

Survey of Agency Forum Status

Results of November 2010 Survey
of 51 Agencies

Survey Questions

- How many forums have been established in your department/agency?
- What have been the early successes of these forums? (optional question)
- What have been the major barriers to success of these forums? (optional question)

Total Forums

- All 51 agencies responded to the survey
- They reported that 619 forums have been established and another 612 are in process of being established

Forums – each agency

USDA – 21	Ex-Im Bank - 1
AFRH – 2	FCC – 1 in process
AID – 2	FEC – 1 in process
BBG – 1	FERC - 1
CFTC – 3	FMCS - 1
Commerce – 7	FTC - 1
Com on Civil Rights – 1	GSA - 3
CPSC – 1	HHS - 13
Corp for Nat/Pub Svc – 4	DHS - 44
CSOSA – 1	HUD - 13
DOD – 248 + 498 in process	Interior – 1 + 9 in process
Education – 3	ITC - 7
EEOC – 17	Justice - 7
Energy – 5	Labor - 3
EPA – 19	MSPB - 3

Forums – each agency (cont)

Nat Mediation Bd – 1

NARA – 1

NASA – 9

NCUA – 1

Nat Endowment – 1

NLRB – 3

NRC – 13

NSF – 1

NTSB – 1

OPIC – 1

OPM – 3

Peace Corps - 1

PBGC - 1

RR Bd - 1

SBA - 1

SEC - 1

SSA - 5

State - 3

DOT – 3 + 6 in process

Treasury – 11 + 3 in process

VA – 173 + 94 in process

Early Successes

Responses to this question received from 19 agencies and no responses were common to more than 3-4 agencies. Typical responses included:

- Development of joint baseline assessment and agency metrics guidance
- Improved labor management communication
- Reduction in # of formal negotiations
- Reduction in time to bargain term agreement and time spent in negotiations
- Progress toward or resolution of issues related to:
 - Agency performance management system
 - Space issues and reorganization generally
 - Telework and remote connectivity
 - Work life program
 - Employee orientation

Major Barriers

Responses to this question were received from 11 agencies and the following responses were most common:

- Lack of time and resources available
- History of relationship / trust
- Difficulty in scheduling meetings