

OREI and ORG SUMMARY DATA

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Topics	Organic Transitions	Organic Agriculture Research and Extension Initiative
Abbreviation	ORG	OREI
Program code	112.E	113.A
CFDA	10.303	10.307
FDC	51106	51300
Farm Bill Relation	No	Yes
Available funds (est.)	\$4,000,000	\$20,000,000
Award ceiling	\$500,000	\$2,000,000
Project duration	Up to 3 years	Up to 4 years
Notice of Intent	Not Required	Not Required
PD meetings	Minimum of 2	Minimum of 2 Not required for Conference and Planning Grants
Multiple Application	Discouraged when objectives overlap significantly	Discouraged when objectives overlap significantly
Ag. Knowledge area	Research Education Extension	Research Education Extension
Project Type	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Integrated: at least two components (Research, Education, Extension) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Integrated: at least two components (Research, Education, Extension) • Conference Proposals • Planning Proposals • Curriculum proposals • Others types as deemed appropriate
Cost Sharing/Matching	Yes	Yes
Indirect cost rate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 30% of total Federal funds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 22% of total Federal funds
Eligibility	1. Colleges and universities	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. State agricultural experiment stations 2. Colleges and universities 3. University research foundations 4. Other research institutions and organizations 5. Federal agencies 6. National laboratories 7. Private organizations or corporations 8. Individuals who are United States citizens or nationals 9. A group consisting of two or more of the entities described above
Activities Covered	Barriers to transitions	Working organic systems

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research on a major issue that limits adoption of organic practices in a specific region or crop • Development of new technology to address a critical issue in organic production • Technology Adaptation for organic production Alternative to critical tools • Loss of critical tools used by organic growers (e.g. removal of a pest control product from the national list). Ecosystem services • Environmental services and stewardship • Contribution to conservation outcomes (including pollinator health, biodiversity, • Climate change mitigation potentials (including greenhouse gas emissions) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High priority research, education and extension projects that will enhance the ability of producers and processors who have already adopted organic standards to grow and market high quality organic agricultural products • Priority concerns involving biological, physical, and social sciences including economics
Certification/Standards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facility in transition but also certified facility • Conventional practices can be used as proof of concept or comparative treatment when required for project objective. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Certified facilities required • Conventional practices/products not allowed, except for comparative treatment when required for project objective.
GMOs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Could be used for comparative purpose or proof of concept (but cross-contamination should be prevented) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Could be used for comparative purpose or proof of concept (but cross-contamination should be prevented)
Stakeholder input	Very important	Very important
Fundamental research	Highly recommended	Encouraged
Applied research	Encouraged	Highly recommended
Systems Approach	Encouraged	Highly recommended