

**Nebraska Information Technology Commission**  
**Enterprise Project Status Dashboard – as of November, 2013**

Project: <b>LINK – Procurement</b>		Contact: <b>Bo Botelho</b>				
Start Date	01/14/2013	Orig. Completion Date	10/31/2013	Revised Completion Date	01/06/2014	
	November	September	July	June	May	April
Overall Status						
Schedule						
Budget						
Scope						
Project Estimate: \$1,895,800 (\$1,145,521.77 has been expended)						
Comments						
<p><b>November update:</b>            Currently in the new P.1 Tenant validating Business Process design and functionality.</p> <p><b>Additional Comments/Concerns:</b>            None</p>						

Project: <b>Network Nebraska Education</b>		Contact: <b>Tom Rolfes</b>				
Start Date	05/01/2006	Orig. Completion Date	06/30/2012	Revised Completion Date	07/01/2013	
	November	September	July	June	May	April
Overall Status						
Schedule						
Budget						
Scope						
Project Estimate: \$675,998						
Comments						
<p><b>November update:</b>            Looking ahead to 7/1/2014, at least 14 new non-member entities in Southeast Nebraska have expressed interest in Network Nebraska-Education participation. This would require the Network Nebraska-Education backbone to be extended through an aggregation circuit to ESU 6 (Milford) and possibly a second one to ESU 5 (Beatrice). Backbone bandwidth capacity will be maxed out due to the limitations on the current contract with NebraskaLink. UNCSN network engineers are proceeding with planning and eventual implementation of the Internet2 Commercial Peering Service, Intrusion Prevention Services, and a dark fiber project to Grand Island/Kearney. The Network Nebraska Advisory Group (NNAG) and the Collaborative Aggregation Partnership (CAP) will be considering Affiliate Member criteria and fees at their meeting on November 20. The upcoming November-December RFP will have a smaller than usual list of circuits to be bid. UNL/UNCSN bid commodity Internet during Summer 2013 and the unit rates are much lower with the new contractor.</p> <p><b>September update:</b>            As of September 1, 2013, the UNCSN staff successfully transferred approximately 70 WAN circuits between 7/1/2013 and 8/9/2013 as their telecom providers have changed. Commodity Internet projections for 2013-14 show a 95% increase in Internet demand for K-12. Backbone bandwidth capacity will be maxed out due to the limitations on the current contract with NebraskaLink. UNCSN network engineers are proceeding with planning and eventual implementation of the Internet2 Commercial Peering Service, Intrusion Prevention Services, and a dark fiber project to Grand Island/Kearney. The Network Nebraska Advisory Group (NNAG) and the Collaborative Aggregation Partnership (CAP) finalized the 2013-14 Participation</p>						

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Fee and Interregional Transport fee structures on June 12 and they were sent out to all Participants on or before July 19, 2013.

**Additional Comments/Concerns:**

The Network Nebraska-Education Participation Fee fund account has not received UNCSN's 1st quarter project invoice as of the date of this report, but it is expected, soon. UNCSN's 2nd quarter project invoice for 2013-14 should arrive in early February.

Project: <b>Nebraska Statewide Radio System</b>		Contact: <b>Mike Jeffres</b>				
<b>(formerly Public Safety Wireless)</b>						
Start Date	06/01/2009	Orig. Completion Date	09/30/2013	Revised Completion Date		
	November	September	July	June	May	April
Overall Status						
Schedule						
Budget						
Scope						
Project Estimate: \$11,038,000 (\$10,158,000 has been expended)						
Comments						
<p><b>November update:</b> System checklist and final deliverables in process.</p> <p><b>Additional Comments/Concerns:</b> System acceptance and project closeout in process.</p>						

Project: <b>Fusion Center</b>		Contact: <b>Kevin Knorr</b>				
Start Date	04/13/2010	Orig. Completion Date	06/11/2011	Completion Date	08/01/2013	
	September	July	June	May	April	February
Overall Status						
Schedule						
Budget						
Scope						
Project Estimate: \$3,120,894.26 – actual costs to date						
Comments						
<p><b>September update:</b> The project has been completed in August 2013.</p>						

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**Project: Nebraska State Accountability (NeSA) – Year 2013-14**      **Contact: John Moon**  
**(formerly Statewide Online Assessment)**

Start Date	07/01/2010	Orig. Completion Date	06/30/2011	Revised Completion Date	06/30/2014	
	November	September	July	June	May	April
Overall Status						
Schedule						
Budget						
Scope						

Project Estimate: \$5,212,085 (\$1,608,707.64 has been expended)

**Comments**

**November update:**

During the first week of October, NeSA and Check4Learning (C4L) trainings were presented on site across Nebraska. Several districts were visited by the DRC (Data Recognition Corporation) Tech team to present the INSIGHT system within the selected districts and address any district questions. No issues with the INSIGHT system were identified.

