

## FY 2013 Program Fund Sub-Accounts

Participants submitting applications for EQIP, WHIP and AMA must select a “Fund Sub-Code” in which their application will be placed. Fund Sub-Codes are used to group application by landuse, crop type, livestock or resource concern so that similar applications can be ranked against each other to determine the priority for funding. All applications within a sub-account will be ranked using a common Application Evaluation and Ranking Tool.

The following are the sub-accounts:

<b>EQIP -Cropland</b>	This sub-account is for landowners whose operations are predominantly producing crops included in this code are vegetables, nursery, orchards, turf and other specialty crops. Conservation practices that may be included in these conservation plans can include erosion control practices, conservation irrigation, pest and nutrient management and access control.
<b>EQIP-Forest</b>	This sub-account is for applicants enrolling to complete forest management practices that will be implemented based on a certified forest management or stewardship plan or applicants whose lands are predominantly forested.
<b>EQIP-Pasture</b>	This sub-account is for applicants who wish to implement a certified pasture management plan. Conservation practices that may be included in these conservation plans include fencing for rotational grazing, watering facilities, access control and brush management.
<b>EQIP-Livestock</b>	This sub-account is for applicants whose operations are predominantly used for livestock production. This would include dairy farms, and operations that raise beef, sheep, goats, alpacas or other livestock. Practices that could be included in these conservation plans are waste storage structures, compost facilities, heavy use areas and comprehensive nutrient management plans.
<b>National EQIP Organic Initiative</b>	This sub-account is for applicants who are certified organic operations or are transitioning to an organic operation. Applicants must be registered with the RIDEM Division of Agriculture. Conservation practices for these conservation plans will focus on practices that are used on organic farms, however, applicants will have the opportunity to select any practice that addresses a resource concern on their operation. Some practice are paid at higher rates to allow for loss of income or specialty materials that required higher costs..
<b>EQIP Socially Disadvantaged</b>	This sub-account is for applicants who certify as Socially Disadvantages according to information provided at (enter website). Eligible Conservation practices for this sub-account include all practice

	offered for EQIP in 2012.
<b>EQIP Beginning Farmer</b>	This sub-account is for applicants applying as Beginning Farmers. These are landowners who have been engaged in farming or ranching for 10 years or fewer. For applicant applying for forestry practice you must have owned the land for 10 or fewer years. Eligible Conservation practices for this sub-account include all practice offered for EQIP in 2012. Applicants in this sub-account are eligible for higher practices payment rates.
<b>National EQIP Seasonal High Tunnels Initiative</b>	This sub-account is for applicants who are applying for a Seasonal High Tunnel under the Pilot Program. There is a limited suite of Conservation Practices for this code. They include Seasonal High Tunnel, Conservation Cover and Mulching.
<b>EQIP-NE-NY Forestry Initiative</b>	This sub-account is for applicants whose property is located in one of the following targeted communities: Burrillville, Gloucester, Foster, Scituate, Coventry, West Greenwich, Exeter, Richmond, Hopkinton, Charlestown, South Kingstown, or Westerly and the landowner is completing forest management practices approved for the initiative
<b>EQIP-Conservation Activity Plans</b>	This sub-account is for any applicant applying for a Conservation Activity Plan (CAP). CAPs are not ranked and are funded as application are received and processed.
<b>National EQIP Energy Initiative</b>	This sub-account is for applicants who have developed and On-Farm Energy Audit through a Conservation Activity Plan and wish to implement the recommendations of the energy audit and conserve energy.
<b>Rhode Island EQIP Air Quality Initiative-Excessive Ozone</b>	This sub-account is for applicants who would like to implement practices that have a positive effect on Air Quality Resource Concern-Excessive Ozone. Conservation practices are limited to a suite of practices that impact ozone creation.
<b>WHIP-Working Lands for Wildlife- New England Cottontail</b>	This sub-account is for applicants who would like to restore early successional habitat for New England Cottontail.
<b>AMA-Cropland</b>	This sub-account is for applicant wishing to implement practices such as conservation irrigation which will help to minimize risk for their operation