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The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi,
President, and
Members of The Senate
Thirtieth State Legislature
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

The Honorable Scott K. Saiki, Speaker, and Members of The House of Representatives Thirtieth State Legislature Hawaii State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

Pursuant to HRS section 27-43.6, which requires the Chief Information Officer to submit applicable independent verification and validation (IV&V) reports to the Legislature within ten days of receiving the report, please find attached the IV&V report the Office of Enterprise Technology Services received for the State of Hawaii Department of Accounting and General Services' Time & Leave Project.

In accordance with HRS section 93-16, this report may be viewed electronically at <a href="http://ets.hawaii.gov">http://ets.hawaii.gov</a> (see "Reports").

Sincerely,

DOUGLAS MURDOCK Chief Information Officer

State of Hawai'i

Attachment (2)



#### Time & Leave Project

Phase II of the HawaiiPay project

# Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS)

IV&V Monthly Status Report – Final

For Reporting Period: July 1 – 31, 2020

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#### **Executive Summary**

The project continues to maintain a steady cadence toward an on-time Group 2 go-live, despite having to contend with the loss of the outsourced help desk due to COVID-19 related budget cuts. IV&V remains concerned with the adequacy of DAGS operations staffing levels as well as project team participation in non-project implementation activities. Project team members are conducting training sessions for Payroll Operations (PO) staff in an effort to fully transfer systems support from the project team to PO Technical Support Office (TSO), however, concerns have been raised that the TSO is understaffed and may not be able to effectively maintain systems operational support once the larger Group 2 goes live. Efforts are underway to transition the help desk to DAGS inhouse staff, however, it remains unclear whether the inhouse team will be able to effectively maintain the quality of help desk support given it will no longer be fully staffed with dedicated resources. The project team could continue to be pulled away to provide assistance if DAGS operations is unable to independently and effectively operate the payroll/TL systems and manage the help desk. IV&V also remains concerned with possible further impacts of COVID-19 including furloughs and other budget reduction measures as well as delays in providing departments with an OCR (Optical Character Recognition) solution for meeting project leave balance deadlines.

	Category	IV&V Observations
	Human Resources Management	The project continues to make progress in distributing the work of overtaxed key individuals to new project resources. However, IV&V remains concerned that project team members continue to participate in non-project implementation activities, including, planning and organizing the transitioning of the help desk to inhouse staff, training and transitioning system operations from the project team to the TSO, and support of other DAGS/ETS initiatives.
M		If team members become overtaxed, the quality and potentially the schedule of the Group 2 implementation could be impacted. Further, the project team has reported an unexpected and significant amount of time being spent on responding to department complaints that the system lacks certain features, such as, preventing users from entering invalid leave requests. IV&V recommends additional communications be sent to stakeholders to manage expectations and to improve understanding of the advantages of limiting features in initial releases of software until all deployments (all groups) are complete.
		It remains unclear whether DAGS operations staffing levels are adequate to effectively meet the needs of the larger Group 2 deployment and user base. The new DAGS inhouse staff may struggle to adequately maintain the quality of help desk support and the understaffed (primarily due to COVID-19 related budget cuts) DAGS TSO could struggle to maintain system operations and will likely rely on the project team to assist with operational support and ticket resolution.
		IV&V remains concerned with ongoing COVID-19 impacts to state resources including potential furloughs, retirement of key resources (due to pay cuts), and additional efforts required to conduct project activities virtually.

# **Executive Summary** (cont'd)

	Category	IV&V Observations
M	Knowledge Transfer	IV&V noted that responsibilities for the help desk will transfer to DAGS operations. IV&V remains concerned that the lack of dedicated support staff fully trained in HawaiiPay support issues may cause a degradation of the level of service. However, IV&V also noted project plans to provide training to DAGS that may help to alleviate some concerns. The loss of help desk funding has also led to a project decision to turn over DOE password resets to DOE support staff in mid-August 2020. The project estimates that DOE password resets have historically represented the bulk of help desk support calls. Project team efforts to support the transition of DOE password resets and the help desk could take away from some project activities. Further, the project is making a concerted effort to fully turnover operational support activities to DAGS operations (TSO) by the end of August 2020, however, knowledge transfer efforts have not always been productive, and the TSO may be understaffed (primarily due to COVID-19 related budget cuts) to maintain operational support once the larger Group 2 goes live.
M	Operational Readiness	IV&V continues to monitor Group 2 go-live processes. Concerns related to the procurement of the OCR solution may delay department's capability to provide employee leave starting balances. The project has raised concerns that the DAGS operations is understaffed (primarily due to COVID-19 related budget cuts) and may not be able to effectively maintain both operation of the system and the help desk once the larger Group 2 goes live. Therefore, IV&V has raised this category risk to "Medium".
L	Organizational Change Management (OCM)	The project reports ongoing progress of OCM activities including creation of pre-go-live communication packages and documentation of Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) for all department stakeholders. SOP's are intended to provide guidance on how to perform TL/Payroll related tasks and prepare departments that have yet to go-live for what to expect. Project department mentors will be conducting preview sessions of system functionality to prepare departments for go-live. Positive user feedback has been reported from the recent project sponsored security sessions intended to improve departments understanding of system security.



