

**AGENDA**  
**TECHNICAL PANEL**  
**Varner Hall - Board Room**  
**3835 Holdrege Street**  
**Lincoln, Nebraska**  
**Tuesday, February 14, 2023**  
**9:00 a.m. CT**

- I. ROLL CALL; MEETING NOTICE; OPEN MEETINGS ACT INFORMATION
- II. PUBLIC COMMENT
- III. APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 21, 2022, MEETING MINUTES (*Attachment III*) \*\*\*
- IV. REGULAR BUSINESS
  - A. PROJECTS
    - 1. Enterprise project status dashboard report. Andy Weekly. (*Attachment IV-A-1*)
  - B. TECHNICAL STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES
    - 1. Proposal 30. Repeal the enterprise content management standard. [Motion to post for 30-day comment period.] (*Attachment IV-B-1*) \*\*\*
- V. OTHER BUSINESS
- VI. ADJOURN

\*\*\* Action item.

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# Attachment III

**TECHNICAL PANEL**  
Nebraska Public Media - Board Room  
1800 North 33rd Street, Lincoln, Nebraska  
Friday, October 21, 2022, 2:00 p.m. CT  
**MINUTES**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Kirk Langer, Chair, Lincoln Public Schools  
Bret Blackman, University of Nebraska, ITS  
Ed Toner, Chief Information Officer, State of Nebraska  
Ling Ling Sun, Nebraska Educational Telecommunications  
Remy Sydik, University of Nebraska

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Rick Becker, NITC Administrative Manager and Legal Counsel  
Patrick Wright, State Information Security Officer  
Andy Weekly, OCIO Project Management Office, IT Supervisor  
Lori Lopez Urdiales, Office Services Manager II

**ROLL CALL; MEETING NOTICE; OPEN MEETINGS ACT INFORMATION**

Mr. Langer called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m. A quorum was present. The meeting notice was posted to the NITC website and the Nebraska Public Meeting Calendar on August 24, 2022. The agenda was posted to the NITC website on October 19, 2022. The Nebraska Open Meetings Act was posted on the east wall of the room.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**APPROVAL OF AUGUST 9, 2022, MEETING MINUTES**

**Mr. Toner moved to approve the August 9, 2022, meeting minutes as presented. Mr. Blackman seconded. Roll call vote: Toner-Yes, Sydik-Yes, Langer-Yes, Blackman-Yes, and Sun-Yes. Results: Yes-5, No-0, Abstained-0. Motion carried.**

**REGULAR BUSINESS**

**PROJECTS**

**Enterprise project status dashboard report.**

Mr. Weekly reviewed the report and entertained questions from the panel members.

**Recommendations to the commission on project proposals submitted as part of the 2023-2025 biennial budget process.**

Mr. Langer provided an overview of the project review process.

First, members will discuss each project and answer the following standard questions:

1. Does the project: (a) create efficiencies; and/or (b) reduce or eliminate risks?
2. Is the proposed technology appropriate for the project?
3. Can the technical elements be accomplished within the proposed timeframe and budget?

Next, the panel will recommend how each project should be prioritized. The commission uses a tier system with the following categories:

- Mandate. Required by law, regulation, or other authority.
- Tier 1. Highly Recommended. Mission critical project for the agency or the state.
- Tier 2. Recommended. Project with high strategic importance for the agency or the state.
- Tier 3. Other. Project with strategic importance for the agency or the state; but, in general, has an overall lower priority than the Tier 1 and Tier 2 projects.
- Insufficient Information. Insufficient information to make a recommendation.

After the panel has reached a consensus on the initial recommendations for each project, the submitting agency will be given an opportunity to address the panel.

Finally, each project will have a record vote on the final recommendations of the panel.

#### **09-01, Secretary of State, Business Services Filing System**

Mr. Langer led a discussion about the project. Colleen Byelick and Chad Sump were present for the discussion and available to answer questions from the panel.

