

Report to Kansas Legislature - Legislative Budget Committee
Kansas Virtual Statehouse Project
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Update:

This report is an update from the last report to the committee on 12/1/2020. Below are the items in progress or completed.

Project Execution:

1. Most of the equipment of the WWT contract has been received and is on site. The only items not received are additional cameras for the for the committee rooms, those are expected to be received the week of 12/21/2020.
2. WWT started installing video displays on 11/24/2020. Most of the displays in the committee rooms have been installed as of this date. WWT has worked on the weekends to complete this work.
3. OITS staff started installing additional wiring on the committee rooms and data jacks in wiring closets on 12/9/2020. The additional wiring should be completed the week of 12/14/2020.
4. The additional equipment cabinet has been installed in the 548A-S wiring closet.
5. Additional WWT and Coltrane staff were on site the week of 12/7/2020 to prepare for installation of the video equipment in the wiring closets and the cameras in the rooms.
6. Camera shelves are being installed or relocated the week of 12/14/2020 by OFPM staff.
7. Staff training will start the week of 12/14/2020.

Project Risks realized, now Issues:

- Audio upgrades – The delivery of the equipment needed for the audio upgrades was delayed. This has delayed the audio upgrades by a week. Equipment installation will begin the week of 12/21/2020.

Statehouse Infrastructure Update:

1. Network Switch Upgrades: The project is 97% complete and is expected to be completed by 12/15/2020.
2. Legislative Firewall Upgrade: The Legislative firewall upgrade was scheduled the week of 12/7/2020 has been delayed to the week of 12/14/2020 due to the availability of the Cisco technician. This upgrade will provide 10GB bandwidth through the firewalls.
3. Audio System Upgrades: The audio system updates were scheduled to be completed by 12/20/2020. This work has been delayed due to equipment delivery and is now scheduled to start on 12/21/2020. WWT is working with Mission Electronics to integrate the audio systems with the video conference systems.

Critical Items to be completed:

- Complete Committee Room and Chamber systems.
- Complete Infrastructure updates.
- Test video conference systems.