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TO: UF/IFAS Faculty  
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SUBJECT: 2017 Call for FNGLA Endowed Research Fund Proposals – Fiscal Year 2017-18

The Dean for Research Office is pleased to request proposals on behalf of the Florida Nursery, Growers and Landscape Association (FNGLA). The funding is awarded for one-year projects that will begin in October 2017. At least eight awards of up to \$5,000 are available. Any UF/IFAS faculty member is eligible to participate but the lead PI must be assigned to a UF/IFAS department or research and education center. All awardees will be required to submit a report in August 2018.

The projects should supplement existing Experiment Station research and address problems and questions important to the Florida nursery industry. Priority topics for 2017 are described on the attached flyer and are organized under the following five broad categories:

1. Improve Environmental and Resource Management
2. Improve Pest Management Practices and Strategies
3. Improve Production Systems, Practices and Strategies
4. Genetics and Breeding to Enhance Quantities and Diversity of Plant Material
5. Enhance Floridians' Quality of Life

To apply for this funding, please go the following website <http://researchtools.ifas.ufl.edu/fngla/> and complete the three page form by **Monday, August 7th, 2017**. The information requested includes:

- Page 1: Cover sheet (enter the project title and the PI information; you will be prompted to enter co-PI information, if applicable, before proceeding to Page 2).
- Page 2: Project information (enter the budget information as proposed spending on the following three categories: salary & fringe, materials & supplies and other; identify the priority area addressed by the proposal; and, for previous awardees, this page also asks whether they are current in their reporting – previous awardees must be current in order to be eligible).
- Page 3: Project description (enter a description of the project, methods, and potential benefits to the nursery industry; text can be pasted into three separate boxes, each with a 500 word limit), including supplemental funding sources to show how this \$5,000 will complement existing research (200 word limit).

Upon submission, all PIs should receive an immediate email confirmation, if not, please contact Brian Gray with any IT/website issues at [seven7@ufl.edu](mailto:seven7@ufl.edu) or at 352-392-1784. If you have any other questions, please contact Sherry Larkin directly at [slarkin@ufl.edu](mailto:slarkin@ufl.edu).

The selection process includes a review by an FNGLA committee in mid-September at the FNGLA Landscape Show. PIs of projects selected for funding will be notified shortly thereafter.