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Enterprise Project Status Dashboard – as of February, 2015

Project: LINK – Procurement		Contact: Bo Botelho				
Start Date	01/14/2013	Orig. Completion Date	10/31/2013	Revised Completion Date	Pending	
	February	December	October	September	July	May
Overall Status						
Schedule						
Budget						
Scope						
Project Description						
<p>Workday Procurement standardizes business processes for procurement documents. Workday Procurement will be the data entry location for all procurement documents (requisitions, purchase orders and contracts). Approvals and printing of the documents will be processed in Workday. Selected supplier websites will be available for access to state contracted pricing through punch-out capability. Purchase Orders will be interfaced in to the State’s financial system for encumbering, receipts, and accounts payable. Suppliers will be available for selection in Workday and their associated commodities and procurement contact information will be maintained within Workday.</p> <p>Project Estimate: \$1,895,800 (\$1,624,009.27 has been expended)</p>						
Comments						
<p>The Workday Procurement project has been suspended. The Department will continue to prioritize the current upgrading of the EnterpriseOne financial system and ongoing support of the existing HCM solution.</p>						

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Project: Network Nebraska Education		Contact: Tom Rolfes				
Start Date	05/01/2006	Orig. Completion Date	06/30/2012	Revised Completion Date	08/01/2015	
	February	December	October	September	July	May
Overall Status						
Schedule						
Budget						
Scope						
Project Description						
<p>Network Nebraska-Education is a statewide consortium of over 260 K-12 and higher education entities working together to provide a statewide backbone, commodity Internet, distance education, and other value-added services to its participants. Network Nebraska-Education is managed by the State Office of the CIO partnering with the University of Nebraska Computing Services Network (UNCSN).</p> <p>Project Budget (2014-15): \$717,781 (\$477,934 has been expended)</p>						
Comments						
<p>February update: Since the last reporting period, State Purchasing made an intent to award to Cogent Communications for Internet service out of 1623 Farnam in Omaha. The unit cost is expected to decrease by \$.68/Mbps/month, or about a 50% drop in price. Discussions have continued with ESU 3 schools and the Lincoln Diocese schools and both groups are expected to join the network on 7/1/2015. The Network Nebraska Advisory Group met to recommend implementation of dynamic provisioning of Internet for the upcoming year, which will permit Network Nebraska to experience some cost avoidance by reducing the purchase of unused Internet bandwidth, and redirecting those funds into the hardware and infrastructure to deliver the Internet. Internet orders are due from all entities by March 1, 2015, and the deadline for E-rate filing is March 26, 2015.</p> <p>December update: Looking ahead to the fall 2014 procurement, Omaha commodity Internet will be rebid.. After hearing from the FCC that there will be no national preferred master contracts for internal connections equipment, the ESU-NOC voted to have the Office of the CIO and State Purchasing procure maximum discounts on up to 9 different types of equipment such as wireless access points, cabling, switches/routers, etc... This will become an invitation to bid to extend over the life of the FCC equipment funding (2015-2020) with a possible fiscal impact of \$52 million for Nebraska K-12 schools.</p> <p>Additional Comments/Concerns: The Network Nebraska-Education Participation Fee fund account has been updated with the 2014-15 estimated costs and the 2nd quarter UNCSN invoice submitted on 1/29/2015.</p> <p>Even though the Chief Information Officer fulfilled the Legislative benchmark of “providing access (the ability to connect) to every public K-12 and public higher education entity at the earliest date and no later than July 1, 2012” [Neb. Rev. Stat. 86-5,100], the NITC Technical Panel has extended the enterprise project designation for Network Nebraska-Education until 8/1/2015 so that all public school districts that want to participate have actually connected.</p>						

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Project: Nebraska State Accountability (NeSA) (formerly Statewide Online Assessment) Contact: John Moon

Start Date	07/01/2010	Orig. Completion Date	06/30/2011	Revised Completion Date	6/30/2015	
	February	December	December	October	September	July
Overall Status						
Schedule						
Budget						
Scope						

Project Description

Legislative Bill 1157 passed by the 2008 Nebraska Legislature required a single statewide assessment of the Nebraska academic content standards for reading, mathematics, science, and writing in Nebraska’s K-12 public schools. The new assessment system was named Nebraska State Accountability (NeSA), with NeSA-R for reading assessments, NeSA-M for mathematics, NeSA-S for science, and NeSA-W for writing. The assessments in reading and mathematics were administered in grades 3-8 and 11; science was administered in grades 5, 8, and 11; and writing was administered in grades 4, 8, and 11.

