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Thirty-Second State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 409  
Honolulu, Hawaii'i 96813

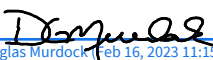
The Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker and Members of the  
House of Representatives  
Thirty-Second State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 431  
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Aloha Senate President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

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 report the Office of Enterprise Technology Services received for the State of Hawaii'i, Department of Human Services, Systems Modernization Project.

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

Sincerely,

  
Douglas Murdock (Feb 16, 2023 11:15 HST)

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Chief Information Officer  
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Attachments (2)



# Hawaii Department of Human Services Systems Modernization Project

Final IV&V Status Report  
for Reporting Period: January 1 – 31, 2023

*Submitted: February 14, 2023*

# Overview

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# Executive Summary



The BES 2023 DDI Project officially re-started in this reporting period with a kick-off session attended by participants from all aspects of the project. A significant amount of time and effort was expended by the project team to prepare for the kick-off session including:

- research to clearly understand the work completed by the previous ASI,
- the work remaining, and
- planning activities for the next 12-15 months.

IV&V was pleased to see and hear strong commitments from the DHS and new ASI leadership teams to support the success of the BES 2023 restart. The new ASI presented modifications to the BES 2023 Development process to align with Agile methodologies and focus deliverables on development work as well as the maintenance and development activities post-implementation. Additionally, they presented priorities of the BES functionality with the intent of developing and implementing the Priority 1 and 2 requirements for the BES Pilot, meaning the Priority 3 and 4 requirements will be implemented post Go-Live or made obsolete. DHS is evaluating these priorities to ensure all functionality required by State law and/or Federal partners will be included in the Pilot release of the BES application.

The new ASI released a draft schedule, currently being reviewed by DHS and IV&V. The BES 2023 design sessions began as planned and encountered a few challenges that the new ASI team is evaluating to take appropriate corrective actions.

The BES 2023 revised schedule and DDI processes are aggressive and require a high-performing team to achieve the Project's goals. The success hinges on the project team, their knowledge and expertise with the BESSD Program and Policies, the proposed tools and technologies, and the ability to effectively communicate the business and functional requirements as the team designs the BES technical and functional solution.

\* The open findings in this monthly status report have carried over from before the work stoppage.

# Executive Summary



Nov	Dec	Jan	Category	IV&V Observations
			Project Management	The new ASI provided a draft schedule for the 2023 BES Project, which is under review by both DHS and IV&V. The weekly project status meeting was also restarted in the reporting period.
			System Design	The new ASI restarted design sessions in this reporting period. Sessions are focused at the Epic level instead of a singular use case, with the goal of generating designs that cover functionally-related use cases.
			Configuration and Development	The new ASI published an addendum to the BI-6 System Design, Development, and Implementation (DDI) Plan, which is under review by DHS and IV&V. The new ASI also plans to publish a related DDI schedule in February.
			Integration and Interface Management	The new ASI is proposing a portal design that uses the Public Assistance Information System (PAIS) portal as the BES Portal platform while incorporating the User Interface (UI) designs from the Self-Service Portal (SSP). This BES-SSP Portal is expected to be ready for UAT in July 2023.
			Testing	DHS restructured their project team, and a DHS Test Lead has not been named. IV&V looks to see how DHS fills this role and conducts testing with the new ASI.
			Security and Privacy	Planning for the BI-13 System Security Plan is underway and weekly security touchpoint meetings will start in February. The new ASI plan to complete the BI-13 by March 2023 appears ambitious given the amount of work outstanding.

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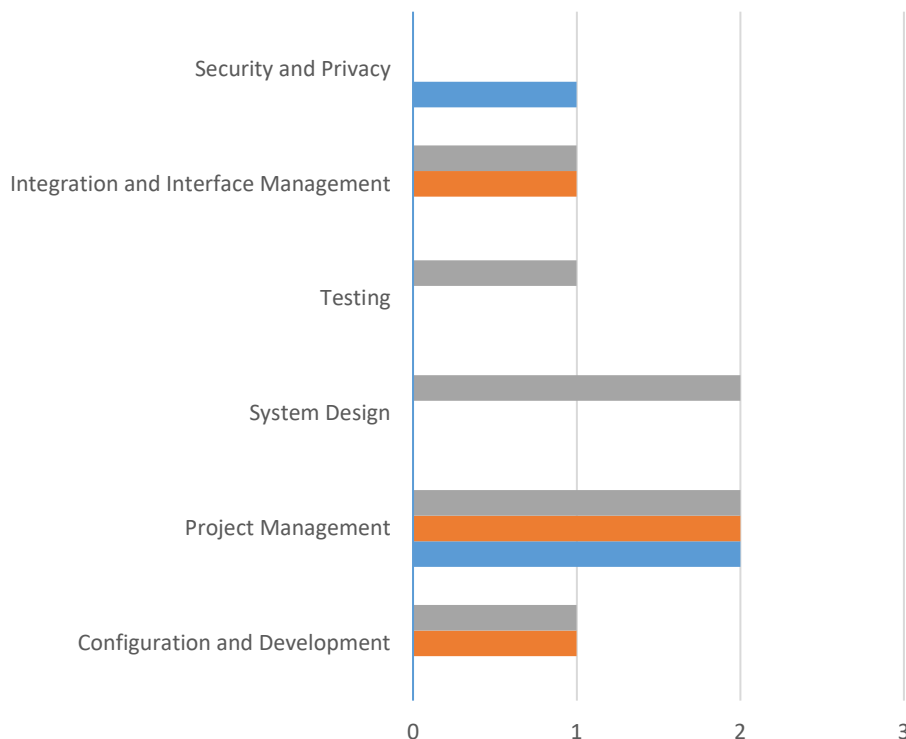
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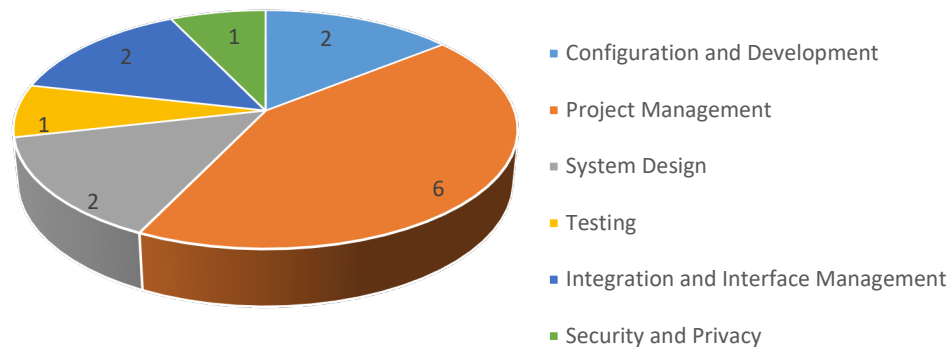


*As of the January 2023 reporting period, PCG is tracking 14 open findings (7 risks, 7 issues) and has retired a total of 61 findings. All these findings were opened during the tenure of the prior ASI. Of the 14 open findings, 7 are related to Project Management, 2 in Integration and Interface Management, 1 to Testing, 2 to System Design, 2 to Configuration and Development, and 1 to Security and Privacy.*

## Open Risks & Issues



## Open Risks & Issues by Category

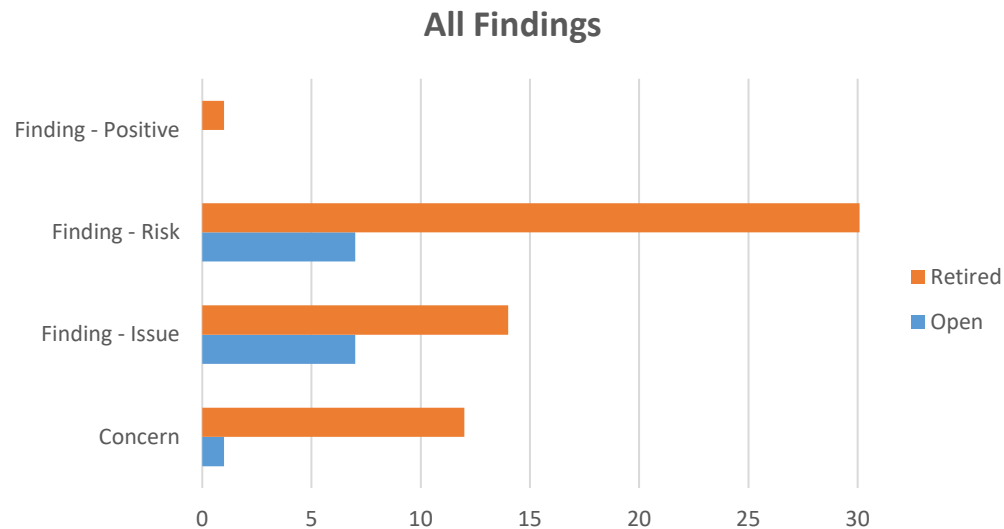




# IV&V Findings and Recommendations



The following figure provides a breakdown of all IV&V findings (positive, risks, issues, concerns) by status (open, retired).



