



What is FMIS 5?

Fiscal Management Information System (FMIS) 5.0 is the financial software system used by the US DOT and FHWA. This is the primary financial information system for allocating and tracking an annual \$40 billion in federally funded highway projects. It tracks authorizations, obligations, apportionments, allocations, and limitation information. It is used to plan and execute FHWA program activities, and to evaluate financial requirements for current and future funding.

Why is it shutting down?

The rollout for the new system requires the US DOT to shut down the entire financial system while it closes Federal Fiscal Year 15 and uploads data for Federal Fiscal Year 16 and beyond. This period will include final testing to ensure that the system is operating properly prior to granting DOTs access.

Key Dates to Remember

1. September 11 is the last day projects needing federal authorization may be submitted to OFMB.
2. FMIS 4 closes September 25, 2015 for year-end close out activities
3. FMIS 5 will open to users on October 25, 2015.

This impacts any project needing federal authorization or approval to go to ad in October or November.

When is it shutting down?

FMIS will be inoperative from September 25, 2015 until October 25, 2015. This will have major impacts to CDOT and how projects are authorized and reimbursed.

How does this impact my project?

CDOT will not be able to request any federal authorizations, obligations, debudgets, or closures for any projects during the shutdown. Instead, staff in OFMB is asking each Region to request authorizations in August and early September for those projects going to ad in October or November of 2015. These requests should be submitted by September 11 in order to provide both CDOT and FHWA time to process prior to the shutdown.

What if there is an emergency?

FHWA is currently developing emergency procedures. CDOT will follow those procedures if necessary.

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Impacts to CDOT

Why shut down 2 weeks before FMIS closes?

CDOT and FHWA need time to process requests prior to the close date.

Will this impact *all* CDOT projects?

No. This shutdown will only impact only those projects that need federal authorization or reimbursement. This typically means any project requiring federal action during the construction phase.

What constitutes an “emergency?”

Guidance is forthcoming, but expect an emergency to be defined as something catastrophic, similar to the Colorado floods in 2013.

Changes with FMIS 5

Why is FMIS changing?

The US DOT is updating the software to better accommodate requirements in MAP 21 legislation.

What can we expect when FMIS 5 comes back online?

There may be integration hiccups. Processing time could be slowed as processes and staff adjust to the changes.

What’s new?

Requests to FHWA will now require more data, such as a federal improvement code on budget action level, phase end dates, etc.