



# Oregon CNIC Project Update:

## *Moving Forward*

### Introduction

The Oregon CNIC Project Update is a quarterly newsletter used to update and inform the many stakeholders of the CNIC Project and others interested in state government information technology.

### Project Manager Update

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As we move into Stage Two of the CNIC Project we find ourselves at a crucial point in the process of creating a new consolidated data center for our 12 participating agencies.

Stage Zero and Stage One gave us an opportunity to scope and architect, at a high level, what the new data center will be to us. As we move forward, Stage Two gives us our first real opportunity to dive into the details in terms of the technical design as well as a number of other aspects of our planning efforts. Most of us have been really anxious to get to the details and also to implementation planning.

In the past couple of months I have seen the CNIC Project Team (Steering Committee, work group participants and other contributing staff) beginning to mold together as we move toward a common goal. The team is working as one cohesive unit and we are collectively displaying and utilizing our great wealth of technical and business strengths. Stage Two gives us another challenging opportunity to build the detail out of the great work we have done to date. I look forward to continuing on this path to success. - Julie Mallord

### Service Management Update

#### **CNIC Service Management Work Group**

The CNIC Service Management Work Group recently agreed upon a common set of service definitions. These service definitions were then used as the basis for the services survey that each agency completed. These survey results are now being used to compile a complete list of services and then levels of service which the state data center (SDC) will be offering.

### Work Group Updates

Stage One concluded with technical work groups making recommendations to the CNIC Steering Committee regarding the technical architecture design for each technical area of the new data center.

#### **CNIC Mainframe Work Group**

The CNIC Steering Committee recently voted to move forward with a plan for a one mainframe environment in the SDC. This decision is anticipated to produce significant cost savings for participating agencies who will utilize this service.

#### **CNIC Server Work Group**

The CNIC Server Work Group technical architecture recommendations were recently approved by the CNIC Steering Committee. The Server Work Group will now move forward with the detailed design stage of the project.

#### **CNIC Network and Single Perimeter Work Groups**

The CNIC Network Work Group has provided recommendations on a technical architecture. These recommendations were approved by the CNIC Steering Committee and the work group has now moved into the detailed design portion of the project.

The network single perimeter is currently being implemented in a five stage process. The group is working under the assumption that the target architecture will be a multi-zoned architecture. The idea is to meet all requirements with a single infrastructure while meeting agency specific requirements.

#### **CNIC Storage Work Group**

The CNIC Steering Committee recently approved the storage plan, including an enterprise wide single Automated Tape Library system, virtualized storage management software applications and a desire to consolidate and reduce the number of vendor platforms in the SDC from the current eleven.

For further details on Stage One recommendations or updates on other committees, use the link below:  
[http://egov.oregon.gov/DAS/IRMD/cnic/workgroups/ummaries/April\\_2005.shtml](http://egov.oregon.gov/DAS/IRMD/cnic/workgroups/ummaries/April_2005.shtml)

## Did You Know?



### Stage Two has just begun!

Stage Two of the CNIC Project is just beginning as this newsletter goes to press. This stage of the project will focus on the detailed design of the technical aspects of this effort. At the same time, the services catalog and service levels will be refined and a chargeback model will begin to be developed.

At the same time, the project will begin to focus on a change management effort that will educate stakeholders and hone their understanding of the project's impact on staff and the participating agencies.

As these efforts are underway, the project will also focus on a staffing model for the SDC and refine the scope for the services to be initially provided by the SDC.

Below are some of the high level technical milestones for Stage Two:

- The overall consolidation strategy
- An acquisition strategy/plan for hardware and software
- A Testing Strategy (e.g. script development planning, mock cutover plan, etc.)
- A facility equipment layout plan
- A consolidation sequence for each participating agency.

As was the practice during Stage One, the CNIC work groups will submit recommendations to the CNIC Steering Committee for approval and adoption.

### Recruitment for State Data Center Director is Underway

The recruitment process is well underway. Roughly 120 applicants initially responded for the position of SDC Director. The field has since been narrowed to 10 of those initial applicants.

The Steering Committee is to define presentation topics for the remaining finalists. We hope that the selected candidate will be on board by July 1.

The SDC Director will be accountable to a Governing Board comprised of all SDC agency customers and will report to the DAS Director.



## Facility Progress

The shell of the new data center is all but complete. The windows will all be installed this week which will close in the shell to the weather. Skylights over the office area were installed last week. The natural light will help create a very pleasant working environment in the state data center.

Construction is on schedule and the pace of construction remains intense. The ceiling grid and lighting over the data center hot floor is being installed and the raised floor will start to go in next week. If the weather cooperates painting should start on the exterior concrete walls.

The generators, chillers, and rooftop air handlers—the big equipment that keeps the building running—will be installed toward the end of May. Deliveries of these massive pieces of equipment are staggered so that as soon as a component is moved into position the next one arrives.

## CNIC Budget Update

The budget development process is progressing on two parallel tracks: 1) Identification of the CNIC participating agencies' expenditures and positions in scope; 2) Building a budget for the state data center from the ground up through the legislative budget process.

### Participating Agencies

| Agency     | Governing Board Member | CIO   |
|------------|------------------------|---|
| DAS        | Laurie Warner          | Don Fleming (State CIO), Mike Freese (Deputy State CIO) |
| ODOT       | Bruce Warner           | Ben Berry   |
| DHS        | Gary Weeks             | Bill Crowell  |
| DOC        | Max Williams           | John Koreski  |
| DOR        | Elizabeth Harchenko    | Stan McClain  |
| DCBS       | Cory Streisinger       | Dan Adelman   |
| Employment | Debbie Lincoln         | Curt Amo  |
| Education  | Vickie Fleming         | Doug Kosty  |
| Veterans   | Jim Willis             | Herb Riley  |
| Housing    | Bob Repine             | Bill Carpenter  |
| DOF        | Clark Seely            | Dan Christensen   |
| OSP        | Ron Ruecker            | David Yandell   |

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