outcomes and indicators associated with their project.

Funding Source Acknowledgement: All projects must acknowledge NYFVI as the funder, or partial funder, for their work in all online information, printed material, and presentations.

Eligible Costs: Cost categories are defined in the Budget section. If an expense does not fit into one of the budget categories, the project applicant should seek guidance from NYFVI.

Key Dates, Webinars

Applicants are encouraged to use these links: [Webinar 1](#) or [Webinar 2](#) to register for one of the Program Overview Webinars (90 min).

RFP Opens	Wednesday, September 3, 2025
Program Overview Webinar 1	Wednesday, September 17, 12:00 pm

Program Overview Webinar 2	Thursday, September 25, 9:00 am
RFP Closes	11:59 pm, Friday, October 24, 2025
Staff comments on proposals to applicants	Monday, November 3, 2025
Proposals resubmitted	Monday November 17, 2025
Review process	December 1 - January 21, 2026
Proposals Identified for funding	Friday, February 13, 2026
Anticipated completion date for project contracts	Monday, March 16, 2026
Projects may start	Wednesday, April 1, 2026

Online Platform Technical Tips

The following information provides an overview of the application format and the tools used within the platform.

Collaboration Tools: If you would like to collaborate on this request with other individuals, you may use the blue "Collaborate" button in the top-right corner of the page. Type in their email address and a brief message inviting them to edit the application. [Click here for Collaborator troubleshooting.](#)

Branching Questions: The RFP uses branching questions to help reduce the number of fields that are visible to applicants and reviewers. Based on your answers, the system will bring up the appropriate section for completion. Instructions will indicate if a question is creating branching.

Character Counts: This system uses character counts to communicate the space available in each section. The character limit includes spaces. It may be helpful to consider the character limit in relation to a word or page count.

The estimates below are based on a rough average of six characters per word.

10,000 characters = 1,600 words or 3.5 pages single-spaced

7,000 characters = 1,200 words or 2.5 pages single-spaced

5,000 characters = 800 words or 1.5 pages single-spaced

3,500 characters = 575 words or 1 page single-spaced

1,500 characters = 250 words or .5 page single-spaced

500 characters = 80 words

250 characters = 40 words

If an applicant believes more space is needed in any section, please reach out to NYFVI.

Feedback: We would also appreciate your feedback on the platform and application.

Review Process and Scoring Criteria

Review Process

Each proposal will be read by three groups: NYFVI staff, Farmer Review Panels and the NYFVI Board.

NYFVI Staff Review

The goals of the staff review are: 1) Ensure that the proposal meets all technical requirements. 2) Help applicants improve their proposal before further evaluation. After receiving NYFVI staff comments, applicants will determine which, if any of the comments they choose to address in a revised proposal.

Farmer Review Panels

The information provided in the Target Beneficiaries section will help NYFVI determine which of the standing Farmer Review panels should evaluate the proposals. If the proposal seeks to support ag enterprises not represented by the standing panels, NYFVI will recruit reviewers to ensure that it is appropriately evaluated. All reviewers read and score the projects independently online, then meet virtually to discuss the proposals and establish the group ranking.

Board Review

The NYFVI board reviews all proposals independently, as well as the review panel scores, comments and recommendations. The board meets to discuss the work and makes final funding decisions.

Characteristics of a Competitive Proposal

Understanding NY farmers' needs is the first step to a successful proposal. The farmers on the NYFVI board and review panels have consistently been open to supporting new approaches to solving problems, however, the key to a competitive proposal is not necessarily the approach--rather the problem it will solve or the opportunity it will create.

If your idea is not aligned with critical needs, it will be important to clearly explain why the work is necessary and how it will support the business interests of New York's farmers.

Scoring Criteria

The table below provides the maximum point value for each section and highlights the questions that reviewers will consider:

Points	Proposal Section
	Project Purpose and Justification—Strategic Intent (30 possible points)
	Does the proposal demonstrate that the problem (or opportunity) and its solution
10	Is important to NY farmers?
5	Is aligned with the direction of the marketplace (consumer and regulatory)?

