



Project Management Office

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PMO-1.3 Project Organizational Breakdown Structure (OBS)

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1.0 PURPOSE

The Organizational Breakdown Structure (OBS) is a project organization framework for identification of responsibility, accountability, management, and approvals of all authorized work scope.

2.0 SCOPE

All projects using the LBNL Earned Value Management System (EVMS) will include an OBS in the Project Execution Plan (PEP).

3.0 REFERENCES

DOE Order 413.3A.

LBNL Earned Value Management System Description.

PMO Procedure 1.1, Project Plan.

PMO Procedure 1.2, Work Breakdown Structure (WBS).

4.0 PROCEDURE

4.1 Structure

A project OBS is a depiction of the project organization arranged to indicate the reporting relationships within the project context. The OBS reflects the way the project is functionally organized. It is a direct representation and description of the hierarchy and organizations that will provide resources to plan and perform work identified in the Work Breakdown Structure (WBS). The OBS helps management focus on establishing the most efficient organization, by taking into consideration availability and capability of management and technical staff including subcontractors, to achieve project objectives. The OBS is depicted on the Responsibility Assignment Matrix (RAM), where it is used to identify the organization responsible and accountable for every element of the WBS and Scope of Work (SOW).

4.2 Responsibility

Project Managers are responsible for the creation of an OBS for their assigned projects.

5.0 APPENDIX

Appendix A: Organizational Breakdown Structure (OBS).

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APPENDIX A: Organizational Breakdown Structure (WBS)

