



Interagency I-Suite Stabilization and Support Project Project Overview and Update November 30, 2006

The NWCG Interagency I-Suite Stabilization and Support (IISS) Project, was chartered in 2003 by NWCG to stabilize the existing Windows Based I-Suite application. The IISS Project is the first phase of multiple projects that are intended to put in place an Incident Based Automation (IBA) System and develop standards for incident processes on an interagency basis.

NWCG Incident Base Automation Project Phases

<u>Phase 1 – Project 1</u>	<u>Phase 2 – Project 2</u>	<u>Phase 3 Multiple Component Projects</u>
<u>I-Suite Stabilization and Support Project</u> (IRSS, ICARS, ITS, IAP)	<u>Incident Base Automation Strategic Planning Project</u>	<u>Incident Base Automation Component Projects</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stabilize Application • Initiate Change Management • Provide User Support • Provide Application Maintenance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify Key Business Areas • Conduct Business Area Analysis • Conduct Strategic Project Planning • Prioritize and Recommend Phase 3 Projects 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Web Based I-Suite • Infrastructure Components • Business Process and Data Modeling Components • Others projects as approved by NWCG

Phase 1 Project Accomplishments

- I-Suite Receives a New Look and Feel
 - Seamless, integrated application
 - Consistency of functionality between modules
 - Database redesign to improve stability
 - Increased security to protect personal data
 - Implemented the ROSS Import into I-Suite
- New Modules
 - Demob Module
 - Supply Module
- Initiate Change Management Process
 - Selection of Subject Matter Experts
 - Established method for users to provide input Isuite_suggestions@dms.nwcg.gov
- Provide User Support
 - Contracted helpdesk – 866-224-7677 or helpdesk@dms.nwcg.gov
 - New and improved website – isuite.nwcg.gov
 - User guides available on website
 - Formalized training

Concurrent with Phase 1, the IBA Strategic Planning Project (Phase 2), performed a strategic analysis. Based on recommendations from Phase 2, the following Phase 3 projects are approved by NWCG:

- Convert the existing I-Suite application to a web-based application that can be utilized at the incident only, on a local area network, or through the internet.
- Implement Smart Card technology
- Bar code / AIT technology; in coordination with the ICBS project
- Make data available for access by other applications and internal /external users

The major development work for Phase 1 was completed with the release of Version 6.03, in August 2006. The project is officially in the Operation and Maintenance (O&M) phase as of October 1, 2006. The O&M phase will run concurrently with the development of the new Web based version. O&M consists of the following:

- Support and maintain current modules
- Minor application changes to meet the current incident business need
- A Safety and Health module as proposed by the Safety and Health Working Team
- Limited bar code / AIT technology; in coordination with the ICBS project
- Changes mandated by policy

For more information, please visit the I-Suite webpage @ isuite.nwcg.gov