# IV&V Findings and Recommendations



## Findings Retired During the Reporting Period

#	Finding	Category
71	<p><b>Issue – The lack of a final agreement on the scope and costs of the GCP Change Request (CR) may lead to unanticipated DHS costs, schedule delays, and/or the need to reduce scope.</b></p> <p>The new ASI has confirmed that all Google Cloud Platform (GCP) environments are within their scope of work and that no change order related to setup, maintenance, and support will be presented to DHS. IV&amp;V has retired this finding.</p>	Project Management
47	<p><b>Risk – The COVID-19 pandemic and the related "stay at home" order could hinder project activities and negatively impact the project schedule and budget.</b></p> <p>The BES Project team has adjusted and adapted to the "new normal" of Covid and its impact on our community along with our work environment. As the pandemic evolved, the project team demonstrated effective use of collaboration tools, meaning this risk is mitigated and IV&amp;V is retiring this finding.</p>	Project Management

# IV&V Findings and Recommendations



## Preliminary Concerns Investigated During the Reporting Period

#	Finding	Category
	None	

# IV&V Findings and Recommendations




## Findings Opened During the Reporting Period

#	Finding	Category
	None	

# IV&V Findings and Recommendations



## Project Management

#	Key Findings	Criticality Rating
2	<b>Issue – Late delivery of project deliverables has caused schedule delays.</b> Activity in the reporting period concentrated on project restart tasks, and IV&V will reassess this finding once related project activity has begun.	

Recommendations	Progress
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Until the revised schedule is baselined, continue monitoring and analyzing deliverables to ensure there is no to minimal impact on the critical path.</li></ul>	In process

# IV&V Findings and Recommendations



## Project Management

#	Key Findings	Criticality Rating
29	<p><b>Issue – Uncertainty and/or a lack of communication around long-term architecture decisions could impact the project budget, schedule, system design, and planning decisions.</b></p> <p>The BES project team appears to have differing ideas on how much the BES design will reuse approaches from HAWI, or incorporate improvements based on previous ASI design sessions. Clear communication of the approach planned, and its benefits, should be provided to the BES project team.</p>	A green circle with a white letter 'L' inside, indicating a low criticality rating.

Recommendations	Progress
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The Project should continue to vet possible architectural change impacts to the platform (e.g., ADA, Configuration Management tools), M&amp;O, MQD, and BES systems before finalizing architectural decisions.</li></ul>	In process
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>DHS continue to request ASI perform due diligence in any recommendation for foundational architecture change decisions and continue to review with appropriate DHS stakeholders to assure a common understanding of the implications of these decisions.</li></ul>	In process
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The Project should continue to ensure communication between development leads and architecture leads to assure optimal collaboration on possible architecture changes that could impact decisions in each area.</li></ul>	In process

# IV&V Findings and Recommendations



## Project Management


#	Key Findings	Criticality Rating
43	<p><b>Issue – DHS PMO project team members have transitioned off the Project, which may cause gaps in knowledge transfer and leadership on the Project.</b></p> <p>The BES project management duties and responsibilities continue to be filled by the new DHS contract Project Manager (PM) and the Assistant Project Manager. The new PM is onboarding and learning about the BES Project. The lack of DHS PMO resources could lead to Project delays if Program PMO responsibilities are not met timely.</p>	

Recommendations	Progress
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>DHS continue to work with the appropriate organizations to identify the funds necessary to fill these positions.</li></ul>	In process
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>DHS consider other options (Contractors, State employees borrowed from other agencies) to fill these positions if there is ongoing difficulty in finding permanent hires.</li></ul>	In process

# IV&V Findings and Recommendations



## Project Management

#	Key Findings	Criticality Rating
49	<p><b>Issue – Poor quality project deliverables may impact system design, testing artifacts, and the project schedule.</b></p> <p>The new ASI presented the BI-5 Project Schedule and the BI-6 System Design, Development, and Implementation (DDI) deliverables for DHS review. Has DHS identified the DHS approvers with the BESSD knowledge and experience needed to avoid rework and ensure BESSD Policies are implemented as intended?</p>	

Recommendations	Progress
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>ASI review the Quality Management Plan to ensure that the Project is working within the Quality guidelines. In particular, the ASI should evaluate and consider if it is in alignment with Section 3.1.2 Measure Project Quality, which states “ASI measures process and product quality by 1) selecting BES implementation process and product attributes to measure; 2) selecting component activities to measure; 3) defining value scales for each component activity; 4) recording observed activity values; and 5) combining the recorded attribute values into a single number called a process quality index.” IV&amp;V has not seen evidence indicating the ASI is utilizing metrics to measure its process and product quality.</li></ul>	In Process
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>When the project restarts, resources be allocated to create a Quality Management Plan to help address this finding.</li></ul>	Not Started
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>DHS Functional and Policy Subject Matter Experts are brought into deliverable reviews from the start to capture the organizational expertise.</li></ul>	Not Started



# IV&V Findings and Recommendations



## Project Management


#	Key Findings	Criticality Rating
74	<p><b>Risk – The lack of a BES Project schedule based on accurate estimations diminishes effective planning and resource management, which could result in late deliverables, cost increases, and a late go-live.</b></p> <p>The new ASI submitted a draft schedule for review and is receiving comments from stakeholders. The schedule continues to be revised so that it can be approved and baselined. The proposed go-live date could be delayed if substantial revision is required.</p>	

Recommendations	Progress
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Using the available tools, review the current estimates to complete each activity compared to past actual hours.</li></ul>	Not Started
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Update as necessary and provide the DHS/ASI project managers with reports and data that accurately reflect the DHS/ASI resource needs along with over/under allocations of staff for the duration of the Project.</li></ul>	Not Started
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Develop mitigation and contingency plans that are tracked/managed by DHS/ASI for all tasks that are behind schedule or are at risk of being behind schedule which includes resource management.</li></ul>	In process
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Discuss, validate and address additional concerns within the project processes that may cause the project delays other than inaccurate estimates such as over reliance on POs, slow design sprints, and cadence of development teams.</li></ul>	In process
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>DHS and the ASI agree to a revised schedule against which project deliverables can be managed.</li></ul>	In process
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The new ASI presents a draft schedule for DHS review/feedback in advance of the project restart kickoff.</li></ul>	Not Completed

# IV&V Findings and Recommendations



## Project Management

#	Key Findings	Criticality Rating
76	<p><b>Risk – Volunteer DHS resources leaving the Project may lead to schedule delays, lower morale, and burnout.</b></p> <p>Activity in the reporting period concentrated on project restart tasks, and IV&amp;V will reassess this finding once related project activity has begun.</p>	

Recommendations	Progress
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Allocate more time for the DHS team members to dedicate time to the Project.</li></ul>	In process
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Carefully plan for all project activities with reasonable hour allocations for the DHS resources and adjust dates in the BES Project schedule accordingly.</li></ul>	In process
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Add cushion time to the schedule for unexpected project delays.</li></ul>	In process
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Provide incentives for the DHS resources to help maintain the project team and possibly alleviate attrition or increase the number of volunteers to the team.</li></ul>	In process

# IV&V Findings and Recommendations



## Integration and Interface Management

#	Key Findings	Criticality Rating
63	<p><b>Risk – The lack of early planning and coordination with interface partners may result in schedule delays.</b></p> <p>Activity in the reporting period concentrated on project restart tasks, and IV&amp;V will reassess this finding once related project activity has begun.</p>	A green circle with a white 'L' inside, indicating a Low Criticality Rating.

Recommendations	Progress
• Complete all MOAs and obtain approval.	In process
• Confirm testing dates with interface partners in writing.	In process

# IV&V Findings and Recommendations



## Integration and Interface Management


#	Key Findings	Criticality Rating
79	<p><b>Issue – External vendor delays in the development of the BES task management system (Current) interface have impacted the project schedule.</b></p> <p>Activity in the reporting period concentrated on project restart tasks, and IV&amp;V will reassess this finding once related project activity has begun.</p>	A yellow circle with the letter 'M' inside, indicating a Medium Criticality Rating.

Recommendations	Progress
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ensure that there is an agreement between DHS and CIA to address roles/responsibilities and outcomes.</li></ul>	In process
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The ASI provide test results from the task management integration to ensure that the interface works.</li></ul>	Not Started

# IV&V Findings and Recommendations



## Configuration and Development

#	Key Findings	Criticality Rating
70	<p><b>Risk – Insufficient configuration management could lead to development confusion and reduce the effectiveness of defect resolution.</b></p> <p>Activity in the reporting period concentrated on project restart tasks, and IV&amp;V will reassess this finding once related project activity has begun.</p>	

Recommendations	Progress
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>ASI adhere to plans for configuration management as documented in BI-6 DDI Plan, Section 5.2 and clarify details and/or any changes with DHS.</li></ul>	In process
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>ASI validate plans for configuration management with DHS and agree on a meaningful set of configuration items or settings they will track.</li></ul>	In process
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Project work to clarify/solidify plans for the potential use of configuration management tools and DHS work to fund and procure a CM tool, as required, to avoid any negative impacts to the project.</li></ul>	Not Started

# IV&V Findings and Recommendations



## Configuration and Development

#	Key Findings	Criticality Rating
80	<b>Risk – Development delays could negatively impact the project schedule and delay go-live.</b> Activity in the reporting period concentrated on project restart tasks, and IV&V will reassess this finding once related project activity has begun.	A yellow circle with the letter 'M' inside, indicating a Medium Criticality Rating.

