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DE223008 - DERS UI Benefits Modernization (ITAC Recommendation)

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Director Wisehart,

In response to the Project Investment Justification (PIJ) for the “**DERS UI Benefits Modernization**” project, the Arizona Department of Administration (ADOA) Strategic Enterprise Technology (ASET) office has reviewed your proposal to replace the 30+ year old mainframe applications that no longer meet the business needs of DERS personnel and the citizens of Arizona.

The PIJ implies funding is available from the Federal funds for the total estimated five-year lifecycle cost for the project.

This notification is the Arizona Strategic Enterprise Technology Office's recommendation to the Information Technology Authorization Committee (ITAC) for Approval with Conditions of the technology project as follows:

1. Should development costs exceed the approved estimates by 10% or more, or should there be significant changes to the proposed technology scope of work or implementation schedule, the Agency must amend the PIJ to reflect the changes and submit it to ADOA-ASET, and ITAC if required, for review and approval prior to further expenditure of funds.
2. Monthly reporting on the project status is due to ADOA-ASET no later than the 15th of the month following the start of the project. Failure to comply with timely project status reporting will affect the overall project health. The first status report for this project is due on February 15, 2023.
3. Prior to go live, the Agency must work with the Department of Administration (ADOA) and Department of Homeland Security (AZDOHS) Cyber Command, to assure the System Security Plan document is completed and approved by Cyber Command in order to ensure that the selected solution will provide an appropriate level of protection for State data.
4. Prior to moving any State data into the vendor-hosted environment and/or spending of funds, the Agency must work with the Department of Administration (ADOA) and Department of Homeland Security (AZDOHS) Cyber Command, to assure the Arizona Baseline Security Controls document is completed and approved by Cyber Command in order to ensure that the selected solution will provide an appropriate level of protection for State data.

The PIJ is scheduled to be reviewed by ITAC in the **November 16, 2022** meeting. Should ITAC approve the project, you may then proceed to secure additional approvals as required from the Joint Legislative Budget Committee, The Office of Strategic Planning and Budgeting, and the State Procurement Office.

If you would like additional information about the “DERS UI Benefits Modernization” project or the Project Investment Justification, please feel free to reach out to me.

Thank you in advance for all your support.

Best Regards,

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