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# JIS Roadmap Bulletin

A monthly newsletter keeping the court community and justice partners informed on the modernization of Washington State's Judicial Information System

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## JIS Roadmap: Where We Are and Where We're Going

In February of 2006, under the recommendation of the Judicial Information System Committee (JISC), the AOC embarked on a new path.

cost approximately \$29.1 million during the 2007-09 biennium, with another \$21 million required in the 2009-11 biennium.

The new direction shifted the focus away from a "build" to a "buy" strategy. Rather than developing a comprehensive case management system for all court levels, emphasis is now being placed on pursuing commercially available case management systems that meet the needs of courts.



The following information highlights the project's accomplishments thus far and details what the future likely holds.

### How will the JIS Roadmap be financed?

During the 2007-09 biennium the Roadmap will be financed using three sources.

- Approximately \$12.5 million from the existing JIS revenue source, including \$5.5 million in fund balance.
- Approximately \$7 million from a \$5 increase to the JIS Assessment on infractions.
- Approximately \$9.6 million will be financed and paid back over a four year period as allowed by law (RCW 39.94).

### JIS Roadmap: The Facts

#### What is included in the JIS Roadmap?

Initially, the JIS Roadmap will encompass acquisition of a Core Case Management System that will include resource management (calendar), reporting and information access and pre-and post-sentencing probation. In addition, a select number of data exchanges will be developed and deployed.

#### How much will the JIS Roadmap Cost?

It is estimated that the JIS Roadmap will

#### What will become of the "extra" funding derived from the increase in the JIS Assessment?

Following full implementation of the Core Case Management System, the additional funding generated as a result of the JIS Assessment increase will be used in a number of ways. Examples include the acquisition of additional modules such as jury management, Web portals and accounting and finance, and actual operation and maintenance costs associated with the new systems (pending approval from the JIS Committee).

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### What is the estimated schedule for completion?

Current project planning calls for full (or near full) implementation by June 30, 2011.

Major project milestones include:

<b>Release of the Request for Proposal</b>	<b>February 2007</b>
<b>Selection of the apparently</b>	<b>June 2007</b>
<b>Proof of Concept</b>	<b>July-December 2007</b>
<b>Pilot Implementation</b>	<b>January 2008</b>
<b>Implementation</b>	<b>January 2008-June 2011</b>

The AOC is committed to keeping the court community aware of decisions and recommendations related to the JIS Roadmap as they happen. Please stay tuned to future issues of this publication for current news and information regarding this project. Current information is also available on the [JIS Projects and Plans page](#) on the Inside Courts Web site.

### AOC Gives Thanks to JIS Roadmap Supporters

The AOC would like to sincerely thank everyone who participated in various focus groups and workshops related to the JIS Roadmap Project.

Over 200 people participated, committing their time and knowledge to the project's success. Participants included representation from all court levels including: judges, clerks, administrators, court managers and court line staff. Representatives from the Washington State Bar Association, the Washington State Patrol and the County Prosecutors' Association also participated.

Thanks to participant feedback, we learned that the court community is excited and interested to continue learning about the Roadmap's progress.

Participation from the court community is nothing new—support and efforts have been consistent since early 2006 and continue today. As a result, the final Request for Proposal (RFP) that will be released this February is the product of all the participants' hard work.

We appreciate your time and continued participation with the JIS Roadmap Project and its many variables.

### Have questions about this newsletter?



If you have questions or suggestions for future content, please e-mail [jisroadmap@courts.wa.gov](mailto:jisroadmap@courts.wa.gov).

### AOC Welcomes New Communications Officer

The AOC welcomed Jayme Taylor as the Communications Officer for the Information Services Division in November 2006.

Taylor was born and raised in Washington, holds a bachelor's degree in Communications from the University of Washington, Tacoma, and will receive a master's degree in Organizational Leadership from Chapman University in March. Before coming to the AOC, she worked in communications for the Association of Washington School Principals.



Taylor joined the AOC team in November 2006.

Taylor is currently working with staff, the court community and various JIS stakeholders on the development and implementation of clear and consistent communications related to the JIS Roadmap Project. She can be reached at (360) 704-4027, or via e-mail at [jayme.taylor@courts.wa.gov](mailto:jayme.taylor@courts.wa.gov).



# Rumor Control

*Designed to dispel rumors and answer questions related to the JIS Roadmap Project*

**W**elcome to Rumor Control, a monthly column designed to dispel rumors and answer questions related to the JIS Roadmap Projects. For this inaugural column, staff from the Information Services Division submitted questions that they are frequently asked from the court community and JIS stakeholders.

## Question 1

***“I have heard that the Juvenile and Corrections System (JCS) is going away in two years. Is this true?”***

Tim Bates, director of the Information Services Division, answers:

***“No decision to replace JCS in two years has been made, but it is possible. The answer depends on the ability of the new core case management system to meet the needs of the JCS courts. A decision will be made once the new system is in place and the juvenile courts and AOC have had the opportunity to determine the best approach to meet current and future needs of the JCS community.”***

## Question 2

***“How will we be able to get timely enhancements to a purchased product (Core Case Management System) when we have Legislative changes with fixed effective dates?”***

Tim answers:

***“This will be the selected vendor’s contractual responsibility. How a vendor manages software change is included in the Request for Proposal (RFP). The ability to meet the Washington Courts change requirements will help differentiate one vendor from another.”***

**Do you have a question that needs “Rumor Control?”**



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