Strategic Management of Human Capital Workforce Planning & Deployment Summary

RISK MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services

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Workforce Planning & Deployment

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Workforce Planning & Deployment FY08 OMB/OPM Standards for Success

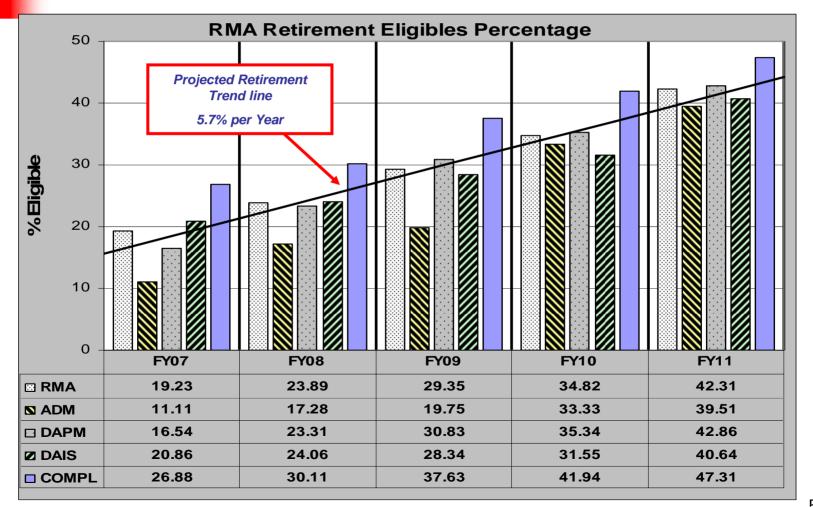
CLOSING SKILLS GAPS - MCO	LEADERSHIP SUCCESSION MANAGEMENT
GREEN CRITERIA for Closing Mission Critical Occupations Competency Gaps	GREEN CRITERIA for Ensuring Leadership Bench Strength and Closing Competency Gaps
Met targets for closing competency gaps in mission critical occupations (MCO's) (i.e., human resources management (HRM), information technology (IT), and agency-specific occupations), significantly reduced the number of vacant positions in MCO's and used appropriate E-Gov solutions within the gap closure strategy; demonstrates how gap closure supports organizational objectives.	Succession strategies, including structured leadership development programs, result in adequate leadership bench strength; agency meets its targets for closing leadership competency gaps; and agency determined that bench strength and competency gap closure support organizational objectives.
YELLOW CRITERIA for Closing Mission Critical Occupations Competency Gaps	YELLOW CRITERIA for Ensuring Leadership Bench Strength and Closing Competency Gaps
Conducted a workforce analysis to identify competency gaps in mission-critical occupations (i.e., human resources management, information technology, acquisition, and agency-specific occupations); determine current and future human resource needs, sets targets to close gaps, including targeted employee development, recruitment and retention programs; and meets key milestones.	Implemented succession management strategies, including structured leadership development programs, to assure continuity of leadership; sets targets for closing leadership competency gaps (including those addressing gaps in performance management competencies): implements gap closure strategies, and meets key milestones outlined in succession management plan.

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AGENCY / FACTOR (as of 11/06/06)	FSA		RMA		FAS				
Number of permanent Full Time Employees (PFT)	5169		467		645				
Number of other employees	288		19		209				
Average age of PFT employees (OPM = 46 GW)	47.4		48.4		45.4				
Percent of PFT employees over 50	41.6%		48.2%		33.5%				
Percent of PFT employees with 25 or more years of service (OPM says 38.1% GW)	28.9%		38.8%		25.1%				
PFT losses to hires ratio for 2004, 2005, 2006 (PFT)	FY04 326 to 366	FY05 271 to 395	FY06 296 to 511	FY04 12 to 30	FY05 18 to 43	FY06 24 to 43	FY04 40 to 54	FY05 16 to 67	FY06 44 to 41
Mission-critical occupations (updated JAN 08)	11		6		10				
Leadership Positions with Continuity Challenges (updated JAN 08)	5		3		4				
FY2008 Retirement Eligibility Projection (% and #)	36.5% (2108)		36.7% (185)		34.5% (278)				
FY 2006 Actual Retirements		5.7%	5.7%		4.4%		2.4%		

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RMA Retirement Eligibility Forecast



Deputy Administrator for Product Management (DAPM)

