

KARA Call for Research Proposals –2005

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The goal of the KARA research grant initiative is to partially offset the costs of equipment, labor or data processing associated with research important to the advancement of precision agriculture technologies in the Great Plains. Additionally, project results will be summarized in reports, archived and made available to KARA members so that the maximum benefit of research can be realized.

KARA has up to \$6000 to spend on research funding for fiscal year 2004. Research topics must:

1. Have value for KARA members and/or
2. Value for producers in the state of Kansas
3. For more detail see KARA Research Workshop Handout

Awards will range in the \$500 - \$1000 range depending upon the number of quality proposals received.

Upon successful award, the following will be required of funded projects:

1. A poster and/or presentation will be required at the annual precision agriculture meeting
2. A short report that can be archived by KARA for electronic distribution and future reference.

For potential awards, the 1-page proposal submission sheet must be filled out entirely and returned to KARA by **January 30, 2005**. The proposal submission form is available on the KARA website in either the MS Excel format (which can be emailed) or Adobe Acrobat which can be mailed to the following address:

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Proposal reviews will be made by the KARA research committee during February and funding made available to successful proposals by February 15th. Projects awarded during this cycle will need to have materials (papers/poster) prepared for display at the 2006 annual conference.

Questions about proposal submission, acceptable projects, award requirements, etc can be sent through the KARA discussion group or emailed directly to dietrich@kastensinc.com.