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Conservation Collaboration: U.S. Department of Agriculture Announces \$35 Million Available for Grants

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The United States Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service ("NRCS") issued a December 13th news release announcing the availability of \$35 million in conservation collaboration grants.

Such grants are described as enhancing NRCS's outreach to United States' farmers and ranchers for the delivery and adoption of conservation measures.

Eligible applicants are identified as tribal governments, universities, nonprofit organizations and individuals.

NRCS states it is accepting proposals in two different categories. They include:

- Outreach to Assist Historically Underserved Groups
- Collaboration on Strategic Natural Resource Issues

NRCS is establishing a competitive process for determining how national level outreach and mutual partnership agreements will be awarded. Further, NRCS notes that the:

The process for applying to state-level agreements remains unchanged.

Proposals are due February 7, 2020.

A copy of the news release can be downloaded <u>here</u>.



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