

**Major Changes to the 12-06 version of  
Form 8900, Qualified Railroad Track Maintenance Credit**

- Beginning in 2006, this form will become a continuous use form. That is, it will be revised only as needed instead of annually. Under current law, this credit is set to expire on December 31, 2007.
- In response to a request from the Office of Chief Counsel, we added a reference to the instructions for lines 3b and 3c that requests a required statement from the assignee (line 3b) or assignor (line 3c.)
- We deleted Part II, relating to computation of the allowable credit from the form. Beginning in 2006, all taxpayers will be required to complete Form 3800, General Business Credit, to make this computation.
- On Line 6, we deleted the references to Schedules K-1 for shareholders in an S corporation and partners of a partnership.
- On line 7, we revised the instructions for S corporations and partnerships. Taxpayers will need to go to the instructions for their appropriate tax form (i.e., Form 1120S or 1065) that they file for additional information on how to report the credit on Form 3800.
- We added a “What’s New” to summarize the major changes to Form 8900 for 2006.
- We added a new topic “Who Must File” for eligible taxpayers who wish to claim the Qualified Railroad Track maintenance credit.
- Under “Definitions,” we added definitions of critical terms that are defined in Temporary Regulations 1.45G-1T(b).
- We added a new topic “Adjustments to Basis” that reflects new Temporary Regulations section 1.45G-1T(e)(2).
- We revised instructions for “Members of a Controlled Group or Business Under Common Control,” to reflect changes made by Temporary Regulations section 1.45G-1T(f)(2).
- Included in the instructions for Line 3b are new details regarding the attached statement that is now required by an assignor of eligible railroad track under Temporary Regulations 1.45G-1T (d)(4)(ii).
- Included in the instructions for Line 3c are new details regarding the attached statement that is now required by an assignee of eligible railroad track under Temporary Regulations 1.45G-1T (d)(4)(iii).