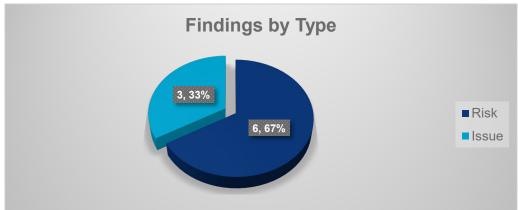
# **Executive Summary** (cont'd)

	Category	IV&V Observations
		Three departments have presented conditional opt-in proposals but have not yet opted-in to Phase II go-live. The project is in the process of evaluating the impacts and feasibility of accommodating the conditional opt-in proposals. The level of effort required to prepare for an onboard of the currently un-committed departments would likely result in either A) time spent planning and preparing for onboarding that may not occur, or B) a diversion of DAGS resources away from other high priority DAGS projects and activities once an opt-in agreement is reached.
M	Project Management and Organization	As previously reported, the addition of the Payroll Operations (PO) liaison resource has improved project/PO communications, however, there remains some uncertainty around the long-term sustainability of this position. DHRD communications continue to be productive and collaborative efforts to remove DHRD customizations that potentially threaten long-term sustainability of the system, and efficient implementation of future enhancements, are progressing.
		The project reported progress related to the OCR procurement, however, IV&V remains concerned that delays in departments implementing their OCR solution could delay their providing leave balances and their go-live dates. The project has also reported that no new union issues have been reported and that they do not expect union challenges to impact the project in the near future. The project has sent memos to unions to explain the successful outcomes of Group 1 and assure that the system is meeting union member expectations and that no payroll standardization complaints have been reported. The project will continue to monitor for potential impacts of union pay increases and COVID related pay reductions which could require attention of the project team.
L	Quality Management	IV&V did not note any issues related to releasing new functionality or configuration changes into the HawaiiPay TL solution. However, IV&V did not note any progress in developing and documenting release management procedures. IV&V remains concerned that a lack of clearly documented processes could cause unnecessary support concerns and delayed user acceptance of the changed functionality or configuration.



#### **IV&V** Findings and Recommendations

IV&V is currently tracking 9 findings (6 risks, and 3 issue) for this reporting period. Of the open risks/issues, 5 are related to Project Management. The following charts breakdown the risks by type and category/priority.







#### Summary of IV&V Open Risks/Issues Criticality

Category	Туре	#	Finding Title	Criticality
Human Resource Management	Risk	5	Over reliance on a few skilled and overtaxed project resources could lead to significant project disruption in the event of their departure	Medium
Knowledge Transfer	Risk	4	Payroll production support dependence on key Time and Leave Resources	Medium
OCM	Risk	18	Complexity of communications to end-users could lead to confusion at go-live	Medium
Project Organization &	Risk	9	Unexpected collective bargaining or legislative changes could lead to unanticipated demands on the project and increased scope	<b>↓</b> Low
Management	Issue	13	Departments opting-out of TL project could lead to unnecessary costs to the state as well as project team wasting valuable time to onboard departments who eventually decide to opt-out	Medium
	Risk	14	Communications between the project and central operations groups (primarily HR and Payroll Operations) can be ineffectual which could lead to project delays and cost overruns	Low
	Issue	19	COVID-19 State-wide shutdown could hinder project activities and negatively impact the project schedule and budget	Medium
	Risk	15	Key project risks and issues management and escalation processes may not be effective which may result in negative impact to project goals	Low
Quality Management	Risk	20	Inadequate release management processes could lead to user confusion and frustration	Low



# M Human Resource Management

#	Key Findings	Criticality Rating
5	Risk - Over reliance on a few skilled project resources could lead to significant project disruption in the event of their departure: There are currently 3-4 individuals who are relied on more than others. Over reliance on key resources can not only overtax and thereby reduce the effectiveness of these key individuals, but also presents a risk of significant project disruption in the event of their departure. Resource losses from the Phase I team have not been backfilled and include the loss of the OCM manager and the SI project manager role; their responsibilities have been transferred to existing team members who appear to be at capacity. While most projects have this risk, the risk impact for this project, from IV&V's perspective, is higher than most, and while the project could be impacted by the loss of several key individuals, there are 3-4 individuals who would create more significant project disruption than others.	Medium



# M Human Resource Management (cont'd)

Recommendations	Progress
DAGS leadership work quickly to assist payroll operations to resolve resource challenges.	In progress
Work quickly to increase state resources.	In progress
<ul> <li>Create and utilize a resource management plan to assure planful, instead of reactive, addition and management of resources. Assure the plan reflects an understanding of how many people are needed, and in which roles, to accomplish various tasks. Plan should address movement of resources as project transitions to different phases (e.g. moving from DD&amp;I to M&amp;O).</li> </ul>	In progress



#### M Knowledge Transfer

#	Key Findings	Criticality Rating
4	Risk - Payroll production support dependence on key Time and Leave Resources: The concurrent DDI (Design Development & Integration) and production maintenance and operations (M&O) support activities are heavily reliant on key Time and Leave resources which may degrade their quality of work and/or cause resources to be unavailable to the Time and Leave project during critical times due to demands from Payroll support. Key project Time and Leave team members remain significantly involved in providing M&O support for the Payroll solution. At least one key team member reports spending 60% of their time providing help desk support to Payroll.	Medium

Recommendations	Progress
<ul> <li>Develop and implement a transition plan to allow the Time and Leave key resources to share their know while significantly reducing the time spent on providing Payroll support.</li> </ul>	wledge In progress
<ul> <li>Accelerate efforts to fully staff and operationalize the Payroll Operations Technical Support Office (TSO dedicated resources so that the project team can focus on TL project activities and ensure the TSO is re effectively support TL users before Group 2 go-live.</li> </ul>	

#### Organizational Change Management

#	Key Findings	Criticality Rating
18	Risk - Complexity of communications to end-users could lead to confusion at go-live and overwhelm the help desk: The project has identified a significant number of different user groups to prepare separate communications for pre-go-live. Each user group will have different instructions for how they will prepare for and interact with the new and old payroll and TL system. For example, Group 1 users, non-Group 1 users, Single Sign On (SSO) users, and non-SSO users. Each user group combination may require unique communications, system preparation and go-live instructions. Communications to this many groups could lead to confusion pre- and post-go-live especially if they interact with other employees in different groups who have different instructions. Failure to effectively control these communications could lead to user confusion, reduced user buy-in, increased help desk calls, and negative public perceptions of the project ("bad press").	Medium
Rec	Recommendations	
	pdate the OCM strategy and plan to address challenging user interfaces that includes milestones/gates that get arly user feedback to ensure they understand the complex elements of the system.	In progress
	repare a fully vetted communication plan for communications to the various user groups and begin early ommunications.	In progress