Project Estimate: \$5,364,408 (\$2,174,622.75 has been expended)

Comments

February update:

The NeSA- W window is scheduled to close on February 6, 2015. Almost 38,000 of the 8th and 11th grade online writing tests were completed by January 30th. About 5,000 online tests still need to be completed. Unlike previous years, there were very few technological issues during the 2015 testing. There have been very few reports of software issues this year. Another 24,000 students took the writing practice tests in preparation for the actual testing. In reports made by Nebraska Department of Education observations and informal statements by teachers the students seem to be very focused on the test performance.

The student data will be uploaded to DRC for NeSA-Reading, Math, and Science (NeSA-RMS) Operational Tests on February 1, 2015. The NeSA-reading, math and science assessments are scheduled for March 23rd through May 1, 2015. Along with teacher developed C4L tests, practice tests for reading, math and science have been available since August 29, 2014.

Discussions with DRC have begun on future improvements to the NeSA testing.

December update:

The student data will be uploaded to DRC for NeSA-Writing (NeSA-W) Operational Tests on December 5, 2014. The NeSA- W window is scheduled for January 19 through February 6, 2015 while districts have been conducting practice tests for NeSA-W since August 29, 2014. NDE has encouraged districts to participate in the NeSA-W practice tests with over 7,379 tests completed so far. Students have completed 1072 NeSA-W field test since the window opened on November 10, 2014. There have been minimal reports of any technology issues. The testing engine is the same for field testing and for secure operational testing.

NeSA-W test administration training for test administrators and N-TACS have been scheduled for January 5th, 6th, and 7th and invitations posted on the NDE Assessment website, <http://www.education.ne.gov/Assessment/Index.html> .

DRC and NDE has responded to district concerns about chromium browser “bug” that randomly turns on the “overwrite” mode and the connection requirement for dictionary/thesaurus/spell check tools to work. More technical explanation was posted on the eDIRECT site for districts to access.

Additional Comments/Concerns:

Nebraska State Accountability (NeSA) is a statewide assessment system mandated by Nebraska Statute. Nebraska

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Department of Education has contracted with Data Recognition Corporation (DRC) to continue the development of the assessment system including management, development, delivery, administration, scanning/imaging, scoring, analysis, reporting, and standard setting for the online and pencil/paper reading, science, writing, and mathematics tests (NeSA-RMS) for July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015. DRC will facilitate the delivery, administration, scanning/imaging, scoring, analysis, and reporting for the alternate pencil/paper reading, science, and mathematics tests during the same assessment window. DRC will deliver the online writing assessment (NeSA-W) for grades 8 and 11 and the pencil/paper writing assessment for grade 4 as well.

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Project: Nebraska Regional Interoperability Network (NRIN)		Contact: Sue Krogman			
Start Date	10/01/2010	Orig. Completion Date	06/01/2013	Revised Completion Date	09/30/2015 09/30/2016
	February	December	October	September	July May
Overall Status					
Schedule					
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Project Description					
<p>The Nebraska Regional Interoperability Network (NRIN) is a project that will connect a majority of the Public Safety Access Points (PSAP) across the State by means of a point to point microwave system. The network will be a true, secure means of transferring data, video and voice. Speed and stability are major expectations; therefore there is a required redundant technology base of no less than 100 mbps with 99.999% availability for each site. It is hoped that the network will be used as the main transfer mechanism for currently in-place items, thus imposing a cost-saving to local government. All equipment purchased for this project is compatible with the networking equipment of the OCIO.</p> <p>Project Estimate: \$10,820,003 (\$8,915,330.26 has been expended)</p>					
Comments					
<p>NEMA is struggling with issues of governance and maintenance of the network. Governance would be needed at the local jurisdiction and not at the state agency (there is no state agency is heading the project, it's all run at the local jurisdiction). There is no formal governance heading the project.</p> <p>February update: There has been an extreme amount of equipment installed and sites that have been brought on line thanks to the ability of work being able to continue with no interruptions. The MOU that NEMA has with the OCIO utilizing the two contractors with MSA's has been a huge benefit to this project. Because of the knowledge both contractors have of Ceragon Equipment and the use of an OCIO employee to configure the Juniper routers, we have seen a great improvement in the amount of work being accomplished. Weather may be a factor between now and the next report, but that is and has been an issue all along.</p> <p>December update: All issues on the process have been alleviated and the quote, invoicing and billing process has been addressed and refined. Weather conditions should not be a big factor over the next couple of months as the majority of the work to be completed will be inside buildings and/or shelters.</p> <p>Additional Comments/Concerns: It's possible that upcoming target dates might be missed. Based on the uncertainty of the infrastructure needed for the project and the time involved in obtaining the environmental approvals to proceed with the project, any target dates are fluid. Delays are inevitable due to the difficulty in locating adequate tower sites and negotiating leasing agreements and/or MOU's.</p>					

