

FACILITIES INFORMATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (FIMS)

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Subject: Facilities Information Management System (FIMS) Version 4.0 Release

Today, Monday, May 8, version 4.0 of the Facilities Information Management System (FIMS) has been released. This release addresses the enhancements listed below.

FIMS Front-End Software Refresh

- FIMS now offers a fresh look and feel. FIMS 4.0 offers a redesigned menu, improved search capability, reformatted data entry windows, navigation enhancements and other small changes that enhance the use of the software. A more detailed review of the new FIMS 4.0 software platform will be discussed at the upcoming FIMS/Real Estate annual training on June 6-8.
- FIMS 4.0 is now compatible with mobile devices such as iPads and tablets.

Sustainability Enhancements

- The available options for the existing **Sustainability** data element have been revised to the following options. This change is necessary to align with the new Federal Real Property Profile (FRPP) reporting requirements for FY23.
 - Yes
 - No
 - Not Yet Evaluated
 - Not Applicable
- **Sustainability** is now required for DOE owned buildings with a **Size** greater than or equal to 25,000 square feet. The field is optional for DOE Leased buildings and trailers regardless of **Size**.
- The existing **Sustainability** data has been crosswalked to the new options based on the table below.

Previous Picklist	Current Picklist
Evaluated and Meets the Guidelines	Yes
Evaluated and Does Not Meet the Guidelines	No
Not Yet Evaluated	Not Yet Evaluated
Unoccupied with Low/No Energy and Water Use	Not Applicable

New Sustainability Data Elements

- Two new Sustainability data elements have been added to FIMS.
 - **Sustainability – System Used** which represents the system used for assessing the asset. This picklist field only needs to be populated when Sustainability is equal to 'Yes', otherwise the field is disabled.
 - Options:
 - Guiding Principles
 - Third-party Certification
 - **Sustainability – Date Certified** represents the most recent calendar year (YYYY) when the building is deemed Sustainable after the completion of the assessment or reassessment. This field only needs to be populated when Sustainability is equal to 'Yes', otherwise the field is disabled.

New OSF Usage Code

The following new OSF Usage Code has been added to FIMS.

- 6781 SECURITY ACCESS GATES (Unit of Measure = Each)
 - A physical barrier and gate access control system that allows access into or out of a specific area for authorized personnel while restricting access to unauthorized personnel. A gate access control system may include the use of a keypad, radio frequency identification, intercom, telephone, or other types of access control systems. This code is used for roadway or pedestrian path.

System Documentation

- The FIMS User's Guide has been updated to reflect the enhancements included in this release. This document can be obtained from the FIMS website at <https://fims.doe.gov/fimsinfo/doc.html>.

If you have any questions related to these enhancements, please contact the FIMS Help Desk via email at fims_cais_help@hq.doe.gov or call 410-482-0111.