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CILP Foundations

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The Capital Investment and Leasing Program (CILP) is the annual process by which GSA identifies prospectus-level construction and R&A. During the CILP, GSA regional stakeholders propose new construction, R&A, and building purchase projects to the Central Office–based Office of Portfolio Management and Customer Engagement, which evaluates and prioritizes submissions. In order to support the funding requests, GSA submits numerous documents, including feasibility studies, housing plans, and occupancy agreements, via ePM to Congress for evaluation.

WHO USES...

• Regional Portfolio Managers
• Central Office Portfolio Managers
• Project Managers

EPM LINKS AND SUPPORT

A. LINKS

ePM Portal
HSPD-12 Clearance Information
ePM on PBS InSite

B. SUPPORT

The table below lists the ePM Regional System Administrator (RSA) for each region who are available to provide ePM assistance.

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You can also contact the ePM help desk via epmsupport@gsa.gov or (866) 367-7878. When sending an email, please include the following information:
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- User Name
- User Contact Information (email and phone number)
- Project Number/Name
- Application Area (RFIs, Meeting Minutes, etc.)
- Related Document Number/Name
- Detailed Description of Issue/Question
- Screenshot (when applicable)

EPM ACCESS REQUIREMENTS

Before using ePM for CILP, please make sure that you have the following items:

1. GSA IT Clearance
2. A completed ePM Internal Account Request Form and submit it to the ePM Regional System Administrator (RSA)
3. Regional ePM Sponsorship (RSA to coordinate after receiving ePM Internal Request Form)
4. Project/Program assignment with security category (RSA to assign Program/Project after receiving Project Access Form from PM or Manager)
   - Program Access requires the “ePM 1.3: Read All Project Data” security category
   - Project Access requires “ePM 1.3 - GSA: PM Staff” security category
5. Internet-based computer with Internet Explorer 11.0 or higher

ACCESSING EPM

1. Using Internet Explorer, go to the ePM Portal.
2. The ePM Portal opens once the user has been authenticated.
Users outside of the GSA firewall or not connected to VPN will need to complete the Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA).

3. Click on the ePM box to launch the application.
4. Select Programs to enter the Programs workspace.

5. In the Program window, click ‘Enter Program’ next to the desired Program Name. This will take you to the Program’s home page.
EPM PROGRAM WORKSPACE

The ePM Program workspace is where users are able to view information across all projects within a particular program. For example, in the Region 2 Capital program, users can view information for all capital projects in Region 2.

A. NAVIGATION

Navigation Trail

Use the Navigation Trail to efficiently move between different workspaces in ePM. Click ‘Home’ to select a different workspace and click on the current workspace link (in this case Projects) to move to another project within the program.

Navigation Buttons

These buttons provide access to frequently used functions.
**User Preferences**

Click on this icon at the top right of the screen to set ePM preferences regarding date formats, number of rows displayed in register views, and changing the ePM password.

**Help**

ePM Online Help provides a wealth of information regarding how to use every ePM feature. New users to an area of ePM, start with the ‘About <topic>’ section for a general explanation with examples.

**Log Off**

Click here to log off from ePM and return to the Login screen.

**Left Menu**

![Left Menu Screenshot]
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**Notices**
Notices are communications that are sent by ePM users to other ePM users from an ePM document. They tell a user to read or act upon the document. At the Program level, the only Notices that are displayed are Unresolved Project Level Notices that are resolved by ePM administrators.

**Applications**
Applications are external tools that increase the functionality of ePM. Analytics is a reporting application that creates robust reports at a single project, multiple project, program, multiple program and national levels.

**Portfolio**
Portfolio is where all project names in a Program can be viewed and where a user can have direct access to those projects.

**Project Reporting**
Project Reporting contains all documents that are created and updated at the project level.

| Program Home |
| Notices |
| Applications |
| Portfolio |
| - Project Reporting |
| - Resources |
| - Budget & Reporting |
| - Contract Management |
| - Daily Reports, Issues, and Logs |
| - Office Management |
| - Scheduling |
| - File Management |
| - File Management |
| Reports |
| Address Book |
| Administration |

**Resources** are not currently being utilized by the GSA.

**Budget & Reporting** contains project Funding and Transfer documents and Financial Reports.
**Contract Management** is where Contracts, Modifications, Invoices and Potential Change Orders are located.


