



This client uses the Washington Allotment Accounting System (WAAS) to perform general ledger accounting for itself and other Department of Defense organizations. WAAS is a legacy, transaction-driven accounting system. It has become a liability due to its use of nomad language, poor data reliability and heavy reliance on manual processing. Side effects include poor reliability and heavy reliance on manual processing. At one point, the Internet was even turned off in one area of the Pentagon: Redundancies and lack of information led to bills not being paid on time.

Data Blueprint reviewed WAAS' existing data architecture and systems interactions from both a technical and a business process perspective. During this process, technical information regarding the WAAS database architecture, the volume of data that is maintained within the systems and the interactions that provide data or receive data from WAAS was captured. Areas of concern relating to data quality, data entry and reporting were quickly identified and quantified.

Upon completion of this project, our client understood that data management was paramount to system modernization. The agency utilized Data Blueprint's assessment results to create a plan of action, which, in turn, positively impacts operations at the Pentagon.

Data Blueprint is a data management consulting firm that puts organizations on the right path to leverage data for competitive advantage and operational efficiency. We unlock business value. It is our belief that strong data management capabilities are the key to sustained long-term value creation. Our unique approach leverages core competencies in both foundational and technical data management practices. We help clients leverage data as a strategic investment and become data-driven.

