

For calendar year 2018, or tax year beginning 01-01-2018, and ending 12-31-2018

Name of foundation FOUNDATION FOR AGRONOMIC RESEARCH INC		A Employer identification number 58-1406074	
Number and street (or P.O. box number if mail is not delivered to street address) 425 THIRD STREET SW STE 950		Room/suite	B Telephone number (see instructions) (202) 962-0490
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code WASHINGTON, DC 20024		C If exemption application is pending, check here ☐	
G Check all that apply ☐ Initial return ☐ Final return ☒ Address change ☐ Initial return of a former public charity ☐ Amended return ☐ Name change		D 1. Foreign organizations, check here ☐ 2. Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation ☐	
H Check type of organization ☒ Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation ☐ Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust ☐ Other taxable private foundation		E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here ☐	
I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col (c), line 16) \$ 3,336,079	J Accounting method ☐ Cash ☒ Accrual ☐ Other (specify) _____ (Part I, column (d) must be on cash basis)	F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here ☐	

Part I Analysis of Revenue and Expenses (The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a) (see instructions))		(a) Revenue and expenses per books	(b) Net investment income	(c) Adjusted net income	(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)
Revenue	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., received (attach schedule)	1,007,976			
	2 Check ☐ if the foundation is not required to attach Sch. B				
	3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments	473	473		
	4 Dividends and interest from securities	36,646	25,363		
	5a Gross rents				
	b Net rental income or (loss) _____				
	6a Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10	-4,030			
	b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a _____ 978,844				
	7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)				
	8 Net short-term capital gain				
	9 Income modifications				
	10a Gross sales less returns and allowances _____				
Operating and Administrative Expenses	b Less Cost of goods sold				
	c Gross profit or (loss) (attach schedule)				
	11 Other income (attach schedule)				
	12 Total. Add lines 1 through 11	1,041,065	25,836		
	13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc				
	14 Other employee salaries and wages				
	15 Pension plans, employee benefits				
	16a Legal fees (attach schedule)				
	b Accounting fees (attach schedule)				
	c Other professional fees (attach schedule)				
	17 Interest				
	18 Taxes (attach schedule) (see instructions)				
	19 Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion				
	20 Occupancy				
	21 Travel, conferences, and meetings	2,238			2,238
	22 Printing and publications				
	23 Other expenses (attach schedule)	1,182			
	24 Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23	3,420	0		2,238
	25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid	999,477			999,477
	26 Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25	1,002,897	0		1,001,715
	27 Subtract line 26 from line 12				
	a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements	38,168			
	b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)		25,836		
	c Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)				

Part II Balance Sheets		Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only (See instructions)		
		Beginning of year	End of year	
		(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	1,180,524	1,191,628	1,191,628
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	362,297	1,665	1,665
	3 Accounts receivable ▶ <u>8,750</u>			
	Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ _____		8,750	8,750
	4 Pledges receivable ▶ <u>98,976</u>			
	Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ _____		98,976	98,976
	5 Grants receivable			
	6 Receivables due from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons (attach schedule) (see instructions)			
	7 Other notes and loans receivable (attach schedule) ▶ _____			
	Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ _____			
	8 Inventories for sale or use			
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	77,000		
	10a Investments—U S and state government obligations (attach schedule)	556,766	161,977	159,466
	b Investments—corporate stock (attach schedule)			
	c Investments—corporate bonds (attach schedule)	1,096,117	1,871,927	1,849,435
	11 Investments—land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ _____			
Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶ _____				
12 Investments—mortgage loans				
13 Investments—other (attach schedule)				
14 Land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ _____				
Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶ _____				
15 Other assets (describe ▶ _____)	13,460	26,159	26,159	
16 Total assets (to be completed by all filers—see the instructions Also, see page 1, item I)	3,286,164	3,361,082	3,336,079	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	750		
	18 Grants payable			
	19 Deferred revenue			
	20 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons			
	21 Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule)			
	22 Other liabilities (describe ▶ _____)	2,000	39,500	
	23 Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)	2,750	39,500	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ ☒ and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.			
	24 Unrestricted	17,839	3,321,582	
	25 Temporarily restricted	3,265,575		
	26 Permanently restricted			
	Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ ☐ and complete lines 27 through 31.			
	27 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds			
	28 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg, and equipment fund			
	29 Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds			
	30 Total net assets or fund balances (see instructions)	3,283,414	3,321,582	
	31 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances (see instructions) .	3,286,164	3,361,082	

