

Natural Resources Conservation Service

Application Ranking Summary

FY12 Organic Transition

Program:	Ranking Date:	Application Number:
Ranking Tool: FY12 Organic Transition		Applicant:
Final Ranking Score:		Address:
Planner:	Telephone:	
Farm Location:		

National Priorities Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
Clean and Abundant Water: Water Quality - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
1. a. Meet regulatory requirements relating to animal feeding operations, or proactively avoid the need for regulatory measures?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. b. Reduce sediment, nutrients or pesticides from agricultural operations located within a field that adjoins a designated impaired water body?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. c. Reduce sediment, nutrients or pesticides from agricultural operations located within a field that adjoins a water body?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Clean and Abundant Water: Water Conservation - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
2. a. Increase groundwater recharge in identified groundwater depletion areas (http://water.usgs.gov/ogw/rasa/html/TOC.html)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. b. Conserve water from irrigation system improvements and result in estimated water savings of at least 5% and saved water will be available for other beneficial uses?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. c. Conserve water in an area where the applicant participates in a geographically established or watershed-wide project?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Clean Air: Treatment of Air Quality from Agricultural Sources - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
3. a. Meet regulatory requirements relating to air quality or proactively avoid the need for regulatory measures?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. b. Reduce green house gases such as methane, nitrous oxide, and volatile organic compounds (VOC)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. c. Increase carbon sequestration?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
High Quality, Productive Soils Erosion Reduction - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
4. a. Reduce erosion to tolerable limits (Soil "T")?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Healthy Plant and Animal Communities Wildlife Habitat Conservation - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
5. a. Benefit threatened and endangered, at-risk, candidate, or species of concern as identified in a State wildlife plan?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
5. b. Retain wildlife and plant benefits on land exiting the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
High Quality, Productive Soils, Healthy Plant and Animal Communities: Special Environmental Efforts/Initiatives - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
6. a. Eradicate or control noxious or invasive species?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. b. Increase, improve or establish pollinator habitat?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. c. Implement precision agricultural methods?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. d. Properly dispose of animal carcasses?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. e. Implement an Integrated Pest Management plan?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Energy Conservation – Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
7. a. Reduce energy consumption on the agricultural operation?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
7. b. Increase on-farm energy efficiency with more efficient equipment?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

7. c. Assist in implementing energy conservation measures that reduce emissions from GHGs and air pollutants?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Business Lines - Conservation Implementation Additional Ranking Considerations - Will the proposed project result in:	
8. a. Implementation of all planned conservation practices within three years of contract obligation?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
8. b. Improvement of existing conservation practices or conservation systems already in place at the time the application is accepted, or will complete an existing conservation system?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Does the applicant meet the following conditions:	
9. a. If the applicant has an existing EQIP contract, has it been, and is it now, on schedule and in full compliance?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
9. b. Did the applicant successfully complete any past contract(s) in full compliance?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
9. c. Is this the applicant's first EQIP application?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

State Issues Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
Soil Quality Degradations -Organic Matter Depletion. Answer 1 question for maximum of 45 points.	
1. a EQIP Schedule of Operations includes implementation of two or more soil quality or enhancing practices that address soil tilth, crusting, water infiltration, organic matter, compaction, etc., to FOTG quality criteria standards.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. b EQIP Schedule of Operations includes implementation of one soil quality or enhancing practice that addresses soil tilth, crusting, water infiltration, organic matter, compaction, etc., to FOTG quality criteria standards.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Soil Erosion Resource Issues. Answer 1 question for maximum of 45 points.	
2. a Does the EQIP Schedule of Operations includes practices that will result in reduction of erosion to FOTG quality criteria standards?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Water Quality Resource Issues. Maximum points 110.	
3. a EQIP Schedule of Operations includes 595 Integrated Pest Management which meets FOTG quality criteria.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. b EQIP Schedule of operations includes implementation of practices for management of noxious and invasive species ONLY on "non-cropland" acreage only to FOTG quality criteria.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. c EQIP Schedule of Operations includes implementation of practice 590 Nutrient Management to FOTG quality criteria for management of soil fertility, plant nutrients, and soil amendments.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Plant Condition Resource Issues. Answer all that apply for Maximum points 90.	
4. a EQIP Schedule of Operations includes practices that will result in creation of buffer zones that will mitigate offsite contaminates from entering farm.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
4. b EQIP Schedule of Operations includes practices with the intent of increasing habitat for pollinators and/or beneficial insects.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
4. c EQIP Schedule of Operations includes practice(s) that support Integrated Pest Management.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Water Conservation . Answer all that apply for Maximum points 50.	
5. a Practices scheduled in the EQIP Schedule of Operations will improve the efficiency of an existing irrigation system.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
5. b EQIP Schedule of Operations will include practices that will improve irrigation water management and/or conserve soil moisture.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Domestic Animal Resource Issues; answer all that apply for Maximum points 50.	
6. a EQIP Schedule of Operations includes implementation of practice 528 Prescribed Grazing to FOTG quality criteria standards for management of plant species, livestock, residues, feed, and other identified resource needs.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. b EQIP Schedule of Operations includes implementation of practices that limit and manage domestic livestock access to streams, creeks, and other natural water bodies to FOTG quality criteria standards.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. c EQIP Schedule of Operations includes implementation of practices to assure adequate domestic livestock drinking water sources (not to include streams) are available in the treatment unit and meets	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