#### Project Management & Organization

#	Key Findings	Criticality Rating
9	Risk - Unexpected collective bargaining or legislative changes could lead to unanticipated demands on the project and increased scope: The State Legislature and Unions may make laws or change Collective Bargaining Agreements (CBA) that could require significant system changes thereby disrupting the project's progress, activities, schedule, and/or budget. These changes to SOH processes could be decided without consideration of impact to the project or providing the project time to react to such changes.	Low
13	Issue - Departments choosing not to participate in the TL project could lead to unnecessary costs to the state as well as project team wasting valuable time to onboard departments who eventually decide to optout: If any department chooses to opt-out of the TL project, DAGS must continue support of the gross pay input system (ePCS) that was planned for decommission. IV&V is not aware of budgets, resources, or plans to continue ePCS support beyond TL project completion. Further, departments could initially decide to participate in TL and the project team could expend significant resources preparing for and implementing department specific features only to find out that they will opt-out.	Medium



#### Project Management & Organization (cont'd)

#	Key Findings	Criticality Rating
14	Risk - Communications between the project and central operations groups (primarily HR and Payroll Operations) can be ineffectual which could lead to project delays and cost overruns: IV&V has observed and has also been informed of communication challenges between the Project Team and central operations groups. IV&V was also informed that some business operation plans relevant to the project are not immediately being shared with the project team. Some business operations teams have stated their capacity is constrained due to lack of sufficient resources as well as challenges in filling open positions. However, even simple or basic project communications appear to go unanswered.	Low
15	Risk - Key project risks and issues management and escalation processes may not be effective which may result in negative impact to project goals: Some risks and issues currently tracked in the RIOD process may not be actively worked or reported on. For example, the project is currently tracking several risks owned by payroll operations that show little to no progress. The lack of progress may unnecessarily cause a risk to be realized and triggered into an issue that could have lasting negative impacts to the project, when it could have been avoided.	Low
19	Issue - COVID-19 State-wide shutdown could hinder project activities and negatively impact the project schedule and budget: On 3/23/2020, the Governor issued a "stay at home, work from home order" that has reduced several departments ability to be fully functional as the large majority of state workers will be required work from home/remotely at least until the end of April and some offices may be completely shut down. Many project department readiness activities could be significantly hindered during this time. For example, leave balances can are paper-based and would require physical access in order to provide the project with accurate leave balances. Departments may be unable (due to stricter shutdown policies) or unwilling to perform these activities during this chaotic time. UAT and Training will more than likely be conducted remotely which could negatively impact these activities. Planned SI on-site visits will also likely be changed to remote.	Medium



#### Project Management & Organization (cont'd)

Recommendations	Progress
<ul> <li>Closely monitor legislative and union actions and/or initiatives that could impact the project and provide them feedback as needed to ensure informed decisions and clear understanding of impacts to payroll and the time and leave project.</li> </ul>	In progress
<ul> <li>Partner with Unions to clarify CBA rules so that in the end union objectives are met wherever possible within the scope of the Time and Leave project.</li> </ul>	In progress
Work closely with departments that are unsure of their TL participation to assist with readiness and collaborate to remove any blocks to their full participation.	In progress
Develop contingency plans for the possibility that some departments may not participate in TL.	In progress
Work with executive leadership and business operations groups to address the root cause of these communication challenges and prepare a plan/strategy for corrective action.	In progress
• Establish a clear and detailed risk management plan for escalating risks and issues and follow defined escalation steps for risks/issues that are not actively being worked.	In progress
<ul> <li>Update the OCM Plan to include any new activities or updates to planned activities to address the impacts of COVID- 19.</li> </ul>	In progress



#### Quality Management

#	Key Findings	Criticality Rating			
20	Risk – Inadequate release management processes could lead to user confusion and frustration: The project team has stated that existing release management processes may be incomplete and/or lack clear responsible parties for release communications. If release manage procedures are unclear or if the execution of release procedures lack sufficient rigor, this could lead to missteps that could frustrate users and lead to user confusion. This could ultimately lead to reduced user buy-in, reduced departmental leadership (and legislative) project support, and a negative public perception that could be picked up by the local media (aka "bad press").	Low			
Rec	ommendations	Progress			
	efine and document the regression testing plan to ensure that any Time and Leave changes do not have an nexpected negative impact on production Payroll functionality.	In progress			
in	ssure Time and Leave design and configuration includes consideration for impacts on Payroll, prior to applementing the design or configuration. This may be accomplished, in part, using an effective and integrated configuration management plan.	In progress			
	Revisit and clarify existing release management processes and procedures and ensure clear owners of each release activity.				



#### **IV&V Status**

- IV&V activities performed during the reporting period:
  - Attended Scrums
  - Attended PCAB meeting
  - Attended RIO-D meetings
  - Led Project Team Risk Review sessions
  - Lead Monthly Status Report review session
- IV&V next steps in the coming reporting period:
  - Attend key project meetings
  - Interview key department stakeholders
  - Deliver IV&V Monthly Status Report

## **Appendix A – IV&V Criticality Ratings**

This appendix provides the details of each finding and recommendation identified by IV&V. Project stakeholders are encouraged to review the findings and recommendations log details as needed.