Part III Analysis of Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances		
1 Total net assets or fund balances at beginning of year—Part II, column (a), line 30 (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	1	3,283,414
2 Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	38,168
3 Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ _____	3	
4 Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	3,321,582
5 Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ _____	5	
6 Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5)—Part II, column (b), line 30 .	6	3,321,582

Part IV Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income

(a) List and describe the kind(s) of property sold (e g , real estate, 2-story brick warehouse, or common stock, 200 shs MLC Co)	(b) How acquired P—Purchase D—Donation	(c) Date acquired (mo , day, yr)	(d) Date sold (mo , day, yr)
1 a PROSPECT CAP CORP MTN 5 0% 1/15/19	P	2017-01-20	2018-01-16
b BGC PARTNERS INC NOTE 5 375% 12/9/19	P	2017-08-23	2018-12-05
c NJ ST TRANSN TR FD AUTH 1 758% 12/15	P	2017-01-20	2018-12-17
d			
e			

(e) Gross sales price	(f) Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	(g) Cost or other basis plus expense of sale	(h) Gain or (loss) (e) plus (f) minus (g)
a 4,000		4,050	-50
b 474,844		479,362	-4,518
c 500,000		499,462	538
d			
e			

Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69			(l) Gains (Col (h) gain minus col (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col (h))
(i) F M V as of 12/31/69	(j) Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	(k) Excess of col (i) over col (j), if any	
a			-50
b			-4,518
c			538
d			
e			

2 Capital gain net income or (net capital loss)	{ If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7 If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 7 }	2	-4,030
3 Net short-term capital gain or (loss) as defined in sections 1222(5) and (6) If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c) (see instructions) If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8		3	

Part V Qualification Under Section 4940(e) for Reduced Tax on Net Investment Income

(For optional use by domestic private foundations subject to the section 4940(a) tax on net investment income)

If section 4940(d)(2) applies, leave this part blank

Was the foundation liable for the section 4942 tax on the distributable amount of any year in the base period?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," the foundation does not qualify under section 4940(e) Do not complete this part

1 Enter the appropriate amount in each column for each year, see instructions before making any entries

(a) Base period years Calendar year (or tax year beginning in)	(b) Adjusted qualifying distributions	(c) Net value of noncharitable-use assets	(d) Distribution ratio (col (b) divided by col (c))
2017	605,444	2,678,368	0 226050
2016	697,880	1,884,422	0 370342
2015	882,406	1,851,496	0 476591
2014	774,021	1,524,422	0 507747
2013	2,772	815,916	0 003397

2 Total of line 1, column (d)	2	1 584127
3 Average distribution ratio for the 5-year base period—divide the total on line 2 by 5 0, or by the number of years the foundation has been in existence if less than 5 years	3	0 316825
4 Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2018 from Part X, line 5	4	3,079,865
5 Multiply line 4 by line 3	5	975,778
6 Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b)	6	258
7 Add lines 5 and 6	7	976,036
8 Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4	8	1,001,715

If line 8 is equal to or greater than line 7, check the box in Part VI, line 1b, and complete that part using a 1% tax rate See the Part VI instructions

Part VI Excise Tax Based on Investment Income (Section 4940(a), 4940(b), 4940(e), or 4948—see instructions)

1a	Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here ☐ and enter "N/A" on line 1 Date of ruling or determination letter _____ (attach copy of letter if necessary—see instructions)		
b	Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here ☒ and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b	1	258
c	All other domestic foundations enter 2% of line 27b. Exempt foreign organizations enter 4% of Part I, line 12, col (b)		
2	Tax under section 511 (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)	2	
3	Add lines 1 and 2.	3	258
4	Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)	4	
5	Tax based on investment income. Subtract line 4 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0-	5	258
6	Credits/Payments		
a	2018 estimated tax payments and 2017 overpayment credited to 2018	6a	
b	Exempt foreign organizations—tax withheld at source	6b	
c	Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868)	6c	
d	Backup withholding erroneously withheld	6d	
7	Total credits and payments. Add lines 6a through 6d.	7	
8	Enter any penalty for underpayment of estimated tax. Check here ☐ if Form 2220 is attached	8	
9	Tax due. If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter amount owed ▶	9	258
10	Overpayment. If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the amount overpaid ▶	10	
11	Enter the amount of line 10 to be Credited to 2019 estimated tax ▶ Refunded ▶	11	

