

Gateway Newsletter

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300th Gateway Review!

The Gateway Unit is fast approaching its 300th Gateway Review. The provision of 300 Gateway Reviews is a significant milestone, reflecting the combined efforts of the Gateway Unit, reviewers and project teams. Continued use of the Gateway Review Process and associated materials will ensure that Victoria continues to drive innovation and improvements in the management of large complex, and diverse projects, policies and programs.

2009 Gateway Review Pack.

The Gateway Unit is soon to release the 4th version of the Gateway Review Pack. The 2009 version will incorporate new best practice initiatives that have evolved through the Gateway Initiative, including aspects of the Investment Management Standard and the Investment Lifecycle Guidelines. Importantly the new version will also focus on processes relating to sustainability and the environment, to help ensure that the needs of tomorrow are considered today. When released the material can be downloaded from: <http://www.gatewayreview.dtf.vic.gov.au/>

Redevelopment of the Project Profile Model

The Gateway unit has sought strategic advice regarding the ongoing development of the Project Profile Model (PPM). The PPM was developed in 2003 as a tool to be utilised by Government Departments and Agencies in determining the degree and complexity of a proposed acquisition based program/project, and its appropriateness to undergo a Gateway Review. A revised PPM is needed to fully encapsulate the most defining risk elements of contemporary Government projects, in the most user friendly fashion possible. Initial works on the PPM have commenced and are due for completion in the coming months.

Lesson Learnt Database

For over six years the Gateway Unit has been carefully collating Lessons Learnt data from Gateway Reviews and utilising them for the purpose of statistical analysis. To date the analysis has been broad and general, providing high level advice to Government on project risks.

Recently the Gateway Unit has completed its new 'Lessons Learnt Database', a powerful new tool enabling the tailored and targeted exploration and reporting of Lessons Learnt specific to projects and their stage of lifecycle, and a predictive capability to assess the likely risks that projects may face through to completion.

With over 2000 Lessons Learnt already added to the system, the body of knowledge is expanding rapidly. If you are in Government and would like to know how the 'Lessons Learnt Database' could be used to assist your project/s please contact Marc Bradley: 9651 2507 or marc.bradley@dtf.vic.gov.au

Local Government Gateway Pilot Extension

The Local Government Gateway Review Pilot is currently halfway through Phase II, having been extended by DTF and DIIRD until the end of June 2010. The objective of the pilot is to provide State Government support and assistance to Local Government (regional) in the development and delivery of complex/major projects.

The Pilot's scope has been broadened to provide Regional Local Councils the opportunity to make use of the best practice tools that DTF currently provides. This will assist them in the implementation and evaluation of an enhanced project development and delivery program. These tools include Gateway Reviews (Gates 1, 2 and 3), Investment Management Workshops and relevant training such as Gateway RTM and DTF Business Case training.

For more information contact, Evan Wilkinson: 9651 5515 or evan.wilkinson@dtf.vic.gov.au

Review Contract Documentation Requirements.

It is critical that reviewers complete in full, and return all contractual documentation (including the Contract, Deed of Confidentiality, Declaration of Private Interests and Conflict of Interest Declaration) prior to the commencement of any works.

Please contact Ves Nikolovska on 9651 2154 or ves.nikolovska@dtf.vic.gov.au, should you have any further questions.

Gateway Review Workshops

For Gateway Review Team Members (RTM) who are interested in becoming Team Leaders, a Member to Leader Workshop will be held on the 14th of October. RTM Workshops are also available for anyone who wishes to become accredited as a Gateway Reviewer, or wants to gain a better understanding of the Gateway Review Process. Upcoming dates for RTM workshops in Melbourne include, 14th of July, 11th August, 8th of September and 13th of October.

If you would like to enrol in a workshop visit: www.btli.com.au/gateway

Investment Management Workshops

Investment management information sessions provide both Victorian Public Servants (VPS) and non-VPS with an opportunity to gain an overview of the Investment Management Standard, and development of Investment Management Maps. These sessions run for 2 hours and are free of charge.

A one day workshop in the facilitation of the Investment Management standard is also available. These workshops are aimed at providing the skills to facilitate the development of Investment Logic Maps, and places will be allocated on a 'willingness to become a facilitator' basis.

Information sessions, 28th of July and 28th of August
Facilitator workshops, 15th of July and 12th of August

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