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Project: MMIS		Contact:				
Start Date	N/A	Orig. Completion Date	N/A	Revised Completion Date	N/A	
	February	December	October	September	July	May
Overall Status						
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Comments						
<p>Project On Hold until renewed</p> <p>Funding has been appropriated for a MMIS replacement in the current biennial budget starting July 1, 2014. Once the project moves forward (a RFP will be developed) DHHS will resume monthly reporting.</p>						

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Project: District Dashboards							Contact: Dean Folkers
Start Date	07/01/2013	Orig. Completion Date	06/30/2015	Revised Completion Date			
	February	December	October	September	July	May	
Overall Status							
Schedule							
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Project Description							
<p>Made possible by a Statewide Longitudinal Data System (SLDS) grant from the United States Department of Education in 2012, the focus of the Nebraska Ed-Fi Dashboard initiative is to provide readily available data to the Nebraska classrooms to facilitate informed decision-making. Potential users include teachers, counselors, and administrators. NDE intends to leverage the Ed-Fi dashboard solution made available by the Michael & Susan Dell Foundation to provide Nebraska with an advanced student performance dashboard system to be customized for Nebraska needs. The Ed-Fi data standard will serve to define the initial data elements powering the Nebraska Ed-Fi dashboard.</p> <p>Our Plan of Work for design, development, and piloting of the Nebraska Dashboards will commence in three phases, each to proceed subsequently upon successful completion of the previous phase, between the months of September 2013 and December 2014. The phases include: Phase I - Dashboard Readiness (September 2013-February 2014), Phase II – Dashboard Development (February 2014-June 2014), and Phase III – Dashboard Deployment (June 2014-December 2014).</p> <p>Project Estimate: \$466,623.75 has been expended, grant funds only</p>							
Comments							
<p>February update: No status report for February.</p> <p>December update: The project is running behind the original baseline schedule by about five - six months. The primary cause for extended project duration is changes in the pilot SIS vendor implementation schedules. All three pilot SIS vendors, Pearson, Tyler Technologies and Infinite Campus, are experiencing delays in planned start of development and readiness for data staging with pilot districts. The project and sponsor have agreed to adjust the dashboard schedule to align with vendor schedules. The revised plan is to start staging activities in early 2015, dependent upon vendor progress, and reschedule the dashboard pilot testing for spring 2015. Delays in vendor implementation and data staging will have an impact on the planned start of data warehouse validation with production data. However, the project is still on schedule for data warehouse and accountability data mart pilot testing in the spring of 2015. Additionally, there have been delays in Nebraska SSO integration, development of the Nebraska SSO portal, on premise implementation for Ed-Fi v.Next and completion of dashboard co-development required for the initial pilot. These delays impact the overall timeline and budget but are not a significant factor in readiness for data staging with the pilot districts.</p> <p>October update: Overall the project is running behind schedule by about four months for vendor implementation, SSO implementation, Ed-Fi v.Next on premise support and planned co-development/ knowledge transfer activities with Nebraska Department of Education staff. The project and sponsor have agreed to adjust the dashboard schedule due to vendor delays in development activities. The revised plan is to start staging activities in late fall 2014, dependent upon vendor progress, and reschedule the dashboard pilot testing for early 2015. Delays in vendor implementation and data staging will have an impact on the planned start of data warehouse validation. However, the project is still on schedule for data warehouse and accountability data mart pilot testing in the spring of 2015. The delay in co-development will not have an impact on planned staging activities with vendors nor the start of pilot testing.</p>							