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities

		Yes	No
1a	During the tax year, did the foundation attempt to influence any national, state, or local legislation or did it participate or intervene in any political campaign?	1a	No
b	Did it spend more than \$100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes? (see Instructions for definition). <i>If the answer is "Yes" to 1a or 1b, attach a detailed description of the activities and copies of any materials published or distributed by the foundation in connection with the activities</i>	1b	No
c	Did the foundation file Form 1120-POL for this year?	1c	
d	Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year (1) On the foundation ▶ \$ _____ (2) On foundation managers ▶ \$ _____		
e	Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers ▶ \$ _____		
2	Has the foundation engaged in any activities that have not previously been reported to the IRS? <i>If "Yes," attach a detailed description of the activities</i>	2	No
3	Has the foundation made any changes, not previously reported to the IRS, in its governing instrument, articles of incorporation, or bylaws, or other similar instruments? <i>If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes</i>	3	No
4a	Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	4a	No
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?	4b	
5	Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year? <i>If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T</i>	5	No
6	Are the requirements of section 508(e) (relating to sections 4941 through 4945) satisfied either • By language in the governing instrument, or • By state legislation that effectively amends the governing instrument so that no mandatory directions that conflict with the state law remain in the governing instrument?	6	Yes
7	Did the foundation have at least \$5,000 in assets at any time during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Part II, col (c), and Part XV</i>	7	Yes
8a	Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered (see instructions) ▶ DE, GA _____		
b	If the answer is "Yes" to line 7, has the foundation furnished a copy of Form 990-PF to the Attorney General (or designate) of each state as required by General Instruction G? <i>If "No," attach explanation</i> .	8b	Yes
9	Is the foundation claiming status as a private operating foundation within the meaning of section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5) for calendar year 2018 or the taxable year beginning in 2018? See the instructions for Part XIV. <i>If "Yes," complete Part XIV</i>	9	No
10	Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses</i>	10	No

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities (continued)

11	At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," attach schedule. See instructions.	11		No
12	Did the foundation make a distribution to a donor advised fund over which the foundation or a disqualified person had advisory privileges? If "Yes," attach statement. See instructions.	12		No
13	Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address WWW.FARMRESEARCH.COM	13	Yes	
14	The books are in care of KURT MCMILLAN Telephone no (202) 962-0490			

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15	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of Form 1041 —check here ☐ and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year 15		
16	At any time during calendar year 2018, did the foundation have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a bank, securities, or other financial account in a foreign country? See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114. If "Yes", enter the name of the foreign country ▶	16	Yes No

Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required

File Form 4720 if any item is checked in the "Yes" column, unless an exception applies.

1a	During the year did the foundation (either directly or indirectly)		Yes	No
	(1) Engage in the sale or exchange, or leasing of property with a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No			
	(2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No			
	(3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No			
	(4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No			
	(5) Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)? ☐ Yes ☒ No			
	(6) Agree to pay money or property to a government official? (Exception. Check "No" if the foundation agreed to make a grant to or to employ the official for a period after termination of government service, if terminating within 90 days). ☐ Yes ☒ No			
b	If any answer is "Yes" to 1a(1)–(6), did any of the acts fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4941(d)-3 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance? See instructions. Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here. ☐	1b		
c	Did the foundation engage in a prior year in any of the acts described in 1a, other than excepted acts, that were not corrected before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2018?	1c		
2	Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5))			
a	At the end of tax year 2018, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2018? ☐ Yes ☒ No If "Yes," list the years ▶ 20____, 20____, 20____, 20____			
b	Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is not applying the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) (relating to incorrect valuation of assets) to the year's undistributed income? (If applying section 4942(a)(2) to all years listed, answer "No" and attach statement—see instructions).	2b		
c	If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to any of the years listed in 2a, list the years here ▶ 20____, 20____, 20____, 20____			
3a	Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year? ☐ Yes ☒ No			
b	If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2018 as a result of (1) any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969, (2) the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest, or (3) the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2018).	3b		
4a	Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?	4a		No
b	Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2018?	4b		No

Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required (continued)

		Yes	No
5a	During the year did the foundation pay or incur any amount to		
(1)	Carry on propaganda, or otherwise attempt to influence legislation (section 4945(e))?	☐ Yes ☒ No	
(2)	Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955), or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive?	☐ Yes ☒ No	
(3)	Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes?	☐ Yes ☒ No	
(4)	Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc., organization described in section 4945(d)(4)(A)? See instructions.	☒ Yes ☐ No	
(5)	Provide for any purpose other than religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals?	☐ Yes ☒ No	
b	If any answer is "Yes" to 5a(1)–(5), did any of the transactions fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4945 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance? See instructions.	5b	No
	Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here.	☐	
c	If the answer is "Yes" to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption from the tax because it maintained expenditure responsibility for the grant? If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945–5(d)	☒ Yes ☐ No	
6a	Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	☐ Yes ☒ No	
b	Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870	6b	No
7a	At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	☐ Yes ☒ No	
b	If yes, did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction?	7b	
8	Is the foundation subject to the section 4960 tax on payment(s) of more than \$1,000,000 in remuneration or excess parachute payment during the year?	☐ Yes ☒ No	

Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors

1 List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation. See instructions				
(a) Name and address	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
See Additional Data Table				
2 Compensation of five highest-paid employees (other than those included on line 1—see instructions). If none, enter "NONE."				
(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
NONE				
Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000.				

Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors *(continued)*

3 Five highest-paid independent contractors for professional services (see instructions). If none, enter "NONE".

(a) Name and address of each person paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		
Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services. ▶		

Part IX-A Summary of Direct Charitable Activities

List the foundation's four largest direct charitable activities during the tax year. Include relevant statistical information such as the number of organizations and other beneficiaries served, conferences convened, research papers produced, etc.	Expenses
1	
2	
3	
4	

Part IX-B Summary of Program-Related Investments (see instructions)

Describe the two largest program-related investments made by the foundation during the tax year on lines 1 and 2	Amount
1 N/A	
2	
All other program-related investments. See instructions.	
3	
Total. Add lines 1 through 3 ▶	

Part X Minimum Investment Return (All domestic foundations must complete this part. Foreign foundations, see instructions.)

1	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes		
a	Average monthly fair market value of securities.	1a	1,591,748
b	Average of monthly cash balances.	1b	1,401,134
c	Fair market value of all other assets (see instructions).	1c	133,885
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c).	1d	3,126,767
e	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation).	1e	
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets.	2	
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d.	3	3,126,767
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities. Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4	46,902
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	3,079,865
6	Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5.	6	153,993

Part XI Distributable Amount (see instructions) (Section 4942(j)(3) and (j)(5) private operating foundations and certain foreign organizations check here ☐ and do not complete this part.)

1	Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6.	1	153,993
2a	Tax on investment income for 2018 from Part VI, line 5.	2a	258
b	Income tax for 2018 (This does not include the tax from Part VI).	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b.	2c	258
3	Distributable amount before adjustments. Subtract line 2c from line 1.	3	153,735
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions.	4	
5	Add lines 3 and 4.	5	153,735
6	Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions).	6	
7	Distributable amount as adjusted. Subtract line 6 from line 5. Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1.	7	153,735

Part XII Qualifying Distributions (see instructions)

1	Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc., purposes		
a	Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc.—total from Part I, column (d), line 26.	1a	1,001,715
b	Program-related investments—total from Part IX-B.	1b	
2	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes.	2	
3	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the		
a	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required).	3a	
b	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule).	3b	
4	Qualifying distributions. Add lines 1a through 3b. Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4	4	1,001,715
5	Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income. Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b. See instructions.	5	258
6	Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4.	6	1,001,457

Note: The amount on line 6 will be used in Part V, column (b), in subsequent years when calculating whether the foundation qualifies for the section 4940(e) reduction of tax in those years.

