FieldManager Status Report

FieldManager & Contract Management Conference

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Michigan User Base

- Over 3,000 FieldManager users at 314 MDOT facilities and local/private firm organizations
 - 38 MDOT offices
 - 103 local agencies
 - 159 private firms
 - 74 Full Suite / FieldBook licenses (consultants)
 - 67 Read-Only licenses (contractors)
 - 18 Contractor licenses (contractors)

State mandates use of FieldManager for all MDOT let road, bridge, and airport construction contracts

Use Outside Of Michigan

- FieldManager jointly owned by State of Michigan and Info Tech, Inc.
- Info Tech and American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) have marketing rights
- Licensed by DOTs, local agencies and private firms nationwide
- Maintenance and enhancements funded by AASHTO, Info Tech, MDOT, and other state DOTs
- Information available at <u>www.infotechfl.com/products/fieldmanager</u>
- MDOT royalty period expired in 2011
 - FieldManager royalties totaled \$859,000 from 1998 to 2011

Support & Training

- For FieldManager questions or problems contact the FieldManager Help Desk:
 - Call Help Line at 517-322-1556
 - Send email to fieldmanager-admin
- ► FieldManager training:
 - For local agencies, MDOT offers a one-day FieldManager class. To sign up for a class, contact MDOT's Construction Field Services Division at 517-322-1741 or mdot-techtraining@michigan.gov.

Support & Training

- For consultant firms, FieldManager training is available through Michigan Technological University (Michigan Tech) or the American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC) of Michigan. To sign up for a class, contact Michigan Tech's Center for Technology & Training (906-487-2102 or ctt@mtu.edu) or ACEC (517-332-2066 or mail@acecmi.org).
- For qualified DBE consultant firms (must be certified by MDOT as a DBE in the types of work which utilize FieldManager), FieldManager training is reimbursable under the DBE Educational/Training Program. To sign up for a class, contact MDOT's Office of Business Development at 517-241-4806 or mdotdbe@michigan.gov.

FieldManager Web Page

Contain MDOT's:

- Contact Information
- MDOT's Agency Configuration File
- FieldManager User's Guide Supplements
- FieldManager related Construction Advisories and Bureau of Highway Instructional Memorandums
- Software patches
- Other various FieldManager related correspondence
- Internet go to MDOT's home page <u>www.michigan.gov/mdot</u>):
 - Select Doing Business
 - Under Resources, select FieldManager

Future Move To Web Environment

- Client/server technology slowly becoming obsolete
- FieldManager is 17 years old
- State of Michigan's strategic direction calls for migrating client/server applications to web environment
- Many benefits to web environment including much easier access for user organizations statewide
- Estimating FieldManager will be replaced beginning in 2017; however, FieldManager will continue to be used during the implementation process
- Fewer enhancements will be made to FieldManager as the software nears the end of it's lifecycle

FieldManager Release 5.2a

- ► Will Include:
 - Added the Item Postings by Item Grouped by Estimate inquiry that shows a list of postings and the Estimate Number on the posting that was first considered for payment
 - Cancelling the import of a working contract via FieldNet does not leave the FN message as 'processed' – the user is able to process and import the contract at a later time
 - Importing multi-contract data into FieldBook or FieldManager no longer results in IDR Attachments sporadically being lost
 - Addresses 28 maintenance requests and 3 enhancements and various Technical Upgrades

Release 5.2a

Statewide implementation is in progress:

- MDOT FieldManager office upgrades occurred on March 4.
- MDOT FieldBook office upgrades occurred on March 3.
- Shipments to locals and private firms are scheduled as follows:
 - Initial shipment scheduled to go out by March 31
 - 24 firms This was sent on March 22
 - Upgrade deadline is April 11
 - Final shipment scheduled to go out by April 29 may be earlier
 - Remaining locals
 - Remaining firms which license directly from Info Tech and DBE firms
 - Upgrade deadline is May 13
 - Great news This is almost one month earlier this year!

New Upgrade Process

- The upgrade will no longer be sent via CD, instead the primary contact person will receive an email notification from Info Tech, Inc. containing the link and instructions to download FM 5.2a
 - Email from ginab@infotechfl.com
 - Provide the primary contact person's current email to Info Tech to ensure delivery
 - Instructions provided to register for a new account
 - Only create the new account that was provided in the letter

New Upgrade Process

- Download the FM 5.2a release from the shopping cart
 - Local agencies will continue to be covered via the FM Local Services Contract
 - Save to desired location
 - Extract the files and again save to desired location
 - Follow the Quick Start Instructions document provided similar to past upgrades
- NOTE DBE firms will continue to receive CDs
- Any questions on this process should be directed to Info Tech, Inc. at 352-381-4400.

FieldManager Release 5.3a

- Will Include:
 - Read-Only copy of a contract after a contract transfer will now be deleted automatically
 - Running Item History To Date Inquiry will no longer cause a crash
 - Users who frequently transfer data should no longer see duplicate FieldNet Inbox messages
 - Printing a report with an attachment(s) will no longer automatically print the attachment(s)
 - An attachment with an apostrophe in the filename or URL will no longer cause an error
 - Page numbers have been corrected for several inquiries Item History To Date, Item Status, and Category Status are some examples
 - Additional enhancements and maintenance requests
- MDOT implementation planned for first quarter of 2017
 - Shipments to locals and private firms are expected to be completed by the second quarter of 2017

Questions?

ENJOY YOUR DAY!