

## **Iowa Nutrient Research Center Advisory Council Special Meeting – December 20, 2022**

### **Discussion on IIHR and Iowa Geological Survey (IGS) Proposal**

9:00 a.m. via Zoom and in person, Elings Hall, Iowa State University, and via teleconference

Attending: Chris Jones, Susan Kozak, Julie Kenney, Adam Schnieders, Keith Summerville, Matt Helmers, Kay Stefanik, Malcolm Robertson, Ann Robinson.

The INRC Advisory Council met to discuss the proposal by IIHR and the Iowa Geological Survey for combined project support of \$500,000 per year. It was clarified during the meeting that the proposal was to add \$30,000 to the \$100,000 proposal from IGS for a total of \$500,000.

This level of funding support is similar to the average funding that has gone to the University of Iowa annually over the last 10 years.

One contract with University of Iowa would also reduce some of the administrative work associated with disbursing multiple subcontracts with IGS on various projects.

After extensive discussion, in general, the advisory council supports moving forward with a combined budget from IIHR and IGS to support sensor network maintenance and collaborative work on INRC funded projects. The advisory council asks that a work plan and budget be submitted in advance of the spring advisory council meeting tentatively scheduled for March 2023. Representatives would be available at this meeting from IIHR and IGS to discuss the work plan and planned activities. Funding is contingent upon advisory council approval.

Since the meeting, INRC received a note from Kapil Arora indicating support for the proposal.

Meeting adjourned 9:35.