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TO: Interested Institutions, Organizations and Individuals
FROM: Barry Alexander, KSPB Chairman
DATE: October 13, 2023
RE: FY 2025 Request for Research Proposals

The Kentucky Soybean Promotion Board (KSPB) is requesting research proposals for possible funding in fiscal year 2025 which begins July 1, 2024. Proposals will be accepted from interested groups until **February 1, 2024**. Funds will be available beginning July 1, 2024.

The Board will consider proposals at their March Board Meeting in Princeton either in person or virtually. Research funds shall be used explicitly for actual costs of the proposed research with **no allowances for overhead, PI salaries, car/truck leases, tuition, and administrative costs**. Also remember that **equipment cannot be purchased with Checkoff dollars**.

Research Priorities

Proposals are requested in three broad categories.

- 1. Increasing new uses for soybeans.** The board seeks additional research that will lead to the development and demand for new soybean products. This area includes feed (soymeal) ration efficiencies for Livestock and Poultry feed.
- 2. Reducing the cost of producing soybeans.** The board seeks additional research that will lead to low-cost soybean production and higher profitability. Specifically in the following areas:
 - Side by side comparison of current herbicide trait packages (best varieties from each - then compare yield, seed quality and composition)
 - Conservation, Cover crop & compaction issues
 - Pesticide combinations – older chemistries
 - Variety Trials
- 3. Research education programs to keep producers up-to-date on the latest research technology.** The board seeks educational programs that will transfer innovative research technology to producers to maximize their profit potential.

Please upload your proposal directly to <http://projects.kysoy.org>. If you do not have a username and password to access the system, please contact Becky Kinder at 270-365-7214 or email bkinder@kysoy.org. The Kentucky Soybean Promotion Board will meet in March to review projects.