

Montana Enhanced Registration and Licensing Information Network (MERLIN) Implementation		Agency/Program #: 4110-12-11 (11B)
		Division: 12-Motor Vehicle Division
		Program: MERLIN system
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Program or Project Description:

Montana Enhanced Registration and Licensing Information Network (MERLIN) Project

Fund Name:	Appropriation, Expenditure and Source				Approp & Expenditure numbers are as of August 30, 2010
	2010		2011		
	Approp.	Expended	Approp.	Expended	
General Fund	6,180,470	430,792	5,749,679	26,444	
State Special					
Federal Funds					
Total:	\$6,180,470	\$430,792	\$5,749,679	\$26,444	

Legislative Goal(s):

MERLIN implementation

Legislative Performance Measur

1. Project management and oversight.
2. ARCON Registration and Titling System (ARTS) Stabilization - key items that define stabilization include production issues: interface with the Statewide Accounting, Budgeting, and Human Resource System (SABHRS), printing (hardware/software/performance), and network/response time performance. Online April 21, 2009. Stabilization complete by June 30, 2010.
3. ARCON Driver Licensing System (ADS) - Online by June 30, 2011
4. Maintain a record of motor vehicle and driver licensing revenues collected by county treasurers, Montana Interactive, and state offices processed and deposited. The measure is that the money is deposited by the 22nd of each month.

	2009 Biennium Significant Milestones:	Completion Dates	
		Target	Actual
1	Project Management and Oversight	ongoing	
2	ARCON Registration and Titling System Online	30-Apr-09	30-Apr-09
3	ARCON Driver Licensing System Online	30-Jun-11	

Agency Performance Report:

1. Effective project management of ongoing MERLIN implementation, stabilization, and maintenance assumed by the Justice Information Technology Services Division (JITSD), following the February, 2009 bankruptcy of the prime MERLIN contractor, BearingPoint. Ongoing reliance on JITSD for system development, stabilization and implementation of the final phase of MERLIN, with time and materials professional services contract with core code developer (3M) to support and extend internal resources.

2. Stabilization of the second phase of MERLIN (vehicle titling, registration, inventory controls, dealer licensing, and integrated accounting components, known as ARTS/ACAM/ATMM), which went live on April 21, 2009. Key items encompassed in stabilization measurement include elimination or minimization of production impediments and data conversion issues, operational interface with the Statewide Accounting, Budgeting, and Human Resource System (SABHRS), printer replacement in all county treasurers' offices, and improving network/response time performance. Network and printer performance is monitored daily. The implementation of a long-term support plan for the point of sale decal printers will result in stabilization.

3. Successful development, testing and implementation of the final phase of MERLIN, the driver licensing and records component, known as ADS. Deployment date will be determined upon completion of soon-to-be executed statement of work (SOW) under existing time and materials professional services contract with core code developer (3M). The SOW includes assessment of current state of ADS (driver licensing) component of the MERLIN project, identification and provision of alternate solutions to major project challenges (e.g. unresolved design issues), provision for a comprehensive implementation strategy for the completion of the system and its integration with MERLIN, including detailed projected plan, timelines, budget, risks, issues, and governance plan for the project, document requirements for the project, and an assessment of DOJ's readiness to resume and complete the ADS project.

LFD Narrative:

LFD Assessment: On track
 Data Relevance: Yes
 Appropriation Status: Provided
 Comments/Issues: The workgroup may wish to discuss the estimated timeframe for completion of development and implementation of the final phase of the system.
 Options:
 --Change LFD assessment
 --Release from reporting
 --Recommend for 2013 biennium reporting

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Change Description
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