FOTG quality criteria standards.	
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Local Issues Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
This application will address the most important local resource priority. (57 Points)	
<p>1. Clinton, Adams, Allen, Huntington, Jasper, Johnson, LaPorte, Porter, Perry, Spencer, Kosciusko, LaGrange: GW/SW -Ex Nuts&Org.; Blackford, Dekalb, Delaware, Jay, Hendricks, Marshall, Newton, Tippecanoe, Bartholomew, Crawford, Fayette, Floyd, Franklin, Henry, Jefferson, Jennings, Ohio, Orange, Ripley, Shelby, Union, Washington, Wayne, Clay, Daviess, Gibson, Knox, Martin, Morgan, Pike, Putnam, Sullivan, Vanderburgh, Vigo, St. Joseph: Sheet&Rill; Fulton, Grant/Madison: GW/SW—Harmful Levels of Pest. Lake, Miami, Steuben, Parke, Warren, White, Vermillion, Whitley: SW-Ex Susp Sediment&Turbidity; Noble, Cass: OM Depletion; Wabash, Carroll, Hamilton, Howard, Clark, Decatur, Dubois, Posey: E Gully; Benton: Inad Cover/Shelter; Fountain, Jackson, Lawrence, Rush: CGully; Montgomery: Forage Quality&Palatability; Pulaski: Wind Erosion; Starke, Harrison, Greene, Owen: Noxious&Invasive Plants; Tipton: Compaction; Hancock: 14-digit priority ws; Scott: SW; Switzerland: Inad Quantities of Feed&Forage; Brown, Monroe, Warrick: Prod., Health&Vigor</p>	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
This application will address the second-most important local resource priority. (40 Points)	
<p>1. Jennings, Jackson, Adams, Cass: Compaction Vigo, Greene, Warren, Porter, Jasper, Allen, Dekalb, Clinton, & St. Joseph: SW-Ex. Susp Sediment&Turbidity Vanderburgh, Pike, Putnam, Sullivan, Knox, Martin, Morgan, Clay, Ripley, Rush, Washington, Franklin, Bartholomew, Hendricks, Blackford&Miami: E Gully Union, Ohio, Orange, Fayette, Delaware, Grant, Howard, Tipton, Jay, Madison, Wabash, Parke, LaPorte, Fulton, Noble, Hamilton, & Whitley: GW/SW—Ex. Nutrients&Organics Huntington&LaGrange: Contaminants—Animal Waste&other Organics Posey, Spencer, Vermillion, Johnson, Scott, Switzerland, Decatur, Lake, Kosciusko, Fountain: Sheet&Rill Brown, Crawford, Marshall, Pulaski: Noxious&Invasive Plants Owen, Perry, Wayne, Shelby, Dubois, Gibson, Henry, Clark, Tippecanoe, Steuben, Carroll: CGully White, Newton, Benton: W Erosion Lawrence, Montgomery: Prod, Health&Vigor Starke: Contaminants-Comm Fertilizer Jefferson, Harrison, Dearborn: Inad Stock Water Floyd: Inad Quantities&Quality of Feed&Forage Hancock: 14-digit ws Daviess: OM Monroe: Inad Water Warrick: Red Waterbody Storage</p>	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
This application will address the third-most important local resource priority. (35 Points)	
<p>1. Crawford, Hamilton, Adams, Whitley: Prod, Health, & Vigor Parke, Perry, Greene, Hancock, Harrison, Clark, Porter, Pulaski, Howard, Cass, Allen, Grant, Madison, Noble: Sheet&Rill Morgan, Clay, Daviess, Ripley, Rush, Scott, Clinton, Fountain, Blackford, Delaware, Jay, Kosciusko, LaGrange: SW-Ex. Susp Sed&Turbidity Orange, Jasper, Marshall, Vermillion, Wayne, Franklin, Bartholomew, Warren, Tippecanoe, Newton, Montgomery, Carroll, Dekalb, Miami, St. Joseph: GW/SW—Ex. Nutrients&Organics Dubois, Fulton: Contaminants—Animal Waste&other Organics Putnam, Huntington&Wabash: GW/SW—Harmful Levels of Pesticides Steuben: Inad Cover/Shelter Pike, Posey, Spencer, Sullivan, Vanderburgh, Washington, Lake, Benton: C Gully Warrick, Monroe, Union, Floyd, Decatur, Tipton, Hendricks: N&I Plants Martin, LaPorte: OM Depletion Starke: T&E Species Vigo, Owen, Gibson, Shelby, Jennings, Fayette, White: E Gully Johnson, Jefferson, Dearborn: Inad Quantities&Quality of Feed&Forage Henry: Compaction Brown, Switzerland, Jackson: Forage Quality Ohio, Lawrence: Inad Stock Water Knox: Comm Fert</p>	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
This application will address the fourth-most important local resource priority. (30 Points)	
<p>1. Howard, Adams, Allen, Jay, & Marshall: Cont—Animal Waste&other Organics Perry, Morgan, Johnson, Scott, Blackford&Wabash: Prod, Health, & Vigor Brown, Jennings, Ripley, Dearborn, Dekalb&Miami: C Gully Warrick, Parke, Switzerland, Newton, Benton, Delaware, Grant, Madison, Kosciusko, & Whitley: E Gully Spencer, Greene, Hancock, Henry, Fountain, Hamilton, Fulton, St. Joseph: OM Huntington: Cont—Comm Fert Clay, Tipton, Hendricks, LaGrange: GW/SW—Ex Nutrients&Organics Owen, White, Noble, Orange, Knox, Harrison, Floyd, Pulaski, Lake, Cass: GW/SW—Harmful levels of pesticides Steuben: T&E Species Jackson, Warren, LaPorte, Montgomery, Clinton, Carroll: Sheet&Rill Starke, Jasper: W Erosion</p>	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

