Southeastern Peanut Research Initiative- National Peanut Board

Research Proposal Format

Please include the following components:

I. **Identification**
   a. Project Title
   b. Funding Year
   c. Principal Investigator
   d. Cooperating Personnel
   e. Total Funds Requested
   f. Location where research will be performed
   g. New or Continuing Project (indicate appropriate category)
      i. New
      ii. Continuing
         1. 2\textsuperscript{nd} Year
         2. 3\textsuperscript{rd} Year or longer

II. **Layman’s Summary (this is a stand-alone section for NPB to use in communications with growers)**
    Briefly summarize the project in non-technical language suitable for distribution to peanut growers if the project is funded. Include the main objectives and why the project is important for the industry.

III. **Project Purpose**
    Identify the research need this work will address. Please indicate if this is a one-year or multi-year project.

IV. **Hypothesis and Objectives**
    State the central hypothesis to explain the basis of the work and the specific research objectives.

V. **Experimental Plan and Methods**
    Provide appropriate information for each objective, which may include number of treatments and, number of replications, sampling protocols, description of data to be collected and statistical analyses to be performed.

VI. **Measurable Outcomes and Potential Impact**
    Describe quantifiable outcomes that support the project purpose. Describe how the benefits of the research will justify the cost of the project.

VII. **Potential Pitfalls**
    Describe known issues that could prevent achievement of the objectives.

VIII. **Budget**
    Include budget information broken out in the following categories with as much detail as possible:
    - Personnel
      o Salaries – list the number of positions and associated costs for this project
- Hourly Wages – cost for this project
  - Benefits – separate salaried and hourly wage costs for this project
  - Travel – a brief description of the travel and cost
  - Purchases/Materials/Supplies – identify all expenditures over $500
  - Other (Costs not accounted for in above categories) - provide description of expenditures that exceed $500
  - Total amount requested

As a reminder, NPB cannot reimburse overhead costs.