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**Bioenergy Research Initiative**

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**Brief Description of Program:**

Mission Statement – the BRI supports the research and development of forestry and agricultural based feedstocks for bioenergy production, agribusiness development, and cooperative research for biofuels production.

The focus of the BRI is research and development of dedicated feedstocks for bioenergy production. By leveraging current technology, developing more applied technology, and identifying existing gaps, the state can help best position feedstock producers and the bioenergy industry moving forward.

**Organizations Funded:**     Private     Local Government     Both

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