ROSS Version 2.16.12 Release Notes

This is a synopsis of the new and corrected functionality included in ROSS version 2.16.12. The primary objective for this release is to improve the usability and efficiency of the Resource Clearinghouse by integrating it into ROSS, provide high-value improvements for ROSS users, and correct various defects.

Installation

Users will need to uninstall the 2.16.11 client and download and install the 2.16.12 client after the deployment.

New or Changed Functionality

• The Resource Clearinghouse web application has been replaced by integrating the screens and functionality into the ROSS client application. The new ROSS screens also include improvements to simplify the work of the Clearinghouse data stewards.
• Resources can now be released from the Resource Status and Request Status screens.
• The Request Status screen now includes a Convert to Buying Team option, and a Buying Team Request Only filter.
• Back and Forward buttons have been added to the toolbar in ROSS to allow quick navigation within the screens that are currently open in a ROSS session.
• The View Incident screen now includes all the same information as the Incident screen.
• The View Organization Usage screen has been updated to include references that have been added to the system since the screen was originally created.
• When assigning an unassigned, contracted resource from the Available tab of the Pending Request screen or the Quick Fill screen, the contract is now captured on the request record.
• VIPR Dispatch Priority Lists in ROSS are now automatically deleted by the system when no longer needed.
• The Manage My Contacts item has been added to the File menu in ROSS to allow users to update their own contacts.
• The following standard reports can now be launched from the following screens, with the filters from each screen automatically applied to the filter prompts:
  o Launch from Incident Resources
    • RTR-001 Mobilization and Demobilization Travel Report
  o Launch from Resource Status Screen
    • RST-004 Resource Status Detail by Qualification
    • RST-001 Resource Status Summary by Dispatch Center
  o Launch from User Accounts Screen
    • UDT-001 User Account Report
  o Launch from Travel Screen
    • RTR-001 Mobilization and Demobilization Travel Report
  o Print button on Resource Status Screen
    • RST-501 Resource Status Change History
• The Mobilization and Demobilization Travel standard report can now be launched from the Incident Resources and Travel screens, with the filters from those screens automatically applied to the report.
• Documentation for actions taken on a user account, such as adding and removing roles, is now displayed in a new tab on the User Accounts screen.
• Incidents received from IRWIN, and that have not been added to ROSS, are no longer displayed on the Incident List screen after 14 days of inactivity.
• Vendors received from VIPR may now have their managing affiliation updated in ROSS on the Organization screen, to allow them to be transferred to another dispatch center.
• A confirmation has been added when cancelling or deleting an assignment roster in ROSS.
• When reassigning a VIPR resource to a request for an alias catalog item, the resource is assigned as the requested item of the request to which it is currently assigned.

Reports Changes
• All standard reports that can be run interactively by users now have a Report Code. Documentation to explain the Report Code system can be found in the “Help” section of the ROSS Reports Portal page.
• AR Current now allows querying for specific IDs.
• The Print button reports from the View Usage screens for Airport, Catalog, Organization and Resource Item were updated to include references that were missing.
• The Print button Buying Team report is now also a standard report, accessible from the Expanded Dispatch portlet.
• The Contracting Officer reports have been improved. Search by Vendor Name is now allowed, as well as new report layout options, and columns for Provider and Qualification Status.
• The Historical Documentation standard report has been added to show system and user generated documentation for incidents, requests, resources or users.
• The ROSS Activity Duration calculation in ROSS-AR has been fixed to show the appropriate value in cases where the ROSS Activity End Date value is null.
• To improve usability of the Resource Item Detail reports, the prompt page has been modified so that the resources listed in the Catalog Resource section of the prompt page will update based on the selection(s) made in the Dispatch section.
• The filter for Provider Agency and Provider has been corrected in WS-RST-001 Resource Status.
• The RCO-002 Resource DPLs standard report has been updated to allow searching for resources on DPLs at multiple dispatches.
• Changes were made to the reports RAS-502 Contract and AD Resource Assignment History and RST-501 Contract and AD Resource Status on Date to improve usability and performance.
  o An option to run in ‘detail only’ mode was added to support generating the report in Excel format.
  o A fix was made to exclude removed contracts from the “Contracts in Effect during Reporting Period” section of the report.
  o Updates to report queries were made, resulting in improved performance.
• A new standard report, UDT-001 User Accounts, has been added to provide information on user accounts that are set up in ROSS.
• The RTR-001 Mobilization and Demobilization Travel report was modified to include the option of displaying the first leg of a travel itinerary for mobilization and demobilization. Previously, only the last leg of travel was displayed.

Defects Fixed in this Version
• A prepositioned group that is on a non-preposition assignment, but without one or more of the prepositioned subordinates, is now allowed to be reassigned to another non-preposition incident.
• A bug has been corrected that prevented reassignment of a group, if one or more of the subordinate non-Overhead requests had been edited to change the requested item. This same bug also resulted in incorrect system documentation for a Fill with Override for subordinate Overhead requests that were edited to change the requested item.
• An error on the server when updating the coordinates for an incident has been corrected.
• The filling chain has been corrected for subordinates created from ICBS filling an NFES group request.
• Merging resources is no longer allowed if the surviving resource has an Owning organization that has been removed.
• Vendors are no longer displayed when selecting the Benefitting Organization for an incident.
• Email for ROSS Authorization is no longer sent when Web Status access is granted from the User Accounts screen.
• On the Fill with Agreement screen the monetary fields now accept numeric values only, allowing them to be totaled in reports.
• Employment Class has been added as a required field to the Fill with New screen, when filling an Overhead request.
• Incident Management Team users no longer have access to the Disconnect Subordinate option on the Request Status screen.
• VIPR Resource Locations will no longer prevent a dispatch organization from being removed and deleted.
• Searching for resources on the Roster screen has been corrected when searching for names with more than 30 characters.
• An error on the server when deleting a user from a dispatch center has been corrected.
• A resource that has been removed is no longer allowed to be transferred to another dispatch center.
• A bug on the Search Contract screen that caused contract numbers to be updated when searching has been corrected.
• A misspelling in the system documentation when a non-local release or cancel release is performed has been corrected.
• A bug in the VIPR/ROSS interface has been corrected that caused unranked resources to be restored from the Removed bin, which then prevented a ROSS user from converting it to a ROSS resource.
• A bug has been corrected that caused travel overlap errors after reassignment of a resource that was mobilizing to a preposition incident, to a subordinate on a non-preposition incident.
• A bug that prevented update of status in Web Status has been corrected.
• A bug on the Roster screen that caused resource names or unit IDs to be updated when searching has been corrected.

Additional Changes
• Time zone offset data was populated only through spring of 2019. Data has been added to keep ROSS functioning until it is decommissioned.