<p>Washington,Jefferson,Shelby,Clark,Tippeca noe,Porter:N&I Plants Vermillion,Vigo,Putnam,Pike,Fayette,Bartholomew:Compaction Monroe,Dubois,Crawford:Forage Quality Rush,Ohio:Inad Quantities&Quality of Feed&Forage Lawrence,Franklin,Decatur,Sullivan,Va nderburgh,Posey,Martin,Gibson,Union:GW/SW-Ex Susp Sed&Turbidity Wayne:14-digit ws Daviss:Inad Cover/Shelter</p>	
<p>This application will address the fifth-most important local resource priority. (25 Points)</p>	
<p>1. Vermillion,Vigo,Parke,Perry,Clay,Brown,Ripley,Scot t,Jefferson,Crawford,Bartholomew,Adams,Dekalb,Jay ,Kosciusko,&Miami:OM Putnam,Sullivan,Morgan,Swit zerland,Fayette,Hamilton,Allen:N&I Plants Franklin,Montgomery,Cass,Blackford&St.Jose ph:Inad Quantities&Quality of Feed&Forage Rush,Shelby,Hancock,Pulaski,Howard,De laware&Fulton:Compaction Grant&Madison:Cont—Comm Fert Union,Johnson,Henry,Lawrence,Fountain,Huntin gton:E Gully LaGrange:Ineff H2O use Gibson,Marshall:W Erosion Orange,Decatur,Jasper,Clinton,Noble,Steub en:GW/SW—Harmful Levels of Pest Wabash:Inad Cover/Shelter Martin,Wayne,Daviss,Tipton,Whitley :Cont—Animal Waste&other Orgs Warrick,Pike,Knox,Jennings,Dearborn,Tippecan oe,LaPorte,Benton:Ex Susp Sed&Turbidity Owen,Newton,Lake,Carroll,Vanderburg h,Posey,Greene:GW/SW-Ex Nuts&Orgs White,Hendricks:Chem Drift Porter:C Gully Harrison,Starke:Cont-Res Pest Spencer,Jackson,Floyd,Warren:Prod,Health&Vig or Dubois,Clark:Inad Stock H2O Ohio:Forage Qual Wash:14-digit ws Monroe:S&R</p>	<p>Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/></p>
<p>This application will address the sixth-most important local resource priority. (20 Points)</p>	
<p>1. Greene,Vermillion,Marshall,Jackson,Scott,Adams:E Gully Allen:PM<10ums dia Rush,Monroe,Pike,Vanderburgh,Newton,White,Bla ckford,Grant,Madison,&LaGrange:OM Shelby,Dekalb: Red Water body Storage Perry,Lawrence,Warren,Franklin,Delaware:N &I Plants Hamilton,Tipton,Fulton&Steuben:Sheet&Rill Huntington:Cont—Residual Pests Jay:Inad Cover/Shelter Ripley,Jefferson,Lake,Decatur,Bento n,Fountain,Kosciusko&Whitley:Compaction Martin,V igo,Jennings,Orange,Union,Howard,Dearborn,Miami:P rod,Health,&Vigor Knox,St.Joseph:Ineff H2O on Irr land Wabash:Ex GHG-CO2 Jasper,Floyd,Hancock,Carroll:Cont-Animal Waste&Other Orgs Switzerland,Cass:Inad Stock H2O Clinton:Obj Odors Spencer,Owen,Ohio,Brown,Dubois,Johnson,Mont gomery,Hendricks:SW-ExSusp Sed&Turb LaPorte:W Erosion Posey,Wayne,Porter:Cont-Comm Fert Putnam,Daviss,Parke,Tippecanoe,Fayette,Pula ski,Starke,Sullivan,Clay,Gibson,Morgan,Noble:GW/S W-Ex Nuts&Orgs Warrick,Harrison,Bartholomew:C Gully Washington,Crawford,Henry,Clark:Inad Quan&Qual of F&F</p>	<p>Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/></p>