10	Seeks to build a cost-effective solution?
5	Is it likely to be adopted by the ag community?
Beneficiaries: Market Analysis (10 possible points)	
10	Does the description of the target beneficiary show that the project leader understands the stakeholders, potential scale, and therefore value, of the work proposed?
Project Network and Industry Support—People (20 possible points)	
5	Has the project leader structured a team for success?
10	Are NY farmers engaged in this proposal?
5	<i>I personally believe</i> this work is important for NYS to support
Workplan—Technical Excellence (25 possible points)	
10	Is the project well organized and easy to understand?
5	Is the scientific approach credible and the indicators realistic?
5	Does the workplan include appropriate evaluation of the target indicators?
5	Does the workplan include effective outreach to share information?
Budget—Value Proposition (15 possible points)	
15	Is the dollar investment appropriate for the potential benefit of the work?

Project Title and Dates

Project Name*

Create a title for the project. Generally, a title that is brief but descriptive of the project and its goals works best.

It is helpful to reference the agricultural commodity in the title.

Character Limit: 100

Start Date*

Provide the start and end date for your project. Funded projects may begin as early as April 1, 2026 and must begin no later than January 1, 2027. All projects must complete within 24 months of their start date.

Character Limit: 10

End Date*

Character Limit: 10

Organizational Tracking Number

If your organization uses a number system for proposals, and you would like that number associated with the proposal please provide that information. If your organization does not use a numbering system, please enter NA.

Note: Per an agreement with Cornell University, NYFVI will not review Cornell applications unless an OSP number is provided.

Character Limit: 25

NYFVI Number

Character Limit: 10

Abstract

Abstract*

A clear and concise abstract will engage reviewers and build confidence in the project. It should include: the need for the work, a brief description of the project that highlights farmer participation and anticipated results. Major project partners and outreach may also be part of the abstract. NYFVI staff will use the abstract to create a narrative for each funded project. Examples may be found [here](#).

Character Limit: 750

Agricultural Production Sector and Target Beneficiaries

Agricultural Production Sector*

Answers to these questions will help determine the farmers who will review your proposal. Typically, reviewers are more enthusiastic about proposals which are clearly and directly aligned with their farm's interests--so consider choices carefully and ensure that your proposal's outcomes and indicators are aligned with your selections as well.

Choices

- Apples and other tree fruit (cider)
- Apples and other tree fruit (non-cider)
- Aquaculture
- Berries
- Christmas Trees
- Culinary and/or medicinal herbs
- Dairy, Cow focused
- Dairy, Feed focused
- Dairy, Milk focused
- Dairy, Other
- Field crops, corn and soybean, not focused on dairy
- Field crops, legumes
- Field crops, small grains
- Grapes
- Green Industry – Nursery and Landscape plants
- Hemp
- Hops
- Livestock

Maple Syrup
 Pollinators - Honey
 Sod
 Tree Fruit, non-Apple
 Vegetables or Fruit--Controlled Environment Agriculture crop
 Vegetables or Fruit--High tunnel Specialty crop
 Vegetables--Field grown
 Other, crop specific

Agricultural commodity, other

If you selected "other", please name the crop your proposal will support.

Character Limit: 50

Production Systems*

This work will benefit:

Choices

Organic production only
 Conventional production only
 Both organic and conventional production

Market*

This work will primarily benefit:

Choices

Agritourism and U-pick operations
 Direct market producers
 Wholesale fresh market producers
 Wholesale processing producers (raw ingredients)

Target Beneficiaries*

Use specifics to describe the ag production sector that will benefit from this work. Demonstrate a thorough understanding of the scale of the commodity in NYS, where it is produced, the size of the farms, and the types of production systems used. If you are proposing the development of a new crop, discuss the types of farm operations that would be most likely to benefit from producing it.

Character Limit: 1500

Project Network

The project network may include producers, collaborators and staff from the applicant organization. Please review each description carefully and add complete information for each individual. It is anticipated that each category will have at least one person named. If that is not the case for your project, please write "none" in the first row under the "Last name/First name" column of the corresponding table.