Mission Critical Occupations	Occupational GAP (attrition)	General Competencies are	es /Skills GAP e based off the OPM Chart. current outline.	GAP Closure Strategies
Agricultural Economist (0110)	33.3% FY03-FY07 25% FY04-FY08 ~16.7% FY07-FY11	Technical • Economics	<i>General</i> Oral/Written Communications Interpersonal Skills Problem Solving 	 Recruitment Plan to include Agriculture Colleges Provide Basic Competency Training (communications, interpersonal, self-direction, flexibility, decisiveness, etc.)
Accountant (0510)	60% FY03-FY07 40.0% FY04-FY08 40.0% FY07-FY11	 Technical Technical and professional proficiency in all areas of accounting Technical Credibility (Arithmetic) 	General Oral/Written Communications Interpersonal Skills Integrity/Honesty Problem Solving	 Recruitment Plan to include Local Colleges Provide Basic Competency Training (communications, interpersonal, self-direction, flexibility, decisiveness, etc.)
Risk Management Specialist (1101)	38% FY03-FY07 49% FY04-FY08 58.2% FY07-FY11	 Technical Technical Skills (actuarial, audit, financial, & marketing) Self Direction (self-motivated, results driven) 	General Oral/Written Communications Interpersonal Skills Integrity/Honesty Problem Solving	 Recruitment Plan to include USDA-Nationwide Insurance Companies and Ag Colleges Provide Basic Competency Training (communications, interpersonal, self-direction, flexibility, decisiveness, etc.)
IT Specialist (2210)	36.8% FY03-FY07 43.5% FY04-FY08 53.8% FY07-FY11	Technical • Technical , i.e., IT Suite • UNIX and MS • Self-Direction (self-motivated, results driven)	General Oral/Written Communications Interpersonal Skills Integrity/Honesty Decisiveness Problem Solving	 Recruitment Plan to include Devry/Tech Colleges Provide IT training, i.e, AgLearn.gov
Leadership Occupations	Occupational GAP (attrition)	Competencies /Skills GAP General Competencies are based off the OPM Chart. See page 9 for current outline.		Leadership Continuity Strategies
Supervisory, IT Specialist (2210)	50% FY03-FY07 100% FY04-FY08 100% FY07-FY11	Technical • Technical, i.e., IT Suite • Leadership Skills • HR Management • Technical Credibility	<i>General</i> Leveraging Diversity Conflict Management Public Service Motivation Oral/Written Communications 	 Recruitment Plan to include Devry/Tech Colleges Provide First/Mid Level Leadership Training
Supervisory, Risk Management (1101)	NONE FY04-FY08 ~33.3% FY07-FY11	Technical Leadership Skills Financial Management Skills HR Management Technical Credibility 	<i>General</i> Leveraging Diversity Conflict Management Public Service Motivation Oral/Written Communications 	 Provide Mid/High Level Leadership Development Program Implement Financial Management Program Sustain adequate level of specialist 'pool'

Deputy Administrator for Insurance Services (DAIS)

Mission Critical Occupations	Occupational GAP (attrition)	<i>Competencies /Skills GAP</i> General Competencies are based off the OPM 34 Chart. See page 9 for current outline.		GAP Closure Strategies
Risk Management Specialist (1101)	34.9% FY03-FY07 37.2% FY04-FY08 40.4% FY07-FY11	 Technical Technical Audit, actuarial, & financial management Self Direction Self-motivated, results driven 	<i>General</i> Problem Solving Integrity/Honesty Oral/Written Communication Interpersonal skills Technical Credibility 	 Continue incorporating findings of Workforce Planning Report (01/31/01) into Recruitment, Training and Diversity Plans.
Sr. Risk Management Specialist (1101)	57.9% FY03-FY07 60.0% FY04-FY08 68.4% FY07-FY11	 Technical Technical Actuarial, audit, & financial management, marketing Self Direction Self-motivated, results driven 	<i>General</i> Problem Solving Integrity/Honesty Oral/Written Communication Interpersonal skills 	 Continue development of specialist 'pool' Develop a feeder pool, i.e., Intern Programs
Leadership Occupations	<i>Occupational GAP (attrition)</i>	<i>Competencies /Skills GAP</i> General Competencies are based off the OPM 34 Chart. See page 9 for current outline.		Leadership Continuity Strategies
Supervisor, Insurance Management (1101)	100% FY04-FY08 100% FY07-FY11	Technical Technical Credibility Position Specific HR Management 	General Leveraging Diversity Conflict Management Public Service Motivation Oral/Written Communication Problem Solving Technical Credibility	•

Deputy Administrator for Compliance (Compl)

