



Mr. Michael Howell
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On December 6, 2010, Mr. Michael Howell became the Deputy Program Manager of the Office of the Program Manager for the Information Sharing Environment (PM-ISE). The Program Manager has government-wide authority to plan, oversee the build-out, and manage use of the ISE to implement the President's terrorism-related information sharing priorities. Mr.

Howell's work focuses on assisting the Program Manager in the development of policies, procedures, guidelines, rules and standards to foster the development and proper operation of the ISE while assisting, monitoring, and assessing implementation of the ISE by departments and agencies.

Prior to joining PM-ISE, Mr. Howell served as the Deputy Administrator for Electronic Government and Information Technology at the Office of Management and Budget. In that role, he was responsible for overseeing information technology (IT) policy, management, and budget for the Federal government's \$80 billion a year IT investment portfolio. He supported the 2008 Presidential transition and the implementation of management reforms and new initiatives to improve IT investment management and the efficiency and effectiveness of Federal IT, open the government by enhancing transparency and citizen engagement, and improve cybersecurity.

Mr. Howell was the Chief Information Officer (CIO) for the Department of the Interior from May 2007 to September 2008 providing leadership to the Department and its bureaus in all areas of information management and technology. Mr. Howell served as the Chief Information Officer for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service from 2004 to 2007. Previously, he was the Portfolio Management Division Chief in Interior's CIO's Office, where he was responsible for overseeing management of the Department's \$900 million a year IT portfolio. He served two years as the acting CIO and deputy CIO for the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and five years in BLM's headquarters budget office.

Mr. Howell spent four years in BLM's Oregon State Office as a branch chief, responsible for software development, Geographic Information Systems, and data and records management programs. Mr. Howell spent seven years in BLM's Eugene District on forest inventory, land use planning, and environmental analysis. He worked five years in a variety of forest management jobs in the Medford District in southwest Oregon. His career began in 1978 with the U.S. Forest Service in the Coeur d'Alene National Forest in Idaho and the Olympic National Forest in Washington.

A native of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, Mr. Howell graduated in 1977 from Pennsylvania State University with a bachelor of science degree in Forest Science with a minor in Wildlife Management. In 2005, he completed the Chief Information Officer certification program at the National Defense University IRM College and in 2008 he obtained the Certified Information System Security Professional certificate.