Producers: Include any producer who is, or will be actively engaged with the project team on this project. Please provide ALL information for each individual. If you cannot provide an email address, please provide a phone number. Do not include more than one individual from each farm business. Only growers/producers should be included in this table.

Use the drop-down menu to select the role each individual will have on the project:

- **Proposal Development:** The individual has actively contributed to the development of the proposal.
- **Advisory Committee:** The project will have an ongoing advisory committee that will review results and stay engaged throughout the project.
- **Project implementation partner:** These individuals are hosting or conducting research trials, supporting outreach and/or evaluation.

Collaborators: Provide the name and contact information for all other individuals from **outside** of your organization who will be supporting the project. These may include extension educators, consultants, researchers, partners from other organizations and agribusiness professionals. While all participants and collaborators should be listed, any non-staff role that will be financially supported by the grant must be included.

Use the drop-down menu to indicate how the individual is participating.

- Project co-lead
- Project advisory committee,
- Project implementation partner: such as conducting research trials, results analysis, supporting outreach and/or evaluation.

Project Lead and Staff: Provide the name and contact information for all individuals employed by the lead organization who will be supporting the project in this table. This should include any role that will be financially supported by the project.

Begin with the project lead, provide titles for each. If a role is currently vacant, indicate that in the last name/first name column.

Tip: You can provide others in your network access to this proposal by clicking the collaboration button in the upper right-hand corner.

Producers

Last Name, First Name	Farm Name, Town	County	Email	Role

Collaborators

Last Name, First Name	Organization	Role	Email

Project Lead and Staff

Last Name, First Name	Title	Email

Project Administrative Contact Name*

Please provide the name of the individual who will be supporting the reimbursement process at your organization.

Character Limit: 50

Project Administrative Contact Email*

Please provide the email address of the individual who will be supporting the reimbursement process at your organization.

Character Limit: 254

Industry Support for Project

Industry Support for Project*

The goal of this section is to help reviewers better understand the breadth and depth of the ag community's interest in this topic, and support for this project. Use this section to share how the applicant became aware of this need or opportunity, including recaps of conversations the applicant has had with stakeholders. Be sure to include why the applicant believes the community feels this work is necessary.

If an organization has expressed formal support for the project, that may be referenced here. Formal letters of support are not necessary.

Character Limit: 3500

Project Purpose and Justification, Outcomes

Project Purpose and Justification*

The goal of this section is to help the reviewers better understand the problem the proposal will address, or the opportunity it will create for NY farmers.

Concisely describe the benefits of the potential solution to be developed, or practice change to be adopted. Provide a rationale as to why NY growers will prefer the potential solution over other approaches to solving the problem. Be sure to clearly indicate how the work will improve

the economic viability of NY farms over time if the project's premise proves to be accurate.

If the proposal includes driving adoption of a practice, provide information that demonstrates an understanding of NY farmer's attitudes, beliefs, and operational constraints specific to the status quo.

All proposals should include a synopsis of current practices, previous research, and outreach efforts. It should focus on the level of applicability, awareness, or comprehension of earlier work within New York State. Detail how your proposed project builds on existing knowledge or previous efforts.

Character Limit: 4000

Optional Images

If images (specifically charts or photos) would help to explain your project's purpose, they may be added here. Provide a caption in the text box and clearly name the file. Only one file may be uploaded, and it must be a PDF. Please label it clearly.

File Size Limit: 5 MB

Outcomes Selection*

Select the primary outcome that the project seeks to achieve. Applicants are encouraged to review [this document](#) closely to determine which outcome and indicator best reflect the goals of their work.

As you're making a selection, keep in mind the following:

- Each outcome is associated with measurable indicators.
- Proposals must provide specific numerical target values for any indicator that will be used to measure the impact of the work.
- All activity in a proposal must be associated with achieving an indicator
- All proposals are expected to conduct outreach.
- If a proposal is funded it will be required to measure and report on each indicator selected.

