

A. MITA Compliance and Exceptions to Information Technology (IT) Standards, Policies, and Statutes (2-6-503, MCA Extensions and 2-17-515, MCA Granting exceptions)

a. MITA Compliance - Nothing to report

b. Exception Requests Granted

1. The Department of Administration's (DOA) State Information Technology Services Division (SITSD) was granted an exception to the POL-Information Security Policy – Appendix A (Baseline Security Controls Policy). This exception will avoid lock down issues to the extent user privileges will no longer allow mission critical automation scripts and macros to run.
2. The Legislative Services Division (LEG) was granted an exception to the POL-Information Security Policy and to the DOA POL-Access Control Policy. This exception will allow state owned iPads to access the TVMT using the wireless network with their connection to an isolated VLAN.
3. The Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP) requested an extension of their exception to the POL-Information Security Policy – Appendix A (Baseline Security Controls). SITSD granted their exception request contingent upon the following terms and conditions:
  - FWP will work with SITSD to ensure the applications and server are behind the Web Application Firewall
  - FWP must adjust the mitigation plan to have the following applications re-written in Java by June 30, 2017:
    - Fishing Guide
    - MFish
4. The Department of Revenue (DOR) was granted an exception to the Executive Order #09-2016. This request will add functionality to meet DOR's scanning and imaging business requirements.

c. Exception Requests Rescinded

1. DOR submitted an exception request to the POL-Enterprise Mobile Device Management Policy. They requested access to the state's network for non-windows operating devices. SITSD is in the process of working on a mobility solution with DOR.
2. The Department of Labor and Industries (DLI) submitted an exception request to the Information Security Policy - Baseline Security Controls. DLI requested the purchase of an antivirus product contrary to the approved solution of the State of Montana's Information Security Advisory Council (MT-ISAC). To minimize redundancies and additional costs, the Information Systems Security Office recommended DLI abide by the approved decision.
3. The Department of Justice (DOJ) submitted an exception request to the POL-SummitNet Acceptable Use Policy to gain remote access to their resources via a local Internet Service Provider (ISP). Section 2-17-512(k)(n)(o), MCA states all state agencies are required to obtain circuit connectivity through SITSD, which is responsible for the procurement, installation, and management of all circuits connected to the State's wide area network (WAN).
4. DOA's Banking and Financial Institutes Division (BFID) submitted an exception request to the "Files Blocked by Exchange Online Protection" webpage due to having difficulty receiving files from SYSAIRES (NCUA). BFID withdrew the request because they can receive macro-enabled files.
5. The Department of Transportation (MDT) submitted an exception request to the POL-Mobile Device Management Policy for their construction crew to use state owned devices without utilizing an authentication process. The method MDT is utilizing complies with state policy. The request was withdrawn.

- B. IT Projects (2-17-526, MCA) – The Information Technology Project Portfolio Report, Supplemental Reports, and Post Implementation Reports are attached.
- C. Policies (5-12-205, MCA)
  - a. Enterprise Policies, Standards, and Procedures Published
    - 1. GDE-Information Technology Procurement Request (ITPR) Delegated Authority Guideline.
  - b. Enterprise Policies, Standards, and Procedures in Development
    - 1. Information Technology Procurement Request (ITPR) Procedure
    - 2. System Development Life Cycle Policy
  - c. CIO Advisories
    - 1. Nothing to report.
- D. State of Montana Biennial Report of Information Technology (2-17-512, MCA)  
Nothing to report.
- E. State Strategic IT Plan (2-17-522, MCA)  
SITSD is drafting the 2018 State Strategic Plan.
- F. Agency IT Plans (2-17-523, 2-17-524, 2-17-527, MCA)  
SITSD is drafting templates for the Agency IT Plans.