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SUBJECT: LTP - EQIP and WHIP Control of Land Certifications

Purpose. To provide revised Control of Land Certification worksheets for EQIP and WHIP

Expiration Date. September 30, 2009

The NRCS contracting policy no longer requires signature of the landowner on EQIP and WHIP contracts if: they are not receiving a share of the payment; they provide control of land to the participant; and they give written concurrence for structural and vegetative practices to be installed on their land. Therefore, we have revised our EQIP and WHIP "Control of Land Certification" worksheets to add a statement that the landowner may use to indicate their concurrence for structural or vegetative practices.

If the landowner signatures have already been obtained on the EQIP or WHIP contract, you do not have to redo the contract. However, if signatures have not yet been obtained, and the landowner is not receiving a share of the payment, you should remove the landowner's names from the ProTracts participant information, and instead use the attached Control of Land Certification worksheets for the landowner's concurrence for structural or vegetative practices. Please note that WHIP policy requires the landowner's statement for control of land to be notarized, but EQIP policy does not have a notary requirement.

If you have any questions, contact your Area Program Liaison.

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