



## Cooperative Forestry Research Unit

2024 Pre-proposal template

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*Please download this form to complete it.* Thank you for your interest in a research collaboration with the Cooperative Forestry Research Unit. Pre-proposals will be reviewed by the CFRU advisory committee in January and selected based on relevance to CFRU member research interests and benefits/deliverables. If selected, the principal investigator (researcher) will be asked to give a 10-15 minute project presentation at our advisory committee meeting on January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024 via Zoom. If the proposal passes in January, you will be invited to submit a research proposal in full, with detailed fiscal year budgets (funds begin on July 1, 2024), a schedule for deliverables, and other reporting details. The individuals reviewing your research proposal come from a variety of forest management backgrounds – **please keep the language as clear and concise as possible.** If you would like to inquire with the CFRU about applicable deliverables or an objective of your project, email [regina.smith@maine.edu](mailto:regina.smith@maine.edu). Pre-proposals are due by January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 5:00PM. Please use this Google form for uploading your submission.

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**Project title:** Brief and descriptive title of your research project.

**Principle investigator:** Person responsible for leading the research and delivering outcomes & yearly updates

- Name:
- Position title & organization:
- Email:

**Co-principal investigators:**

- Name:
- Position title & organization:
- Email:

**Cooperating CFRU members or other research organizations (if any):** \*Note: if you are listing cooperating CFRU members, this means you have contacted them ahead of submitting and they have agreed to partner/participate in your research.

- Name:
- Position title & organization:
- Email:

**Please describe your research project in 250-500 words or less:** Please provide a brief description of your project, similar to an elevator pitch



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**Projective objectives:** Briefly describe, in bullet form, objectives to be accomplished.

**Background:** Briefly describe the problem and its importance, previous work completed (if applicable)

**Approach:** Briefly describe the experimental approach that would be taken.

**Anticipated benefits to CFRU members:** Describe how the above project objectives meet the stated mission, objectives, and areas of interest for the CFRU/forestry sector

**Deliverables:** Please list in bullet-point format the outputs/products expected from this project.

**Approximate length of study:** Rough anticipated timeline, number of years the project will take to complete.

**Estimated amount of funding requested from CFRU:** Estimate total amount likely to be requested/over how many years.

**Matching funds:** List sources and approximate amounts of other funding sources supporting or likely to support this project.