This is a branching question. The selection you make below will allow the system to tailor specific sections of the application.

Choices

Improve Individual Farm's Operating Practices

Foster Industry Innovation

Incubate New Ideas

Improve Routes to Market and Marketing Practices

Develop Human Capital

Indicator Selection, Outcome 1: Improving Individual Farm's Operations

Outcome 1 Indicators*

This proposal will establish targets and measure the following indicators (select all that apply). It is required that you integrate targets for the indicators selected into your SMART goal in the next section.

Choices

Documented cost savings from adoption of recommended practices
Documented revenue increase from adoption of recommended practices
Number of producers that adopt recommended practices
Number of producers reporting an intent to adopt recommended practices
Number of producers that gain knowledge about recommended practices

Indicator Selection, Outcome 2: Fostering Industry-Wide Innovation

Outcome 2 Indicators*

This proposal will establish targets and measure the following indicators (select all that apply). It is required that you integrate targets for the indicators selected into your SMART goal in the next section.

Choices

Development of new science-based practice recommendations specific to NY farms
Model financial costs and benefit of the practice recommendation
Documented cost savings from adoption of recommended practices
Documented revenue increase from adoption of recommended practices
Number of producers that adopt recommended practices
Number of producers reporting an intent to adopt recommended practices
Number of producers that gain knowledge about recommended practices

Indicator Selection, Outcome 3: Incubating New Ideas

Outcome 3 Indicators*

This proposal will establish targets and measure the following indicators (select all that apply). It is required that you integrate targets for the indicators selected into your SMART goal in the next section.

Choices

Establishment of science-based conclusions that can provide a strong basis for future solutions.
Preliminary understanding of the potential financial costs and benefits of the practice
Number of producers validating feasibility, scalability, and potential acceptance of the approach.

Indicator Selection, Outcome 4: Improving Routes to Market and Marketing Practices

Outcome 4 Indicators*

This proposal will establish targets and measure the following indicators (select all that apply). It is required that you integrate targets for the indicators selected into your SMART goal in the next section.

Choices

Documented cost savings from adoption of recommended practices
 Documented revenue increase from adoption of recommended practices
 Number of producers that adopt recommended practices
 Number of producers reporting an intent to adopt recommended practices or opportunity
 Number of producers that gain knowledge about recommended practices or opportunity
 Increase in brand recognition, awareness and perception, without economic measurement
 Increase in customer engagement-website traffic, social media interaction, etc.
 Number of partnerships established between producers, distributors, and others

Indicator Selection, Outcome 5: Developing Human Capital

Outcome 5 Indicators*

This proposal will establish targets and measure the following indicators (select all that apply). It is required that you integrate targets for the indicators selected into your SMART goal in the next section.

Choices

Creation of new educational tools that will create value for producers
 Establishment of a strong curriculum with demonstrated value to producers.
 Documented cost savings from adoption of recommended practices
 Documented revenue increase from adoption of recommended practices
 Number of producers who successfully implement the approach or use the tools.
 Number of producers reporting an intent to adopt recommended practices or opportunity
 Number of producers that gain knowledge about recommended practices or opportunity

Workplan Instructions, Materials and Methods

The workplan for this application must include at least one SMART goal **that incorporates numerical targets for the indicators selected**. Each goal will have corresponding objectives and their completion dates, and descriptions of the activities that the team will undertake in pursuit of those objectives. Collectively these items should provide reviewers a clear understanding of how the activities of a project will be structured, implemented, tracked and evaluated.

If you are proposing a research project, you are strongly encouraged to provide a **Materials and Methods** document. This will allow you to provide additional information and images that will

help answer any questions that reviewers may have.

Please read the description of each component closely to ensure that your proposal correctly uses this structure. Questions can be emailed to Brooke Johnston at bjohnston@nyfvi.org.

SMART goal(s):

SMART stands for Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Relevant and Time-Bound. For purposes of this application, the indicators selected previously are how you will incorporate measurement into your project. By establishing numerical targets for the indicators, you have met both the specific and measurable criteria for your goal.

