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Northern Ontario Ag Conference 2026

The Northern Ontario Farm Innovation Alliance (NOFIA) is proud to announce the return of the Northern Ontario Ag Conference on February 6 & 7, 2026, in Sudbury, ON. The Northern Ontario Ag Conference serves as a valuable platform for primary producers, agri-business, researchers, students, and industry stakeholders to gather to ***Celebrate the North: Innovative, Connected, & Sustainable***. Registration for the conference will open on November 1, 2025 at 9:00 AM.

This year's conference will highlight innovation and education, with applications now officially open for three key opportunities: the Innovative Northern Farmer Award, two NOFIA Bursaries, and the Student Research Poster Contest.

The **Innovative Northern Farmer Award** is designed to celebrate innovation in Northern Ontario agriculture. Submissions open on October 1 and close on November 28, 2025. The winning innovation will receive a prize of \$1,500 and present their innovation at the conference banquet on February 6, 2026.

The **NOFIA Bursary** program aims to support the next generation of agricultural professionals. Submissions open on October 1 and close on November 28, 2025. Two bursaries, each valued at \$2,000, are available to students pursuing a post-secondary education or apprenticeship in an agriculture or veterinary related field.

The **Student Research Poster Contest** will highlight student led research that is relevant to Northern Ontario's agricultural sector. Submissions open October 1 and close November 28, 2025. The contest offers cash prizes for the top three posters. Students will have the opportunity to showcase their research to northern stakeholders and producers at the conference on February 6 & 7, 2026.

All awards, bursaries, and presentations will take place at the Northern Ontario Ag Conference banquet on February 6, 2026.

For more information and to apply for any of these initiatives, visit www.nofia-agri.com/noac.

About the Northern Ontario Farm Innovation Alliance (NOFIA):

The Northern Ontario Farm Innovation Alliance (NOFIA) is a non-profit organization that works to develop strategies and partnerships to ensure the advancement of agricultural research and innovation in Northern Ontario.

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