**Office Management** is where RFIs, Design Documents, Submittals, Meeting Minutes and Correspondences are located.

**Scheduling** is where the GSA PM Schedule and GC Construction Schedules are located.

**File Management** contains Catalog Cards of information, including Initiation, Planning, CILP, Execution, Photos and Close-Out documents.

**File Management**
File Management contains links to applications and websites related to the program.

**Reports**
Reports contains external program level reports.

**Address Book**
Address Book contains all users that have access to a specific program.

**Administration**
Administration is where ePM Administrators configure the related program and projects settings.

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**B. FINDING CILP DOCUMENTS AT THE PROGRAM WORKSPACE**

When locating for project documents at the program level, the documents will be listed in a Register that will include documents from ALL projects in the Program. From the Register view, users can:

- View a summary list of all documents in that register
- Open existing documents
- Perform actions such as exporting data to pdf or Excel.
- Customize views of data to meet user and reporting needs
- Produce reports of data shown in register view
- Search documents within the register

Shown below are the functions that can be performed from the Register toolbar.
Views

Use the current register view or create a new register view

![View Options]

Views allow users to create and display Register lists of information by defining the columns of data, sorting of information and filtering.

The first image below is set to Basic, lists 1415 documents, and it has six columns of data. The second image below is set to CILP Documents FY2022. It has nine columns of data, lists two documents, and it is filtered to only display FY22 CILP Document types. There is a View for FY22 CILP Document types that can be used when the documents are loaded into ePM.

**Basic**

**FY22**

**Open As**

This functionality only applies to Design Documents, Submittals and Catalog Cards, as they are the only documents that hold files on their main pages.
When the below options are applied, clicking on the Register hyperlinks does the following:

**Document** – Opens as a document  
**Source File** – Opens as the Source File  
**Presentation File** – Opens as the Presentation File  
**Brava! – Source File** – Opens in Brava! as the Source File. When done at the Project Level, a user can markup and save their changes.  
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**Find**

Use the Find box to search documents by keywords within the register view. This only searches the displayed columns and rows.

The Find box at the upper right corner of the Register View searches the Items in the Register and their displayed columns of data.

In the example above, if the keyword “Exhibit” was entered in the box and the Find button was clicked, only Documents with the word Exhibit in one of their columns would be displayed. In this case, Exhibit 300 documents would be displayed, as well as other documents with the word exhibit and exhibits, for all projects in the current Program.

**C. OPENING CILP DOCUMENTS AT THE PROGRAM WORKSPACE**

Project-specific documents are available at the Program Level through the ‘Project Reporting’ section of the left menu.

The register displays all documents contained in the 2.1 CILP application area. At this level, documents listed in the register include documents from ALL projects in that Region.

All CILP documents will be located in the File Management section under Catalog Cards then under 2.1 CILP.

1. In the left menu, click the plus sign to expand Project Reporting.
2. Next, click to expand File Management and then expand Catalog Cards.
3. Click on 2.1 CILP.
4. Click on a document title hyperlink, document number hyperlink, or any other document field hyperlink to open a CILP document.
This opens the Catalog Card.

**Title** includes the Document Type (Catalog Card) and the user defined Title.

**Source File** is the primary location to upload a Catalog Card document.

**Current State** is the document’s workflow state or label.

**Name and Title** fields are typically the same on Catalog Cards. ePM has the ability to track Revisions using the R00, R01…R04 format.

**CILP** is a Lookup List that identified the document’s FY and CILP document type.

5. Open a file by clicking on the Source File name hyperlink. Then click Save or Open.
6. Alternatively, open a file by clicking on the Brava! Viewer button, to view files in a Brava! Window.
D. VIEWING PROJECT PROPERTIES

To view project data such as rentable square footage, parking spaces, or occupants in the program workspace:

1. Click Portfolio in the left menu and click Projects.

2. Click on the Project Name or Number to open the Project Properties window.
The Project workspace is where teams manage their projects by creating documents, collaborating and updating project information. There are two ways to access ePM projects: from the Program Workspace or the Project Workspace.

