

TO: MTC Strategic Planning Compliance Work Team
FROM: Elizabeth Harchenko
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SUBJECT: Summary of Project Scoring Results and Next Steps

You have all submitted your scoring matrices for the projects we identified in Grand Rapids as well as for the project ideas that came in afterwards. Thank you!

In this memo I will give you the high level results of the scoring, and describe the work we will do during our conference call next week.

Scoring Results

I took all of your rankings for the six categories and gave them a numerical score:

- Non-cash benefits: High (3); Medium (2); Low (1)
- Resources needed: Low (3); Medium (2); High (3)
- Project complexity: Low (3); Medium (2); High (3)
- Effect on Audits: High (3); Medium (2); Low (1)
- ROI: High (3); Medium (2); Low (1)
- Effect on Taxpayers: High (3); Medium (2); Low (1)
- All N/A responses were scored at zero

I developed an “average score” under each category for each project, and then added the average scores to develop a total score. The highest possible score would be 18 (average score of 3 in all six categories). The three projects with the highest total scores were:

- Early “no change” decision (total score of 14.8)
- Changes to the audit nominating process (total score of 13)
- Information exchange between the MTC and the states (total score of 12.9)

I used the same technique to score the project ideas that came in after our Grand Rapids meeting. Two projects in that group had total scores in the same range as the Grand Rapids projects. They were:

- Second cycle audits (total score of 14.7)
- Limited scope audits (total score of 13.4)

September 21 Meeting Agenda

First, we will review the five projects that I have listed above. You may want to add more detail to the descriptions before you discuss which projects you want to recommend to the Steering Committee for their consideration.

After we are comfortable with the project descriptions, I will ask you to discuss and decide which projects you want to send to the Steering Committee. We will also talk about what criteria could be used to evaluate the success of the projects that you decide to recommend to the Steering Committee.

Additional Information

Along with this memo, I am sending the project descriptions for the five projects and (for those of you number crunchers who want to see the results for all of the projects) the completed scoring matrix for all of the projects.

For our meeting on September 21, you will need ready access to the project descriptions and the definitions of the rating criteria that I sent to you on August 21.

Thanks again for your good work and your commitment to the success of the MTC.