<p>This application will address the seventh-most important local resource priority. (17 Points)</p>	
<p>1. Perry,Spencer,Harrison,Porter,Adams,Miami:Inad Quant&Qual of Feed&Forage Allen,Steuben:Cont—Comm Fert Blackford:Cont—Res Pest Lawrence,Dubois,Martin,Jennings,Morgan,Rush, Wayne,Gibson,Starke,Dekalb,Jay:Ex Nuts&Orgs Switzerland,Clay,Daviss,White,Fayette, Delaware,Huntington:Prod,Health,&Vigor Fulton,St .Joseph:W Erosion Pike,Vigo,Bartholomew,Dearborn,Jasper,Gra nt,Madison,LaGrange:N&I Plants Crawford,Hancock,Fountain,Putnam,Knox,Deca tur,Starke,Hendricks,Kosciusko:Harmful Levels of Pest Vanderburgh,Brown,Owen,Parke,Posey,Franklin, Marshall,&Noble:Compaction Scott,Greene,Newton,W abash:C Gully Monroe,Whitley:Ex GHG-CO2 Benton:Chem Drift Cass:Obj Odors Jackson,Montgomery,Pulaski,Tippecanoe,Warre n,Clinton:OM Vermillion,Orange,Union,Washington, Johnson,Floyd,Hamilton:Inad Stock H2O Shelby,Henry,Tipton,Howard:SW-Ex Susp Sed&Turb Lake:Plant Comm Frag LaPorte:Ineff H2O use Irr Land Ohio,Clark:Red waterbody Storage Ripley,Jefferson:Forage Qual Sullivan:14-digit ws Warrick:S&R</p>	<p>Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/></p>
<p>This application will address the eighth-most important local resource priority. (12 Points)</p>	
<p>1. Perry,Bartholomew,Hamilton,Adams,Fulton,Marshall:E x Susp Sed Putnam,Parke,Hancock,Decatur,Allen,Grant,Madi son:Prod,Health,Vigor Shelby,Switzerland,Montgom ery,Vigo,Blackford:Ex Nuts&Orgs Spencer,Vermillion,Johnson,Wayne,Henry, White,Benton,Fountain,Dekalb,Kosciusko,St.Joseph, Whitley:N&I Plants Warrick,Posey,Harrison,Franklin,Fayette,De laware:OM Cass,Hendricks,Huntington:Inad Cover/Shelter Jay:C Gully Washington,LaGrange:Forage Qual&Palat Sullivan,Monroe,Knox,Scott,Clark,Newto n,Miami:Comp Lake,Noble:Chem Drift Ohio,Pulaski,Starke,Carroll,LaPorte,Steuben ,Ripley,Jasper:Harmful Levels of Pest Wabash:Res Pest Orange,Jefferson,Floyd,Clinton:E Gully Union,Clay,Howard:Comm Fert Brown,Rush,Crawford,Porter:Inad Stock H2O Tippecanoe:Animal Waste&Other Orgs Morgan,Martin,Warren:Inad Quant&Qual of F&F Dubois,Lawrence,Dearborn,Jackson:Red wbd Stor Gibson,Jennings:Ineff H2O Use Non-Irr Daviss:Inad Food Greene:Plant Comm Frag Owen:S&R Pike:PM<2.5um dia Vanderburgh,Tipton:GHG CO2</p>	<p>Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/></p>

