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Office of the Vice President for Research

Subject: EPSCoR Research Infrastructure Improvement Program: Track-2 Focused EPSCoR

Collaborations (RII Track-2 FEC)

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Good Morning,

The Office of the Vice President for Research is requesting e-mails of interest for the EPSCoR Research Infrastructure Improvement Program: Track-2. The sponsor will accept one application per institution. The two themes this year are (1) Food, Energy, Water Nexus and (2) The Brain. Please note: the NSF has not officially released this call, so agency revisions to this call are forthcoming. We will release updates to this limited competition if significant changes to the call will impact the limited competition selection process. This is a link to the previous program solicitation:

http://nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=505148&org=NSF&sel_org=NSF&from=fund

If you did *not* attend the information session on August 24, 2015 please review the presentation slides on the FRDO website prior to submitting to this limited competition. http://research.unm.edu/frdo
If you have questions please contact Bill Michener (william.michener@gmail.com) or Mary Jo Daniel (mjdaniel@unm.edu).

This limited competition will be a multiphase process. This is the first phase: If you are interested in submitting a preliminary proposal please send brief statement of interest, using the attached template, via e-mail to limited@unm.edu by **5 pm, Wednesday, September 9, 2015**. The statement must include the names and contact information of the PI and Co-PI's as well as names and contact information of 4-5 potential external reviewers. In the second phase those individuals who submitted LOIs in the first phase will be asked to submit a ten page pre-proposal, which will be reviewed by an external committee.

Please distribute this notice to departments and individuals whom you believe would be interested.

The anticipated deadline for full proposal submissions to NSF is expected to be in late January, 2016.

If you are affiliated with HSC, please contact Corey Ford at 272-6950 for more information.