

2027 Call for Proposals

Red Raspberry Research



The Washington Red Raspberry Commission (WRRC) is issuing a request for proposals for research in the upcoming year (January – December 2027). WRRC is interested in supporting projects that align with the current research priorities (Appendix A). WRRC research grants are open to non-profit organizations, including commodity groups/associations and farmers' groups, private enterprises such as pest consultants and food processors, and university and extension programs.

The deadline for submission for proposals is **December 11, 2026**. WRRC reserves the right to consider proposals at their discretion outside of the RFP response period.

WRRC will host two virtual meetings to review current projects and priorities, request short overviews of research from key researchers in the subject area, and discuss ideas and give preliminary feedback on potential proposals. The proposed meeting dates, times, and subject areas are below, but are subject to change.

October 5, 2026 – 9:00 – 10:20 am

Physiology, Entomology, and Virology/Pathology

October 6, 2026 – 9:00 – 10:20 am

Soil Health, Weeds, and Plant Breeding

Proposals must be submitted by email to Gavin Willis (gavin@redrazz.org) by the deadline date. Funds for grants are limited, and the selection process is competitive. Proposals should utilize the fillable PDF form or Word document and should be self-explanatory and easy to understand. Each item in the proposal form must be addressed. Objectives for projects should be specific and measurable. For questions or clarifications, please contact Gavin Willis.

As part of the proposal review process, PIs are invited to give short (up to 2 minute) summary presentations on their proposals to the research committee at its meeting on *January 5, 2027 at 9:00am*. Attendance at this meeting is optional, but recommended for new researchers. Final funding decisions for projects will be made in late January, and applicants will be notified shortly thereafter.

Ongoing Research

Reports for current WRRC-funded research are due on **December 18, 2026**. Reports should include the project number and title, the personnel involved and the reporting period, project accomplishments, a brief summary of results, and a list of any resulting publications. Progress reports for ongoing projects should report on the past year of work, and final reports for completed projects should report on the entire project. Progress reports shall be limited to one page, and final reports limited to three pages (not including figures and references). Submit project reports by email in PDF format to Gavin Willis (gavin@redrazz.org).