

Agency Bulkload Design/Implementation Guide Meetings Held

Agency participation was strong during the 17 Agency Bulkload Design and Agency Implementation Guide Walk-through Meetings held from May thru September 2009. Nearly 100 representatives attended each session, reviewing the design and implementation plans for agency bulkload interfaces in the new Central Accounting System (CAS) and the Agency Implementation Guide that will provide guidance to help plan the bulkload transition.

As more than 80% of current CAS transactions by State agencies are bulkloaded, agency stakeholder involvement was crucial for helping plan how information will move between their financial management systems and the new CAS.

Highlights of these meetings included:

- A detailed review of the legacy (cost center-based) and PeopleSoft (Chart of Accounts-based) bulkload formats available to agencies for interfacing to the new CAS.
- The review and assessment of current CAS reports and master file extracts to help determine those used for their business operations in order to plan future availability.
- The first two releases of the [Agency Implementation Guide](#) which was introduced as a primary source of information for agencies to use in the planning, development and implementation of the new CAS. Updates to the Guide will be released on a regularly-scheduled basis.
- The completion of a Level of Effort Assessment (LOE) Form by agencies to calculate the cost and effort associated with modifications to future bulkload processing within their agency's financial systems. The results will help provide a reference point for statewide system development planning.

The Project continues to address specific questions from agencies about the legacy and PeopleSoft-based bulkload formats as the agencies work to complete their LOE Assessment forms which are due to OSC no later than October 16, 2009.