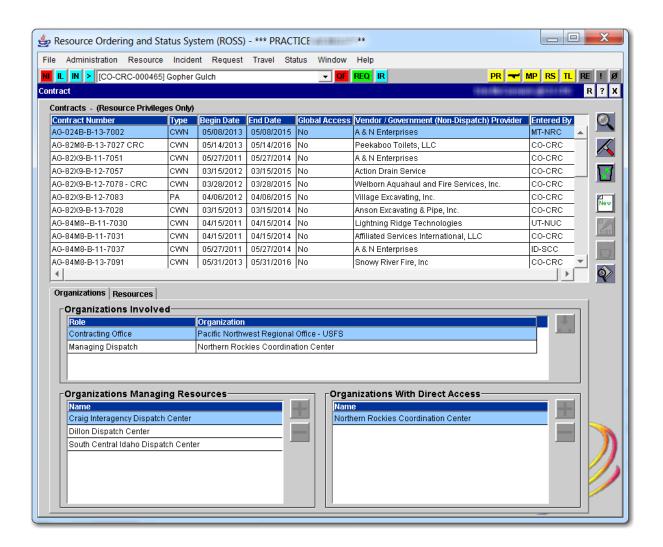
# **ROSS Module Summary**

#### **Contract**



## Description

The Contract module is used by the Data Manager at the parent organization or at each dispatch center to enter and maintain the contracts or agreements with vendors and their resources or services. Contracts and agreements are most efficiently managed at the parent organization, which then grants access to the offices that host the resources. Local offices, in turn, would enter their resource items and attach them to the agreement. This allows for better management of the contract while not taking away the management of the resources, which are still maintained at the local level.

For example, the GACC/parent would enter a regional agreement and grant access to the offices that host the resources. Those offices would then attach those resources to that agreement.

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The Contract module may also be used to record information about agreements between government organizations. For example, a cooperative fire protection agreement could be entered and tied to the resources that are dispatched through the agreement.

The Contract module stores information about a dispatch center's contracts or agreements with vendors. Prior to entering a contract, the vendor must be created via the Organization module. A dispatch center may link their contract to a vendor that was created by another dispatch center. Thus, a given vendor is entered only once in ROSS but may have more than one contract. In addition, several offices may have access to the same contract but host different resources.

A vendor's resources or services must be entered and classified in the Resource Item module before they may be added to the Contract screen. A resource's owner must be set to the vendor organization in order to link the resource to the vendor's contract. Call-When-Needed resources and purchase agreement services are displayed under the Contracts/Agreements tab in the Pending Request module. Exclusive use contract items are displayed on the Available tab in Pending Request.

More than one dispatch center may manage resource items on a single contract. In this case, one office, preferably at the highest level, will create the contract and add the other centers as resource managers. Each center may add, edit and manage <u>only</u> their resources. Alternatively, more than one dispatch center may have authority to dispatch resources on a given CWN contract. In such situations, one dispatch center will create the contract and assign direct access to the other offices. Centers given direct access will be able to view and assign the contract resources from the Contacts/Agreements tab in the Pending Request module. The global access column indicates if <u>any</u> dispatch center is permitted to assign resource items on a given contract, such as an OAS contract.

This module is related to the Organization, Resource Item, User Accounts, and Pending Request modules.



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## **Data Information**

Data Element	Data Definition
Contracts	Information about contracts or agreements. Items include contract number, type, inclusive dates, global access indicator, vendor or other government provider, and entering dispatch center.
Contract Number	The Contract Number assigned by the Contracting Officer. Can be found on the actual Contract. <i>Required field</i> .
Contract Type	Contract or agreement category. Choices are Agreement (AGR), Call When Needed (CWN), Exclusive Use (EXU) and Purchase Agreement (PA). Emergency Equipment Rental Agreements (EERAs) are included in the CWN category. Resources for CWN and EXU contracts may include service and/or non-service items. PA items must be services. <i>Required field</i> .
Begin Date	The beginning date of the Contract.
End Date	The ending date of the Contract.
Vendor Government (Non- Dispatch) Provider	The name of the Vendor providing the resource. Required field.
Global Access	Indicates whether or not <u>all</u> dispatch centers have access to contract items. Default is No.
Entered By	The dispatch center that manages the contract. This office may allow other centers access to the contract or its resources.  Defaults to office creating the contract.
Organizations tab	The 'Contracting Office' and 'Managing Dispatch' organizations involved. When creating a contract, these entries default to the Dispatch Center where the contract is entered. Change the Contracting Office to reflect the Government (Non-Dispatch) organization of the contracting officer who signed the contract.
Resources tab	The resource items and/or services that may be ordered under the contract. These must first be entered and classified in the Resource Item module. Applies only to CWN, AGR and EXU contracts.