#### See definitions of Criticality Ratings below:

Criticality Rating	Definition
Н	A high rating is assigned if there is a possibility of substantial impact to product quality, scope, cost, or schedule. A major disruption is likely and the consequences would be unacceptable. A different approach is required. Mitigation strategies should be evaluated and acted upon immediately.
M	A medium rating is assigned if there is a possibility of moderate impact to product quality, scope, cost, or schedule. Some disruption is likely and a different approach may be required. Mitigation strategies should be implemented as soon as feasible.
L	A low rating is assigned if there is a possibility of slight impact to product quality, scope, cost, or schedule. Minimal disruption is likely and some oversight is most likely needed to ensure that the risk remains low. Mitigation strategies should be considered for implementation when possible.

## **Appendix B – IV&V Standard Inputs**

#### To keep abreast of status throughout the Time & Leave project, IV&V regularly:

- Attends the project meetings
- Reviews the project documentation
- Utilizes Eclipse IV&V® Base Standards and Checklists





#### **Appendix C – IV&V Details**

- What is Independent Verification and Validation (IV&V)?
  - Oversight by an independent third party that assesses the project against industry standards to provide an unbiased view to stakeholders
  - The goal of IV&V is to help the State get the solution they want based on requirements and have it built
    according to best practices
  - IV&V helps improve design visibility and traceability and identifies (potential) problems early
  - IV&V objectively identifies risks and communicates to project leadership for risk management

#### PCG IV&V Methodology

- Consists of a 4-part process made up of the following areas:
  - 1. **Discovery** Discovery consists of reviewing documentation, work products and deliverables, interviewing project team members, and determining applicable standards, best practices and tools
  - 2. Research and Analysis Research and analysis is conducted in order to form an objective opinion.
  - **3.** Clarification Clarification from project team members is sought to ensure agreement and concurrence of facts between the State, the Vendor, and PCG.
  - 4. Delivery of Findings Findings, observations, and risk assessments are documented in this monthly report and the accompanying Findings and Recommendations log. These documents are then shared with project leadership on both the State and Vendor side for them to consider and take appropriate action on.

Note: This report is a point-in-time document with findings accurate as of the last day in the reporting period.





**Solutions that Matter** 

ld	Title / Summary	Finding Description	Analysis and Significance	Recommendation	Updates	Category	Type	Priority	Status	Risk Owner	Identified Date
4	Payroll production support dependence on key Time and Leave Resources	The concurrent DDI and production (M&C) support activities are over burdening Key Time and Leave resources which may degrade quality of work and resources could be unavailable at critical times of the Time and Leave project.	As a matter of best practice when delivering a new service, the service needs to be fully sustainable and self-supporting. For instance, the commonly used information Technology information Library (ITIL) practices recommend that the service has a fully functional and safted post go live support mechanism. This mechanism should not heavily rely on or unnecessarily burden resources or tools dedicated to other projects or services.  Key project time and leave team members remain significantly involved in providing Maintenance and Operations (M&O) support for Payroll Phase 1 solution. At least one key team member reports spending 60% of their time providing help desk support to Payroll. This level of involvement may reduce the availability and degrade work quality of the Phase 2 Time and Leave resources.	Develop and implement a transition plan to allow the Time and Leave key resources to share their knowledge while significantly reducing the time spent on providing Payroll support.  Accelerate efforts to fully staff and operationalize the Payroll operations Technical Support Office (TSO) with dedicated resources so that the project team can focus on Ti project activities and ensure the TSO is ready to effectively support TL users before Group 2 go-live.	07/31/2020 N&V noted that responsibilities for the HIP Service Center will transfer to DAGS operations. N&V remains concerned that the lack of support staff fully trained in HawaiiPay support issues may cause a degradation of the level of service. However, VRAV also noted project plans to provide training to DAGS that may help to alleviate this concern. He loss of help desk funding has also led to a project decision to turn over DCE password resets to DCE support staff in mid-August 2020. The project estimates that DCE password resets have historically represented the build if HIP Service for support calls. Project team efforts to support the transition of DCE password resets and the help desk will likely take away from some project activities. Further, the project is making a concerted effort to fully turnover operational support activities to DAGS operations (TSO) by the end of August 2020, however, transition efforts have not always been productive, and the TSC may be understaffed to effectively operate the payroff. It system and the help desk once larger Group 2 goes live. The use of ineffective Tier 1 support resources results in issues that should be handled at tier 1 being resolved at tier 1. The diversion of the 273 resources away from their implementation tasks in order to resolve tickets that should be resolved at tier 1. The diversion of the 273 resources away from their implementation tasks and put a strain on the implementation tasks and the strain of the project that the strain of the project that should be resolved at the 1. The diversion of the 273 resources away from their implementation tasks and put a strain on the implementation task and the project that the funding for the HIP Service Center has been eliminated. This could force Payroll Operations to staff the Service Center which may add significant delays in responding to issues related to HawaiiPay and Time & Leave. VRV also noted that the funding ongoing support for both HawaiiPay and Time & Leave.  105/31/2020 N significant increase in	Knowledge Transfer	Risk	Medium	Open	Ken	8/31/2019
