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Subject: PGM – EQIP and WHIP Program Timelines for FY 2010

**Purpose.** Provide Cut-off dates and important timelines for EQIP and WHIP in FY 2010.

**Expiration Date.** September 30, 2010

Applications are accepted on a continuous sig-up basis. The following timelines will govern work related to EQIP and WHIP in FY2010.

- October 27, 2009. State Technical Committee
- November 5th, 2009. First FY2010 application cut off.
- November 27, 2009. Closure of comments from State Technical Committee.
- December 4, 2009. Finalization of all Payment Schedules, and ranking tools for FY 2010.
- January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2010. Applications screened and ranked.
- February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2010. Applications selected for funding moved to Pre-Approved status in Protracts. Reviewed by Area Staff and specialists. Questionnaire completed and sent for contracts which need approval of RAC (>\$150,000).
- March 3, 2010. Contracts obligated. Assistant for Field Operations may request extension if necessary.

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