



# NextGen ERP Modernization Project

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# NextGen Agenda

## **PART 1**

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- II. About DOAS
- III. NextGen Introduction
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- IV. Data Cleansing
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# SAO

The State Accounting Office (SAO) was established in 2004 to provide enterprise business solutions. SAO is responsible for the following:

- Establishing statewide accounting and reporting standards and practices.
- Operating and improving statewide financial and human capital management systems.
- Preparing the state's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report; the annual audited financial statement for the entire state.
- Training state accounting and payroll personnel in new policies, procedures and standards.
- Improving accountability, efficiencies and internal controls.



# DOAS

The Department of Administrative Services (DOAS) is responsible for generating enterprise efficiencies and maximizing opportunities to improve enterprise administrative performance in five program areas:

- Human Resource Administration provides enterprise expertise in personnel policy and practices to help agencies attract, develop and retain a high performing workforce.
- State Purchasing negotiates statewide competitive contracts to reduce cost, offers technical assistance in conducting and assessing competitive bids, and provides efficient purchasing systems, standards, specifications, training on best practices, and compliance reviews.
- Risk Management directs the State's internal workers' compensation, liability, property, and unemployment insurance programs.
- Fleet Management provides guidance on vehicle purchases, assignment, usage, maintenance, operation, and disposal.
- Surplus Property is responsible for the identification and disposition of state and federal surplus property to state and local governments, eligible non-profits, and the public.

# What is NextGen?

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**Enterprise-wide digital transformation effort** that will change the way Georgia conducts back-office financial and human resources processes

**Modernized cloud-based ERP software solution** to replace the 20+ year old PeopleSoft TeamWorks system

**Single enterprise platform** for consistent, streamlined business processes

**Support platform** to enhance customer service between agencies and to Georgia residents

# Why do we need NextGen?



**Adaptable** to the modern workforce with access from any device



**End-user friendly** interfaces for quicker views and analysis



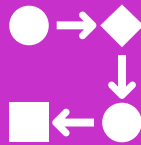
**Embedded efficiencies** to reduce data entry



**Real-time data** analytics and dashboard reporting



**Streamlined workflow** for paperless approvals and controls



**Standardized processing** of like tasks between agencies



**Engaged staff** with inherent learning & training tools



**Enhanced recruitment** with simplified onboarding

# Project Approach



## PHASE 0

### Competitive evaluation

- Evaluating vendors and services including project planning, change management, staffing and backfill
- Identify subject matter experts to participate in analysis
- Process mapping



## PHASE 1

### Supplier Selection

- Determine build requirements
- Continue process mapping



## PHASE 2

### Implementation

- Design, development, configuration, testing, training
- Create future statewide support organization



