GPRA Report Due Date for FY 2007 Competitive Applicants Postponed to May 31, 2007

Several concerns have been raised about the requirement in the FY 2007 Weed and Seed Communities Competitive Solicitation to submit a GPRA report with the application. The specific concerns have been twofold:

- 1) For most new sites, much of the GPRA responses will be negative because they have not started active operations. Consequently, they may be able to indicate some organizational developments such as the existence of a Steering Committee and a designated Site Director but are unlikely to have services or activities that indicate the implementation of a strategy which is most likely either new or still under development at the time of the application preparation; and
- 2) The crime data for 2006 and potentially other numeric information are likely to not be available in time for the January 31 submission date. Due to data-entry delays, cleaning of record errors, and reconciliation of subsequent corrections, some annual tabulations of administrative data may not be completed until late March. Traditionally, the GPRAs were not submitted to CCDO until April or May, at which point there is a greater likelihood of this information being available.

With this in mind, CCDO is postponing the due date of GPRA data for FY 2007 Competitive applicants. This is appropriate for the Competitive Sites since:

- a) The Competitive Sites submitted a three-year crime data series with their NOIs. However, this information should be updated in their applications to reflect the latest available data; and
- b) Considering the probability that most of the Competitive Site applications will be denied due to the lack of available CCDO funding, it is more appropriate to obtain 2007 GPRAs as baselines for <u>only the successful applicants</u> when the more recent annual information is likely to be available.

This data will be due by May 31, 2007.

This would mean simply treating the successful Competitive Sites in the same manner as the Continuation Sites in regards to the FY2007 GPRA requirement.

It you have any questions regarding this matter please contact the CCDO Program Manager for your State.