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# PPA 7721: National Clean Plant Network Funding Opportunity FY 2026

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Opportunity Number:

Not Applicable

Opportunity Type:

Cooperative Agreement or Interagency Agreement

The National Clean Plant Network (NCPN) protects healthy U.S. agriculture by providing "clean" plant propagative material free of targeted pathogens and pests. By doing so, NCPN supports healthy agriculture and ensures the global competitiveness of economically valuable crops, such as fruit trees, grapes, citrus, berries, hops, sweet potato, and roses.

Under the NCPN program, APHIS funds projects supporting a network of clean plant centers and allied programs. Network clean plant centers conduct diagnostic and

pathogen elimination services and establish foundation collections to provide pathogen-tested, clean plant materials to nurseries, growers, and State certification programs.

[View the FY 2026 Request for Proposals](#) (407.32 KB)

## Application Details

The open period for submitting proposals to the NCPN program is available for 12 weeks from June 11 through September 3, 2025. At a minimum, proposals must meet the following criteria:

- Any commodity proposed as a target for NCPN funding must qualify as a "specialty crop" [as defined by USDA](#) .
- Proposals must clearly address at least one of the goals in the [NCPN Strategic Plan](#) (1.39 MB) .

For full criteria and details about this funding opportunity, read the [FY 2026 Request for Proposals](#) (407.32 KB).

## Application Package

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

[Financial Plan Template](#)

[Work Plan Template](#)

## Eligible Applicants

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

- Land-grant universities
- Non-land-grant colleges of agriculture
- State agricultural experiment stations
- State and Federal agencies
- Nongovernmental organizations

# Application Deadline

Submissions are due by **September 3, 2025 at 11:59 EST.**

[Submit Proposal via Email](#)

## Questions?

Contact National Policy Manager Jennifer Nicholson at [ncpn@usda.gov](mailto:ncpn@usda.gov).

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