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Project: EnterpriseOne System Upgrade		Contact: Lacey Pentland				
Start Date	10/01/2013	Orig. Completion Date	10/03/2014	Revised Completion Date	Spring, 2015	
	February	December	October	September	July	May
Overall Status						
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Project Description						
<p>The State of Nebraska has been using JD Edwards to support the State’s agencies for over ten years. The current EnterpriseOne 9.0 system is relatively stable with a medium level of modifications. The program is planned, as much as possible, to be a technical upgrade with minimal impact on the existing business processes, interfaces and the related applications. The current applications landscape is proposed to be upgraded as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upgrade from E1 9.0 to E1 9.1 to stay current with the JD Edwards technology stack • Migrate/Retrofit required customizations to E1 9.1 based on the keep drop analysis • Be on the latest stack • Simplification of the existing ecosystem – minimize customization, expand usage of JDE application • Leverage standard functionalities provided by new features of E1 9.1 <p>Project Estimate: \$2,250,000 (\$1,096,750.20 has been expended)</p>						
Comments						
<p>February update:</p> <p>The PD910 environment is being used for the user acceptance testing phase which is well under way. The EnterpriseOne team is working through the issues as they arise. There are 3-4 weeks remaining for user acceptance testing but at this time we have not run into any issues which would prevent us from moving forward with Go-Live.</p> <p><u>Current work completed:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Functional Testing completed on 12/11/2014. • Mock Go-Live Conversion occurred 12/12/2014 – 12/16/2015. • UAT Phase: PD910 environment created and UAT started 12/22/2014. • On-boarded new resources to help for the remainder of the project. <p><u>Next Steps:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UAT phase is scheduled to be completed by mid-February 2015. • Planning for performance testing (stress test), training and cutover at Go-Live. <p>December update:</p> <p>The EnterpriseOne 9.1 system is stable and the modification disposition phase was completed on 11/10/2014. Functional testing started 10/20/2014 with a target date for completion on 12/11/2014. UAT is in the planning stages, a Mock Go-Live conversion is scheduled to start on 12/12/2014 in preparation for the UAT phase.</p>						

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Project:	Medicaid Eligibility & Enrollment System	Contact:	Eric Henrichsen		
Start Date	10/28/2014	Orig. Completion Date	06/30/2016	Revised Completion Date	N/A
	February	December	October	September	July May
Overall Status					
Schedule					
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Project Description					
<p>The Affordable Care Act (ACA) included numerous provisions with significant information systems impacts. One of the requirements was to change how Medicaid Eligibility was determined and implement the changes effective 10/1/2014. As a result of the lack of time available to implement a long-term solution, the Department of Health and Human Services implemented a short-term solution in the current environment to meet initial due dates and requirements. This solution did not meet all Federal technical requirements for enhanced Federal funding but was approved on the assumption that a long-term solution would be procured. An RFP was developed and procurement has been completed with Wipro selected as the Systems Integrator for an IBM/Curam software solution.</p> <p>Project Estimate: \$57,741,564 (\$9,770,337 has been expended)</p>					
Comments					
<p>February update:</p> <p>The project is gaining some momentum as a project approach for Requirements Gathering has been developed and agreed upon. Work on an Integrated Master Schedule is progressing as well but a little behind the project approach work. Business Process Reengineering sessions have completed. Preparation work for Fit-Gap and Operation Process Reengineering stages is under way. The project and vendor are making improvements in many areas, but there is still cause for general concern.</p> <p>December update:</p> <p>The project continues to have a slow start and the vendor is having difficulties developing an acceptable integrated project plan and project approach. “Business Process Reengineering” (review of Curam functionality and attempt to understand where state requirements vary from what exists) sessions have nearly completed but next steps are not very clear and completely agreed upon. The project and vendor are making improvements in many areas, but there is still cause for general concern and action plans needed. The vendor has delivered a “Go To Green” plan with improvement actions and due dates listed.</p> <p>Additional Comments/Concerns:</p> <p>The project master schedule is well behind the original schedule. The vendor and the State of Nebraska have agreed to the project approach in concept, but the vendor is struggling to produce the documentation and a project plan to support it. One additional risk, many state resources are not full-time on the project and have other duties including other Legislative mandates to implement. The vendor is having difficulty in filling key roles on the project.</p>					

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Color Legend		
	Red	Project has significant risk to baseline cost, schedule, or project deliverables. Current status requires immediate escalation and management involvement. Probable that item will NOT meet dates with acceptable quality without changes to schedule, resources, and/or scope.
	Yellow	Project has a current or potential risk to baseline cost, schedule, or project deliverables. Project Manager will manage risks based on risk mitigation planning. Good probability item will meet dates and acceptable quality. Schedule, resource, or scope changes may be needed.
	Green	Project has no significant risk to baseline cost, schedule, or project deliverables. Strong probability project will meet dates and acceptable quality.
	Gray	No report for the reporting period or the project has not yet been activated.