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Reviewer Unit/Department:

Principal Investigator:

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| Project Title**:** |

**Please provide comments for each question that is relevant to the proposal**

***I. Priority and Relevance***

1. Describe how the project aligns with the priorities of IANR, the IANR unit, or state, regional and/or nationally established research priorities. Discuss how this project addresses the needs of stakeholders.

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2) Discuss how the current project fits in the context of previous work that was described by a search of the USDA NIFA CRIS/REEport database or other relevant databases.

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1. *If this is a revised project*, describe how the work completed in the previous project supports continuation of a project with similar objectives.

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***II. Qualifications of Project Personnel and Project Management***

1) Evaluate the qualifications of the project personnel. Are the applicant and/or team qualified to complete the proposed project? Are the roles and responsibilities of key personnel clearly defined?

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2) If this is a team project, is there a clear plan for project management; communication, data sharing, and reporting among team members; maintenance of partnerships and collaborations; and delivery of outputs?

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***III. Technical and Scientific Merit***

1. Evaluate the stated objectives. Are the objectives clear, complete, appropriate, and logically arranged?

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1. Evaluate the proposed approach, procedures, or methodologies. Are the procedures clearly described, aligned with the objectives, and achievable? Will the design of the experiments, data analyses, and reporting plans meet the stated objectives?

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3) Evaluate the overall research plan. Is the proposed research feasible (accomplishable), and is it likely that the objectives will be completed within the stated period of time?

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4) Evaluate the adequacy of resources. Are the resources realistic for completing the proposed work? Are the potential sources of funding realistic? Are there ways in which the investigator could increase his/her potential to obtain external funding?

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***IV. Impacts and Outputs***

1) Evaluate the applicant’s description of the potential environmental, economic, and/or social impacts (both positive and negative) of the proposed research.

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2) Evaluate the applicant’s plan for how the expected impacts and outcomes will benefit ARD’s stakeholders.

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3) Discuss the importance of potential patents, germplasm releases or other intellectual property that may arise from the project? Should these be protected?

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***V. Additional Comments or Suggestions:***

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**To be filled out by the Principal Investigator**

***Iterations Made to Proposal to Address Reviewer Comments or Suggestions:***

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