**Mr. Toner moved to provide the following comments and recommendations on project 09-01: (1) answer “yes” to questions 1-3, and (2) recommend the project be prioritized as a Tier 1 project. Mx. Sydik seconded. Roll call vote: Sydik-Yes, Langer-Yes, Blackman-Yes, Sun-Yes, and Toner-Yes. Results: Yes-5, No-0, Abstained-0. Motion carried.**

#### **46-01, Department of Correctional Services, Electronic Health Records**

Mr. Langer led a discussion about the project. The agency did not have a representative present at the meeting.

**Mr. Langer moved to provide the following comments and recommendations on project 46-01: (1) answer “yes” to question 1, (2) answer “no” to questions 2-3, (3) recommend the project be prioritized as a Tier 1 project, and (4) provide the following additional comments: “The Technical Panel strongly recommends that the agency reconsider the decision to build their own system rather than purchasing a commercially available system. The panel recognizes that this recommendation may require an increased budget amount over that in the current proposal.” Ms. Sun seconded. Roll call vote: Blackman-Yes, Langer-Yes, Sydik-Yes, Toner-Yes, and Sun-Yes. Results: Yes-5, No-0, Abstained-0. Motion carried.**

#### **46-02, Department of Correctional Services, Radio System Upgrade**

Mr. Langer led a discussion about the project. The agency did not have a representative present at the meeting.

**Mr. Blackman moved to provide the following comments and recommendations on project 46-02: (1) answer “yes” to questions 1-3, and (2) recommend the project be prioritized as a Tier 1 project. Mr. Toner seconded. Roll call vote: Sun-Yes, Blackman-Yes, Langer-Yes, Sydik-Yes, and Toner-Yes. Results: Yes-5, No-0, Abstained-0. Motion carried.**

#### **65-01, Department of Administrative Services, New Budget Management and Request System**

Mr. Langer led a discussion about the project. The agency did not have a representative present at the meeting.

**Mx. Sydik moved to provide the following comments and recommendations on project 65-01: (1) answer “yes” to questions 1-3, and (2) recommend the project be prioritized as a Tier 2 project. Mr. Blackman seconded. Roll call vote: Toner-Yes, Sydik-Yes, Langer-Yes, Blackman-Yes, and Sun-Yes. Results: Yes-5, No-0, Abstained-0. Motion carried.**

## **TECHNICAL STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES**

**Proposal 27. Amend mobile device and portable storage device provisions of the Information Security Policy.**

No comments were received during the comment period.

**Mr. Toner moved to recommend approval of Proposal 27. Mx. Sydik seconded. Roll call vote: Sun-Yes, Toner-Yes, Sydik-Yes, Langer-Yes, and Blackman-Yes. Results: Yes-5, No-0, Abstained-0. Motion carried.**

**Proposal 28. Amend access control and minimum configuration provisions of the Information Security Policy.**

No comments were received during the comment period.

**Mr. Blackman moved to recommend approval of Proposal 28. Mr. Langer seconded. Roll call vote: Toner-Yes, Sun-Yes, Blackman-Yes, Langer-Yes, and Sydik-Yes. Results: Yes-5, No-0, Abstained-0. Motion carried.**

**Proposal 29. Amend GIS data standards.**

No comments were received during the comment period.

Mr. Becker offered the following staff recommended amendment to the proposal: "On page 1, lines 3 and 8; and page 2, line 16, strike "current" and replace with "most recent".

**Ms. Sun moved to recommend approval of Proposal 29 with the staff recommended amendment. Mr. Langer seconded. Roll call vote: Sun-Yes, Blackman-Yes, Langer-Yes, Sydik-Yes, and Toner-Yes. Results: Yes-5, No-0, Abstained-0. Motion carried.**

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

There is no other business.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**Mx. Sydik moved to adjourn. Mr. Blackman seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

Meeting minutes were taken by Ms. Lopez Urdiales and reviewed by Mr. Becker.

