

dotGrants Modernization (aka 2.0) Releases

PennDOT is proud to announce dotGrants 2.0 Over the course of the next two years. PennDOT will be implementing new functionality to modernize the dotGrants application.

Release 1 was implemented on May 18, 2018. The focus of the initial release was to introduce key functionality available in the new system. Release 1 contains the following features:

- Document Inbox with quick search capability.
- Links to legacy dotGrants pages so that you can utilize dotGrants 2.0 as a portal to the original system
- Favorite Documents allowing you to "star" specific documents making them easy to find on the home page.
- Document Search enabling a detailed search of all your dotGrants documents based on your role.
- Dashboard Widgets on the home page, giving you quick status updates with links to more details.
- System Information Menu providing a detailed listing of links available to you in dotGrants.
- Informational popups permitting you to view critical information about your documents while keeping you on your current page.
- Personalization of your settings, including limiting the number of documents, messages, and other information you wish to see.
- Standardized grant and payment overview pages, providing access in a modern and easier to use format.

Release 2 was implemented on November 16, 2018. The focus of the release was dotGrants and SAP interactions, contains the following features:

- Consolidated Grant Funding Worksheets (GFW) and Invoice Funding Worksheets (IFW) for Agency Admin Users.
- Verification of GFW information with SAP and allowing dotGrants users to update information to match SAP or to generate an SAP 8 report for communicating necessary changes to SAP.
- GFW status management.
- Added additional sort options in the Inbox.
- Document Search moved to the title bar for easy access from anywhere in dotGrants.
- Improved user's ability to customize their experience of dotGrants by selecting the default Inbox sort and determining if the Forms menu on the document Overview appears collapsed or expanded on initial entry to the page.
- Easy to read SAP Transaction History for trouble-shooting issues with SAP.
- New FFATA Worksheet accessible from the GFW.

Release 3 implemented May 30, 2019 contains the following features:

- Migrate current dotGrants user data store to the PennDOT Business Partner Registration and Login system.
- Modernize the software used by the Liquid Fuels and County Owned Bridge (Act 44, Act 89) programs.

Release 3.1 implemented July 24, 2019 contains the following features and fixes:

- Enhanced / redesigned Person Dashboard with Active / Deactivate functionality and improved navigations.
- Maintenance announcements are made more prominent and visible to the users of dotGrants 2.0.
- Updated user account data synchronization processes between dotGrants subsystems.
- Data updates for security and accuracy.

Release 3.2 implemented December 11, 2019 contains the following features and fixes:

- Enhanced Person Dashboard to allow special characters and set user defaults in data entry to avoid duplicate data entries.
- 'Requested Area' added to identify where a user request came from.
- Ability to change the email address for External User
- Displays Correct BPR Roles for MRD 990.
- Revised Security Audit report.
- Enhanced user registration process to avoid duplicate / inconsistent data entry. |
- Enhanced user registration email body
- Added new optional field 'Position Title' for user registration.
- Modified and updated configurations to restrict access to sensitive data/documents.
- Access permission corrected for ARLE/GLG new users.
- Disabled Apply widget for County Liquid Fuel Programs (CPDM).
- Added BRF widget for BRF users.
- Municipal Services on County Aid Form (MS-339) County Authorized Official (AO) is updated to display as County Sponsor.
- Validation added on Retainage percentage in dotGrantsApps in Funding source for BRF users.
- Deactivate & Associate role functionality added in user maintenance module for PennDOT System Admins.
- Messages of the completed activities are retained (not removed) in dotGrants system as business requested.

Release 3.3 implemented April 29, 2020 contains the following features and fixes:

- Enhanced FFATA validation based on program office.
- FFATA description is added to SAP submission.
- SAP-8 Report revised with Additional 'Budget Period' column.
- All dotGrants subsystems configured to use the same report for data consistency and accuracy.
- Enhance IFW module to pull RFR identifier into SAP and correct Refresh from GFW process.
- IFW on canceled invoice, the money is added back to the awarded amount.
- Clean up of GFW invalid data originating from prior import.
- Implemented Custom EG Number generation logic for BRF.
- Enhanced File upload process of dotGrants to ECS (Enterprise Content Services) to handle files with special characters, plus customizable settings to control the upload process with respect to number of upload attempts, on demand run, and number of files to be processed.
- Validation added in Contract Exhibits to not initiate Adjustment when the Bundle is locked to streamline the business process.
- Fixed CCA GFW – BPT 1516 CTC Funding Source with order number issues and fund appropriation to support roll overs.
- Fixed CCA Grant Adjustment work flow to generate order number on GFW.
- Cleanup of data for CCA Invoices with orphaned Funding lines.
- Payment Voucher report is fixed to avoid Multiple Payment vouchers if 'Payment' is reworked through SAP Multiple times.
- WBS Elements formatting corrected to avoid SAP reconciliation issues.
- Added link to Delegated Admin Guide under 'Help Documents' section of dotGrants 2.0.
- Remove deprecated User Manual in System Information Menu and in Help Documents (top right corner) on welcome page
- Updated Guide label to New User Registration Guide.

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