Some projects are well organized with just a single SMART goal, while others find it helpful to use an additional goal to reflect the functional stages of their project. Please note that you can only select a **maximum of two SMART goals**. The example below is for a project that is focused on driving adoption of a practice, not the research that may have developed or refined the practice. Whether you choose to use one goal, or multiple goals, *it is critical to include numerical targets for all the indicators selected previously*.

Example: By the conclusion of this project, 50 growers will learn about new scouting guidance for integrated pest management of onion thrips. 30 growers will be trained in the practice, and 15 growers will adopt this practice with an estimated cost savings of \$X per acre per season.

Objectives: Project objectives provide an understanding of the components of your project and how the work will be structured. Each objective should be written as a single sentence that establishes a verifiable milestone to understand the steps the project will take to achieve its SMART goals. Applicants are strongly encouraged to have objectives specific to outreach and evaluation. The application will support up to ten objectives per goal.

Activities: For each objective, describe the actions that will be taken to complete it. Be sure to make it clear who will be performing the activity described.

Dates: Establish the completion date for each objective. It is expected that the dates will reflect the project's progress as it moves to completion. They should NOT simply be the project's end date. It is acceptable to repeat objectives to illustrate where activities, such as research will be repeated in multiple years.

Materials and Methods

If you are providing a Materials and Methods document, please upload a single PDF file. Research projects are strongly encouraged to include a methodology section.

File Size Limit: 10 MB

Branching Question: SMART Goals*

This is a branching question, responding yes will tailor the application to your needs.

Do you have more than one SMART goal?

Choices

Yes

No

Workplan Smart Goal 1, Objectives and Activities

All instructions for this section are included above in the Workplan Instructions.

SMART Goal 1*

Character Limit: 1500

Smart Goal 1: Objective 1*

Character Limit: 250

SMART Goal 1: Objective 1 Activities*

Character Limit: 1500

SMART Goal 1: Objective 1 Completion Date*

Character Limit: 10

SMART Goal 1: Objective 2*

Character Limit: 250

SMART Goal 1: Objective 2 Activities*

Character Limit: 1500

SMART Goal 1: Objective 2 Completion Date*

Character Limit: 10

SMART Goal 1: Objective 3*

Character Limit: 250

SMART Goal 1: Objective 3 Activities*

Character Limit: 1500

SMART Goal 1: Objective 3 Completion Date

Character Limit: 10

SMART Goal 1: Objective 4*

Character Limit: 250

SMART Goal 1: Objective 4 Activities**Character Limit: 1500***SMART Goal 1: Objective 4 Completion Date***Character Limit: 10***SMART Goal 1: Objective 5****Character Limit: 250***SMART Goal 1: Objective 5 Activities****Character Limit: 1500***SMART Goal 1: Objective 5 Completion Date***Character Limit: 10***Branching Question: Additional objectives***

Do you have additional objectives for SMART Goal 1?

Choices

Yes

No

Workplan SMART Goal 1: Additional Objectives

SMART Goal 1: Objective 6*Character Limit: 250***SMART Goal 1: Objective 6 Activities***Character Limit: 1500***SMART Goal 1: Objective 6 Completion Date***Character Limit: 10***SMART Goal 1: Objective 7***Character Limit: 250***SMART Goal 1: Objective 7 Activities***Character Limit: 1500***SMART Goal 1: Objective 7 Completion Date***Character Limit: 10***SMART Goal 1: Objective 8***Character Limit: 250*

SMART Goal 1: Objective 8 Activities

Character Limit: 1500

SMART Goal 1: Objective 8 Completion Date

Character Limit: 10

Workplan SMART Goal 2, Objectives and Activities

Please note: Applicants are limited to selecting a maximum of two SMART goals, which is why no additional options past SMART goal 2 are available.

