



Procurement Reform Project Updates

2014 Regional Contracting Forum

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Topics

- Procurement Reform Overview
- Current Initiatives
- Completed Initiatives
- Questions and Contact Information



Procurement Reform Background

- 2SHB 2452 - Signed March 30, 2012
- Created Chapter 39.26 RCW
- Governs all state procurements for goods and services.
- Went into effect January 1, 2013



Intent of Procurement Reform

- Promote open competition
- Promote transparency
- Centralize oversight
- Centralize location of contract data in a searchable manner
- Encourage/facilitate participation by Washington small businesses
- Increase accountability

RCW 39.26.005



Centralize Oversight

- Department of Enterprise Services is required to develop policies for state contracting activities: RCW 39.26.080, 39.26.090, 39.26.180.
- Department of Enterprise Services is authorized to establish rules for state contracting activities: 39.26.090(11), 39.26.200.



Guiding Principles

- The procedures and requirements must:

Be FAIR

Be able to obtain FAIR and
REASONABLE PRICES

Be TRANSPARENT

Be TIMELY

Be SIMPLIFIED

PROMOTE SMALL BUSINESSES

NOT OVER REGULATE

Be COMPETITIVE

Be ACCOUNTABLE & provide HIGH
ETHICAL STANDARDS

Be COST EFFICIENT & EFFECTIVE

Be FLEXIBLE

Be INNOVATIVE

SEEK BEST VALUE

EMPLOY BEST PRACTICES



Completed Initiatives

- Develop and Facilitate Work Group Communities
- Initial Delegation of Authority
- Develop, Review and Publish Initial Policies
- Debarment Rules and Procedures
- Sole Source, Direct Buys and Emergency Procurement Technology Project and Training



Completed Initiatives Cont.

- Risk Assessment Implementation Planning Project
- Agency Contract Reporting - Technology Project (RCW 39.26.210)
- Agency Contract Reporting Pilot Project
- Small, Mini, Micro Business Data Technology Project
- 2013 Technical Assistance to Small Business Report



Initiatives In Progress / Future

- Risk Assessment Pilot (in tandem with Review Project)
- Procurement Training and Credential Curriculum
- Models, Policies and Best Practices addressing:
 - Complaints & Protests, Bonding, Convenience Contracts and Ethics in Procurement, et al.
- Procurement Manual (in concert with Training & Policy)
- 2014 Model Plan
- eBid and eSignature



Questions

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