



## MIDAS PROJECT KICKOFF MEETING

Tuesday, June 29, 2010

Jefferson Auditorium, South Building, USDA

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8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

### WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

Jonathan Coppess, Farm Service Agency (FSA) Administrator

Karis Gutter, FSA Deputy Administrator, Field Operations

### OVERVIEW OF MIDAS

Patrick Hanley, Program Manager, MIDAS Project

### PANEL DISCUSSION - MIDAS: FINANCE, IT, AND THE DELIVERY OF FARM PROGRAM SERVICES

*Moderator: Jonathan Coppess, FSA Administrator*

Chris Smith, USDA Chief Information Officer

Jim Gwinn, FSA Chief Information Officer

Jon Holladay, USDA Chief Financial Officer

Ricky Valentine, FSA Chief Financial Officer

Brandon Willis, FSA Deputy Administrator, Farm Programs

### SECRETARY'S REMARKS

Tom Vilsack, Secretary of Agriculture

10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

### BREAK



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| 11:00 a.m.– 11:30 p.m. | <b>MIDAS PROJECT OVERVIEW &amp; TEAM INTRODUCTIONS</b><br><br>Patrick Hanley, Program Manager, MIDAS Project   |
| 11:30 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. | <b>LUNCH BREAK</b>   |
| 1:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.  | <b>FARM PROGRAMS OVERVIEW</b><br><br>Solomon Whitfield, Acting Director, Price Support Division<br><br>Robert Stephenson, Director, Conservation and Environmental Programs Division<br><br>Candy Thompson, Director, Production, Emergencies, and Compliance Division |
| 1:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.  | <b>ECONOMIC AND POLICY ANALYSIS STAFF (EPAS) AND THE MIDAS PROJECT</b><br><br>Joy Harwood, Director, Economic and Policy Analysis Staff  |
| 2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.  | <b>MIDAS IMPLEMENTATION APPROACH</b><br><br>Chuck Benjamin, MIDAS Deputy Director for Information Technology   |
| 2:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.  | <b>Q&amp;A AND WRAP-UP</b>   |



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- 8:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.      **DAY TWO WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS**  
Patrick Hanley, Program Manager, MIDAS Project
- 8:45 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.      **OVERVIEW OF ENTERPRISE FINANCIAL GOALS AND SERVICES**  
Mike Clanton, Associate Chief Financial Officer, Financial Systems Planning and Management
- 9:15 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.      **FSA-FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT MODERNIZATION INITIATIVE (FMMI) AND ITS RELATIONSHIP TO THE MIDAS PROJECT**  
Ethel Anderson, FSA FMMI Program Manager
- 9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.      **ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGE MANAGEMENT**  
Kimberly Graham, MIDAS Deputy Director for Change Management
- 10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.      **BREAK**
- 10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.      **OVERVIEW OF PRE-PROJECT BUSINESS PROCESS ANALYSIS**  
Jeff Molner, MIDAS Project Management Support, Lean Six Sigma Black Belt
- 11:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.      **PRESENTATION: BUSINESS PROCESS TEAMS**  
Laura Schlote, Marketing Assistance Loans Team Lead  
Lisa Berry, Common Program Data Team Lead  
Elizabeth Miller, Land, Data & Acreage Reporting Team Lead



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| 11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. | LUNCH BREAK   |
| 12:45 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.  | PRESENTATION: FARM PROGRAM WORKFLOWS<br><br>Jeff Molner, MIDAS Project Management Support, Lean Six Sigma Black Belt  |
| 1:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.   | BREAK   |
| 2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.   | OVERVIEW OF SYSTEM INTEGRATOR (SI) AND INDEPENDENT VERIFICATION AND VALIDATION (IV&V )TASK ORDERS<br><br>Chuck Benjamin, MIDAS Deputy Director for Information Technology |
| 2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.   | APPLICATION TRANSFORMATION AND MODERNIZATION (ATM) SI TEAM INTRODUCTIONS<br><br>Sally Nista, ATM SI MIDAS Project Manager   |
| 3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.   | ATM IV&V TEAM INTRODUCTIONS<br><br>TBD  |
| 3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.   | Q&A AND WRAP-UP<br><br>Patrick Hanley, Program Manager, MIDAS Project   |



## MIDAS PROJECT KICKOFF MEETING

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| 8:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.   | <b>DAY THREE WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS</b><br><br>Patrick Hanley, Program Manager, MIDAS Project  |
| 8:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.  | <b>LEGACY SYSTEM INFORMATION AND INTERFACES/<br/>INTEGRATION WITH FSA WEB FARM</b><br><br>Chuck Benjamin, MIDAS Deputy Director for Information<br>Technology |
| 10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. | <b>BREAK</b>  |
| 10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. | <b>DATA ENVIRONMENT</b><br><br>Paul Chevalier, Chief, Database Management Office  |
| 11:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. | <b>ENTERPRISE TOOLS SUPPORTING THE SAP ENVIRONMENT</b><br><br>Chuck Benjamin, MIDAS Deputy Director for Information<br>Technology                             |
| 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.  | <b>LUNCH BREAK</b>  |
| 1:00 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.   | <b>IT SECURITY</b><br><br>Mike Serrone, Division Chief, IT Security Office  |



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### MIDAS PROJECT GOVERNANCE

Karl Keller, MIDAS Deputy Director for Project and

1:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

### MONTHLY REPORTING, INTEGRATED BASELINE REVIEWS (IBR) AND EARNED VALUE

Ursula Kuehn, MIDAS Project Management Support,  
EVP/PMP

2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

### WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE? Q&A AND WRAP-UP

Patrick Hanley, Program Manager, MIDAS Project