# Attachment IV-A-1

# Projects Status Dashboard

February 2023

## Enterprise Projects - Current

Agency/Entity	Project	NITC Designated
Nebraska Council of Regions	Nebraska Regional Interoperability Network	03/15/2010
Department of Health and Human Services	iServe Nebraska	11/12/2020
Department of Transportation	Financial Systems Modernization Project	07/08/2021
Nebraska Public Employees Retirement Systems	OPS Retirement Plan Management Transfer	11/04/2021
Department of Administrative Services, State Budget Division	New Budget Management and Request System	11/10/2022

**Note: Status is self-reported by the agency**

# Project Storyboard: Nebraska Regional Interoperability Network (NRIN)

Project Manager	Krogman, Sue	Status Report Date	1/30/23
Project Type	Major Project	Status	Approved
Stage	Build	Progress	Started
Total Estimated Cost	\$12,500,000.00	Estimate to Complete	83.24%
Actual Cost To Date	\$10,405,204.00		

Project Dates		
	Start	Finish
Plan	10/1/10	8/31/23
Baseline	10/1/10	8/31/23
Days Late	0	0

Status Report Indicators		
Overall		
Schedule		
Scope		
Cost and Effort		

**Project Description**

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.

**Key Accomplishments**

Met with the Richardson County Board to receive approval to access their new County tower for installation. Met with contractor and Webster County to get site approvals for installation of a new tower.

**Status Report Update**

UPDATE FOR JANUARY 2023 – Met with the Richardson County Board to receive approval to access their new County tower for installation. Also met with contractor and Webster County to get site approvals for installation of a new tower there. New IP20 equipment is being ordered for upgrades to our sites as well as Solarwinds updates that will enhance its capabilities in the network. Cass County fiber project has been approved and will be installed within the next 60 days.

UPDATE FOR DECEMBER 2022 – Meetings with Cass County Board to determine adding fiber to Cass County. The fiber would go from Cass County to Sarpy County and give NRIN a connection to the Orion Network. This would add another redundancy to not only Cass County, but to the East Central Region also. Work has been put on hold because of the high winds for any of the towers, hoping to resume those spots as soon as possible.

**Upcoming Activities**

Cass County fiber project has been approved and will be installed within the next 60 days.

Issues by Priority	Risks by Priority

**Current Issues**

No matching records were found



# Project Storyboard: iServe Nebraska

Project Manager	Agarwal, Ankush	Status Report Date	1/31/23
Project Type	Major Project	Status	Approved
Stage	Design	Progress	Started
Total Estimated Cost	\$33,524,476.00	Estimate to Complete	78.17%
Actual Cost To Date	\$26,207,464.00		

Project Dates		
	Start	Finish
Plan	4/6/20	12/27/24
Baseline	4/6/20	12/27/24
Days Late	0	0

Status Report Indicators		
Overall		
Schedule		
Scope		
Cost and Effort		

**Project Description**

The Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has embarked on the iServe Nebraska Program to improve access, outcomes, cost, accountability and quality of DHHS services through an integrated, consumer-centric model of practice, across all programs. DHHS intends the iServe Nebraska Program to be adaptive and incrementally deliver new business capabilities, enabling the state to move from a siloed and program-based business model, to an integrated service delivery model that is family and person-centered, focused on improving the overall health and well-being of all family members.

**Key Accomplishments**

Completed iServe Launch 1 for Explore Benefits making available to all portal users as of 01/27/2023. Completed all public announcements successfully and all portal users were notified about the new features available to them.  
 Complete Prod Release 1.10 for continued development of Launch 2 code deployment activities. Continued Launch 2 development activities; Major release planned for July 2023.  
 Submitted Request for Additional Information (RAI) to CMS/FNS from IAPD-U findings.  
 iServe Bridge development is ongoing, PI-1 is in progress.

**Status Report Update**

Work continues for upcoming iServe minor and major releases. Multiple minor releases have been incrementally deployed since Launch 1 (April 2022). Incremental delivery to Prod will continue with upcoming minor releases. A major release was deployed on January 27 2023 releasing Explore Benefits functionality for all portal users.