Part XIII Undistributed Income (see instructions)

	(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2017	(c) 2017	(d) 2018
1 Distributable amount for 2018 from Part XI, line 7				153,735
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2018				
a Enter amount for 2017 only.				
b Total for prior years 20____, 20____, 20____				
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2018				
a From 2013.				
b From 2014. 697,800				
c From 2015. 789,831				
d From 2016. 603,659				
e From 2017. 472,011				
f Total of lines 3a through e.	2,563,301			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2018 from Part XII, line 4 ▶ \$ 1,001,715				
a Applied to 2017, but not more than line 2a				
b Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required—see instructions).				
c Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required—see instructions).				
d Applied to 2018 distributable amount.				153,735
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	847,980			
5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2018 (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a))				
6 Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:				
a Corpus Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e Subtract line 5	3,411,281			
b Prior years' undistributed income Subtract line 4b from line 2b				
c Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed.				
d Subtract line 6c from line 6b Taxable amount—see instructions				
e Undistributed income for 2017 Subtract line 4a from line 2a Taxable amount—see instructions				
f Undistributed income for 2018 Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1 This amount must be distributed in 2019				0
7 Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3) (Election may be required - see instructions).				
8 Excess distributions carryover from 2013 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see instructions).				
9 Excess distributions carryover to 2019. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a	3,411,281			
10 Analysis of line 9				
a Excess from 2014. 697,800				
b Excess from 2015. 789,831				
c Excess from 2016. 603,659				
d Excess from 2017. 472,011				
e Excess from 2018. 847,980				

Part XIV Private Operating Foundations (see instructions and Part VII-A, question 9)

1a If the foundation has received a ruling or determination letter that it is a private operating foundation, and the ruling is effective for 2018, enter the date of the ruling. ▶

b Check box to indicate whether the organization is a private operating foundation described in section ☐ 4942(j)(3) or ☐ 4942(j)(5)

	Tax year	Prior 3 years			(e) Total
	(a) 2018	(b) 2017	(c) 2016	(d) 2015	
2a Enter the lesser of the adjusted net income from Part I or the minimum investment return from Part X for each year listed					
b 85% of line 2a					
c Qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 for each year listed					
d Amounts included in line 2c not used directly for active conduct of exempt activities					
e Qualifying distributions made directly for active conduct of exempt activities. Subtract line 2d from line 2c					
3 Complete 3a, b, or c for the alternative test relied upon					
a "Assets" alternative test—enter					
(1) Value of all assets					
(2) Value of assets qualifying under section 4942(j)(3)(B)(i)					
b "Endowment" alternative test— enter 2/3 of minimum investment return shown in Part X, line 6 for each year listed.					
c "Support" alternative test—enter					
(1) Total support other than gross investment income (interest, dividends, rents, payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), or royalties)					
(2) Support from general public and 5 or more exempt organizations as provided in section 4942(j)(3)(B)(iii).					
(3) Largest amount of support from an exempt organization					
(4) Gross investment income					

Part XV Supplementary Information (Complete this part only if the foundation had \$5,000 or more in assets at any time during the year—see instructions.)

1 Information Regarding Foundation Managers:

a List any managers of the foundation who have contributed more than 2% of the total contributions received by the foundation before the close of any tax year (but only if they have contributed more than \$5,000) (See section 507(d)(2))
NONE

b List any managers of the foundation who own 10% or more of the stock of a corporation (or an equally large portion of the ownership of a partnership or other entity) of which the foundation has a 10% or greater interest
NONE

2 Information Regarding Contribution, Grant, Gift, Loan, Scholarship, etc., Programs:

Check here ☐ if the foundation only makes contributions to preselected charitable organizations and does not accept unsolicited requests for funds. If the foundation makes gifts, grants, etc. to individuals or organizations under other conditions, complete items 2a, b, c, and d. See instructions.

a The name, address, and telephone number or e-mail address of the person to whom applications should be addressed
JOHN JONES
425 THIRD ST SW STE 950
WASHINGTON, DC 20024
(202) 962-0490
JJONES@4RRESEARCH.ORG

b The form in which applications should be submitted and information and materials they should include
LETTER AND PROJECT PROPOSAL FROM RESEARCHER