## PHASE 3

### Optimization

- Refine processes
- Deploy additional functionality if needed

Program management, change management, data governance





# Upcoming Activities

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# Upcoming Activities



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Management



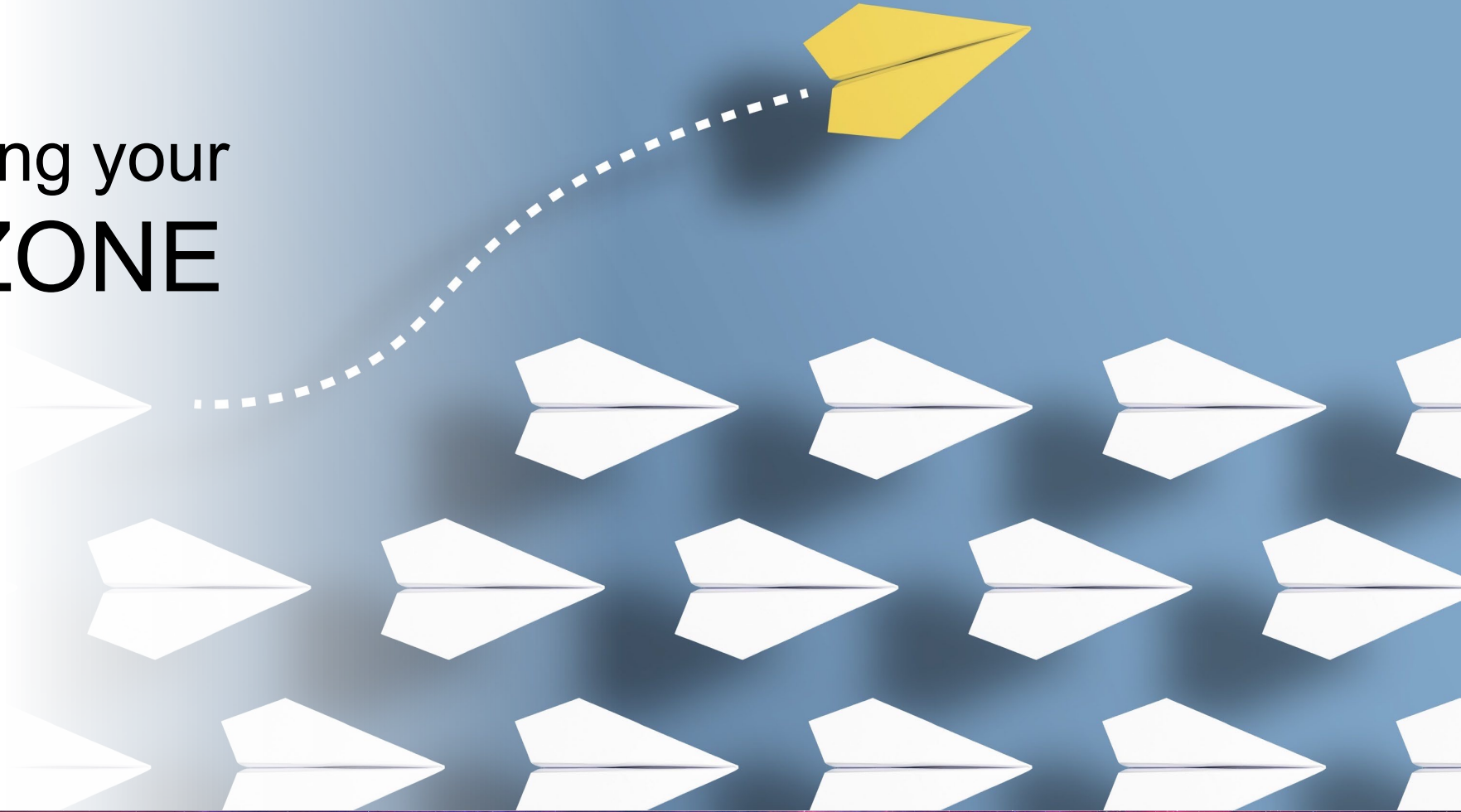
Process Mapping



Data Cleansing

# Change Management

You are now leaving your  
**COMFORT ZONE**



# Change Management

## What is it?

Change management is a systematic approach to dealing with the transition or transformation of an organization's goals, processes or **technologies**.





# Change Management

## Why do we need it?



- Prepares stakeholders for what will be different
- Ensures there is a consistent understanding of the changes
- Provides communication avenues and resources to assist affected stakeholders with managing anxiety regarding the change
- Reduces the information vacuum
- Helps ensure that changes are implemented smoothly

# Change Management

What do we need from you?

## POCs



Designated points of contact for communication

## Change Champions



Agency advocates who promote the new system and its benefits

## Patience



Building our next generation ERP will be a marathon, not a sprint



# Process Mapping

Process mapping outlines the individual steps within a process, identifying suppliers (data origination), inputs (what data), process steps (what happens to the data), outputs (what is produced from the data) and customers (who gets what was produced).

This is crucial for the NextGen project as we define what our existing processes are and what they could be in the future system.



# Process Mapping Scope

## STEP 1: Project Planning

- Develop timeline
- Identify agency-level contacts
- Schedule workshops

## STEP 2: Current State Analysis

- Process inventory
- Workshop discussions
- Review policies and procedures



# Process Mapping Scope

## STEP 3: Best Practices Analysis

- Evaluate industry standards
- Determine use and fit based on business process and desired future state

## STEP 4: Future State Definition

- Workshop sessions to define future state leveraging new standards and best practices

## STEP 5: Implementation (optional)

- Consider workshop outcomes, best practice recommendations and future state design to determine requirements for solution implementor

