

Partnership Advisory Group

PAG News

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The State of California finally has a budget!

It took nine months to pass a budget but the State Legislature finally did it on October 8. There is plenty of hurt to go around. Lots of cuts to services and yet no new taxes.

The good news is that vendors who do business with the State of California will finally be paid. It has been a tremendous hardship on those businesses, large and small. The State Controller's Office (SCO) is poised to start making those long awaited payments.

Special thanks go to our travel partners who "carried" the State during the prolonged budget impasse and we are forever grateful! Because of their efforts government travel continued allowing important delivery of services to the citizens of California!

Now it is time to get back to "normal" and work on new and innovative ways to better manage government travel.

As you know, the election is November 2 and the State of California will see a new Governor take office in January. The Statewide Travel and Meeting Management Program (STAMMP) has made huge strides in just two years and our reputation and outstanding customer service will continue into the new Administration.

Our next scheduled PAG meeting is Tuesday, December 7!

Greg

Brief Updates

- New DGS website launched! Take a moment to visit www.dgs.ca.gov/travel
- A [Transcript](#) of the Cliqbook Demonstration Video is available to assist with accessibility for persons with hearing impairments. Go to www.dgs.ca.gov/travel and click on "Resources," then click on the "Training" tab.

Newest Participants to the Statewide Travel Program

- County of Santa Clara
- Del Norte County of Education
- Orange County Sanitation District
- Sanger Unified School District