In addition to the WebEx trainings on NeSA Enrollment intended for District Assessment Contacts (October 1-3), trainings for District Technology Coordinators were presented during the week of October 22 through 24.

From October 28 through 31, DRC INSIGHT Online Learning System previews were presented at four locations throughout the state on the eDIRECT Test Setup and the Check4Learning system. Demonstrations of the new software were presented by DRC staff members. District questions were answered.

WebEx sessions on the C4L system will be presented on November 4-5, 2013. DRC provides technical support as well as system support during C4L usage. Districts will have access to the C4L system on November 17. Student names and IDs will be uploaded from NDE.

NDE requested each district name a District Technical Contact for 2013-2014. All districts have submitted a person for position. DRC has published INSIGHT Technology User Guide that includes installation instructions, system readiness guidance, troubleshooting tips, and frequently asked questions (FAQ). Districts also submit a security agreement from each principal and DAC in the districts.

**September update:**

The timeline for 2013-2014 NeSA and Check4Learning was finalized by DRC (Data Recognition Corporation) and NDE (Nebraska Department of Education) in July 2013.

DRC INSIGHT will be the computer-based test administration system for 2013-2014 writing, reading, math, and science assessments. Presentations by NDE and DRC were made at NDE’s Administrator Days on July 31, 2013 covering:

- eDIRECT Enrollments grid options
- Difference between the JAVA and Web-based DRC INSIGHT test engines
- Secure browser web-based version and “public version” downloads of test engine
- Unlocking, regenerating, and invalidating student tests in INSIGHT
- Activating accommodations for DRC INSIGHT
- NeSA – Practice writing tests
- District Technology Visits

During late September and early October, NDE and DRC have scheduled technology visits for 10 districts to provide

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INSIGHT technical and test setup information to prepare for the transition from the previous online system.

The 2013 Technical Report was posted to the Statewide Assessment Website on September 3, 2013.

**Additional Comments/Concerns:**

Nebraska State Accountability (NeSA) is a statewide assessment system mandated by Nebraska Statute. Nebraska Department of Education has contracted with Data Recognition Corporation (DRC) to continue the development of the assessment system including management, development, delivery, administration, scanning/imaging, scoring, analysis, reporting, and standard setting for the online and pencil/paper reading, science, and mathematics tests for July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013. DRC will facilitate the delivery, administration, scanning/imaging, scoring, analysis, and reporting for the alternate pencil/paper reading, science, and mathematics tests during the same assessment window. Online writing assessment will be added to the NeSA system in 2012 for grades 8 and 11.

Student data will be transferred from the Nebraska Student Staff Record System (NSSRS) to DRC's student data assessment system. The online subcontractor Computerized Assessments & Learning (CAL) for the online components of the assessment system will upload the student data from DRC. Schools will install CAL's software on local computers and software updates will be automatically uploaded when students log onto the assessment system. The student responses are cached on the local computer and sent to CAL. Each district has used CAL's school capacity process to evaluate online requirements for NeSA testing. The student responses for secure online assessments will be collected by CAL and transferred to DRC for analysis and reporting. During spring 2013, NDE is estimating that over 125,000 students will participate online in the Reading, Science, and Mathematics testing while about 40,000 students will complete the writing assessment online. Whereas the NeSA reading/science/math test window is from March 25 through May 3, 2013, the NeSA writing test window is January 21 through February 8, 2013. Test administrators will be able to monitor testing during the test window and review test results immediately after test administration (raw scores only). DRC's comprehensive corrections system will permit NDE to correct student records for duplicates, incorrect school assignment, etc during the month of May for writing and June for the reading, math, and science. Complete reporting of student results to districts, schools, and parents from DRC will be completed in August 2013 and reported in the State of the Schools Report in October 2013.

<b>Project: Nebraska Regional Interoperability Network (NRIN)</b>		<b>Contact: Sue Krogman</b>				
Start Date	10/01/2010	Orig. Completion Date	06/01/2013	Revised Completion Date	9/30/2015	
	November	September	July	June	May	April
Overall Status						
Schedule						
Budget						
Scope						
Project Estimate: \$9,649,675 (\$6,155,324 has been expended as of August 29, 2013)						
<b>Comments</b>						
<p>NEMA is struggling with issues of governance and maintenance of the network. Governance would be needed at the local jurisdiction and not at the state agency (there is no state agency is heading the project, it's all run at the local jurisdiction). There is no formal governance heading the project.</p> <p><b>November update:</b> Efforts at building new towers have been hindered due to FCC concerns and flight paths in the South Central Region. Efforts are continuing with the build-out of the system in the east end of the state.</p>						

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**September update:**

Environmental reviews for identified sites in the northeast and southeast regions have been submitted and approved with none pending at this time although more are expected to be identified. NEMA identified other 2010 SHGP funds that were not being spent by some Regions before the grant period expired and those funds have been approved to use for this project which will lessen the demand for 2011 funds and future grant year dollars. Efforts continue in the Southeast, Northeast and South Central Regions to build new or move existing communications towers for use for this system. Funding timelines are problematic for this process due to the environmental review and bidding processes.

