# **IMF Budget Review**

#### Judicial Council Information Technology Office Telecommunications Program

Prepared for the Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee Revenue and Expenditures Subcommittee

February 4, 2016







# Agenda

- Review of Open Items
- Findings and Recommendations
- Q&A



# **Items for Review**

- Recap: addressing the budget shortfall
- Lease vs. finance
- One-time, periodic or ongoing?
- Revised budgeting scenarios
- Procurement options post-CALNET 2



# Addressing the Budget Shortfall

- Working from a needs-based approach, our estimated need for FY 16-17 was approximately \$35M
- CALNET 3 introduced new service-based options, which give us the ability to migrate to a managed firewall solution that reduces the estimated FY 16-17 need to approximately \$28.8M
- A lease/finance approach was proposed to address the remaining shortfall.



#### Lease vs. Finance

- Conclusion: Finance
  - Briefing provided by the California Department of General Services (DGS) that reviewed both options.
  - DGS can arrange either option, but their advice is that a lease generally costs more.
- Considerations
  - This would be a secured loan. The equipment being purchased serves as the collateral
  - We need to be cognizant of unencumbered obligations.
  - Payment issues impact the state's bond rating





#### **Decision Factors**

Factor	Lease	Finance
1. How long will we keep the asset?	Shorter Term	Longer Term
2. Is there a chance that we want to own the equipment after the lease term?	No	Yes
3. What is more important from a technology perspective?	Latest Technology	Established/ Stable Technology
4. What is more important from a financial perspective?	Lower Payments	Lower Overall Cost
5. Will the asset still have tangible value when it is replaced?	Yes	No
6. Is the equipment usually replaced in a timely manner?	Yes	No
7. Is a thorough financial understanding critical? (level of complication/possibility for misunderstanding or mistakes)	More Complicated	Less Complicated
8. Is legal review a factor? (difficulty to properly evaluate)	More Difficult	Less Difficult





#### **Finance Process**

- Facilitated by the Department of General Service's GS \$mart program
- No fees from DGS. We pay only interest and bond counsel.
- DGS screens lenders to determine which will provide the best deal.
- We need to adhere to the established purchase schedule. Courts will lose the flexibility to defer implementations.



# **One-time, Periodic or Ongoing?**

- Conclusion: Periodic
- Basis:
  - Provides the flattest budget with the least amount of finance charges.
  - We still anticipate fluctuations from year to year, even with efforts to shift expenses out of peak years.
  - Financing provides no benefit in off-peak years



# **Scenarios Considered**

- Three scenarios were modeled in this review:
  - Scenario 1: assumes full funding of program obligations
  - Scenario 2: assumes reduced funding based on current budget limitations, and addresses the shortfall through the deferral of hardware replacement
  - Scenario 3: assumes reduced funding based on current budget limitations, and addresses the shortfall through financing.



# **Option Comparison\***

Scenario 1: Original obligation without leveling or financing

	TECHNOLOGY REFRESH FIVE YEAR BUDGET FORECAST					Program
Option	FY 15-16 (TR9)	FY 16-17 (TR10)	FY 17-18 (TR11)	FY 18-19 (TR12)	FY 19-20 (TR13)	Totals
1	\$16,099,422	\$28,774,039	\$11,375,749	\$9,773,660	\$15,835,226	\$81,858,096

Scenario 2: Reduction from base need; defer 370 network switches 1 year past EOS

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Option	FY 15-16 (TR9)	FY 16-17 (TR10)	FY 17-18 (TR11)	FY 18-19 (TR12)	FY 19-20 (TR13)	Totals
2	\$16,099,422	\$22,500,000	\$17,649,788	\$9,773,660	\$15,835,226	\$81,858,096

Scenario 3: Reduction from base need with shortfall financed for 3 years @ 3% APR

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3	\$16,099,422	\$22,500,000	\$14,817,727	\$13,215,638	\$15,835,226	\$82,468,013

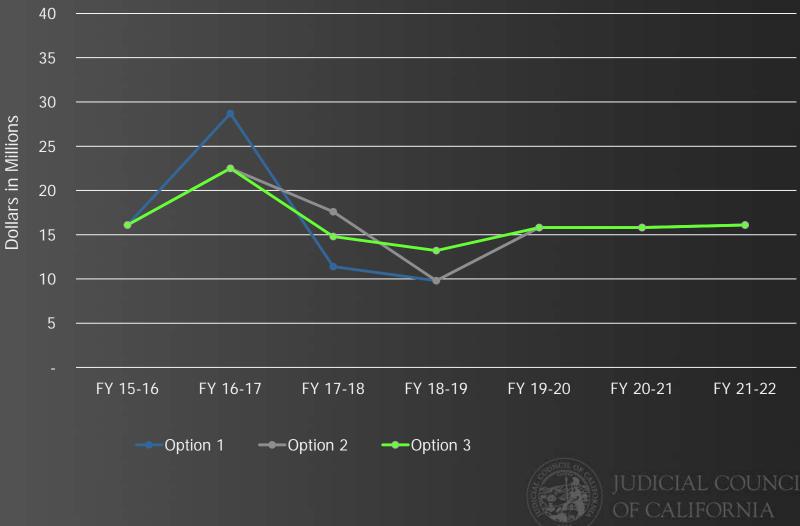


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#### **Comparison Chart**



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#### Conclusion

- Scenario 3 provides the most effective balance between the need to level the budget, while keeping the finance charges at a reasonable level.
  - Resolves the funding shortfall that is inherent with option 1
  - Avoids the need to defer hardware replacement
  - Least risk of impact to the court's daily operations



### **Procurement Vehicles**

- CALNET 3
  - Currently in effect, but does not provide the full range of products and services that have previously been procured through CALNET 2
- CALNET 2
  - Expired but subsequently extended through January 2016
  - The California Department of Technology recently announced that it is working with AT&T and Verizon to extend the CALNET 2 agreements for two additional years



### **CITMF Review**

#### Consensus on:

- Flexibility on the procurement model so long as court needs are met, and that it doesn't lock us into the same replacement cycle with the attendant budget peaks and valleys.
- The need to ensure that whichever option is selected provides a long term solution, vs. for several years until we have to face the problem again.
- The need to focus on stable ongoing funding now vs. down the road, and ensuring that the funding approach complies with the Judicial Branch Technology Governance and Funding Model.

#### **California Judicial Branch Strategic Plan for Technology:** "Stable, long-term funding must be secured to support infrastructure maintenance, replacement, and improvement."

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#### **Questions and Answers**



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