c Any submission deadlines
NONE

d Any restrictions or limitations on awards, such as by geographical areas, charitable fields, kinds of institutions, or other factors
I GUIDELINES FOR MAKING GRANTS TO UNIVERSITIES AND OTHER PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS A A GRANT FROM FAR TO AN INDIVIDUAL IS TAXABLE BY IRS A GRANT TO A UNIVERSITY OR OTHER PUBLIC INSTITUTION IS NOT TAXABLE B GRANTS CAN BE MADE TO THE UNIVERSITY OR TO ONE OF ITS DEPARTMENTS OR UNITS FOR EXAMPLE, GRANTS CAN BE MADE TO - A DEPARTMENT, - THE AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION OR A BRANCH STATION, - THE COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE, - THE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, - A PUBLIC FOUNDATION (E G , S-H-A-R-E AT THE UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA) C THE GRANT CANNOT BE EARMARKED FOR AN INDIVIDUAL PROFESSOR IT CAN BE EARMARKED FOR A SPECIFIC PROJECT TO BE CONDUCTED BY THE UNIVERSITY THE UNIVERSITY MUST EXERCISE CONTROL OVER THE SELECTION OF THE INDIVIDUAL PROFESSOR WHO WILL RECEIVE THE GRANT THE UNIVERSITY SHOULD MAKE THE SELECTION INDEPENDENTLY OF FAR D HOWEVER, SUPPOSE PROFESSOR ABLE AT A UNIVERSITY APPROACHES FAR FOR A GRANT TO CONDUCT A RESEARCH PROJECT AND THEN SUBMITS A PROPOSAL TO HIS UNIVERSITY

Part XV **Supplementary Information** (continued)**3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment**

Recipient	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
Name and address (home or business)				
a <i>Paid during the year</i> See Additional Data Table				
Total ► 3a				
b <i>Approved for future payment</i>				
Total ► 3b				

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated

Part XVI-B Relationship of Activities to the Accomplishment of Exempt Purposes

Line No. ▼	Explain below how each activity for which income is reported in column (e) of Part XVI-A contributed importantly to the accomplishment of the foundation's exempt purposes (other than by providing funds for such purposes) (See instructions.)

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Part XVII

	Yes	No
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1a(1)	No
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1a(1)	No
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1a(2)	No
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1b(1)	No
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1b(2)	No
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1b(3)	No
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1b(4)	No
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1b(5)	No
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1b(6)	No
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1c	Yes	
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2a Is the foundation directly or indirectly affiliated with, or related to, one or more tax-exempt organizations

described in section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) or in section 527? ☒ Yes ☐ No

b If "Yes," complete the following schedule

(a) Name of organization	(b) Type of organization	(c) Description of relationship
INTERNATIONAL PLANT INC (IPNI)	SEC 501(C)(6)	DIRECTORS APPOINTED BY IPNI'S DIRECTORS

	Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than taxpayer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.
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Sign Here ***** Signature of officer or trustee	2019-11-14 Date	***** Title
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May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown below

(see instr)? ☒ **Yes** ☐ **No**

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown below

(see instr)? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Paid Preparer Use Only	GARY L BLACK		2019-11-14		
	Firm's name ► GARY L BLACK & ASSOCIATES PC				Firm's EIN ► 75-3116893
	Firm's address ► PO BOX 1467 CONYERS, GA 300127567				Phone no (770) 760-0900

Print/Type preparer's name GARY L BLACK	Preparer's Signature	Date 2019-11-14	Check if self-employed ▶ ☐	PTIN P00637208
Firm's name ▶ GARY L BLACK & ASSOCIATES PC				Firm's EIN ▶ 75-3116893
Firm's address ▶ PO BOX 1467 CONYERS, GA 300127567				Phone no (770) 760-0900

Form 990PF Part VIII Line 1 - List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation

(a) Name and address	Title, and average hours per week (b) devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	Expense account, (e) other allowances
TOM BRUULSEMA	PRES/DIR 0 25	0	0	0
18 MAPLEWOOD DR GUELPH, ONTARIO CA				
TERRY L ROBERTS	BD CHMN/VP 0 25	0	0	0
659 WHITES BOTTOM ROAD PENDERGRASS, GA 30567				
STEVEN J COUCH	SECRETARY/TR 0 50	0	0	0
3645 CORNERS COURT NORCROSS, GA 300922416				
ROBERT MULLEN	DIRECTOR 0 25	0	0	0
122-1ST AVENUE SASKATOON, SASKATCHEWAN CA				
KYLE FREEMAN	DIRECTOR 0 25	0	0	0
3033 CAMPUS DR STE E490 PLYMOUTH, MN 55441				