**Additional Comments/Concerns:**

It's possible that upcoming target dates might be missed. Based on the uncertainty of the infrastructure needed for the project and the time involved in obtaining the environmental approvals to proceed with the project, any target dates are fluid. In addition there has been a delay in completing, testing and accepting the Pilot Ring primarily due to the difficulty in locating adequate tower sites and negotiating leasing agreements and/or MOU's.

Project: <b>MMIS</b>		Contact:					
Start Date	N/A	Orig. Completion Date		N/A	Revised Completion Date		N/A
	November	September	July	June	May	April	
Overall Status							
Schedule							
Budget							
Scope							
Project Estimate:							
Comments							
Project On Hold until renewed							

Project: <b>Adjudication Re-engineering (Phase 1A)</b>		Contact: <b>Randy Cecrle</b>					
Start Date	09/01/2011	Orig. Completion Date		06/30/2012	Revised Completion Date		10/31/2014
	November	September	July	June	May	April	
Overall Status							
Schedule							
Budget							
Scope							
Project Estimate: \$6,800 (staff salaries are tracked internally and not reported)							
Comments							
<p><b>November update:</b></p> <p>The Presiding Judge has directed the project team to begin working with the Supreme Court and Nebraska Interactive LLC (hosting company of <a href="http://www.nebraska.gov">www.nebraska.gov</a>) to pursue integrating with the E-Filing system used by the rest of the Nebraska courts.</p> <p>Because of the change in direction, this will be the last report submitted to the NITC associated with this specific project.</p>							

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-----**Project Description**

**CANCELLED PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

Project 1a - Release of Liability E-Filing is focusing on the development of one pleading type to complete the full end-to-end set of e-filing functions and limited changes to Clerks Review to process the submitted e-documents in the same manner as performed today with paper.

**September update:**

The finish date has been moved from January 31, 2014 to October 31, 2014. Upcoming target dates will be missed due the availability of Adjudication staff to complete their tasks by daily operational activities, the training of new staff to maintain daily operations and the mandatory conversion of Adjudication procedures from Lotus Notes in June, 2014. The issues identified have been reviewed and analyzed by the project team against the project schedule and the impact of the schedule has been reviewed with management.

The third cycle of internal user acceptance testing and IT fixes identified in the testing are completed.

**Additional Comments/Concerns:**

None

<b>Project: District Dashboards</b>		<b>Contact: Dean Folkers</b>				
Start Date	07/01/2013	Orig. Completion Date	06/30/2015	Revised Completion Date		
	November	September	July	June	May	April
Overall Status						
Schedule						
Budget						
Scope						
Project Estimate: \$213,518 (\$173,348.28 has been expended, grant funds only)						
Comments						
<p><b>November update:</b> No report for November</p> <p><b>September update:</b> Dashboard design team efforts to collect insights on the questions to be addressed have been completed. Results from the statewide information gathering efforts have been recorded and are being shared with Pilot districts. On August 21, 2013 NDE hosted representatives from Double Line Partners to provide an in-depth discussion of development and implementation of the Ed-Fi dashboard in Nebraska. Joining NDE were representatives from the ESUCC and Network Nebraska. NDE held an introductory webinar for Pilot School Districts and other partners on August 30, 2013. At this meeting, a revised project timeline and expectations were reviewed. The Ed-Fi base dashboard solution was demonstrated. Districts were asked to re-view the webinar with key local stakeholders, test the Ed-Fi base dashboard solution using connection information provided to districts, and contact NDE by September 13, 2013 to reaffirm their intent to commit to the pilot process. NDE is working with representatives from the University of Nebraska's In Common identity management process (Bret Bieber), along with ESUCC staff promoting similar efforts at the secondary education level (Scott Isaacson) to align efforts with dashboard requirements. NDE has met with and is working on an agreement for services relative to the hardware/software requirements of making the Ed-Fi dashboard a reality with the ESUCC and Network Nebraska. On August 27, 2013 NDE produced a completed draft version of Data Literacies, Concepts, and Indicators to serve as the base from which training materials will be developed for data analysis in school districts. Development of the Research and Evaluation division of NDE continues with collaborations with UNL and other Non-profit stakeholder organizations. An SLDS website has been developed, is currently live, and is being populated with relevant SLDS-related information.</p>						

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**July update:**

It's possible that upcoming target dates could be missed. May need a no-cost extension due to late start on projects.