This application will address the ninth-most important local resource priority. (9 Points)	
<p>1. Adams:ExGHG-CO2 Knox,Shelby,Allen:OM Parke,White ,Hamilton,Howard,Blackford,Whitley:Inad Cover/Shelter Warrick,Rush,Dearborn,Dekalb,Huntington:Comp Union,Orange,Delaware,Grant,Madison:In ad Quant&Qual of F&F Porter,Monroe,Brown,Washington,Crawford,Fulton: Ex Nuts&Orgs Jay:Obj Odors Wayne,Jennings,Kosciusko:14-digit ws Perry,Martin,Morgan,Owen,Warren,Franklin,Hancock,LaGrange:Inad Stock H2O Marshall:Ineff H2O Irr land Posey,Green,Bartholomew,Harrison,Newton, Montgomery,LaPorte,Miami,St.Joseph,Wabash:AW&other Orgs Noble:Res Pest Steuben:T&E Plant Species Benton:T&E Species Putnam,Switzerland,Jackson,Clark,Starke,Carroll:Ex Susp Sed&Turb Pike,Henry,Pulaski,Cass:Forage Qual Vanderburgh,Vermillion,Dubois,Sullivan,Ohio, Jefferson,Fountain,Clinton:Prod,Health&Vigor Tipton,Hendricks:Plant Comm Frag Jasper:E Gully Ripley,Scott,Gibson,Lake:N&I Plants Fayette,Lawrence,Tippecanoe,Daviess: Harm Pest levels Vigo,Clay,Decatur:C Gully Spencer,Floyd:Red wbd stor Johnson:Chem Drift</p>	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
This application will address the tenth-most important local resource priority. (5 Points)	
<p>1. Vermillion,Putnam,Gibson,Clinton,Adams,Delaware:In ad Cover/Shelter Rush,Dearborn,Allen,Fulton:Forage qual Parke,Scott,Porter,Blackford:Plant Comm Frag Orange,Dekalb:Animal Waste&other Orgs Vigo,Spencer,Clay,Jackson,Jennings,Montgomery,Newton,Grant,Madison:Inad Stock H2O Martin,Howard,Huntington,Steuben:N&I Plants Jay:Ex GHG-CO2 Vanderburgh,Pike,Green,Kosciusko:14-digit ws Brown,LaGrange:S&R Harrison,Jasper,Hendricks, Cass,Marshall:Comm Fert Warrick,Johnson,Lawrence,Hamilton,Miami,Owen ,Hancock,Fountain:Ex Nuts&Orgs Ripley,Bartholomew,Noble:Prod,Health&Vigor Morgan,Pulaski,Carroll,St.Joseph:Chem Drift Washington,Wayne,Wabash:Ex Susp Sed&Turb Sullivan,Decatur,Floyd,Whitley:OM Benton:Inad Food Franklin,Jefferson,LaPorte,Crawford,Tipton,Lake:Gully Knox,Starke:PM10 Shelby,Dubois,Union, Warren,Tippecanoe:Harmful Levels of Pest Daviess,Fayette,White:Inad Quant&Qual of F&F Henry,Clark:Res Pest Switzerland,Ohio:Comp Monroe:Ex GHG-CH4 Perry:Red wbd Stor Posey:Ineff H2O use</p>	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

Land Use:

Resource Concerns	Practices
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Ranking Score

Efficiency:
Local Issues:
State Issues:
National Issues:
Final Ranking Score:

This ranking report is for your information. It does not in any way guarantee funding. When funding becomes available, you will be notified if your application is selected for funding. Some changes to the application may be required before a final contract is awarded.

Notes:

<p>NRCS Representative:</p> <p>Signature Date:</p>	<p>Applicant Signature Not Required on this report for Contract Development unless required by State policy:</p> <p>Signature Date:</p>
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