Mission Critical Occupations	<i>Occupational</i> <i>GAP (attrition)</i>	<i>Competencies /Skills GAP</i> General Competencies are based off the OPM 34 Chart. See page 9 for current outline.		GAP Closure Strategies	
Compliance Investigator (1801)	40% FY03-FY07 43.8% FY04-FY08 45.9% FY07-FY11	 Technical Regulatory Skills Financial Examination & Review Skills Personal Skills, i.e., communications 	General Interpersonal Skills Integrity/Honesty Oral/Written Communication Decisiveness	 Recruitment Plan includes "yellow-book" parameters Provide re-training package to include auditing skills Institutionalize 'Speed In Business' 	
Leadership Occupations	Occupational GAP (attrition)	General Competencies are b	Competencies /Skills GAP General Competencies are based off the OPM 34 Chart. See page 9 for current outline.		
Supervisory, Paralegal Specialist (0950)	100% FY03-FY07 100% FY04-FY08 0% FY07-FY11	 Technical Leadership Skills Litigation, Federal and State regulatory laws HR Management 	General Interpersonal Skills/Partnering Conflict Management Public Service Motivation Technology Management Problem Solving/Decisiveness Creativity/Innovation Integrity/Honesty Oral/Written Communication	 Assess resource pool Provide First/Mid Level Leadership Training 	
Compliance Manager (1801)	20% FY03-FY07 20% FY04-FY08 50% FY07-FY11	<i>Technical</i> Leadership Skills Political Savvy HR Management 	<i>General</i> Interpersonal Skills/Partnering Conflict Management Service Motivation Technology Management Problem Solving/Decisiveness Creativity/Innovation Integrity/Honesty Oral/Written Communication 	 Institutionalize 'Speed In Business' Sustain 'back up pool' Provide auditing skills training Provide Mid/High Level Leadership Training 	

OPM Competency Chart The Leadership Journey

Managing Self All Employees	Managing Projects Team Leader or Project Manager	Managing People Supervisor	Managing Programs Manager	Leading Organizations Executive	Managing Performance Supervisor, Manager, Executive			
Integrity/Honesty Fundamental	Team Building ECQ 2	Human Capital Management ECQ 4	Technology Management ECQ 4	External Awareness ECQ 1	Building Performance Culture			
Interpersonal Skills Fundamental	Customer Service ECQ 3	Leveraging Diversity ECQ 2	Financial Management ECQ 4	Vision ECQ 1	Differentiating Performance			
Continual Learning Fundamental	Technical Credibility ECQ 3	Conflict Management ECQ 2	Creativity / Innovation ECQ 1	Strategic Thinking ECQ 1	Facilitating Performance			
Resilience ECQ 1	Accountability ECQ 3	Public Service Motivation Fundamental	Partnering ECQ 5	Entrepreneurship ECQ 3	Goal Setting			
Oral Communication Fundamental	Decisiveness ECQ 3	Developing Others ECQ 2	Political Savvy ECQ 5		Performance Coaching and Feedback			
Written Communication Fundamental	Influencing / Negotiating ECQ 5				Understanding Performance Management Processes and Practices			
Flexibility ECQ 1								
Problem Solving ECQ 3	DEVELOPMENTAL PROGRESSION							

Executive Core Qualifications (ECQ & Fundamental) are identified as they relate to the Leadership Journey

JM 04/07 Source: OPM

RMA FCAT-M Competency Assessment FY07 Summary

RMA FCAT-M Results							
Highest Proficiency Competencies (HPC)	HPC Scores	Lowest Proficiency Competencies (LPC)	LPC Scores	Actual to Desired Competencies	GAP		
Integrity / Honesty	4.34	Financial Management	3.47	Political Savvy	-0.50		
Public Service Motivation	4.08	Technology Management	3.56	Financial Management	-0.47		
Problem Solving	4.01	Political Savvy	3.59	Conflict Management	-0.41		
Interpersonal Skills	3.97	Human Capital Management	3.61	Human Capital Management	-0.33		
Technical Credibility	3.94	Conflict Management	3.62	Entrepreneurship	-0.31		

In addition, a department-wide work group analyzed the 2007 FCAT-M results; and USDA/OHCM identified two competencies to focus on and to close the skills gaps for - Facilitating Performance and Understanding Performance Management in FY08.

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Objective for Workforce Planning

- Institutes and maintains an Agency practice of conducting workforce planning
- Timed with the Budget Cycle
- Enables the Agency to prevent skills gaps in Mission Critical Occupations
- Ensures continuity of Leadership or Leadership Bench Strength
- Related Agency Performance Measures identified in the USDA Human Capital Plan
 - Reduction of Skills Gaps of Mission Critical Occupations
 - Increase Leadership Bench Strength

• Continual collaboration between HR and Management to develop:

- Annual Recruitment and Diversity Plans
- Annual Training & Development Plans
- Leadership/MCO Succession and Retention Strategies
- Knowledge Management Initiatives
- Human Capital Management Investments