Recommendations	Progress
• Complete and execute remediation plan based on the result of a Root Cause Analysis (RCA).	In process
• ASI consider moving/adding/replacing project team resources strategically to effectively increase velocity.	In process
• ASI track and regularly provide DHS with an accurate velocity (e.g., story points per day/week/month) and assure that the current velocity is accurately and consistently reflected in the project schedule.	In process

# IV&V Findings and Recommendations



## System Design


#	Key Findings	Criticality Rating
61	<p><b>Issue – Poorly executed JAD and "design sessions" could lead to inaccurate design and rework.</b></p> <p>The new ASI is in the start-up phase and as expected, experienced a few wrinkles during the initial design sessions. IV&amp;V looks for the ASI to quickly incorporate the recommendations in this finding to deliver effective design sessions, avoiding delays to design and development.</p>	

Recommendations	Progress
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The facilitator should use their expertise to drive discussions through leading questions.</li></ul>	In process
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>BAs should come to Day one of Design Sprint fully prepared to facilitate discussion on topic of sprint, with adequate knowledge about business process and approach for design based on JAD/JAR notes and other pertinent material.</li></ul>	In process
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The ASI to bring User Experience (UE) designers to engage with DHS and review the currently built BES solution.</li></ul>	Not Started
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>New ASI to quickly gain lessons learned to apply to future sessions.</li></ul>	Not Started

# IV&V Findings and Recommendations



## System Design

#	Key Findings	Criticality Rating
73	<p><b>Risk – The planned BES infrastructure is complex which could be difficult to implement and maintain and could lead to schedule/cost impacts.</b></p> <p>Activity in the reporting period concentrated on project restart tasks, and IV&amp;V will reassess this finding once related project activity has begun.</p>	

Recommendations	Progress
• ASI clearly communicate the potential costs and schedule impacts to implementing the planned infrastructure.	In process
• DHS work with the ASI to assess the potential challenges of maintaining a complex environment and consider scaled back options that could reduce this risk and reduce long-term support costs.	In process
• ASI develop a process to closely monitor cloud and other product changes (software updates/new releases), manage changes, and regression test once updates are applied.	In process
• The project team work to establish strong governance over the utilization and maintenance of various components to simplify their use and monitoring.	Not Started
• ASI development team identify infrastructure components and techniques that are new to them and take action to assure potential integration problems do not lead to unexpected delays.	Not Started



# IV&V Findings and Recommendations



## Testing


#	Key Findings	Criticality Rating
67	<p><b>Risk - The Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) Section 508 compliance tool has not been installed for the Project, which may cause significant rework.</b></p> <p>Activity in the reporting period concentrated on project restart tasks, and IV&amp;V will reassess this finding once related project activity has begun.</p>	A yellow circle with the letter 'M' inside, indicating a Medium Criticality Rating.

Recommendations	Progress
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The ADA tool meets contractual and project requirements.</li></ul>	In process
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The ASI communicates a plan for ADA test execution.</li></ul>	In process
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The ASI communicates how the tool will be used to report compliance and non-compliance and how non-compliance will be addressed/corrected</li></ul>	In process
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The ASI communicates how and when DHS/IV&amp;V will be provided the reports from the ADA tool execution and how to interpret the results.</li></ul>	In process

# IV&V Findings and Recommendations



## Security and Privacy

#	Key Findings	Criticality Rating
68	<p><b>Risk - Insufficient planning/execution of the BES Security Plan activities may lead to delays in gaining Federal Partner approval for the BES Project to begin the Pilot Phase.</b></p> <p>The new ASI has published a draft project schedule that indicates completion of the BES Security Plan in early March. With the significant amount of work required for completion, including work that DHS must perform, IV&amp;V is concerned that this timeline may be unrealistic.</p>	

Recommendations	Progress
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The ASI continues to develop the BI-13 Security Plan in close collaboration with DHS.</li></ul>	In process
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>DHS and the ASI agree upon the tools and process that will be used to document and track security control implementation, such as security governance, risk, and control (GRC software). The process should define the level of detail needed to track progress (estimates, target dates, risks, issues, evidence) along with the Requirement Traceability Matrix, and plans of actions and milestones (POAM).</li></ul>	In process
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>ASI ensure that the ASI Security Lead has a depth of experience in NIST 800-53 and experience authoring implementation statements of System Security Plans (SSP).</li></ul>	In process
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>DHS review the proposed staff resume, interview individual, and approve resource to ensure that they meet the position's contractual requirements.</li></ul>	Not Started

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# IV&V Status

# IV&V Engagement Status



IV&V Engagement Area	Nov	Dec	Jan	Comments
IV&V Budget				
IV&V Schedule				
IV&V Deliverables				PCG submitted the final December IV&V Monthly Status Report.
IV&V Staffing				
IV&V Scope				

Engagement Status Legend		
The engagement area is within acceptable parameters.	The engagement area is somewhat outside acceptable parameters.	The engagement area poses a significant risk to the IV&V project quality and requires immediate attention.



- IV&V activities in the January reporting period:
  - Completed – December Monthly Status Report
  - Completed – Attend BES Project Restart kickoff meeting
  - Ongoing – Review the BES Project Artifacts
  - Ongoing – Attend BES Project meetings, (see [Additional Inputs](#) pages for details)
  - Reviewed available ASI Original Contract and BES Optimization contract amendment documentation
- Planned IV&V activities for the February reporting period:
  - Starting – Observe BES Design and Development sessions as scheduled
  - Starting – Observe Bi-Weekly Project Status meetings
  - Starting – Observe Weekly Architecture meetings
  - Starting – Observe Weekly Security meetings
  - Starting – Observe Agile Development meetings
  - Ongoing – Monthly IV&V Draft Report Review with DHS, ETS and ASI
  - Ongoing – Participate in weekly DHS and IV&V Touch Base meetings
  - Ongoing – Review BES artifacts and deliverables

# Deliverables Reviewed



Deliverable Name	Deliverable Date	Version
BI-5 Project Schedule - BES 2023 230126 DRAFT.mpp	01/26/2023	Draft
BI-08 Technology Environments Specifications Deliverable Expectation Document (DED) - Amendment	01/20/2023	V3.0

# Additional Inputs – Artifacts



Artifact Name	Artifact Date	Version
Unisys Contract Amendment 3	4/17/2020	N/A
Unisys Contract Amendment 4	5/1/2021	N/A
FNS Handbook 901	01/2020	V2.4
NIST Special Publication 800-53 Security and Privacy Controls for Information Systems and Organizations	12/20/2020	Rev.5
One RTM (Aha)	N/A	V1
BES DDI Post-transition 11-16-2022 draft	11-16-2022	N/A
BES 2023 New Way Forward	11-29-2022	N/A
BES 2023 Implementation, Appendix – Plan Approach Details	11/29/2022	N/A
BES 2023 Implementation Planning – Confluence page	N/A	N/A
BI-1 BES 2023 Client Project Kickoff Presentation	1/13/2023	N/A



## Meetings and/or Sessions Attended/Observed:

1. Weekly Platform Status Meeting – 1/3/2023, 1/10/2023, 1/17/2023, 1/24/2023, 1/31/2023
2. IV&V Team Meeting – 1/02/2023, 1/9/2023, 1/12/2023, 1/19/2023, 1/23/2023, 1/26/2023, 1/30/2023
3. HI DHS BES December Draft IV&V Report Review – 1/12/2023
4. IV&V December Findings Roast – 1/04/2023
5. Bi-Weekly DHS and IV&V Touch Base Meeting – 1/10/2023, 1/24/2023
6. Weekly BES Infrastructure meeting – 1/6/2023, 1/13/2023, 1/20/2023, 1/27/2023
7. DHS/IVV Check-in – 1/12/2023
8. Weekly Platform Security meeting – 1/5/2023, 1/12/2023, 1/19/2023, 1/26/2023
9. Weekly Client BES 2023 Project Status Meeting – 1/25/2023
10. BES 2023 Internal Kickoff Checking – 1/12/2023
11. BES 2023 Kickoff Meeting – 1/17/2023
12. BES Data Conversion – Discuss HARI Client discrepancies – 1/12/2023
13. BES 2023 Project Schedule Review Meeting - 1/27/2023
14. Discuss Next Steps for handling FTI data – 1/31/2023






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# Appendices



# Appendix A – IV&V Criticality Ratings

Criticality Rating	Definition
	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.
	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 evaluated and implemented as soon as feasible.
	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 – Findings Log

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- The complete Findings Log for the BES Project is provided in a separate file.

