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New World Screwworm Grand Challenge Funding Opportunity

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Application Deadline:

February 23, 2026 at 11:59 PM ET

Opportunity Number:

USDA-APHIS-10025-OA000000-26-0001

Opportunity Type:

Cooperative Agreement or Interagency Agreement

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

10.025

APHIS is announcing the availability of funding to combat New World screwworm (NWS) and prevent its northward spread.

Through this opportunity, APHIS is investing up to \$100 million to support projects in the following priority topics:

- Enhance sterile NWS fly production
- Develop novel NWS traps and lures
- Develop and increase understanding of NWS therapeutics/treatments (i.e., products that could treat, prevent, or control NWS) for animals and that could be stockpiled and used in animals should NWS reach the United States
- Develop other tools to bolster preparedness or response to NWS

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Getting Started

Read the [funding opportunity announcement](#) for details on this opportunity and the application process. For more information, view the [frequently asked questions](#).

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Before you can apply, you'll need to set up a [Login.gov](#) account, an [ezFedGrants](#) account, and be registered with the [U.S. Government System for Award Management \(SAM\)](#). Don't wait! It takes at least 10 business days for new SAM registrations to process.

Learn more about the basics of our funding process and [how you can get ready to apply](#).

Application Details

Use the templates and information below to develop your application package. All materials must be included, unless otherwise noted.

Application Package

Application packages must include a **Work Plan** and **Financial Plan** (see templates below). Packages must also include a completed **SF-424, Application for Federal Assistance** and **SF-424-A, Budget Information for Non-Construction Programs**; you'll complete these forms within [ezFedGrants](#).

Other required documents may include:

- [SF-LLL, Disclosure of Lobbying Activities](#) for applications exceeding \$100,000, if there are activities to report
- [Certification Regarding Lobbying](#) for applications exceeding \$100,000
- Copy of State's Intergovernmental review of Single Point of Contact (SPOC) letter per Executive Order 12372, as applicable
- Copy of the current Negotiated Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (NICRA), if applicable

[Work Plan Template and Guidance](#)

[Financial Plan Template](#)

Eligible Entities

The following entities are eligible to apply for this funding opportunity:

- Colleges and universities, including university research foundations
- State, national, allied, or regional producer organizations with direct or significant economic interest in the control of NWS
- State, national, allied, or regional veterinary organizations or specialty boards recognized by the [American Veterinary Medical Association](#)
- Federal agencies
- Non-profits with or without 501(c)(3) IRS status, other than Institutions of Higher Ed
- State departments of agriculture
- State emergency agencies
- Small businesses
- For-profit organizations other than small businesses
- Non-domestic (non-U.S.) entities (foreign organizations) and non-domestic (non-U.S.) components of U.S. organizations
- Tribal governments
- Federally funded research laboratories

- Local governments

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The application deadline is February 23, 2026, 11:59 p.m. ET. Applications received after this deadline will not be considered for funding.

If you're a non-Federal applicant, you must submit all application materials via [ezFedGrants](#). Locate this opportunity on [ezFedGrants](#) or on [Grants.gov](#) using the opportunity and catalog numbers found at the top of this page.

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If you're a Federal applicant, you must submit your application materials via email to nws.grand.challenge@usda.gov by the deadline listed in this announcement.

Contact Us

For all questions about this funding opportunity, email nws.grand.challenge@usda.gov.

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