

# Conservation Program Implementation Timeline

## EQIP – FY 2016

EQIP applications are accepted on a continuous basis, however, NRCS establishes application "batching" or submission deadline dates for evaluation, ranking and approval of eligible applications. EQIP is open to all eligible agricultural producers and submitted applications may be considered or evaluated in multiple funding pool opportunity

**Application Signup (1<sup>st</sup> batch) Deadline** January 15, 2016

**Application Signup (2<sup>nd</sup> batch) Deadline** March 18, 2016

### **Eligibility**

Agricultural producers and owners of industrial private forestland and Tribes are eligible to apply for EQIP. Eligible land includes cropland, rangeland, pastureland, non-industrial private forestland and other farm or ranch lands.

Applicants must:

- Control or own eligible land
- Comply with adjusted gross income limitation (AGI) provisions
- Be in compliance with the highly erodible land and wetland conservation requirements
- Develop a NRCS EQIP plan of operations

Additional restrictions and program requirements may apply.