

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Pursuant to Chapter 103D, Hawaii Revised Statutes

The Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Development Division, is seeking proposals in response to a Request for Proposals, RFP-22-06-MDB.

The purpose of this RFP is to administer a competitive grant process to award federal funds in 2022. The primary goal in this grant program is to support projects that could provide the highest measurable benefits or return-on-investment to the specialty crop segment in Hawaii. To be eligible for a grant, projects must enhance the competitiveness of Hawaii-grown specialty crops, in either the domestic or foreign markets. Preference will be given to projects that measurably increase the production and/or consumption of specialty crops, and/or foster the development of fledging crops and organic operations for Hawaii specialty crop farmers.

An electronic copy of the Proposal in Word format must be emailed to [**hdoa.addrfp@hawaii.gov**](mailto:hdoa.addrfp@hawaii.gov) and shall be received at the Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Development Division, located at 1428 South King Street, Honolulu, Hawaii 96814-2512 no later than **12:00 Noon Hawaii Standard Time on Friday, June 24, 2022**. Proposals received after the deadline of 12:00 Noon. H.S.T. shall not be processed by staff or reviewed by the evaluation committee.

For further information, interested parties are encouraged to contact Yukashi Smith, Phone: (808) 973-9627; Facsimile: (808) 973-9590.; Email: Yukashi.M.Smith@hawaii.gov .

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