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- Proposal Title: is required when submitting Letters of Intent
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Letter of Intent

Title: NQNI: XXXX

Lead Organization: Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station

Principal Investigator:

A one-page Letter of Intent (LOI) must be submitted through Research.gov.

LOIs must include:

- **Heading:** Include the proposal title and lead organization.
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- **Synopsis:** Proposed vision, key components, main activities, and major goals of the proposed activity.
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