Form 990PF Part XV Line 3 - Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment				
Recipient	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
Name and address (home or business)				
a <i>Paid during the year</i>				
REGENTS OF UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA SPONSORED FINANCIAL REPORTING PO BOX 1450 MINNEAPOLIS, MN 554855957	NONE	PC	AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH	77,000
KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY SPONSORED PROGRAMS 10 ANDERSON HALL MANHATTAN, KS 66506	NONE	PC	AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH	94,500
PURDUE UNIVERSITY SPONSORED PROGRAMS SERVICES 23510 NETWORK PL CHICAGO, IL 60673	NONE	PC	AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH	13,281
Total ▶ 3a				999,477

Form 990PF Part XV Line 3 - Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment				
Recipient	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
Name and address (home or business)				
a <i>Paid during the year</i>				
US DEPT OF AG-ARS 1815 N UNIVERSITY ST PEORIA, IL 61604	NONE	GOV	AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH	81,745
US DEPT OF AG-ARS 1815 N UNIVERSITY ST PEORIA, IL 61604	NONE	GOV	AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH	225,000
DUKE UNIVERSITY OFFICE OF SPONSORED PROGRAMS 2200 W MAIN ST STE 300 DURHAM, NC 27708	NONE	PC	AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH	2,400
Total ▶ 3a				999,477

Form 990PF Part XV Line 3 - Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment				
Recipient	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
Name and address (home or business)				
a <i>Paid during the year</i>				
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS OFFICE OF SPONSORED PROGRAMS 1901 S 1ST ST A CHAMPAIGN, IL 61820	NONE	PC	AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH	131,735
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS OFFICE OF SPONSORED PROGRAMS 1901 S 1ST ST A CHAMPAIGN, IL 61820	NONE	PC	AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH	70,488
UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI OFFICE OF SPONSORED PROGRAMS ADMN 115 BUSINESS LOOP 70W COLUMBIA, MO 65211	NONE	PC	AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH	86,790
Total ► 3a				999,477

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Recipient	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
Name and address (home or business)				
a <i>Paid during the year</i>				
IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY OFFICE OF SPONSORED PROGRAMS ADMN 1138 PEARSON HALL AMES, IA 50011	NONE	PC	AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH	14,822
ENVIRONMENTAL DEFENSE FUND 257 PARK AVE S NEW YORK, NY 10010	NONE	PC	AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH	39,421
FERTILIZER CANADA 350 SPARKS ST STE 907 OTTAWA, ONTARIO K1R 7S8 CA	NONE	NC	AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH	84,550
Total ▶ 3a				999,477

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Recipient	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
Name and address (home or business)				
a <i>Paid during the year</i>				
FERTILIZER CANADA 350 SPARKS ST STE 907 OTTAWA, ONTARIO K1R 7S8 CA	NONE	NC	AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH	40,112
FERTILIZER CANADA 350 SPARKS ST STE 907 OTTAWA, ONTARIO K1R 7S8 CA	NONE	NC	AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH	37,633
Total ▶ 3a				999,477

TY 2018 Investments Corporate Bonds Schedule

Name: FOUNDATION FOR AGRONOMIC
RESEARCH INC

EIN: 58-1406074

Investments Corporate Bonds Schedule

Name of Bond	End of Year Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
CORPORATE BONDS	1,871,927	1,849,435

TY 2018 Investments Government Obligations Schedule

Name: FOUNDATION FOR AGRONOMIC
RESEARCH INC

EIN: 58-1406074

**US Government Securities - End
of Year Book Value:**

**US Government Securities - End
of Year Fair Market Value:**

**State & Local Government
Securities - End of Year Book
Value:**

161,977

**State & Local Government
Securities - End of Year Fair
Market Value:**

159,466

TY 2018 Land, Etc. Schedule

Name: FOUNDATION FOR AGRONOMIC
RESEARCH INC

EIN: 58-1406074

Category / Item	Cost / Other Basis	Accumulated Depreciation	Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
EQUIPMENT				

TY 2018 Other Assets Schedule

Name: FOUNDATION FOR AGRONOMIC
RESEARCH INC

EIN: 58-1406074

Other Assets Schedule

Description	Beginning of Year - Book Value	End of Year - Book Value	End of Year - Fair Market Value
ACCRUED INTEREST RECEIVABLE	13,460	26,159	26,159