# Appendix C – Acronyms and Glossary



Acronym	Definition
APD	Advance Planning Document
ASI	Application System Integrator
BES	Benefits Eligibility Solution
CCWIS	Comprehensive Child Welfare Information System
CM	Configuration Management
CMMI	Capability Maturity Model Integration
CMS	Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services
CR	Change Request
DDI	Design, Development and Implementation
DED	Deliverable Expectation Document
DHS	Hawaii Department of Human Services
DLV	Deliverable
E&E	Eligibility and Enrollment
EA	Enterprise Architecture
ECM	Enterprise Content Management (FileNet and DataCap)
ESI	Enterprise System Integrator (Platform Vendor)
ETS	State of Hawaii Office of Enterprise Technology Services
FIPS	Federal Information Processing Standard
HIPAA	Health Information Portability and Accountability Act of 1996
IDM	Identity and Access Management (from KOLEA to State Hub)
IEEE	Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers
IES	Integrated Eligibility Solution
ITIL	Information Technology Infrastructure Library



# Appendix C – Acronyms and Glossary

Acronym	Definition
IV&V	Independent Verification and Validation
KOLEA	Kauhale On-Line Eligibility Assistance
M&O	Maintenance & Operations
MEELC	Medicaid Eligibility and Enrollment Life Cycle
MEET	Medicaid Eligibility and Enrollment Toolkit
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
MQD	Hawaii Department of Human Services MedQuest Division
NIST	National Institute of Standards and Technology
OE	Operating Environment
OIT	Department of Human Services Office of Information Technology
PIP	Performance/Process Improvement Plan
PMBOK®	Project Management Body of Knowledge
PMI	Project Management Institute
PMO	Project/Program Management Office
PMP	Project Management Plan
QA	Quality Assurance
QM	Quality Management
RFP	Request for Proposal
ROM	Rough Order of Magnitude
RMP	Requirements Management Plan
RTM	Requirements Traceability Matrix
SEI	Software Engineering Institute
SLA	Service-Level Agreement
SME	Subject Matter Expert

# Appendix C – Acronyms and Glossary

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Acronym	Definition
SOA	Service Oriented Architecture
SOW	Statement of Work, Scope of Work
VVP	Software Verification and Validation Plan
XLC	Expedited Life Cycle

# Appendix D – Background Information



## Systems Modernization Project

The DHS Enterprise Program Roadmap includes contracting with three separate vendors with the following high-level scope:

- ESI or Platform Vendor – responsible for the shared technology and services required for multiple Application vendors to implement and support functionality that leverages the DHS Enterprise Platform.
- ASI or ASI Vendor – responsible for the DDI of the Benefits Eligibility Solution (BES Project) enhancing the currently implemented Medicaid E&E Solution (KOLEA) and providing support for the combined Solutions.
- CCWIS Vendor – responsible for the DDI of the CCWIS Solution to meet the needs of child welfare services and adult protective services (CCWIS Project) and providing support for the Solution.

## Systems Modernization IV&V Project

IV&V performs objective assessments of the design, development/configuration and implementation (DDI) of DHS' System Modernization Projects. DHS has identified three high-risk areas where IV&V services are required:

- Transition of M&O from DHS' incumbent vendor to the ESI and ASI vendors
- BES DDI
- CCWIS DDI

On the BES DDI Project, IV&V is responsible for:

- Evaluating efforts performed by the Project (processes, methods, activities) for consistency with federal requirements and industry best practices and standards
- Reviewing or validating the work effort performed and deliverables produced by the ASI vendor as well as that of DHS to ensure alignment with project requirements
- Anticipating project risks, monitoring project issues and risks, and recommending potential risk mitigation strategies and issue resolutions throughout the Project's life cycle
- Developing and providing independent project oversight reports to DHS, ASI vendors, State of Hawaii Office of Enterprise Technology Services (ETS) and DHS' Federal partners

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## 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's Eclipse IV&V® Technical Assessment 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.

## IV&V Assessment Categories for the BES Project

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| • Project Management                   | • Security and Privacy       |
| • Requirements Analysis & Management   | • Testing                    |
| • System Design                        | • OCM and Knowledge Transfer |
| • Configuration and Development        | • Pilot Test Deployment      |
| • Integration and Interface Management | • Deployment                 |



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**Solutions that Matter**

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85	Development delays could negatively impact the project schedule and delay go-live.	AI Pangilinan	Finding - Risk	6/30/2022	Configuration and Development	ASI reported development activities have been slowed as they have been unable to achieve and/or maintain their expected development velocity. The ASI is working to produce a root cause analysis and remediation plan to address these delays, however, both have been delayed. Previously, the development team was challenged with accurately estimating development task level of effort (i.e., story points) in the past and the ASI has been challenged with producing a project schedule that accurately reflects realistic timelines (see Finding #74). The ASI continues to be challenged with finding qualified resources in a timely manner.	If the ASI is unable to achieve a velocity that enables them to meet planned milestones, schedule delays may lead to a delayed system go-live date. Failure to achieve a level of accuracy in estimating development tasks could lead to a project schedule that is flawed and unrealistic. DHS has indicated, adding additional junior resources may not be as effective as staffing additional upper-level development, analysis, and other resources. Request the ASI effectively track and regularly provide DHS (potentially via the weekly QDR status meeting) with an accurate velocity (e.g., story points per day/week/month) and assure that the current velocity is accurately and consistently reflected in the project schedule.	OPEN - Complete and execute remediation plan based on the result of a Root Cause Analysis (RCA). ASI consider moving/adding/replacing project team resources strategically to effectively increase velocity. Note that adding additional junior resources may not be as effective as staffing additional upper-level development, analysis, and other resources. Request the ASI effectively track and regularly provide DHS (potentially via the weekly QDR status meeting) with an accurate velocity (e.g., story points per day/week/month) and assure that the current velocity is accurately and consistently reflected in the project schedule.	Immediate	3	3	Med	Open	1/31/2023 - Activity in the reporting period concentrated on project restart tasks, and IVV will reassess this finding once related project activity has begun. 12/31/2022 - No material update in the reporting period as the work stoppage continued and the new ASI conducted restart planning. IVV will reassess this finding and our associated recommendations once more is known. 11/30/2022 - No material update in the reporting period as the work stoppage continues and the new ASI conducts restart planning. 10/31/2022 - No work has been performed regarding this finding due to the work stoppage and ongoing transition to the new ASI. IVV will reassess our recommendations for this finding once more is known. 09/30/22 - The ASI has announced the departure of key resources that have provided leadership and design quality assurance to the project, which could further hinder development productivity. With the recent work stoppage, it remains unclear if factors that created development delays will be fully addressed to mitigate this risk. 08/30/22 - The ASI continues to onboard additional development resources, stating they added 2 on-shore and 2 off-shore developers to their team. Though an updated schedule has yet to be completed by the ASI, they estimate they will need approximately 50 additional resources to assure adequate velocity and cadence to complete the project in the proposed timeframe. However, until a revised schedule is available the actual number of additional resources needed is not known. The ASI is delaying full recruitment for these positions until the project schedule is approved but have not submitted the revised schedule to DHS. 07/27/22 - The ASI has a severe shortage of development resources and is recruiting to fill the open positions, but the current job market presents challenges. The ASI plans to update the schedule to account for the current lack of resources and intends to submit a re-baselined schedule on 8/12/22. The ASI is currently assessing the level of effort to address changes to		
