

Call for Proposals: AAFC BioProducts AgSci Cluster 5-Year Funding Program 2023-2028

Bioindustrial Innovation Canada (BIC) is seeking proposal Letters of Intent for research projects for consideration as part of the BioProducts AgSci Cluster under an anticipated next Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (AAFC) policy framework (2023-2028).

The BioProducts AgSci Cluster is a nationally focused pre-commercial science and technology cluster funded by AAFC as part of their Agriscience policy framework initiatives. The goal of the BioProducts AgSci Cluster is to create unique and growing opportunities for Canadian farmers and the agriculture sector through the development of industrial bioproducts.

Examples of project focus that fit the criteria include the following sub-areas:

- Biofuels & Bioenergy
- Biochemicals & Co-products
- Biomaterials & Biocomposites (incl. Biochar and bio-based soil amendments)
- Biomass Supply to Bioproducts (e.g. feedstocks quality, logistics)

As a requirement, projects are to have collaboration with an industry or other partner, with an anticipated 50% of total funding to be provided by these partners. For proposals that do not currently have a collaboration partner, BIC will leverage its network with the goal of connecting interested parties.

At this time, we request that project Letters of Intent submitted to BIC include a 2-page project synopsis, including summaries of technical details, market and commercialization potential, estimated timeline to market, a 5-year projection of annual funding required, and identification of collaborative support sources (if any). Submissions will be reviewed by BIC's Science Advisory Body with selected submissions invited to submit full proposals for the final Cluster proposal submission to AAFC in late 2022.

Letters of Intent are due to BIC no later than April 15, 2022. For submissions and questions, please contact the undersigned.

With regards,



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