**Enhancing Legislative Support** for the North Dakota Agricultural **Experiment Station** 

## A Guide for Ag Research **Users and Supporters**

- North Dakota Agricultural Experiment Station (NDAES) produces trusted research with over 24% return on investment back into Ag research.
- The research of the NDAFS is essential to the state's prosperity, with 90% of the state's land dedicated to agriculture and 1 in 5 people working in agriculture.
- Each vear, our researchers invest over \$65 million in new grant funds for advancing agriculture through science and saving our producers hundreds of millions of dollars by:
  - Improving crop systems through better management of disease, pests and weeds; improved rotations and varieties; and increased soil health, nutrient use and land management.
  - Advancing livestock and rangeland management through science that helps ranchers improve the way they produce and market cattle. Enhancing land stewardship and animal welfare contributes to ecological abundance and disease resistance leading to a healthier habitat for all.
  - Reducing risk through informed decisions with new weather and economics models.

You can find your local legislators, by district, here:





### N.D. Agricultural Experiment **Station Budget Request**

#### **THE NEEDS - 2023**

**CRITICAL PRIORITY - Hiring** and retaining diverse candidates strengthens our ability to expand on critical needs in research, teaching, and extension.

**Building attractive compensation packages** for employees will be crucial in the recruitment and retainment of top talent.

Additional Programmatic Priority

Plant Production and Protection Initiative -Over 20 new plant pathogens have arrived in the state in just the last 20 years. Prompt hiring of researchers to address emerging diseases is essential to halt profit loss. Research into various issues in cropping systems generates almost

immediate return on investment.

Requests: 1 agronomist / 1 bacteriologist and 1 tech / 1 virologist and 1 tech / 1 pulse crop tech / 1 clubroot tech, and operating expenses

- \$1,580,000

#### Capital Improvement Request

Field Lab Facilities - Current field facilities are extensively pre-dating modern computers and equipment that are necessary in agriculture today. To meet the technological advances and higher vields, new field facilities are required to ensure a successful future for North Dakota agriculture.

- \$97,000,000



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