A. ACCESSING EPM PROJECTS FROM THE PROGRAM WORKSPACE

From the Program Workspace, users with project access and security can create, upload, and edit documents.

1. Once logged in to ePM, in the left menu, click the Portfolio menu. Then click ‘Projects’. A Project Register will appear within the Program.

2. Find the desired Project and click the ‘Enter Project’ hyperlink to open the project. If anywhere else is clicked, the Project Properties document will open.
B. ACCESSING EPM PROJECTS FROM THE PROJECT WORKSPACE

After logging in to ePM, users with project access and security can access projects through the Projects Workspace.

1. Click the Projects workspace in the ePM Workspaces matrix.

2. The Project Workspace Register opens with all of the Projects that the user has access to. Find the desired project and click ‘Enter Project’ in the Project Workspace column. If Project Name, Number, or anything other than Enter Project is clicked, then the Project Properties document will open.
C. NAVIGATION

In ePM information is organized into registers. In the register, users can:
- View a summary list of all documents in that register
- Open existing documents
- Create new documents
- Perform actions such as exporting data to pdf or Excel
- Customize views of data to meet a user's needs
- Produce reports of data shown in register view
- Search documents within the register

Register Tools

Shown below are the functions that can be performed from the Register Toolbar.
Create a new document using the default subtype
Create a new document by choosing a specific subtype
Change the current register view or create a new register view
Perform actions specific to each register view
Refresh the register view information
Print the current register view
Search for key words within the register information
Reset the register information to clear the last search

**Document Structure**

Every document has a toolbar, tabs, pages, and sections. Some tabs will appear in every document but some tabs are unique to a particular document. Most tabs will not appear until the document has been saved. Each document type has an attachments tab allowing users to attach external documents, links or other ePM documents to a document in ePM.

The pages of the document provide different fields for entering document data. Each page contains data that is organized in different areas.
Every document has a variety of actions that can be taken using functions available on the toolbar.

The **Edit** button changes the document from read-only mode to edit mode.

The **Exit Edit Mode** button changes the document from edit mode back to read-only mode at which time the user will be prompted to save any changes. This button is only displayed when the document is in edit mode.

The **Workflow** button will display the workflow states that the document can be transitioned to. Once the desired workflow state is selected from the drop-down menu, an Execute Workflow dialog box will appear to complete the workflow process.

Save all changes made to the document. This button is only displayed when the document is in edit mode.

The **Options** button will vary depending on the document.

The **Forward** button allows users to send the document to another ePM user without changing the workflow state. A dialog box appears to select the notice recipients.

The double down arrows expand all sections on the current page.

The double up arrows collapse all sections on the current page.

The **Print** button displays a dialog box presenting print options for the current document.

The **Refresh** button refreshes all document data; any unsaved changes will be lost. This button is only displayed when the document is not in edit mode.

The **Delete** button deletes the current document.
## D. MANUALLY CREATING CILP CATALOG CARD DOCUMENTS

1. Within the project in the left menu, click to expand the File Management section and then click Catalog Cards.

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2. Click on the arrow to the right of the ‘New’ button, and then click 2.1 CILP to open the Catalog Card window.

3. In the File/URL Information section of the Catalog Card window, click the arrow to upload the Source File/URL.

4. Enter the document’s Name.
5. The CILP field is populated through a lookup list. First click the looking glass icon, then open the appropriate Fiscal Year to display a list of CILP document types and select the appropriate entry.
6. Select the CILP Lookup value by first selecting the FY that the document applies to and then select the FY Code with the appropriate CILP document type.

![CILP Lookup Example]

Note: Selecting the correct CILP label is critical to the functionality of CILP documents. This lookup list standardizes the Fiscal Year and CILP document type to facilitate searching, gathering and packaging CILP documents.

7. Click ‘Save’. Once the document has been saved, it should look like the image below.
8. The final step is to workflow the document to the Submitted/In Review workflow state. This signifies that the region is finished drafting the document and it is ready for Portfolio to review. Select Submit in the Workflow menu.