SMART Goal 2*

Character Limit: 1500

SMART Goal 2: Objective 1*

Character Limit: 250

SMART Goal 2: Objective 1 Activities*

Character Limit: 1500

SMART Goal 2: Objective 1 Completion Date*

Character Limit: 10

SMART Goal 2: Objective 2

Character Limit: 250

SMART Goal 2: Objective 2 Activities

Character Limit: 1500

SMART Goal 2: Objective 2 Completion Date

Character Limit: 10

SMART Goal 2: Objective 3

Character Limit: 250

SMART Goal 2: Objective 3 Activities

Character Limit: 1500

SMART Goal 2: Objective 3 Completion Date

Character Limit: 10

SMART Goal 2: Objective 3

Character Limit: 250

SMART Goal 2: Objective 3 Activities

Character Limit: 1500

SMART Goal 2: Objective 3 Completion Date

Character Limit: 10

SMART Goal 2: Objective 4

Character Limit: 250

SMART Goal 2: Objective 4 Activities

Character Limit: 1500

SMART Goal 2: Objective 4 Completion Date

Character Limit: 10

SMART Goal 2: Objective 5

Character Limit: 250

SMART Goal 2: Objective 5 Activities

Character Limit: 1500

SMART Goal 2: Objective 5 Completion Date

Character Limit: 10

Project Budget

This RFP requires that an overall budget, as well as detailed budgets for each line item in the Budget Summary table below, be provided using the **excel template** linked [here](#). After completing the excel workbook, the totals from the budget summary sheet should then be **entered in the table below**. Please read the [description for each category](#) and plan your budget carefully.

It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that all numbers and descriptions are consistent between the detailed worksheet and the summary sheet. Please also double-check that the totals on your application's summary budget match those in the Excel worksheet. While many costs may be eligible under the FVI program, any planned expenditures that are not clearly linked to your project in both the application and budget template will not be reimbursed.

A top-level narrative summary is also required, please read those instructions carefully.

Review panels will only see the information provided in the Budget and Narrative Summaries, so it is essential for the workplan to clearly outline the project to ensure a full understanding of the breadth of the proposal.

Note: If a proposal is selected for funding, the application and its budget become part of the contract and all expenses submitted for reimbursement must be clearly included in the budget.

Required budget document*

Please develop your budget using the excel workbook that may be downloaded [here](#). Once you are finished, name the file with the project leader's last name, first name and upload it here. **The file must be provided as an excel document.**

File Size Limit: 10 MB

Summary Budget

Line Item	Total
Salary & Wages	
Compensation Graduate & Sabbatical	
Employee Benefits	
Capital Equipment & Fabrication	
Travel NYS (all project travel costs)	
Materials & Supplies	
Services & Lab Fees	
Subcontracts (that DO NOT include indirect cost)	
Conferences (hosting costs for outreach events)	
Other	

Indirect Cost	
Subcontracts (that DO include indirect cost)	
TOTAL REQUEST	

Project Budget for Report

Character Limit: 20

Narrative Budget Summary*

Please provide an overview of the budget to help reviewers understand how the resources will be utilized.

If costs are included on the "Other" line, be sure to explain what they are. Additionally, if there are costs that will be incurred or implemented on a private farm, please provide justification of how the materials/supplies or required tasks are specific to the project vs. supporting general operations.

The workplan should provide enough information for the reviewers to understand the scope of the project. If there is a reason why the applicant is able to execute the project cost effectively, or why the costs might appear high, it would be useful to include here.

Character Limit: 1500

NYFVI Staff Review

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Date

Character Limit: 10

Technical Review

This proposal meets all technical requirements

Choices

Yes

No

Yes, with changes

Technical Changes Needed

Character Limit: 250

Title and Abstract

Character Limit: 250

Agricultural Production Sector and Target Beneficiaries

Character Limit: 750

Project Network

Character Limit: 500

Industry Support for Project

Character Limit: 500

Project Purpose, Justification, Outcomes

Character Limit: 750

Indicator Selection

Character Limit: 500

SMART Goal

Character Limit: 750

Workplan

Character Limit: 750

Budget

Character Limit: 750

Review Panel

Character Limit: 25

Review Panel 2

Character Limit: 25