79	External vendor delays in the development of the BES task management system (Current) interface have impacted the project schedule.	AI Pangilinan	Finding - Issue	6/1/2022	Integration and Management	The BES Project expected the CIA developed Current interface (aka, webbook) to be completed by 04/07/2022. CIA reported that the webbook development work would be done by 03/27/2022. As of 05/25/2022, the ASI has not received any status from CIA. The webbook is currently holding up the design of the CF44 - Manage CIA Data use case for Release 0.8.	Current (previously known as ePathways) is a task management system developed by the Change and Innovation Agency (CIA). The Department of Human Services (DHS) uses the Current system to manage and create case related tasks. The Benefits Eligibility Solution (BES) will interface with the Current system to manage tasks. The BES system will create tasks and will send them to Current. BES does not have the capabilities to manage or close the tasks. Eligibility Workers will claim tasks, and the Supervisors will manage tasks from within the Current system. The webbook is being designed by CIA that will provide task details for cases that have been tagged as "No Contact". This is a requirement to meet the design of the CF44 - Manage CIA Data use case. The ASI has stated that webbook is required before some critical path development tasks can commence.	1. Ensure that there is an agreement between DHS and CIA to address roles/responsibilities and outcomes. Not applicable and completed. 2. Schedule recurring meetings with CIA to ensure consistent communication between DHS, the ASI, IVV, and CIA. Completed. 3. The ASI provide test results from the task management integration to ensure that the interface works.	Q3	5	1	Med	Open	1/31/2023 - Activity in the reporting period concentrated on project restart tasks, and IVV will reassess this finding once related project activity has begun. 12/31/2022 - No material update in the reporting period as the work stoppage continued and the new ASI conducted restart planning. IVV will reassess this finding and our associated recommendations once more is known. 11/30/2022 - No material update in the reporting period as the work stoppage continues and the new ASI conducts restart planning. 10/31/2022 - No work has been performed regarding this finding due to the work stoppage and ongoing transition to the new ASI. IVV will reassess our recommendations for this finding once more is known. 09/30/22 - No material update in the reporting period. 08/30/22 - No material update in the reporting period. 08/01/2022 - DHS has decided not to establish an agreement with CIA (the task management vendor) because DHS currently has a subscription that includes the BES requirements. In addition, DHS and the ASI have established biweekly meetings with the task management vendor. 06/30/2022 - The task management system vendor provided details regarding the webbook at a recent meeting with DHS, allowing for related BES development with this interface vendor. Based upon receiving the needed information, IVV is reducing the criticality rating to "Medium". 06/02/2022 - Issue created.		
76	Volunteer DHS resources leaving the Project may lead to schedule delays, lowered morale, and burnout.	Brad Molina	Finding - Risk	3/1/2022	Project Management	The DHS resources assigned to work with the ASI on the BES Project are all volunteers except one. Resources are not in dedicated roles within the team and have the option of returning to their previous operational roles at any time.	The replacement of DHS resources in project roles (e.g., testers and product owners) is not guaranteed and DHS already stated that no additional resources will be assigned to the test team. It is a risk to the Project that the remaining DHS resources will be overallocated, risking burnout, and creating a cycle of more DHS resources leaving the Project. If additional DHS staff provided, their training will add to the workloads of current DHS project resources.	Consider adding DHS resources as needed. 6/30/2022 Complete Allocate more time for the DHS team members to dedicate time to the Project. Carefully plan for all project activities with reasonable hour allocations for the DHS resources and adjust dates in the BES Project schedule accordingly. Add cushion time to the schedule for unexpected project delays. Provide incentives for the DHS resources to help maintain the project team and possibly alleviate attrition or increase the number of volunteers to the team. DHS keep all assigned Project resources informed of the transition progress and the timeline for when they will be asked to participate again, so resources can maintain their engagement with the Project. 1/31/2023 - Closed	Immediate	4	2	Med	Open	1/31/2023 - Activity in the reporting period concentrated on project restart tasks, and IVV will reassess this finding once related project activity has begun. 12/31/2023 - A key resource from DHS left the project, one of the most knowledgeable and vocal DHS Product Owners. With no additional DHS resources being added to the Project design sessions could be negatively impacted by this departure. 11/30/2022 - No material update in the reporting period as the work stoppage continues and the new ASI conducts restart planning. 10/31/2022 - DHS BES project team members are actively participating in the transition to the new ASI. They identify and communication possible gaps and are highly motivated to ensure the start-up with the new ASI is successful. DHS BES project team members have expressed a need to fully understand the future direction of the BES project and how known issues will be corrected. IVV will monitor the project restart planning and the DHS BES project team members participation. 9/30/2022 - With the BES Project work stoppage, some of the DHS resources assigned to the project are helping with transition work. The work stoppage is a significant event for the project team and the impact to overall morale (positive or negative) is uncertain. 8/30/2022 - No material update for this reporting period. IVV continue to monitor. 7/27/2022 - No material update for this reporting period. 7/6/2022 - In June, DHS added the following five staff to the BES Project - An Interface Product Owner - A CMMI Product Owner - Two SME resources joined the team to support the Return Mail Use Cases - One SME to support the Reporting function. DHS stated their plan on adjusting staff as needed and pro-actively review the project schedule to identify future staffing needs. IVV will evaluate the impact of these staff additions to determine if the criticality rating can be lowered. 5/31/2022 - IVV updated this finding from a preliminary concern to a risk in this reporting period. The draft schedule plans for multiple		
74	The lack of a BES Project schedule based on accurate estimations diminishes effective planning and resource management, which could result in late deliverables, cost increases, and a late go-live.	Ryan Tan	Finding - Issue	11/29/2021	Project Management	DHS and the ASI have tried multiple times to rework the schedule with results that have not yielded improvement. Concerns with the structure, estimating practices, and ability to manage to the schedule persist. The use of multiple tools to track resources obfuscates resource management. Previous IVV findings focused on specific schedule components such as resource management and critical path analysis, all of which were addressed and closed.	If estimates for project schedule activities are not accurate, this can lead to constant schedule changes, resources not being available when needed, rushed activities, and general frustration which can lead to schedule delays, low quality output, scope changes, and budget issues.	Using the available tools, review the current estimates to complete each activity compared to past actual hours (1/31/2023 - completed. 1/31/2023 - Not Started) Update as necessary and provide the DHS/ASI Project Managers with reports and data that accurately reflect the DHS/ASI resource needs along with over/under allocations of staff for the duration of the Project (11/31/2023 - new ASI - Not Started) Develop mitigation and contingency plans that are tracked/managed by DHS/ASI resources that are behind schedule or are at risk of being behind schedule which includes resource management. Discuss, validate and address additional concerns within the project processes that may cause the project delays other than inaccurate estimates such as over reliance on POs, slow design sprints, and cadence of development teams. DHS and the ASI agree to a revised schedule against which project deliverables can be managed. The new ASI presents a draft schedule for DHS review/feedback in advance of the project restart kickoff (1/31/2023 - Not Completed)	Immediate	4	4	High	Open	1/31/2023 - The new ASI submitted a draft schedule for review and is receiving comments from stakeholders. The schedule continues to be revised so that it can be approved and baselined. The current proposed go-live date could be delayed if there are substantial adjustments made to address feedback. 12/31/2022 - The Project completed transition activities and is preparing for a Project restart kick-off on January 17th. The new ASI plans to present an updated schedule during the kick-off. However, without prior review from stakeholders, the proposed schedule may cause further questions and discussions which may impact restart activities creating immediate delays. IVV added a recommendation regarding DHS/ASI collaboration on the schedule. 11/30/2022 - The Project is reviewing and revising the BI-5 Project Schedule to reflect the new implementation approach, and to align with updated project deadline, resources, and scope. An updated Project Schedule is expected for the Project restart kick-off in early January 2023. 10/31/2022 - A project schedule documenting post-transition activities and project execution activities of the new ASI has not been developed. Without a realistic project schedule based on accurate estimates, it is difficult for the Project to plan future activities, estimate staffing needs, and uncover possible gaps in knowledge transfer. 9/30/2022 - The ASI did not deliver a revised BES Project Schedule prior to DHS issuing the work stoppage on September 5, 2022. Regardless of the BES move forward strategy, a schedule that is based on estimates provided by staff performing the work is critical to ensure the schedule is realistic. 8/31/2022 - The ASI indicated that substantial changes and improvements were made to the schedule but did not deliver the revised draft to DHS by the August 12th deadline nor has the ASI provided DHS with a new target date for delivery. Without a project schedule, it is difficult for the Project to plan future activities such as hiring required resources to staff the Project.		