9. Select Execute in the Submit dialog box.
10. Return to the register view or the document to complete the process of manually creating the CILP document in ePM. To do this, click either the ‘Return to Document’ or ‘Return to Register’.
E. CREATING CILP CATALOG CARDS THROUGH FILE MANAGER

Another way to create a Catalog Card in a project is through the File Manager application in PM Tools.

Important: File Manager requires Microsoft Silverlight to be installed on your computer. This software is downloaded from BigFix. Your local ePM RSA can help you install this file.

Note: The workflowing of CILP documents must be done in ePM. This functionality is not included with File Manager.

Accessing File Manager

1. From within an ePM project, click the File Manager link in the left menu to open the tool in a new window. Alternatively, you can access File Manager from the ePM Portal by clicking File Management Tool.

2. A new window, returning you to the ePM Portal will open. In the Portal, select File Management Tool.
3. In the new window, projects can be added to the sidebar by selecting the ‘Add’.

4. Locate a project. There are two ways to do this:
   - Page Feature:
     - If using page feature, drag the scroll bar up or down to find the project.
Select project by clicking in the selection box on the left hand side of the window
Click the blue button this will add the project to the project list.

- **Search Feature:**
  - Click on the Search icon on any field in the right corner to Search function.
  - Fill out the criteria to search for.
- Select project by clicking in the row
- Click the selection button. This adds the project to the project navigation list. Open the project by clicking on the project name.

5. Once the project opens, expand the project document menu by clicking the plus sign next to the project name.
Creating File Manager Folders

Next, you can create a folder to store all of the CILP documents.

1. Select the CILP 2.1 Folder

2. Select the Add Folder icon on the right hand side of the 2.1 CILP folder
3. Type in “FY22 CILP” in the Create Folder window and click ‘Create’.

Adding Files

Now you can begin uploading documents.

Note: Workfloeing CILP documents must be done in ePM. This functionality is not available in File Manager. To workflow the document or assign the appropriate CILP document type, click ‘Open in ePM’, which opens the Catalog Card.

1. Select the 2.1 CILP folder.
2. Click ‘Add’ in the document folders toolbar.
3. On your computer, find the file to be uploaded. Select the file and drag into the File Manager window on the right side of the screen. Select ‘Open’ to add the file.

4. Next select the Fiscal Year for the CILP document from the Fiscal Year column. The selection will be made from a pull down menu.
Deleting Documents in File Manager

1. Select document(s) by placing a checkmark in document row.

2. Click the Delete icon in the document toolbar to delete the document.

3. Click ‘OK’.

4. The document is workflowed to the Void state and moved into the recycle bin.

5. Click Yes in the Delete Documents confirmation window.

Note: It is necessary to have appropriate security permissions to delete documents. If delete rights are not assigned, then files cannot be deleted from the Recycle Bin. In this case, contact the ePM Regional System Administrator for assistance. Users cannot delete any documents that are part of a package unless they are deleted from the package first.
**F. REVIEWING AND FINALIZING CILP FILES IN EPM FOR CENTRAL OFFICE PORTFOLIO**

To edit and workflow CILP documents to the ‘Final’ state in ePM, a user must have project-level access. To request project level access to a list of CILP projects, find and coordinate with the appropriate ePM RSA.

1. Once logged in to ePM, navigate to a project.

2. Using the left menu, navigate to the 2.1 CILP folder.

3. Using the View dropdown list from within the 2.1 CILP register, select the CILP Documents FY2022 document view or a view more compatible with locating the correct document. If a CILP view is not visible, select ‘Manage Views’ from the dropdown list.
4. Select the view of choice and then click ‘Apply’.

5. The 2.1 CILP register view should now have a CILP column which identifies the CILP year and document type. Click on any field of a document to open it and view the source file.
6. To view the file either click the file name or use the download button as shown.

7. If the file has been revised, click ‘Attach new…’ as shown below to override the previous version.

8. Workflow the CILP document to the ‘Final’ state by selecting Workflow and choosing Set to Revised by CO. The resulting document state will be ‘Final’.
The document has now been workflowed to the Final state.

REFERENCES

Reference the following ePM Quick Reference Guides (QRGs) for additional information. QRGs can be accessed through the ePM Portal.

- QRG 001 - Navigating ePM
- QRG 104 - File Manager