5	Over reliance on a few skilled and overtaxed project resources could lead to significant project disruption	There are currently 3-4 individuals who are relied on to a greater extent than others. Over reliance no key resources can not only overtax and thereby reduce the effectiveness of these key individuals, but also presents a risk of significant project disruption in the event of heir departure. Resource losses from the Phase I team have not been backfilled and include the loss of the COM manager and the SI project manager role; their responsibilities have been transferred to existing earm members who already appear to be at capacity.	The project currently relies on a few talented, and dedicated resources in leadership roles to drive most project activities and, more importantly, drive project quality, as evidence by their keen attention to minute project activity details. While most projects have this risk, the risk impact for this project, from IVAV's perspective, is higher than most, and while the project could be impacted by the loss of several key individuals, there are 3-4 individuals who are relied on to a greater extent than others. Loss of these individuals could lead to significant project disruption. Over reliance on key resources can not not yovertax and thereby reduce the effectiveness of these key individuals, but also presents a risk of significant project disruption in the event of their departure. Attempts by other DASS divisions to lure project team resources away have been reported, however, most project team members have indicated they are committed to project completion. Failure to staff the project to sufficient levels, thereby stretching them beyond their capacity, can lead to lack of job satisfaction, decreased productivity, decrease in quality, and increases the probably they could make critical mistakes that could negatively impact the project.	Work quickly to increase state project team resources. Consider re-allocation of responsibilities from key resources where possible, to transition key resources to supervisory roles which would provide increased capacity for them to perform coaching and quality control, thereby increasing the overall project quality. As responsibilities a price transitioned, team members taking on new responsibilities increasing the war agreater sense of motivation, project ownership and commitment.  Develop a intital KM strategy to help ensure project knowledge (tacit and otherwise) is not lost when staff leave the project or state employment.  Survey project resources to determine job satisfaction and take appropriate steps to increase retention.  Conduct an exit interview for the departed CRT and state project resources and work quickly to address issues that negatively impact project participation and job satisfaction.  Develop an approach to expedite succession planning and identify near-term knowledge transfer activities.	07/31/20 - While the project continues progress in distributing the work of overtaxed key individuals to new additions to the project team, N&V remains concerned that project team members will assist with transitioning of the currently outsourced help desk to indivise staff and may be pulled into other ETS projects, which could continue to overtax key individuals. The project team has reported oncerns that their participation in these activities could also lead to a decrease in quality of the TL solution implementation. Further, the project team has reported an unexpected significant amount of time being spent on responding to department complaints that the system lacks certain features such as, preventing users from entering inappropriate leave requests. Some of these complaints have been escalated to executive management and therefore the team has been compelled to make additional efforts to respond. IV&V recommends additional communications be sent to stakeholders to manage expectations and to improve understanding of the advantages of limiting features in initial releases of software until all deployments (all groups) are complete.  06/30/20 - While the project has made efforts to limit project atom members participation in operational support, they continue to be reflected on to some extent, which could distract some team members, who are already at capacity, from their project activities. The project continues to work to delegate responsibilities away from overloaded key individuals in order to mitigate this risk. However, PMO resources have been given to both the CCM and Testing/Training lead for Group 2 calcivities including updating COM and training glans based on Group 1 teedback and leasons learned. NV is currently monitoring impacts to the project team with the recent replacement of the Payroll Operations lision and the stalled edicision to "weep" vacant project team with the recent replacement of the Payroll Operations lision and the stalled edicision to "weep" vacant portice than with the recent r	Human Resource Management	Risk	Medium	Open	Michael	8/31/2019