TY 2018 Other Expenses Schedule

Name: FOUNDATION FOR AGRONOMIC
RESEARCH INC

EIN: 58-1406074

Other Expenses Schedule

Description	Revenue and Expenses per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
EXPENSES				
BANK FEES	972			
OFFICE EXPENSES	210			

TY 2018 Other Liabilities Schedule

Name: FOUNDATION FOR AGRONOMIC
RESEARCH INC

EIN: 58-1406074

Description	Beginning of Year - Book Value	End of Year - Book Value
AGENCY FUNDS	2,000	39,500

Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service	Schedule of Contributors ▶ Attach to Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF ▶ Go to <u>www.irs.gov/Form990</u> for the latest information	OMB No 1545-0047 2018
Name of the organization FOUNDATION FOR AGRONOMIC RESEARCH INC		Employer identification number 58-1406074

Organization type (check one)

Filers of:	Section:
Form 990 or 990-EZ	☐ 501(c)() (enter number) organization
	☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust not treated as a private foundation
	☐ 527 political organization
Form 990-PF	☒ 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation
	☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation
	☐ 501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

Check if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**.
Note. Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.

General Rule

- ☒ For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, contributions totaling \$5,000 or more (in money or other property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II. See instructions for determining a contributor's total contributions.

Special Rules

- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33¹/₃% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of (1) \$5,000 or (2) 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h, or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.
- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.
- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Don't complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received *nonexclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year. . . . ▶ \$ _____

Caution. An organization that isn't covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules doesn't file Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF), but it **must** answer "No" on Part IV, line 2, of its Form 990, or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ or on its Form 990PF, Part I, line 2, to certify that it doesn't meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

Name of organization FOUNDATION FOR AGRONOMIC RESEARCH INC	Employer identification number 58-1406074
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Part I Contributors (See instructions) Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed			
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	THE FERTILIZER INSTITUTE	\$ 909,000	Person ☒
	425 THIRD ST SW STE 950		Payroll ☐
	WASHINGTON, DC 20024		Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions)
2	FERTILIZER CANADA	\$ 98,976	Person ☒
	350 SPARKS ST STE 907		Payroll ☐
	OTTAWA, ONTARIO K1R 7S8 CA		Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions)
.		\$	Person ☐
			Payroll ☐
			Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions)
.		\$	Person ☐
			Payroll ☐
			Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions)
.		\$	Person ☐
			Payroll ☐
			Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions)
.		\$	Person ☐
			Payroll ☐
			Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions)

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Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) (2018)

Name of organizationFOUNDATION FOR AGRONOMIC
RESEARCH INC**Employer identification number**

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Part III **Exclusively** religious, charitable, etc., contributions to organizations described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) that total more than \$1,000 for the year from any one contributor. Complete columns (a) through (e) and the following line entry. For organizations completing Part III, enter the total of **exclusively** religious, charitable, etc., contributions of **\$1,000 or less** for the year. (Enter this information once. See instructions.) ► \$ _____

Use duplicate copies of Part III if additional space is needed

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee
	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee
	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee
	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee
	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee
	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee
	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee

FOUNDATION FOR AGRONOMIC RESEARCH INC
58-1406074
Y/E 12/31/18

Form 990-PF, Part VII-B, Line 5c

The following information is provided in accordance with IRC Sec. 4945(h)(3) and Reg. 53.4945-5(d) to demonstrate that the foundation exercised expenditure responsibility in regard to its grants.

NAME AND ADDRESS OF GRANTEE	AMOUNT OF GRANT	DATE OF GRANT	PURPOSE OF GRANT	AMOUNTS EXPENDED BY GRANTEE	TO THE GRANTOR'S KNOWLEDGE, GRANTEE HAS DIVERTED A PORTION OF FUNDS FROM THE PURPOSE OF THE GRANT (YES/NO)	DATES OF REPORTS RECEIVED FROM THE GRANTEE	DATES AND RESULTS OF ANY VERIFICATION OF THE GRANTEE'S REPORTS
1 Fertilizer Canada 350 Sparks St, Ste 907 Ottawa, Ontario, Canada K1R 7S8	\$ 162,295	Various	A Canadian research network to improve 4R nutrient stewardship for environmental health and crop production profitability	\$ 162,295	No	6/1/2018	TBD