RESEARCH PROGRAMS APPENDIX 1 Survey questions and results for APR

We understand all the listed priorities are important – but some are probably more important than others. So, please rank each item (from 1 to 11), according to its **importance for continued success of Department of Agronomy & Horticulture in Research**, with 1 being most important, without repeating ranks:

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- Address staff issues (hiring, salaries, promotions, etc.)
- Identify and fill FTE gaps
- Develop and maintain digital agriculture tools
- Monitor progress toward programmatic outcomes (e.g., research outputs per FTE)
- Strengthen/adapt faculty mentoring program
- Capitalize on external funding opportunities
- Offer support in grant coordination and management
- Target emerging (cutting-edge) research areas
- Market around accomplishments and expertise (increase exposure)
- Develop and streamline procedures (e.g., travel) and guidelines (e.g., collaborations)

Please, rank each priority (from 1 to 3), according to its urgency, with 1 deserving attention in the short term (< 1 year), 2 in the mid-term (next 2-3 years), and 3 in the longer-term (> 3 years). Ranks may be repeated.

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