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9	Unexpected collective bargaining or legislative changes could lead to unanticipated demands on the project and increased scope	Changes mandated by Unions or Legislative actions may drive changes to the TL solution thereby impacting the project's scope, schedule, and budget.	The State Legislature and Unions may make laws or change Collective Bargaining Agreements (CBA) that could require significant system changes thereby disrupting the project's progress, activities, schedule, and/or budget. These laws could change 50 h processes without consideration of impact to the project or providing the project time to react to such changes.	could impact the T&L project and be proactive in preparation for them.  Initiate early and often discussions with Unions for rule	07/31/20. The project has sent memos to unions to explain the successful outcomes of Group 1 and assure that the system is meeting union member expectations and that no payroll standardization complaints have been reported. The project has reported that no new union issues have been reported and that they do not expect union challenges to impact the project in the near future. Therefore, IVEV is lowering this risk priority to "Low". The project will continue to monitor for potential impacts of union pay increases and COVID related pay reductions which could require attention of the project team.	Project Organization & Management	Issue	Low	Open	Michael	8/31/2019
					n6/30/20. The project is preparing memost to be sent to unions to explain the outcomes of Group 1 go-live with the intent to reassure unions that the system is meeting union member expectations and that there have been no reported complaints with regard to standardization of pay calculations. NRV is not aware of unions raising additional concerns, therefore we have lowered this risk to "Medium".  105/31/20 - HGEA has filed a class grievance with DAGS with regard to standardization of pay calculations that could adversely affect its members and therefore objected to the project moving forward with go-live. The project met with HGEA for consultation in Oxfober 2019 where no objections were reported; the project has reported HGEA has been largely unresponsive to project communications since them. It remains uncleave with HGEA would will will 2 weeks before go-live to submit a grievance without further consultation and information gathering to clarify the impact to their members. Ultimately, through conversations with the comproller, the HGEA decided to put their grievance on-hold.						
					However, if the HGEA decides to eventually move forward with the grievance process, impacts to the project could be significant. Possible outcomes could include an injunction that could half the project or future planned releases or leave the project titled up in legal proceedings. Therefore, IV&V is raising this issue to a "High".  04/30/20 - The project continues to assess and prepare for expected changes to the Payroll and TL system due to the COVID crisis and the CARES Act. There are seven indications that the state may reduce worker salaries which will require some support from the project time. One union has complained that it is their perception that the project is implement changes that could impact employee salaries. Project leadership has drafted a memo to some unions to clarify that the only changes to payroll will be the result of the consistent and standardized application of existing CBA rules. Some unions remain largely unresponsive to project communications.						
					03/31/20 - The project is in the process of addressing recent changes to leave processing as a result of the government's response to the COVID risis including addition of new leave types and rules. Early indications are that these changes will not materially impact project scope, schedule, or budget.						
13	Departments choosing not to participate in the TL project could lead to unnecessary costs to the state as well as project team wasting valuable time to onboard departments who eventually decide to optout.	Departments choosing to opt-out of the TL project will require DAGS to continue to maintain the system for inputting gross pay (ePCS) that was intended to be a temporary solution until TL was implemented. INBV is not aware if budgets, resources, and plans to continue ePCS support beyond TL project completion have been developed. Further, departments could initially decide to up articipate in TL and the project team could expend significant resources preparing for and implementing departments specific features only to find out that they will opt-out.	Costs to continue to maintain/support ePCS could be significant and already constrained DASS and project significant and already constrained DASS and project resources may have difficulty maintaining ePCS support. If departments opt-out, a good deal of project team time and effort could be wasted supporting their orboarding and implementing their department specific features. Resources may also need to be expended enrowing these department specific features if departments decide at a later date to opt in, a new RFP will likely need to be issued at significant cost to the state and be a significant effort for DAGS. Further, the orgoing workload and costs for both the DAGS operational and project team could be significant given they will now be tasked with maintaining two systems for payroll and may have	Contingency planning for ePCS maintenance and support should be developed to prepare for the possibility that some departments may not participate in I. Work closely with departments that are unsure of their TI. Work closely with departments that are unsure of their TI. Work closely with departments that are unsure of their TI. Develop contingency plans for the possibility that some departments may not participate in TI. Assure that executive leadership is made aware of details of the negative impacts of departments that those to optout. Initiate efforts to mitigate risks around having 2 payroll systems that may calculate payroll differently.	07/31/20 - The project reported the remaining 3 departments that have yet to fully opt-in for this project have made conditional opt-in proposals that the project may not be able to feasibly accommodate. Project leadership intends to enage the executive steering committee to decision these opt-in proposals. The project reports that DOE communications continue to be less than optimal. Given the significant level of effort to onboard a department of DOE's size, uncertainty around a DOE opt-in agreement could be impactful.  06/30/20 - DOE has yet to respond to project communications with regard to opt-in requirements and clarification of potential go-live dates. HHSC and Judiciary have yet to officially opt-in for the project. The project has sent communications indicating a 7/17/20/200 deadline for optimis.  05/31/20 - The Judiciary department and HHSC have yet to opt-in for the project. The project has provided formal and clear communications to DOE that details required readiness activities for them to be included in group 3 or 4 go-live. DOE has yet to respond	Project Organization & Management	Issue	Medium	Open	Michael	9/30/2019
			to contend with the possibility that the two systems could calculate payroll differently. Ultimately, the original expected return on investment (ROI) for the project could be diminished and draw scrutiny from the public and governing bodies (e.g. legislature) and make it difficult to acquire funding for future planned systems (ERP and other).		04/30/20 - Judiciary has not provided a clear opt-in/out decision to the project and may assume they will opt-out if no further direction is given. However, this should not materially impact the project at this point as the project team has paused Judiciary onboarding efforts.  03/31/20 - UH has indicated they will opt-out of the TL project and pursuit their own in-house TL system. DOE has indicated they would like to pursuit an opt-in-but will need to plan for a group rollout that does not conflict with the beginning of their school year. Planned DAGS opt-in/out discussions with DOE as well as some other departments have been postponed due to the COVID crisis.						
					02/29/20 - Project executive leadership continues to work with some departments that are considering an opt-out of the The project to solidly their decisions. The project is weighing their options with regard to whether a Group 4 release is needed if departments currently slated for Group 4 decide to opt-out. The project is in discussions with the SI with regard to a possible swap of Group 4 release requirements for other much needed system enhancements. 01/31/20 – Project executive leadership will meet with department leaders that are considering an opt-out of the TL project in order to get closer to finalizing their decision. Finalizing these decisions will help free up the project team to focus their efforts on departments that have opt-in.						
					12/31/19 - The project has reported that it is highly likely that some departments will not participate in the TL						