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73	The planned BES infrastructure is complex which could be difficult to implement and lead to schedule/cost impacts.	Michael Fors	Finding - Risk	10/26/2021	System Design	Current ASI infrastructure plans include a significant number of sophisticated components that make up a complex cloud infrastructure. Further, the Project Team has yet to finalize components that will make up the BES infrastructure and the additional costs and time to configure, test, and implement the planned complex environment remain unclear.	If the level of effort to implement and manage the complexities of the BES infrastructure is not accurately accounted for and staffed by the ASI, the project could be met with unexpected costs and schedule delays. Delay in finalizing the components being implemented could exacerbate this risks and lead to further delays. Complex platforms often present system maintenance and operations challenges as system changes can hold the increased potential for system failure (i.e., due to the significant number of "moving parts") and increase the level of time and effort to resolve infrastructure and application-level bugs. Further, some components remain in an immature state compared to their legacy counterparts. For example, the project recently experienced a system failure because Google Cloud failed to clearly communicate a change that led to failure in another component (i.e., Nexus). Google Cloud is generally viewed as a less mature product offering, compared to their rivals (Amazon Web Services, Microsoft Azure). IV&V remains concerned that this could lead to failures at critical points in the project (including post go live production failures) that could be difficult to resolve and lead to project disruption. If DHS intends to eventually reduce M&O outsourcing costs turning over M&O tasks to State employees, they could face challenges supporting tools they may not be familiar with in a complex infrastructure environment.	• ASI clearly communicate the potential costs and schedule impacts to implement and maintain the planned infrastructure. The Architecture process should include steps to provide a detailed impact of DHS architectural decisions to include the integration activities, support required, and maintenance and operations impacts. • DHS work with the ASI to assess the potential challenges of maintaining a complex environment and consider scaled back options that could reduce this risk and reduce long-term infrastructure costs. • ASI develop a process to closely monitor cloud and other product changes (software updates/new releases), manage changes, and regression test once updates are applied. • The project team work to establish strong governance over the utilization and maintenance of various components to simplify their use and monitoring. • Request the ASI development team identify infrastructure components and techniques that are new to them and take action to assure potential integration problems do not extend to unexpected delays. For example, allow time in the schedule to conduct proof of concepts to assure infrastructure components work as expected.	Next several month	3	3	Med	Open	1/31/2023 - Activity in the reporting period concentrated on project restart tasks, and IVV will reassess this finding once related project activity has begun. 12/31/2022 - No material update in the reporting period as the work stoppage continued and the new ASI conducted restart planning. IVV will reassess this finding and our associated recommendations once more is known. 11/30/2022 - No material update in the reporting period as the work stoppage continues and the new ASI conducts restart planning. 10/31/2022 - The previous ASI was largely responsible for the infrastructure design and build out, these responsibilities are now transitioned to the new ASI. The previous ASI is performing knowledge transfer (KT) to the new ASI, however, IVV is concerned that KT will suffer given the complexity of the infrastructure and that some of the new ASI resources appear to lack significant experience with some of the tools and techniques used. IVV will reassess our recommendations for this finding once more is known. 9/30/2022 - The ASI announced the departure of key infrastructure resources who have provided leadership to the infrastructure efforts, which could exacerbate this risk. With the recent work stoppage, it is uncertain how this risk will be mitigated going forward. 08/30/22 - The ASI intends to engage two 3rd-party vendors to assist with the production environment build (once the GCP change order is approved), which could increase their velocity. The inclusion of these vendors could also mitigate the risk of maintaining a complex infrastructure if these vendors can provide experts who have significant experience with cloud infrastructure and related tools. 07/31/22 - The newly assigned ASI architects continue to ramp up to meet productivity expectations. The ASI recently reinstituted weekly architecture meetings with DHS and other infrastructure stakeholders. The ASI is analyzing the impact of the revised federal security controls on the project. System changes resulting from the security controls update may further			
70	Insufficient configuration management could lead to development confusion and reduce the effectiveness of defect resolution	Michael Fors	Finding - Risk	8/23/2021	Configuration and Development	The B-16 DDI Plan Deliverable, Section 5.2 establishes the framework for the Configuration Management Plan, however, it remains unclear if sufficient progress has been toward establishing CM processes, selecting CM tools (e.g., CMDB), and building out the CM infrastructure. The projects Google Cloud Platform (GCP) Change Request and Security Plan have yet to be finalized which may include additional requirements or decisions that could impact CM. The project currently relies on GitHub for tracking of some configurations	Configuration Management is a set of processes and procedures that ensures the BES is understood and works correctly. The BES solution includes tools that may provide a level of automation for Configuration Management that may reduce errors and should provide the project team with accurate, dynamic and timely information on some of the configuration items. However, it is critical that DHS/ASI agree to the full list of items that are included in the configuration plan along with the details regarding the management of the configuration items, reporting and audit features.	OPEN - ASI adhere to plans for configuration management as documented in B-16 DDI Plan, Section 5.2 and clearly details and/or any changes with DHS. • ASI validate plans for configuration management with DHS and agree on a meaningful set of configuration items or settings they will track. • Project work to clarify/simplify plans for the potential use of configuration management tools and DHS work to fund and procure a CM tool, as required, to avoid any negative impacts to the project. COMPLETE + 02/11/22 - No work has been performed regarding this finding due to the work stoppage and ongoing transition to the new ASI. IVV will reassess our recommendations for this finding once more is known. 09/29/22 - The ASI announced the departure of key resources including their lead CM strategist, which could exacerbate this risk. With the recent work stoppage and planned reassignment, IVV is not aware of the plans to mitigate this risk. 08/29/22 - The ASI updated the Configuration Management Plan (CMP) with additional configuration management details. 07/27/22 - DHS has identified technical and functional primary points of contacts for ASI to work with for configuration management efforts. IVV remains concerned that some configuration management (CM) details have yet to be finalized and the lack of clarity around the CM database (CMDB) tools. For example, it remains unclear what CMDB tool will be used if Service Now is not part of the GCP change request. 06/30/22 - The Project previously stated its intention to utilize ServiceNow (SN) for Configuration Management (CM), however, it remains unclear if progress has been made on 1) finalizing this decision, 2) how it will be used, and 3) the status of funding for purchase. Further, it remains unclear whether DHS will utilize their existing SN installation or create a separate instance and who will be responsible for defining the service catalog and SN/CM processes. Funding for SN is currently dependent on the approval and funding of the GCP change request. 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68	Insufficient planning/execution of the BES Security Plan activities may lead to delays in getting Federal Partner approval for the BES Project to begin the Pilot Phase.	Dustin Heath	Finding - Risk	7/28/2021	Security and Privacy	Over the last several months, the BES project team has been working through the planning efforts to develop the B-13 Security Plan while also managing through ASI Security Lead staffing changes. DHS and the ASI agreed to modify the B-13 Security Plan Deliverable Expectation Document (DED) last month and are currently working to align to the requirements and changes to the project since inception.	The BES project must have a clear plan to define, implement, test, and validate all Security and Privacy Requirements/Controls prior to entering the Pilot phase. There are many standards that must be met, and the project team plans to utilize the BES Security Control Implementation Workbook to document the status of each control. The Security Control Implementation Workbook must be detailed and allow for ease of referencing to the Security Policies, Standards, Controls, and implementation plan along with evidence for each control.	OPEN - The ASI continues to develop the B-13 Security Plan in close collaboration with DHS. DHS and the ASI agree upon the tools and process that will be used to document and track security control implementation, such as security governance, risk, and control (GRC) software. The process should define the level of detail needed to track progress (estimates, target dates, risks, issues, evidence) along with the Requirement Traceability Matrix, and plans of actions and milestones (POMM). ASI ensure that the ASI Security Lead has a depth of experience in NIST 800-53 and experience authoring implementation statements of System Security Plans (ISPs). DHS review the proposed staff resume, interview individual, and approve resources to ensure that they meet the position's contractual requirements. COMPLETE - DHS and the ASI agree and finalize the B-13 DED. 1/4/22 Complete - ASI, per DHS guidance, should begin to pivot toward the adoption of 800-53 Rev 5 since Rev 4 will be obsolete when the system goes live. COMPLETE 3/1/2022 - DHS should determine the PMS requirements for go live based on their meeting and provide ASI with proper guidance. PMS requirements should be documented as part of B-13 Security Plan COMPLETE 1/1/2022 - ASI have a security SME attend the weekly security planning meetings and workshops. COMPLETE 7/31/2022 - ASI add a Security Architect to the Project ASAP to assist with the Security Plan activities. COMPLETE 11/30/2022	ASAP	4	5	High	Open	1/31/2023 - Activity in the reporting period concentrated on project restart tasks, and IVV will reassess this finding once related project activity has begun. 12/31/2022 - No material update in the reporting period as the work stoppage continued and the new ASI conducted restart planning. IVV will reassess this finding and our associated recommendations once more is known. 11/30/2022 - No material update in the reporting period as the work stoppage continues and the new ASI conducts restart planning. 10/31/2022 - No work has been performed regarding this finding due to the work stoppage and ongoing transition to the new ASI. IVV will reassess our recommendations for this finding once more is known. 9/30/2022 - DHS issued a work stoppage, and no progress was made to move forward with purchasing the ASI recommended ADA compliance tool. 8/30/2022 - No change in status. Waiting on DHS acceptance approval to move forward with purchase, installation, configuration, and implementation of the ASI recommended ADA compliance tool. 7/27/2022 - The ASI successfully completed the ADA compliance tool proof of concept and provided reports to DHS for their review and approval. The final steps remaining would be the purchase, installation, and implementation of the tool. 6/29/2022 - The ADA compliance tool is still in the trial phase and a compliance report will be run once the initial testing has been completed. The ASI is expected to provide results of the testing to DHS when the trial phase is finished, and the report generated. 5/31/2022 - The ASI has identified an accessibility compliance tool that will meet the needs of the Project and DHS has approved opening a firewall to facilitate a demonstration of that tool. The ASI completed a Proof of Concept for the tool and now needs to 1) receive DHS approval to use the tool, 2) purchase the tool, 3) configure the system to accommodate the tool, and 4) institute the tool into the delivery pipeline. 4/26/2022 - The ASI is evaluating four ADA testing tools for consideration	9/9/2021 - RAP: The decision to move to GCP for deployment has given the need for a complete rewrite of the security plan per DHS. The ASI is in the process of planning the effort to make these updates. The effort required to complete this work will be included in either the GCP change request or a new change request. We look forward to additional discussions with IV&V and DHS.		
67	The Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) Section 508 compliance tool has not been installed for the Project, which may cause significant rework.	Ryan Tan	Finding - Risk	7/12/2021	Testing	While R0.3 and R0.4 reported that Section 508 compliance had been successfully completed the ASI confirmed that there is currently no working tool installed and that Section 508 compliance testing has not been performed. This risk has been discussed with the ASI over the past several months, but there have been evidence of results to date. The ASI did state that they are coding to some of the ADA requirements and are using a desk-top tool for ADA compliance as an interim solution. IVV has not received any data to demonstrate the desk-top tool results nor if it provides coverage for an ADA compliance items.	There is a contractual obligation and requirement for BES to be ADA compliant to obtain State and Federal funds for the development of the BES. The ADA Section 508 intent is to make electronic and information technology accessible to people with disabilities (e.g., color blindness, vision and hearing disabilities), in a way that is comparable to the access available to others. Part of the system acceptance criteria for BES is to meet all applicable State and federal policies, laws, regulations, and standards, including without limitation the Electronic and Information Technology Accessibility Standards associated with Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act, which was verified in the ASI proposed Technical Requirements Approach that states "The system complies with DHS branding standards as defined by DHS and adheres to W3C level 2 accessibility guidelines, sub-parts of Section 508 of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), nondiscrimination safeguards in 45 CFR 85," if the Hawaii guidelines ( <a href="https://www.hawaii.edu/access/un-guidelines-for-accessibility/">https://www.hawaii.edu/access/un-guidelines-for-accessibility/</a> ), PMS Guidelines from the 90L Handbook, and contractual obligations to adhere to the Section 508 compliance guidelines ( <a href="https://section508.gov/">https://section508.gov/</a> ) there may be a significant amount of rework to the solution.	1/31/2022 - The following recommendations will be evaluated for this finding. - The ADA tool meets contractual and project requirements. - The ASI communicates a plan for ADA test execution. - The ASI communicates how the tool will be used to report compliance and non-compliance and how non-compliance will be addressed/corrected. - The ASI communicates how and when DHS/IVV will be provided the reports from the ADA tool execution and how to interpret the results. - Superseded 8/30/2021 - The ASI should gain DHS approval on the tool selected after the ASI validates it will perform as expected within the BES architecture, meeting all contractual and project requirements. The ASI create and communicate the plan for when the ADA compliance tool will be put into action, how the tool will report compliance or non-compliance, how non-compliance will be corrected, and how and when DHS/IVV will be provided the reports from the ADA compliance tool and how to interpret those reports for the code from previous, current and future releases.	As soon as possible	3	3	Med	Open	1/31/2023 - Activity in the reporting period concentrated on project restart tasks, and IVV will reassess this finding once related project activity has begun. 12/31/2022 - No material update in the reporting period as the work stoppage continued and the new ASI conducted restart planning. IVV will reassess this finding and our associated recommendations once more is known. 11/30/2022 - No material update in the reporting period as the work stoppage continues and the new ASI conducts restart planning. 10/31/2022 - No work has been performed regarding this finding due to the work stoppage and ongoing transition to the new ASI. IVV will reassess our recommendations for this finding once more is known. 9/30/2022 - DHS issued a work stoppage, and no progress was made to move forward with purchasing the ASI recommended ADA compliance tool. 8/30/2022 - No change in status. Waiting on DHS acceptance approval to move forward with purchase, installation, configuration, and implementation of the ASI recommended ADA compliance tool. 7/27/2022 - The ASI successfully completed the ADA compliance tool proof of concept and provided reports to DHS for their review and approval. The final steps remaining would be the purchase, installation, and implementation of the tool. 6/29/2022 - The ADA compliance tool is still in the trial phase and a compliance report will be run once the initial testing has been completed. The ASI is expected to provide results of the testing to DHS when the trial phase is finished, and the report generated. 5/31/2022 - The ASI has identified an accessibility compliance tool that will meet the needs of the Project and DHS has approved opening a Firewall to facilitate a demonstration of that tool. The ASI completed a Proof of Concept for the tool and now needs to 1) receive DHS approval to use the tool, 2) purchase the tool, 3) configure the system to accommodate the tool, and 4) institute the tool into the delivery pipeline. 4/26/2022 - The ASI is evaluating four ADA testing tools for consideration	9/9/2021 - RAP: The decision to move to GCP for deployment has given the need for a complete rewrite of the security plan per DHS. The ASI is in the process of planning the effort to make these updates. The effort required to complete this work will be included in either the GCP change request or a new change request. We look forward to additional discussions with IV&V and DHS.		

