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I am writing to propose the addition of a new Minimum Data Element (MDE) for 'Qualifying Agricultural Work.' Incorporating this MDE will allow recruiters to efficiently identify families engaged in this type of work, thereby ensuring the continued provision of services throughout the 36-month eligibility period.

By validating qualifying agricultural work with data from the prior state, recruiters will be empowered to make independent determinations regarding a child's eligibility based on previous qualifying moves. This enhancement will also facilitate the completion of each state's Certificate of Eligibility (COE).

Thank you for considering this proposal. I believe that implementing this MDE will significantly improve our ability to support Migrant families in need.