

## **Norm Ehmann Urban Pest Management Award August 2014 RFP**

**Request for proposals:** Researchers or educators involved with urban pest management problems which occur in the Pacific Northwest are invited to apply. Research may be conducted outside the Northwest if it involves pests that also occur in the Northwest, like bed bugs.

**Purpose:** This endowment was developed through donations from the Oregon and Washington Pest Management Associations, the Pacific Northwest Pest Management Conference and a variety of pest control industry suppliers. It is intended to support research and extension and/or educational activities relevant to Urban Pest Management issues.

**Funding:** Proposals are welcome from all Urban Pest Management researchers and extension educators, but we do expect the proposed research and training to include pests that are located in the Pacific Northwest. The amount of each grant has not been established, but we are planning for a total amount of up to \$30,000 to be made available for this funding period (January 1, 2015 – December 31, 2015). It is expected that one or more projects will be funded. The selection committee encourages applicants to seek matching funds from supporting agencies, such as the Washington State Commission on Pesticide Registration and the Pacific Northwest Pest Management Conference.

**Evaluation and Selection Criteria:** Research and Extension Proposals addressing all Urban Pest Management issues will be accepted, with priority placed on those addressing pests in the Pacific Northwest such as:

- Odorous house ants, carpenter ants and other pestiferous ants
- Bed bugs
- Subterranean termites, anobiid beetles, and other wood-destroying organisms.
- Yellowjackets and other wasps.
- Arthropod pests of all stored products
- Mosquitoes and other medically important arthropods
- Rodents
- Training workshops or programs for Pest Control technicians

**Proposal format:** Proposals are limited to 5 pages with 12-point font size and one-inch margins. Applicants should include a two-page vitae as an addendum.

**Rationale and Significance:** Each proposal should contain a detailed description of the pest problem and its impact on the affected industry and/or stakeholders.

**Project Description:** Provide a detailed description of the project including objectives, procedures (including statistical design parameters and analysis when appropriate), time line, matching funds and personnel.

**Deadline:** Proposals will be accepted until September 15, 2014. Submit one electronic or written copy of the proposal to Ehmann Committee Chair, Department of Entomology, Washington State University, Pullman, WA, 99164-6382 ([entomology.office@wsu.edu](mailto:entomology.office@wsu.edu)). The applicants will be notified of the selection committee choice by October 1, 2014.

**Budget:** A budget narrative and totals must be provided for salaries and benefits, hourly wages, required travel, equipment, and other related expenses. Indirect or overhead costs are not permitted.

**Reporting:** Mid-term and final progress reports are required for funded projects (June 30, 2015 and January 15, 2016, respectively). At the request of the Norm Ehmann Urban Pest Management Award Committee, the researcher may be asked to make a presentation at the annual meeting of the Pacific Northwest Pest Management Association. Funding to attend this meeting will be provided by the Association and should not be included in the proposal.