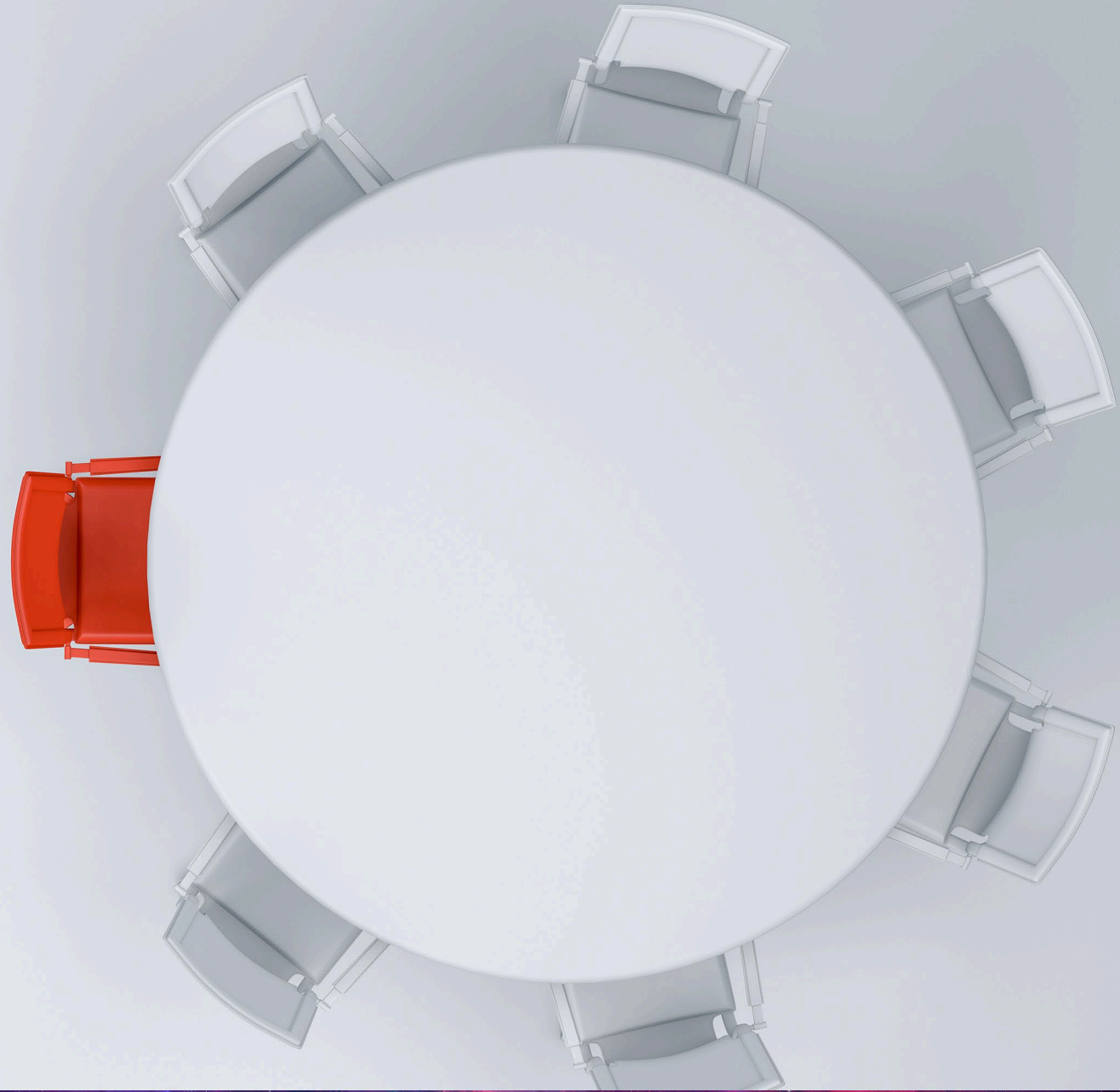
# Process Mapping Focus Areas





# Get involved

- Opportunity to have a seat at the table
- Process mapping activities ensure your agency has a voice in what the new ERP system looks like



# Data Cleansing



- Address known gaps in your data capture
- Run reports to ensure all data is input and correct
- Start communicating data challenges now
- Consider your ongoing data needs
  - Customer service
  - Records retention

# What do we need from agencies?



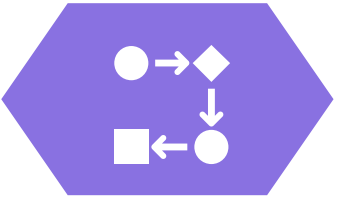
Agency heads will ID a single Point of Contact for your agency



ID subject matter experts and key personnel to be involved in the process



Discuss possible areas that may need backfill during the project



Participate in process mapping activities to ensure agency needs are met



Review and correct any data issues

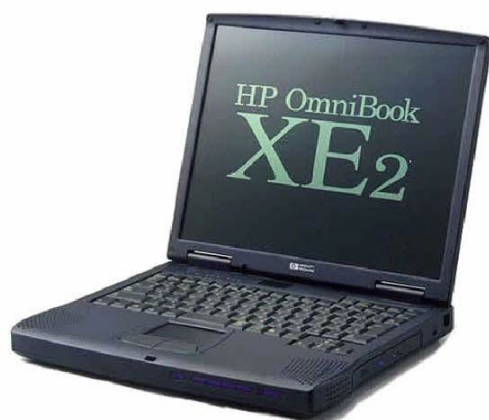


What would  
the future  
state look  
like?





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# Imagine what our future could look like

- Completing a procure-to-pay process from start to finish all electronically
- Processing an invoice and never having to print on paper
- Onboarding new employees, submitting and approving time and processing payments without ever touching a ball-point pen





# Imagine what our future could look like



2021 World Series



2021 College Football National Championship





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## **Questions about NextGen**

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