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63	The lack of early planning and coordination with interface partners may result in schedule delays.	Michael Fors	Finding - Risk	1/23/2023	Integration and Interface Management	The following planning and execution items have not yet been addressed and documented by the ASI. Connectivity is planned to utilize a presently undefined ETS AP Gateway, however, there is no evidence that details have been determined or documented in this regard. There is little evidence of active and sufficient communication with interface partners for coordination, design, and testing activities (Unit Test, SIT, UAT). Interface planning and execution tasks and activities, including those for interface partners, are neither resident nor managed within the Project Schedule. A mitigation plan has not been developed to address the unavailability of interface partners during interface implementation after MOAs have been approved, testing dates have been confirmed, and communications have been frequent.	Interfaces is one of the areas where DOI projects often underestimate the time needed to effectively manage all the tasks and activities to successfully implement data sharing. A clearly defined communication plan and schedule that includes the coordination, planning, and execution activities along with milestone dates may minimize the risk of possible delays. In addition, after planning has been completed, interface partners will have to be available during interface implementation to ensure that the interface is properly tested before deploying the system to production.	OPEN - 5. Complete all MOAs and obtain approval. 6. Confirm testing dates with interface partners in writing. COMPLETE - 1. Establish a communication plan for each interface partner for the duration of the BES DOI activities. 10/29/2022 COMPLETE 2. Identify and document all interface partners' contacts. COMPLETE 3/31/2022 3. Define a release schedule for each interface to include milestone dates, coordination, and execution and share with the interface partners. 01/04/2022 COMPLETE 4. Determine which deliverable will include the details associated with the planned construction and detailed technical designs of all interfaces. 01/04/2022 COMPLETE	Q4 2021	4	Low	Analyst	Open	1/31/2023 - Activity in the reporting period concentrated on project restart tasks, and IVV will reassess this finding once related project activity has begun. 12/31/2022 - No material update in the reporting period as the work stoppage continued and the new ASI conducted restart planning. IVV will reassess this finding and our associated recommendations once more is known. 11/30/2022 - No material update in the reporting period as the work stoppage continued and the new ASI conducts restart planning. 10/31/2022 - No work has been performed regarding this finding due to the work stoppage and ongoing transition to the new ASI. IVV will reassess our recommendations for this finding once more is known. 09/28/22 - No material update in the reporting period. 08/26/2022 - The statuses of the three remaining required agreements (DAGS, DLR, HYCF) have not changed. 06/01/2022 - DHS executed the DPS agreement (MOA) on 07/20/2022. The statuses of the three remaining required agreements are as follows. The DAGS agreement is moving forward with design work. DHS reviewed the DLR MOA and resubmitted it to DLR. The latest draft of the HYCF was sent to the DHS Director's office with feedback from BESDO and MGD. 06/30/2022 - There are 4 agreements outstanding (DAGS, DLR, DPS, and HYCF). DHS plans to discuss the agreement at the next meeting with DAGS, which is tentatively scheduled for 07/06/2022. DHS is currently reviewing the DLR, DPS, and HYCF agreements. 05/31/2022 - There were no changes to the interface communication plans in this reporting period. There are 5 agreements outstanding (DLR, DPS, HYCF, DAGS, and CYRCA). DHS, HYCF, and DLR have all been drafted and are going through review with DHS and the interested parties. DAGS has not been drafted by DHS; DHS is in discussions with the Department of Tax for an interface that would bypass DAGS. The CYRCA interface has been executed within DHS as the business requirements CYRCA meets are being evaluated by DHS executive. 1/31/2023 - The new ASI is in the start-up phase and as expected have experienced a few workweeks during the initial design sessions. IVV looks for the ASI to quickly incorporate the recommendations in this finding to deliver effective design sessions, avoiding delays to design and development. 12/31/2022 - The new ASI continues to develop its approach to the BES design sessions. IVV will assess this issue along with the below recommendations when the new ASI restarts the BES design sessions. 11/30/2022 - The new ASI is revising the approach to the BES design sessions to improve efficiency and align with Agile methodology. 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Unfortunately, one of the Senior BA's has left the project so it is unknown if this practice will continue for all BES design sessions. 7/31/2022 - Although the ASI has implemented preparatory sessions for their Business Analysts (BA's) prior to design Sprint Day's, IVV continues to observe occurrences of BA's not being fully prepared for the initial session. DHS has also raised concerns that the ASI support admins are not always assigned to meetings, leaving the BA's unable to respond to lead discussions and capture notes, update artifacts, and evaluate action items. DHS resubmitted the ASI to address these concerns again. 1/31/2023 - The new ASI presented the BES Project Schedule and the BES System Design, Development, and Implementation (SDI) deliverables for DHS review. 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We have no insight into their daily staffing.	7/20/21 RAP - The ASI team requests that the IVV reassess the severity of this risk in light of the following reasons: a) the ATC schedule extension has not impacted the IVV's rating for lacking these tasks less than it was before that started lessening the schedule risk, b) the increase from Medium to High in May was based on a misunderstanding of the current state of the MOA's and contact metrics, c) substantial progress has been made against each of the In Progress recommendations, and it continues to trend in the right direction. In regards to 9/30/21 RAP - The IVV does participate in many facets of the design process including screen mock-ups, design sessions, grooming sessions, and Sprint demo's. Product owner discussions are meant to have limited participation. 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61	Poorly executed JAD and design sessions could lead to inaccurate design and rework.	Brad Molina	Finding - Issue	11/30/2022	System Design	ASI-led Workflow JAD sessions have been held for CMM, with the following concerns being observed: - No clear introduction to all participants on the goal of the JAD, overview on the process and the importance of their participation. - On many occasions the conversation needed to be driven by leading questions, as expected, but was instead - lead by business users. Too much pause time when participants did not know the answer to a question; several occasions where complete silence on the call for 30 seconds or more - Lack of thought leadership from the ASI on how workflow could be designed to ease/improve process for client	The CMM Workflow JAD sessions restarted in November. DHS indicated some concern regarding the CMM Workflow JAD sessions, specifically (1) Do the JAD participants understand how the Case will be managed through workflow? (2) What improvements will be made in the new BES to support the users and clients? - Incomplete or unclear JAD sessions with insufficient documentation could lead to a poor design, lacking the details needed to support business requirements, as well as missing opportunities to improve workflow and related system design.	OPEN - The Facilitator should use their expertise to drive discussions through ASAP leading questions. - BA's should come to Day one of Design Sprint fully prepared to facilitate discussion on topic of sprint, with adequate knowledge about business process and approach for design based on JAD/BA notes and other pertinent material. - The ASI to bring User Experience (UX) designers to engage with DHS and review the currently built BES solution. - New ASI to quickly gain lessons learned to apply to future sessions. - Closed JAD and design sessions should be led by experienced senior BA's, with goals, objectives and results communicated to all participants. (Additional Senior BA being added, rest of recommendation being met. - Closed 4/30/2023) - The DHS and ASI product owners should actively participate to ensure the system meets the requirements, designed taking advantage of new technology and aligns to the "to be" business process. (Closed 4/30/2023). The ASI should back-track significant differences in design direction to determine the root cause to identify these items as early in the SDLC as possible. COMPLETE - The Product Owners should have more direct interaction with the development team, proactively seeking collaboration. 10/31/21 Complete - The Functional Design Document process, to include the Design Sprint concept, should be clearly defined and shared with all project team members. (Closed, 1/31/2023) - Invite IVV to all future design sessions and design sprints to allow IVV to observe and assess the effectiveness of the revised design processes. (Closed, 1/31/2023) - ASI and DHS should work together to vet the in-progress design with all SMEs for the area of focus. (Being met by new design sprint process. Closed 2/28/2023) - ASI staff all design sprint meetings with additional support staff to ensure the meetings are adequately documented and ASI Business Analyst are not running the meetings alone. Complete 7/31/2022	Immediate	2	Med	Open	1/31/2023 - The new ASI is in the start-up phase and as expected have experienced a few workweeks during the initial design sessions. IVV looks for the ASI to quickly incorporate the recommendations in this finding to deliver effective design sessions, avoiding delays to design and development. 12/31/2022 - The new ASI continues to develop its approach to the BES design sessions. 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49	Poor quality project deliverables may impact BSI design, testing artifacts, and the project schedule.	Brad Molina	Finding - Issue	4/16/2020	Project Management	In April, four Bi-10 design deliverables and one Interface Control Document deliverable were submitted for client review. There was an average of 85 comments submitted for each of these deliverables. The documents exhibited erroneous information, a lack of a logical organizational flow, an insufficient level of detail, and a lack of understanding of the subject matter from both a functional and technical perspective. DHS logged this issue in the Project Issue Log for corrective action by the ASI. The ASI acted by conducting an internal root cause analysis and provided DHS and IVV the high-level results.	The staff time spent on reviewing deliverables is exceeding the plan for all project entities and has caused schedule delays due to the associated rework needed for remediation. If poor quality deliverables continue to be produced and submitted for review, this can continue to result in unproductive use of time, unanticipated rework, misaligned development and testing activities, potentially unfulfilled functionality, and additional schedule delays.	