

SAM – INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(California Department of Technology)

PURPOSE

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Strategic planning is essential to the successful adoption of information technology in state government. An agency information management strategy provides a means of coordinating systems development throughout the agency over the long term. It enables the agency to build systems within a common infrastructure and recognizes that no investment in systems should be made without proper planning. Inherent in the concept of information strategy is the commitment to develop business systems that are based on the real business priorities of the agency.

The purposes of the planning requirements in this section are to ensure that:

1. Agency plans for and uses of information technology are closely aligned with agency business strategies;
2. Each agency identifies opportunities to improve program operations through strategic uses of information technology; and
3. Each agency establishes and maintains an information technology infrastructure that supports the accomplishment of agency business strategies, is responsive to agency information requirements, and provides a coherent architecture for agency information systems.