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14 Communications between	on While the project has demonstrated	Control operation groups failure to fully operage and effectively	Mark with executive leadership and central executions	07/21/20. There complete come upportainty around the legitering surfainability of the Payrell Operations (BO) linkers	Project Organization	Diek	Low	Open	Michael	0/20/2010
the project and central operations groups (primarily HR and Payr Operations) can be ineffectual which coulcied to project delays a cost overruns.	productive communications with state line agencies (departments), primarily due to their II department mentor strategy, IV&V has observed and has also been informed of communication challenges between the	Central operation groups failure to fully engage and effectively communicate with the TL project team can slow project team productively, leave important questions (guidance) unanswered, and result in a system that does not effectively unanswered, and result in a system that does not effectively meet business needs which could ultimately lead to project delays and disrupt business operations and users post-go like. The Sh has already indicated that project delays will import additional cost and may require additional state funding.	Work with executive leadership and central operations groups to address the root cause of these communication challenges and pepara a palnyfatteray for corrective action. **Log unresponsive communications in order to provide stakeholders with a clear understanding of the setent of communication deficiencies. Escalate to executive leadership where appropriate.  **Work with HR and Payroll Operations (PO) to identify an appropriate resource from their departments and integrate them into the project team. This highly capable and productive single point of contact would ideally own their department/division activities and risks and would work within their department to ensure project tasks are completed in a timely manner and department needs are clearly identified and communicated to the project.	07/31/20 - There remains some uncertainty around the longterm sustainability of the Payroll Operations (PO) Ilaison position. As previously reported, the addition of this position has improved project communications with the projects business sponsor (PO). The project continues productive POHBD communications and is progressing in efforts to remove DHRD customizations that could reduce the sustainability of the system and productivity of future enhancements.  06/30/20 - The project and DHRD appear to have established regular, responsive, and productive communications. Payroll Operations (PO) liaison replacement appears to be providing a similar level of support as the previous liaison and project/PO communications appear to be adequate.  05/31/20 - The project is currently working to establish productive communications with DHRD with regard to proportunities to improve system stability and functionality by backing out some DHRD Peoplesoft customizations. Some of these customizations were implemented as work arounds that may no longer be necessary due to recent improvements to the system. VIV had prevously noted improvements to project/Payroll Operations communications due to the addition of a PO liaison. However, this liaison has gone on an extended (*12-week) leave and is being replaced. IV will continue to monitor for productive communications. Efforts to Ityl staff the TSO could be further hindered by a recent teglistive decision to "sweep" vacant positions. This sweep could also impact funding for the existing HIP Service Center as it draws funding from vacant positions arise, the existing contract exprise in August 2020. DAGS Accounting department has posted as a solicitation for the post-August HIP Service Center contract; however, funding may not be available.  04/30/20 - The project/DHRD communications continue to improve. Project/Payroll Operations communications appear to be sufficient mostly due to the efforts of the established Payroll Operations communications communications appear to be sufficient	Project Organization & Management	Risk	Low	Open	Michael	9/30/2019
				02/29/20 - The project has reported some productive project/DHRD collaborative sessions. However, the project has also reported that while some project communication challenges with DHRD and Payroll Operations continue, they have noted that they have been able to work around these challenges to obtain critical information so as to avoid hindering project progress. NBV remains concerned that these communication challenges will at some point have a significant negative impact on the project. For example, after multiple requests to DHRD, the project has not yet received executive orders that could impact. The Usushess rules.						
15 Key project risks and issues management an escalation processes m not be effective which result in negative impa to project goals.	reported on. For example, the project is nay currently tracking several risks owned by	Although the project actively and appropriately recognizes, tracks and monitors risks and issues. Some risks assigned to non-project resources are not showing consistent updates or progress. It is under if the project has formally excladed in lack of progress, based on good risk management practices, or if escalation has proved to be ineffective. N&V will continue to monitor the risk and issues management process to help assure regular updates to the current status of the action items associated to these risks as well as if any escalation has been formally requested.	- Establish a clear and detailed risk management plan for escalating risks and issues and follow defined escalation steps for risks/fissues that are not actively being worked. Monitor risks and issues by severity and due date in order to ensure BIOD meetings focus on the most critical items. - Track critical path tasks and report (early and often) to tasks owners when due dates appear to be at risk.	0//31/200 The project reported progress related to the OCR procurement. Although, this progress helps to alleviate the concern related to this procurement. WaV remains concerned that delays in resolving project risks and issues, that have been escalated, may cause unnecessary additional work for the project team and potentially departments and agencies waiting to go live in group 2 and beyond.  06/30/2020 N&V noted that although a risk related to the lack of approval of an OCR solution has been documented for some time, there are continuing delays in approving the OCR solution. It remains unclear if additional escalation steps would aid the resolution of this risk. The lack of this approval may cause departments to delay providing leave balances required for Group 2g low len is timeline manner. N&V continues to recommend that all risks that required beyond the project team, be followed up on no less than weekly.  05/31/2020 N&V noted concerns that the project's ability to manage risks may be affected by the diminished capacity and availability of key project leaders and sponsors due to managing the impacts of COVID in their organization, this could	Project Organization & Management	Risk	Low	Open	Ken	9/30/2019
				worsen if the state enacts staff furloughs and further cuts their budgets.  04/30/2020 N&V noted continuing improvement in overall risk management. Key risks related to Service Center RFP, SSO, PRIB Clearing Account, TSO branch staffing and others that may be beyond the control of project resources, are being successfully addressed. Executive leadership capacity to manage future escalated risks and issues may potentially be limited due to increased workfoard related to COVID.  03/31/2020 N&V noted that efforts to resolve the risks related to SSO are under way. Weekly calls between the CISO and CIO appear to be making progress.  02/29/20 - The project has noted continuing SSO initiative delays. Attempts to escalate have not always achieved timely results. However, WAY remains unclear whether there are significant "behind-the-scenes" efforts underway to resolve issues that are hindering this initiative.  01/31/2020 Key risks have been escalated based on the established governance plan. Although some of these risks have not yet been fully dedressed, the process to manage, escalate and report on these outstanding risks appears to be functional. V&V will continue to monitor for comprehensive risk management and stakeholder timely response to escalation for risks.						
				12/31/19 - The project has reported progress in escalation of risks to executive management. With the recent loss of a						

