

**Maine NRCS Program Delivery Schedule  
FY 2019**

(Dependent on NHQ decisions and initial fund availability)

**FY2020 application batching period deadline for ALL subaccount applications: August 16, 2019**

**2019 AMA and EQIP Implementation Subaccounts-First Ranking Period**

First Application batching cut off for FY 2017 funding consideration	<b>August 17, 2018</b>	
Evaluation and Ranking Deadline (FO action)	<b>January 25, 2019</b>	
PreApproval Selection and Field Office Allocations completed (SO action)	<b>February 15, 2019</b>	<b>3 weeks</b>
Approval Deadline (FO action)	<b>April 19, 2019</b>	<b>9 weeks</b>
Obligation Deadline (SO action)	<b>May 31, 2019</b>	<b>6 weeks</b>

**2019 AMA and EQIP Implementation Subaccounts-Second Ranking Period**

First Application batching cut off for FY 2019 funding consideration	<b>August 17, 2018</b>	
Evaluation and Ranking Deadline (FO action)	<b>May 24, 2019</b>	
PreApproval Selection and Field Office Allocations completed (SO action)	<b>June 7, 2019</b>	<b>2 weeks</b>
Approval Deadline (FO action)	<b>July 19, 2019</b>	<b>6 weeks</b>
Obligation Deadline (SO action)	<b>August 30, 2019</b>	<b>6 weeks</b>

**2019 EQIP Conservation Activity Plans, To include AgEMP CAPs, and EQIP Statewide Pollinator Initiative -First Batching Period**

First Application batching cut off for FY 2017 funding consideration	<b>August 17, 2018</b>	
Evaluation and Ranking Deadline (FO action)	<b>January 25, 2019</b>	
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**2019 EQIP Conservation Activity Plans, To include AgEMP and Transition to Organic CAPs (Depending on fund availability after 1<sup>st</sup> round), and Statewide Pollinator Initiative-**Second Batching Period****

Second Application batching cut off for FY 2019 funding consideration	<b>January 18, 2019</b>	
Evaluation and Ranking Deadline (FO action )	<b>May 24, 2019</b>	
PreApproval Selection and Field Office Allocations completed (SO action)	<b>June 7, 2019</b>	<b>2 weeks</b>
Approval Deadline (FO action)	<b>July 19, 2019</b>	<b>6 weeks</b>
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**2019 EQIP National Water Quality Initiative-TBD**

**CStP annual payments for 2018 activities for existing active contracts:**

Payment approval deadline for participants that opted for payment in tax year 2018. (FO action)	<b>December 7, 2018</b>
Payment approval deadline for participants that opted for payment in tax year 2019. (FO action)	<b>March 8, 2019</b>

**2019 CStP obligation of annual funds to prior year active contracts: TBD by NHQ**

**2019 CStP: Stewardship Program: 2019-1 sign up and 2019-1 Renewals of contracts: TBD by NHQ**

**2019 delivery of RCPP-EQIP Projects: Maine Mountain Collaboration for Fish and Wildlife (AOP) and Young Forest Initiative for At-Risk Species**

Delivery Schedules TBD: Maine Mountain Collaboration-Franklin, Oxford, Somerset Counties; Young Forest Initiative for At-Risk Species: Cumberland/York counties.
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**2019 delivery of RCPP-EQIP Projects: Maine Aquatic Connectivity Restoration Project (AOP)**

Application batching cut off for FY 2019 funding consideration	<b>October 18, 2018</b>	
Evaluation and Ranking Deadline (FO action)	<b>January 25, 2019</b>	
PreApproval Selection and Field Office Allocations completed (SO action)	<b>February 15, 2019</b>	<b>3 weeks</b>
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**2019 delivery of RCPP-EQIP Projects: Maine Mountain Collaboration for Fish and Wildlife (FMP CAPs ONLY)**

Application batching cut off for FY 2019 funding consideration	<b>November 16, 2018</b>	
Evaluation and Ranking Deadline (FO action)	<b>January 25, 2019</b>	
PreApproval Selection and Field Office Allocations completed (SO action)	<b>February 15, 2019</b>	<b>3 weeks</b>
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**2019 EQIP TSP TechReg TA:**

<p>All TSP TechReg funds requested by October 18, 2018 must be obligated by COB on December 31, 2018. Any 2019 EQIP TSP TechReg funds not obligated by that date will be swept to fulfill 2<sup>nd</sup> round of requests. <b><u>No exceptions; no waivers.</u></b></p>
<p>All TSP TechReg funds requested by June 21, 2019 must be obligated by COB on June 28, 2019. Any 2019 EQIP TSP TechReg funds not obligated by that date will be swept and returned to the General EQIP TA budget for other uses. <b><u>No exceptions; no waivers.</u></b></p>

**2019 Agricultural Conservation Easement Program (ACEP):**

ACEP-Agricultural Land Easement (ALE) and Wetland Reserve Easement (WRE) application cut off for FY 2019 funding consideration.	<b>Schedule TBD by NHQ</b>
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