

Release Notes for Pisces version 1.62

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The Fish & Wildlife Process Improvement Team announces the latest release of Pisces, version 1.62. While this was largely a "technical infrastructure" release to accommodate internal security requirements, we did manage to squeeze in a few new features for contractors and staff.

Highlights in Pisces version 1.62 include:

A One-Click Statement of Work Checker (SOW Validation Report)

- a. The SOW Validation Report checks to ensure your SOW meets BPA requirements before you submit it.
- b. To run the report on your SOW, right-click on a SOW in the first table/grid on the SOW tab and select "Validate SOW."
- c. The list of "rules" this validation report checks is posted on our website at <http://www.efw.bpa.gov/contractors/SOW-Validation-Rules.pdf>

Copy/Paste Complete Contacts List

- a. This function allows you to copy and paste an entire list of contact persons from one contract or project to another contract or project.
- b. To copy a contact list from one contract to another, open the contract's Summary tab and right-click in the Contacts box. Choose "Copy Contacts" from the dropdown menu. Then open the Summary tab of the contract you wish to copy contacts to, right-click in the Contacts box, and choose "Paste Contacts" from the dropdown menu.
- c. To copy contacts from a contract to a project, or from one project to another, follow the same procedures as above. The only difference is that a project only has a Summary tab, and clicking on the project row will automatically open it.
- d. Note: these steps will not copy BPA-assigned contacts such as the COTR or CO or BPA Project Manager. The COTR and CO fields are automatically populated by BES, BPA's financial system of record.

SOW History Grid Now Has Start and End Date Columns for the SOW Performance Period

- a. The Contract Start and End Date may reflect several years' work if a contract has been renewed one or more times. The SOW Start and End Date is a useful reference for distinguishing the work of the current performance period from that of prior years.
- b. The SOW End Date is not editable, because it comes from BES. The SOW Start Date may be edited before a contract is issued, when the SOW is unlocked.

Status Report Usability Enhancements

- a. Completed (checked) milestones now have their associated color rating dropdown disabled. Milestone ratings are not required for completed milestones.
- b. A new rule has been added to the Status Report Validation Report: "Milestones with End dates before the last day of this status report period must be rated red (R) or marked complete." (When you submit a status report, Pisces checks to ensure that it meets all BPA requirements. If any required item is missing, the Status Report Validation Report appears, listing the items that must be added or modified before the status report may be submitted.)
- c. A new column has been added to the Project Summary's list of contracts called "Status Report." The "Status Report" column serves two purposes: it provides a count of accepted status reports, and provides a hyperlink that when clicked displays the cumulative status report for that contract. This cumulative report shows only the Deliverable milestones.

Open, Open, Open

- a. Pisces will now automatically unlock an account that was locked (due to 5 failed login attempts) after a 15 minute waiting period.

Fixed Bugs

- In a list of copied work elements, each sort letter appears only once – no more duplication.
- When copying and pasting work elements, you don't have to first left-click then right-click on the CR in order to get the Paste Work Elements option to appear. Right-click in the upper pane of the Contract Details panel, and choose "Paste Work Elements" from the dropdown menu.
- Changed "Sub-Basin" to Subbasin" throughout the application.
- Substituted "Yes/No" for "True/False" in the "Pisces Account" column of the Summary Tab (Contract Details).
- Tooltips now appear on the following columns on the Contracts grid on the Project Details Summary tab: Work Order ID, Task ID, Contract Type, and Pricing Type.
- Numerous other bug fixes throughout the application.

End of Pisces v1.62 release notes