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18	Complexity of communications to end- users could lead to confusion at go-live and overwhelm the help desk	The project has identified a significant number of different user groups to prepare separate communications for pre-go-live. Each user group will have different instructions for how they will prepare for and interact with the new and old payroll and TL system. For example, Group 1 users, non-Group 1 users, Single Sign On 1500 users, and non-SSO users. Each user group combination may require unique communications and system preparation and go-live instructions.	pre- and post-go-live as they interact with other employees in different groups who have different instructions. Failure to effectively control these communications could lead to user	Project work quickly to prepare a fully vetted communication plan specifically for these communications. Project implement a strategy of "over-communication" to assure clear and effective communication to the various use groups. Project implement a strategy for validating a proper and clear understanding of user group instructions pre-go-live and adjust communications based on feedback. Project explore sending communications to non-Group 1 users to assure their understanding and clarify possible points of confusion.	for go-live. The project reported positive feedback from recent security sessions intended to improve departments understanding of system security.  06/30/20 - OCM activities continue as the project prepares for a 12/1/2020 Group 2 go-live. They are currently planning a conference call with all departments to help increase understanding of system security. The project is actively working on OCM plan updates.  06/31/20 - Post go-live feedback has been mostly positive and OCM communications appear to be effective. The project is addressing some reports of user frustration but have assessed this may be due to users not taking advantage of training and other support options or may have missed project entails. The project is making efforts to revise their training plan and materials based on stakeholder feedback and lessons learned from Group 1. Opportunities for improvement included finding ways to engage users during training to include more process/procedure context ITL controls, policies, deadlines), instead of just system enalogistion. The project is considering taking over training for the SI and swapping this scope of work for other SI system enhancements.  04/30/20 - As the project prepares for May Group 1 go-live, the project appears to be making good progress with their execution of their COM plans. Broadcast employee communications to be different user groups. The project has plans to initiate remote (due to COVID) Townhall meetings with user groups to increase engagement, awareness, and instruction.	Organizational Change Management	Risk	Medium	Open	Michael	1/31/2020
	COVID-19 State-wide shutdown has hindered project activities and negatively impact the project schedule and budget	On 3/23/2020, the Governor issued a "stay at home, work from home order" that has reduced several departments ability to be fully functional as the large majority of state workers will be required work from home/remotely at least until the end of April and some offices may be completely shut down.	Many project department readiness activities could be significantly hindered during this time. For example, leave balances can are paper-based and would require hybrical access in order to provide the project with accurate leave balances. Departments may be unable (due to stricter shadows) policed or unwilling to perform these activities during this chaotic time. UAT and Training will more than likely be conducted remotely which could negatively impact these activities. Planned SI on-site visits will also likely be changed to remote.	• Identify departments that are able/willing to participate in Group 1 deployment and complete Group 1 readiness activities and assign them to Group 1 deployment.  • Ramp up efforts to encourage and assist departments to become highly functional with remote access technology (e.g. W5 Teams/Skye), as XUT and Training will more than likely be conducted remotely.  • Jopate the COM Plan to include any new activities or updates to planned activities to address the impacts of COVID-19.  • Send broad Communications to stakeholders to assure clear understanding of changes to the project with this regard as well as clarifying communications as to what will remain the same.  • Assess stakeholders effectiveness in relying on remote access.	02/28/20. The project has reported that communication complexity are likely to be further exacerbated due to the lack of 07/31/20. The project confinues to make preparations to transition the currently contractor staffed help desk to esisting department resources. Planning efforts for virtual testing and training continue.  06/20/20. Recent budget cut due to COVID-19 will likely lead to the loss of the outsourced staffing for the HPS envice. Center DAGS has indicated they will make preparations to staff the service center with esisting staff. It remains unclear whether DAGS efforts will be able to adequately staff the service center and maintain quality of service, as well as manage their other normal dudies. DAGS service center staff may rely on the project team to assist them with training and ongoing assistance with resolving tickets.  The SI has indicated they have postponed planned travel for onsite work due to COVID, trail just before Group 2 go-live. The SI appears to be managing virtual (off-ste) work thus far with no known ill-effects or reduction in work quality.  05/31/20 - The state legislature is currently contemplating implementing 1-2 day/week furloughs as well as salary cuts for state workers to make up for budget shortfalls due to COVID. Psyrol/IT. support teams are making preparations to implement these changes in the psyrol system of needed. The project is preparing contingency lands for ensuring they can keep project cadence and meet planned go-live dates. However, the project is also preparing for a possible schedule sibpage and a contract extension in the event they are unable to keep existing planned go-live dates. The project tas preparing for a possible schedule sibpage and so contract extension in the event they are unable to keep existing planned go-live dates. The project has appealed for a furlough exemption for the project team through a budget impact statement with the rationale that it with the high the departs to fully staff the executed in the state-wide "sweep" or elimination	Project Organization & Management	Issue	Medium	Open	Michael	3/30/2020
20	Inadequate release management processes could lead to user confusion and frustration	The payroll system recently implemented a new Peoples of platform or ganization structure for some departments as part of a cleanup effort prior to It. system formup 1 go live. Changes such as these typically imobre extensive communications to users that rely on this structure for maintaining their Hr ercords. However, thorough communications and instructional documents were not sent to users prior to implementing this change in the system. Several users complained to DHRO and then to DAGS when they were surprised to find these changes have been made. Other stakeholders have previously stated their perception that, at times, changes are made to the payroll system without sufficient notification. The project team has stated that existing release management processes may be incomplete and/or lack clear responsible parties for release communications.	Hawaiiii ya (payroll system) and TL system currently share the same release management processes and personnel. If release manage procedures are unclear or if the execution for release procedures lack sufficient right, this could lead to missteps that could frustrate users and lead to user confusion. This could ultimately lead to reduced user bu-yin, reduced departmental leadership (and legislative) project support, and a negative public perception that could be picked up by the local media (aka "bad press").	<ul> <li>Revisit and clarify existing release management processes and procedures and ensure clear owners of each release activity.</li> </ul>	0/3/12/020 N&V did not note any issues related to releasing new functionality or configuration changes into the HawaiiPay T&L solution. However, IVAV did not note any rogress in developing and documenting release management procedures. IVAV remains concerned that a lack of clearly documented processes could cause unnecessary support concerns and delayed user acceptance of the changed functionality or configuration.  06/30/2002 As noted previously, IVAV continues to recommend that processes, procedures, responsibilities related to release management be fully documented, reviewed and approved by all parties involved in production updates to the HawaiiPay and TL solution.  05/31/2002 N&V noted that although defects related to the Payroll functionality were reported, no significant impact, related to change control processes were reported. IVAV continues to recommend controls to ensure all steps and communications required for new solution release are completed and documented prior to the release of new system features to the end user population.  04/30/200 N&V noted that it remains unclear if sufficient controls, related to Release Management, are in place to ensure that all the prerequies, communications and training have been executed successfully prior to the release of new functionality or configuration changes.	Quality Management	Risk	Low	Open	Ken	3/30/2020