**Upcoming Activities**

Prepare Delivery and Deployment Activities for iServe Launch 2 Application Release to Select Community Partners on July of 2023.  
 Start penetration testing that is scheduled to end March 2023.  
 Start ADA testing that is scheduled to end April 2023.  
 Prepare revised documentation and artifacts to align with FNS Concurrence and ORR Refresh Plan by May 2023.  
 Continue iServe Bridge Project PI-1 development work.  
 Submit RAI response to CMS/FNS for I-APD-U approval.  
 Continue IBEEM planning work activities.

Issues by Priority

Risks by Priority

**Current Issues**

No matching records were found

Project Storyboard: NDOT Financial System Modernization (WO 275056)

Project Manager	Lusero, Cody	Status Report Date	2/6/23
Project Type	Major Project	Status	Approved
Stage	Design	Progress	Started
Total Estimated Cost	\$5,945,871.00	Estimate to Complete	6.17%
Actual Cost To Date	\$366,815.76		

Project Dates		
	Start	Finish
Plan	3/28/22	8/1/26
Baseline	3/28/22	8/1/26
Days Late	0	0

Status Report Indicators		
Overall		
Schedule		
Scope		
Cost and Effort		

**Project Description**

275056 - NDOT Financial System Modernization  
 The Financial Systems Modernization effort is focused on moving all financial systems at NDOT off of the mainframe.

**Key Accomplishments**

Phase 1  
 1. Schedule percent complete increased by 4% to 88%, the schedule completion date moved out to 4/17. The primary cause of this delay is testing has only been done in the development environment. DAS is waiting for code to stabilize before moving to UAT environment for further testing  
 2. Security based user roles will be defined to enable NDOT staff to use role-based access instead of full administrative privileges currently used in the development environment

Phase 2  
 1. Schedule percent complete increased by 4% to 9%, the target completion remains 11/1  
 2. Phase 2 work plan has been baselined  
 3. To-Be processes were approved by leadership and RTM review is near complete  
 4. Cody presented at the 2/1 DOMM meeting to make districts aware of Phase 2 impacts downstream  
 5. Scheduled meetings to kick-off ACT/AFE architecture in early February  
 6. Plans are underway to develop a detailed work plan for Supply Base/Inventory configuration task identifying components for building user stories/sprints and a comprehensive schedule

**Status Report Update**

The team is working very hard on testing the Journal Voucher functionality. We have found quite a few bugs as well as a few new requirements but the development team is turning things around quickly which is great. Our delivery date slipped by 10 days with the past week's update, mostly caused by the testing cycles and active development still taking place.  
 Phase 2 is underway as well with the Architecture phase for the Inventory module wrapping up in the next week. We are also beginning the Architecture phase for Contracts Management module this week. The team will be putting together a more detailed configuration plan for Inventory after the architecture is complete.

**Upcoming Activities**

Phase 1  
 - Complete General Ledger Reporting and Testing  
 - Migrate Journal Voucher development to User Acceptance Testing environment and continue testing  
 - Begin General Ledger training

Phase 2  
 - Complete Architecture tasks for both Inventory and Contracts Management modules  
 - Create detailed work plan for Inventory Implementation

Issues by Priority

Risks by Priority



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Current Risks						More Risks...
Risk	Probability	Impact	Priority	Status	Target Resolution	Owner
Resource Allocation				Open		Lusero, Cody

# Project Storyboard: OPS Retirement Plan Management Transfer

Project Manager	Deshpande, Jaydeep	Status Report Date	2/1/23
Project Type	Major Project	Status	Approved
Stage	Requirements	Progress	Started
Total Estimated Cost	\$4,200,000.00	Estimate to Complete	0.00%
Actual Cost To Date	\$0.00		

Project Dates		
	Start	Finish
Plan	10/1/21	8/31/24
Baseline	10/1/21	8/31/24
Days Late	0	0

Status Report Indicators		
Overall		
Schedule		
Scope		
Cost and Effort		

**Project Description**  
 NPERS OPS (Omaha Public School) project - data and document migration from the OPS environment to NPRIS and OnBase.

