

Indian Affairs: Integrating Our Environmental Management System

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Bureau of Indian Affairs

Mission Statement

"... enhance the quality of life, to promote economic opportunity, and to carry out the responsibility to protect and improve the trust assets of American Indians, Indian tribes, and Alaska Natives."

Bureau of Indian Education

Mission Statement

"... provide quality education opportunities from early childhood through life in accordance with the tribes' needs to cultural and economic well being. . . The Bureau considers the whole person (spiritual, mental, physical and cultural aspects.)"



Bureau of Indian Affairs

12 BIA Regions

76 Agencies
8 Field Offices



BIA Central Office

- Indian Land Consolidation
- Indian Services
- Justice Services
 - 52 law enforcement/ detention facilities
- Trust Services

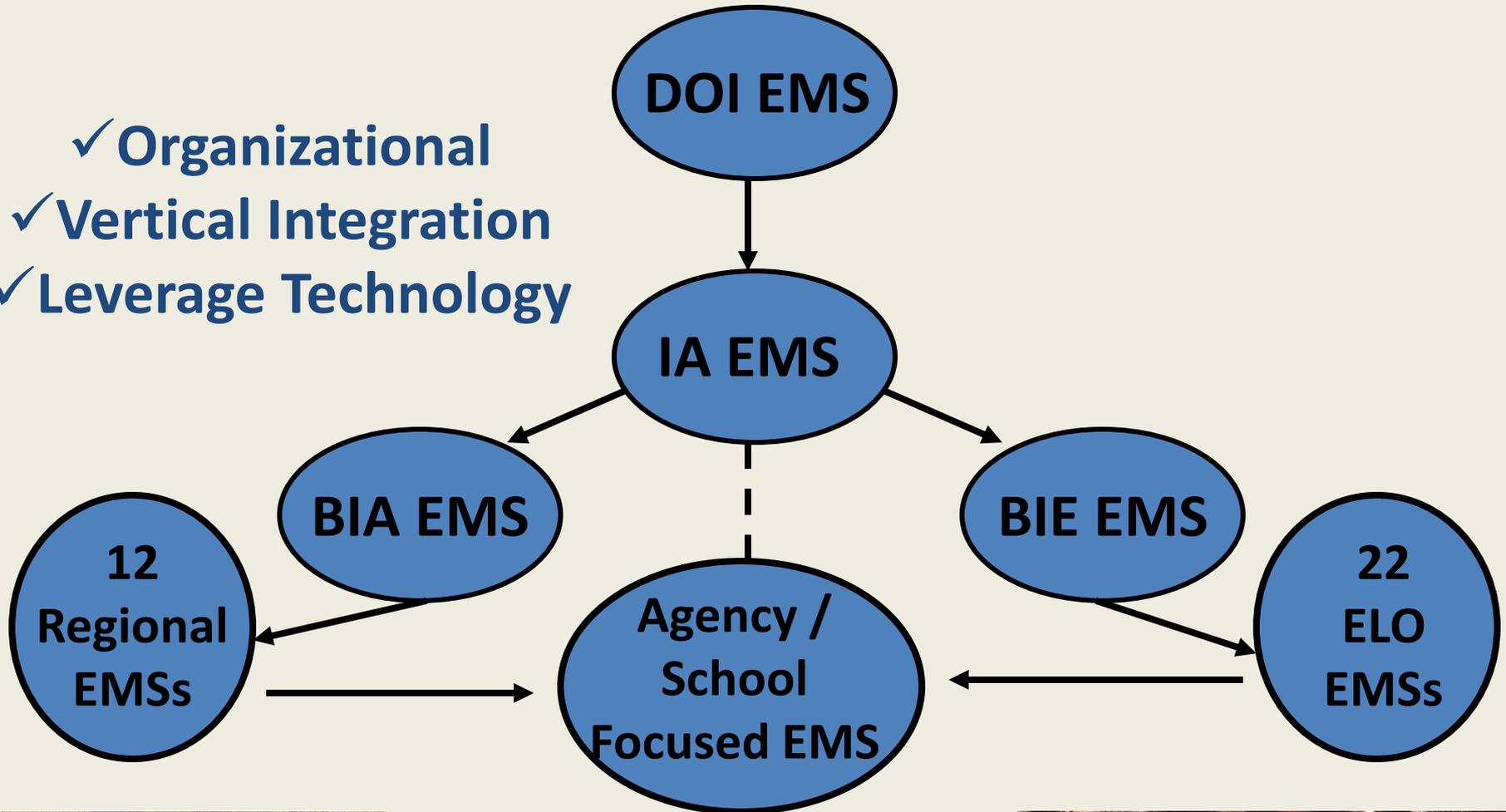
Bureau of Indian Education

- **2 Universities**
- **22 Education Line Offices**
 - **174 Schools**
 - **11 Dormitories**



How We Are Implementing EMS

- ✓ Organizational
- ✓ Vertical Integration
- ✓ Leverage Technology



Comprehensive EMAP Audit Program

- Air pollution
- Emergency Planning and Reporting
- Energy and Water Conservation
- Environmental Management Systems
- Green Procurement
- Hazardous Waste Management
- Pesticide Management
- Solid Waste Management
- Miscellaneous Maintenance Waste
- Storage Tank Management
- Toxic Substances Management
- Water Pollution
- Water Quality
- Oil Pollution
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions



Integrate EMAP & EMS

- Automate the EMAP reporting process / real-time feedback
- Force “root cause” analysis linked to ISO 14001 standard elements
- Provide technical assistance for corrective actions and process improvements
- Implement, monitor, assess
- Standard 3-year cycle for EMAP and EMS external audits



Challenges

- EMS = Everybody's Management System
- Consistency among Bureaus
- Make it personal
- Move from a “manual” to a “value added process”
- Keep EMS alive



In Summary . . . Indian Affairs EMS

- ✓ **Align with DOI EMS, while supporting IA's mission and stakeholders**
- ✓ **Implement a streamlined EMS with limited resources**
- ✓ **Make the EMS understandable and “actionable” for end users at facility level – e.g., agencies, tribal schools**
- ✓ **Leverage technology - DOI SharePoint Portal and commercially available tools**