Dashboard pilot district applications have been received from 15 districts. Eight reviewers are currently reading and rating the applications. Finalists are expected to be determined by the end of July. Contracts will then be written for the September board meeting. The 24 members of the Design Team have submitted their Top 10 data needs and Top 10 questions to be answered by the dashboard. The responses are being collated and will be analyzed to identify the priorities for Nebraska. The Policy Advisory Committee met on June 26 and was apprised of progress to date. NDE has downloaded the source code and sample dashboards from Ed-Fi. The State Board has approved the purchase of 6 additional servers. NDE has begun discussions with OCIO about housing the dashboard on Network Nebraska.

**Additional Comments/Concerns:**

None

The project(s) listed below are reporting voluntarily and is not considered as an Enterprise Project by the NITC.

Project: <b>NeSIS PeopleSoft Campus Solutions ADA Compliance</b>	Contact: <b>Jim Zemke</b>					
Start Date	08/01/2010	Orig. Completion Date	12/31/2011	Revised Completion Date	<del>12/31/2013</del> 09/01/2014	
	November	September	July	June	May	April
Overall Status						
Schedule						
Budget						
Scope						
Project Estimate: TBD						
Comments						
<p><b>November update:</b> No report for November</p> <p><b>September update:</b> The finish date has been moved from December 31, 2013 to September 31, 2014. Until the full extent of modifications required to meet the University's ADA compliance goals is determined it is difficult to predict if upcoming target dates will be missed.</p> <p>Work in progress to establish a clearly defined UN institutional position concerning "reasonable accommodation", evaluate the current ADA compliance level of our SIS system, and develop a strategy and plan to address any compliance issues. Additional staff has been added to the NeSIS project team recently and will assist in this effort. Compliance testing against the base Campus Solutions system will be completed first. Then we will begin evaluation of the additional applications related to SIS processing (e.g. the campus SIS portals, the Online Admissions application, etc.) that we have implemented. Required modifications will then be reviewed and prioritized and implemented as quickly as possible.</p> <p><b>June update:</b> Work in progress to develop a plan to establish a clearly defined UN institutional position concerning "reasonable accommodation", evaluate current ADA compliance level of our SIS system, and develop a strategy to address any compliance issues.</p>						

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**Additional Comments/Concerns:**

The vendor has certified the Campus Solutions student information system was ADA compliant. However, subsequent analysis indicates that some accessibility issues do exist and the level of compliance provided may not be adequate. Also, additional functionality beyond that included in the base Campus Solutions system has also been implemented and those functional components will also have to be evaluated.

Project: <b>AFIS Upgrade</b>		Contact: <b>Anthony Loth</b>				
Start Date	6/01/2013	Orig. Completion Date	2/13/2014	Revised Completion Date	--	
	November	September	July	June	May	April
Overall Status						
Schedule						
Budget						
Scope						
Project Estimate: \$750,000 (\$150,000 has been expended)						
Comments						
<p><b>November update:</b> This project continues to progress smoothly and remains on target for our December 13 go-live date. The Installation/Transition plan has been fully approved. MorphoTrak ran into some issues regarding data migration so they have made the decision to do the data migration on-site in Nebraska. To accomplish this, MorphoTrak will need to move up the milestone date for Hardware Delivery and On-site installation of the hardware. Delivery is not scheduled for Tuesday, November 4 and installation will be completed on November 5. Data Migration will also be moved up to begin on November 5 or 6 instead of November 13. When all is said and done, doing the data migration on-site will eliminate a couple of import/export steps that will ultimately shave off two weeks processing time from the original plan. All other dates remain unchanged.</p> <p><b>September update:</b> This project continues to progress smoothly. The Requirements Definition and the Site Preparation Survey documents have both been approved and MorphoTrak has provided NSP with the first draft of the Acceptance Testing Plan for review. We are scheduled to begin bi-weekly progress meetings with the MorphoTrak and NSP upgrade teams on September 4. MorphoTrak received the hardware for the upgrade on 8/23/13, 13 days ahead of schedule. MorphoTrak has cloned the NSP system at their Anaheim location to aid in the project work.</p> <p><b>Additional Comments/Concerns:</b> None</p>						

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<b>Color Legend</b>		
	Red	<b>Project has significant risk to baseline cost, schedule, or project deliverables. Current status requires immediate escalation and management involvement.</b> Probable that item will <b>NOT</b> meet dates with acceptable quality without changes to schedule, resources, and/or scope.
	Yellow	<b>Project has a current or potential risk to baseline cost, schedule, or project deliverables. Project Manager will manage risks based on risk mitigation planning.</b> Good probability item will meet dates and acceptable quality. Schedule, resource, or scope changes may be needed.
	Green	<b>Project has no significant risk to baseline cost, schedule, or project deliverables.</b> Strong probability project will meet dates and acceptable quality.
	Gray	<b>No report for the reporting period or the project has not yet been activated.</b>