**Key Accomplishments**

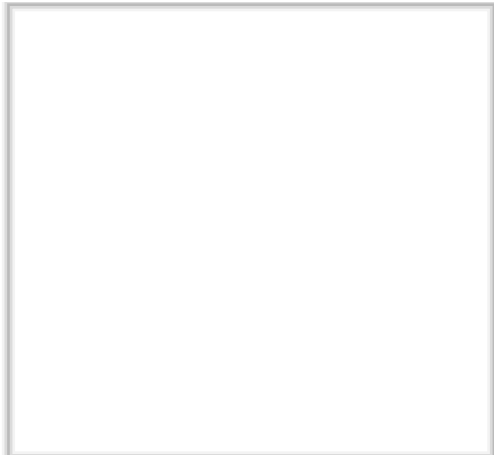
**Status Report Update**

1. New vendor engament started with Linea Solutions
  - a. NPERS started engaging with Linea post the contract signing.
  - b. NPERS has already met with Linea and Linea is proceeding with the project's discovery phase.
  - c. Going ahead OPS team has also been informed that Linea memembers will be starting discovery with OPS staff as well
  - d. Plan is to continue building the engagement
  
3. Infrastructure setup for the Vendor onboard
  - a. NPERS has created tickets to get the vendor consultants setup in the state active directory and get VPN access
  - b. NPERS has also put in request for Network Team to set up a managed switch at NPERS for the OSERS jump boxes(SR3505788)
  - c. NPERS is awaiting an answer from the OCIO Firewall Team regarding the feasibility of applying firewall rules to machines with static IPs on a machine-by-machine basis
  - d. NPERS has requested for a new repository virtual server on the isolated DEV/TEST subnet (SR3528068)
  - e. NPERS has requested for creation of secondary ECM DEV/TEST server (SR3524689)
  - f. NPERS is also in the process of setting up new development and SIT environments for the vendors to work on
  - g. NPERS has also contacted the State's IBM sales contact for additional Websphere licenses for the new environments for the project

**Upcoming Activities**

**Issues by Priority**                      **Risks by Priority**

**Current Issues**



No matching records were found

# Project Storyboard: New Budget Management and Request System

Project Manager	Bush, Gary	Status Report Date	12/13/22
Project Type	Major Project	Status	Approved
Stage	Requirements	Progress	Not Started
Total Estimated Cost	\$1,209,574.00	Estimate to Complete	0.00%
Actual Cost To Date	\$0.00		

Project Dates		
	Start	Finish
Plan	2/21/23	8/1/23
Baseline		
Days Late	0	0

Status Report Indicators		
Overall	<span style="color: green;">◆</span>	↓
Schedule	<span style="color: green;">◆</span>	↓
Scope	<span style="color: green;">◆</span>	↓
Cost and Effort	<span style="color: green;">◆</span>	↓

**Project Description**  
 The State of Nebraska has used the Nebraska Budget Request and Reporting System (NBRRS) for the past 15 years. The State Budget Division seeks to take advantage of improvements in software and methodologies in budget management and request submission process of agencies, boards, and commissions of the state.

**Key Accomplishments**

**Status Report Update**  
 Project getting underway... no update at this time.

**Upcoming Activities**

Issues by Priority

Risks by Priority



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Current Risks						More Risks...
Risk	Probability	Impact	Priority	Status	Target Resolution	Owner
Project kick-off	<span style="color: green;">◆</span>	<span style="color: green;">◆</span>	<span style="color: green;">◆</span>	Open	2/21/23	Bush, Gary

# Attachment IV-B-1

**State of Nebraska**  
**Nebraska Information Technology Commission**  
**Technical Standards and Guidelines**

**Proposal 30**

A PROPOSAL to repeal the enterprise content management system standard.

- 1 Section 1. The following section is outright repealed: Section 5-101.
- 2 Sec. 2. This proposal takes effect when approved by the commission.