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Bridge Inspection Announcement No. 23-03 BIAS Shut Down and iTAMS Implementation (REMINDER 1)

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TO: All BIAS Users

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SUBJECT: REMINDER: BIAS Shut Down and iTAMS Implementation

EFFECTIVE: March 14, 2023

REMINDER:

All BIAS users are reminded that INDOT will permanently shut down BIAS and transition to the new iTAMS (Indiana Total Asset Management System) platform for all asset inspection and management operations.

- At 6:00 PM (Eastern Daylight Time) on Tuesday, March 14, 2023, the BIAS bridge inspection and asset management platform will be permanently shut down. If not logged out earlier, all users will be automatically logged out from BIAS on that date and time and will no longer be able to login to BIAS for any data entry. Access to BIAS after the shut down date and time will be limited READ ONLY.
- On or before the March 14th BIAS shut down deadline, all “In-Progress” bridge inspection reports must be **COMPLETED** and **APPROVED**. All bridge inspection reports remaining “In-Progress” after March 14, 2023 shall be lost and will need to be recreated in the new iTAMS platform.
- All inspection reports completed and approved in BIAS will **NOT** be able to be later reopened in the iTAMS platform for any editing using the “Opened for Corrections” stage in the iTAMS inspection report workflow. Bridge inspection work done on and after the BIAS shut down date must be done in paper format or equivalent. The “Opened for Corrections” stage in the iTAMS inspection report workflow shall only be functional for inspections and reports created in the iTAMS platform.
- On and after March 15, 2023, all critical findings shall be reported to the Bridge Inspection Statewide Program Manager (SPM) through email correspondence. Critical finding email communications made to the SPM shall include, at minimum, the following information:
 - Bridge Owner.
 - NBI Structure Number.

- Date critical finding discovered.
 - Name and Team Leader Number of Bridge Inspector reporting the critical finding.
 - Description and photographs of the critical finding.
 - Description of recommended/planned/executed immediate corrective action(s) to address the critical finding and dates of action(s) taken.
- During the month of March, iTAMS operating instructions and training materials shall be disseminated to users and shall include links to the training site, training manuals, recorded video training clips, and to Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) documentation.
- In-person and virtual training sessions are being developed and a schedule of training will be issued in the near future.
- On Monday, April 3, 2023 the iTAMS platform will be active and will be the official bridge inspection and asset management system for all users. Users will have the same iTAMS access that they previously had in BIAS. The iTAMS platform workflow will have a process for bridge inspectors to edit previously completed and approved inspection reports from BIAS.
- All bridge inspection and inspection report work done in paper format or equivalent during the BIAS shut down interval shall be entered into iTAMS.
- Questions should be emailed to: iTAMSHelp@indot.in.gov