OPEN - ASI reviews its Quality Management Plan to ensure that the Project is working within the guidelines of this Plan document. In particular, the ASI should evaluate and consider if it is in alignment with Section 3.1.2 Measure Project Quality, which states, ASI measures process and product quality by 1) selecting BES implementation process and product attributes to measure; 2) selecting component activities to measure; 3) defining value scales for each component activity; 4) recording observed activity values; and 5) combining the recorded attribute values into a single number called a process quality index. IVV has not seen evidence indicating the ASI is utilizing metrics to measure its process and product quality. - When the project restarts, resources be allocated to create a Quality Management Plan to help address this finding. (Closed) - IVV recommends that a facilitated root cause analysis be performed by the ASI with DHS and IVV in attendance. Quality issues are rarely generated by a single entity in a project, so there could potentially be multiple causes or root causes of this current condition. Once the root cause(s) are identified, IVV recommends immediate action be employed to resolve quality concerns on in-process deliverables prior to submission of subsequent deliverables. (Closed) 7/30/2021 - ASI verifies that the information in design and testing artifacts is kept in sync and consistent. (Closed 5/31/2022) - ASI perform a root cause analysis with DHS and IVV in attendance to determine the source of the design defects. 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IVV will validate this metric is fully documented in the Quality Management Plan, when published by the ASI. 4/30/2022 - No material update for this reporting period as IVV awaits updates to the Quality Management Plan. 3/30/2022 - When Release 6 final test results are published, IVV will re-evaluate this finding. 1/28/2022 - IVV	06/30/2020 - New deliverables this month included Bi-10 and Bi-20. Bi-10 was initially called back for quality issues, and the issues were corrected. DHS is not comfortable with Bi-10 re-format, will be revised again.	7/20/21 RAP - The ASI team will review and respond to this issue again when a material update is made to the finding. We also recommend the rethinking of the first recommendation based on the assessment from the IVV that this is a low risk. The tone, tenor, and substance of that recommendation is out of step with a risk perceived by the IVV for a number of months now to be low. 4/23/21 rap - The ASI team agrees that the full embrace of the project of the Confidence tool has improved the deliverable management process.	
43	DHS PMO project team members have transitioned off the Project, which may cause gaps in knowledge transfer and leadership on the Project.	Ryan Tam	Finding - Issue	1/10/2020	Project Management	As reported in various project meetings, several key DHS PMO, BES and ASI project team members are planning to retire or leave the project within the next few months or have already transitioned to other Project. While there are plans and actions being taken, a formal transition/succession plan has not been documented. In January, the ASI did announce and introduce an interim Project Manager, but a plan for a permanent replacement is not currently known.	The key resources leaving the BES Project provide knowledge and history of the BES and its software, solutions, and business processes, along with a level of consistency and continuity to the extended project team. This experience and knowledge is critical for the BES DOI and CDEs. Modifications, and planning efforts for BES Maintenance and Operations activities. Additionally, as per the Budget, DHS stated if they are unable to fill these positions timely, DHS may fall out of federal funding compliance and lose the \$17 million needed matching funds for continued development of BES.	2/28/2022 - DHS consider other options (Contractors, State deliverables borrowed from other agencies) to fill these positions if there is ongoing difficulty in finding permanent hires. 5/1/2022 - DHS continue to work with the appropriate organizations to identify the funds necessary to fill these positions. - In progress. The state should document a transition plan for the project and PMO resources as identified in the RFP (Reference Appendix A.4.3.3 DHS Staffing). The plan should include the possible CDEO-19 economic impact to the state budget, directly or indirectly to the project resources. - Closed The ASI should document a transition plan for key resources as required by the RFP (reference RFP section 3.1.1.2 Benefits Eligibility Solution Project Staffing.). - Closed	ASAP	3	High	Open	1/31/2023 - The BES project management duties and responsibilities continue to be filled by the new DHS contract Project Manager (PM) and the ASI Assistant Project Manager. However, the new PM is still onboarding and learning about the BES Project. The lack of DHS PM resources could lead to Project delays if Program PM responsibilities are not met timely. 12/31/2022 - No material update in the reporting period as the work stoppage continued and the new ASI conducted restart planning. 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However, some of the administrative and contract management activities are significant so DHS assigned these activities to internal staff on an interim basis. 6/30/2022 - DHS continues to recruit for PMO resources. No other material updates for this reporting period. 5/31/2022 - DHS continues to recruit for PMO resources, but the three positions remain unfilled. However, some PMO responsibilities are being addressed through existing resources. For example, the contracted DHS PM has filled in leadership gaps and has positively impacted the Project. 4/28/2022 - No material updates for this reporting period. 3/31/2022 - DHS continues to recruit for these positions but received minimal interest to date. 2/28/2022 - DHS posted	02/08/2021 - Brian Donohoe does not agree with IVV's high-criticality rating on this finding (#43) and DHS rolled out the DHS Product Owner Roles and Responsibilities to the DHS team on January 29, 2021. 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29	Uncertainty and/or a lack of communication around long-term architecture decisions could impact the project budget, schedule, system design, and planning decisions.	Michael Fors	Finding - Issue	5/28/2019	Project Management	Some platform and BES system architecture decisions have yet to be made and socialized to the project. For example, the ASI and DHS have stated that they have reached agreement that the project will move forward with implementing two Siebel instances (one for KOLEA, one for BES), but this is not currently reflected in the project change log or the project decision log. It remains unclear if the details of the rationale for this decision or the plan for integrating the two instances post go-live have been thoroughly vetted and/or documented. Further, there may be some uncertainty around whether when/if all environments (including KOLEA and BES production) will be moved to the cloud.	The current project architecture and design should be as representative and inclusive of all known future solution plans as possible. As an example, if KOLEA and BES are to move to a single instance of Siebel in the future, planning for that integration should be incorporated into the project now. If such significant future changes are not planned for now, the project is likely to see increased complexity, rework, and costs when integrating the two systems in the future.	The ASI continues to make updates to the BI-12 System Architecture Deliverable with additional details as they become available and with any architectural changes are finalized. - Complete DHS should finalize the Portal strategy and implementation details and clearly communicate out to stakeholders and project teams. - Complete 3/31 - The Project should continue to vet possible architectural change impacts to the platform (e.g., ASi, Configuration Management tools), M and O, MDS, and BES systems before finalizing architectural decisions. - DHS continue to request ASI perform due diligence in any recommendation for foundational architecture plans so it is unknown at this time if their process will improve this issue. - IVV notes one specific area that does need additional communication to the project team is the plan and future use of the BES portal. The previous ASI had built the bulk of the portal (based on LifeRay) prior to their departure. 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If the IV&V does not believe it is Complete we request supporting detail.
2	Late delivery of project deliverables has caused schedule delays.	Ryan	Finding - Issue	11/28/2018	Project Management	Based upon the project schedule dated 11/26/18 (refer to schedule for specifics), several due dates for project deliverables have been missed. As of the date of this report, these deliverables include the Project Management Plan (PMP), which is the formal document that is used to manage the execution of the project. In some instances, this risk may be compounded by a backlog of Deliverable Expectation Documents (DEEs) requiring approval and acceptance from the State.	Late deliverables can lead to schedule impacts and too many late deliverables may cause significant disruption to schedules or delays. ***OLD***Without a PMP that depicts all Project Management processes, the Project can suffer unplanned consequences in scope, schedule, cost, and quality parameters. 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COMPLETE 5/31/2021 - When the revised schedule is published the project team should restart the weekly practice of reporting actions being taken for late tasks and develop mitigation plans for those tasks that may be late. - Complete 4/30/2021, 7/29/2021, 12/30/2021 - DHS and the ASI agree to a revised schedule against which project deliverables can be managed. 9/30/2020 Recommendation - IVV recommends the project team evaluate the estimating process to determine if changes should be made to reduce the number of late tasks and/or conduct a root cause analysis to determine and address the root cause(s). - Closed 8/31/2020 Recommendations: - Prior to acceptance of the new baseline, finalize the needed updates to the project schedule to address the outstanding items/issues identified by DHS, the ASI, and IVV to include the Release 0.1 lessons learned. - Closed - Establish the process for DHS and the ASI to mutually agree to the revised project schedule baseline. - Complete - Establish the process for on-going schedule management and weekly updates, utilizing the Schedule Management sub-plan of the Project Management Plan (B-04). - Complete 5/31/2020 - Finalize the updates to the project schedule to address the outstanding items/issues identified by DHS and IVV. - Closed. 5/31/2020 - Establish the process for DHS and the ASI to mutually agree to the revised project schedule baseline. - Closed 3/31/2020 - Add all tasks that have been performed or planned to be performed in the interim schedule. 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