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Agenda Item 6: Infrastructure Assets

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Project management: Stocktake

Road Map – progress to date and future meeting plans

Board Decisions – previous decisions taken and key future issues

Board Instructions – satisfied with actions taken?

Other Issues?

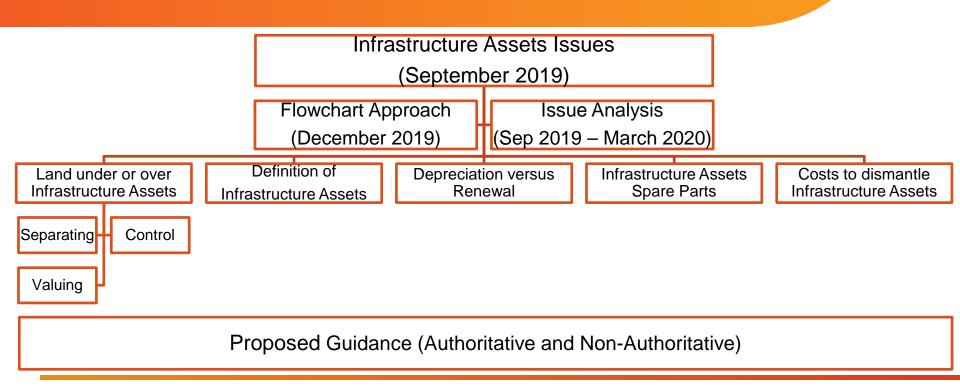


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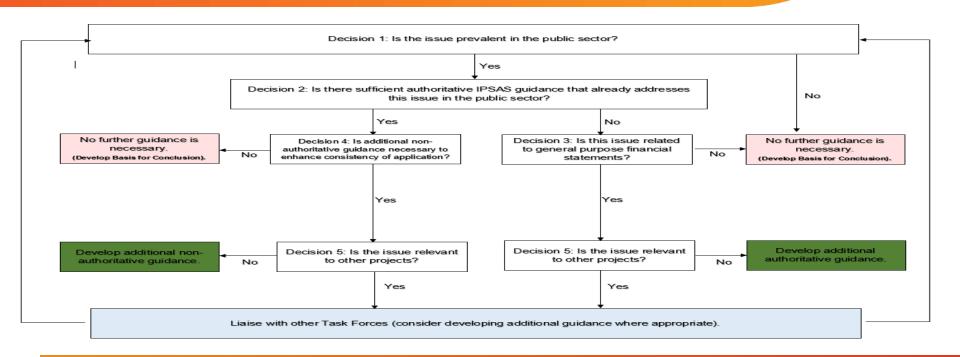


Project Overview (Introduction) (1/2)





IPSASB Approved Flowchart (Introduction) (2/2)





Revised Guidance for Land under or over Infrastructure Assets (Agenda Item 6.2.1) (1/7)

ControlBeneficial
Ownership

Separating
Nonauthoritative
guidance

Sep to Dec 2019 Staff Analysis

Staff Analysis of Land and Infrastructure Assets

Valuing
Authoritative
guidance

Dec 2019

IPSASB Approved Staff Analysis <u>Control</u>

Authoritative guidance

Separating

Articulate separate disclosure

Dec 2019

IPSASB
Instruction to
revise Guidance &
IPSASB Issues
Submission List

<u>Valuing</u> Valuation Approach



Separating, Control and Valuing Land under Infrastructure Assets (Agenda Item 6.2.1) (2/7)

Separating Land under or over Infrastructure Assets

Staff Analysis	 IPSAS 17.88 states disclose each <u>class</u> of PPE. IPSAS 17.52 provides examples of <u>classes</u> of PPE.
Staff	 IPSAS 17 states <u>separately disclose land and general PPE.</u>
Recommendation	 Develop <u>non-authoritative guidance</u> states <u>separately disclose land</u>

Proposed Guidance comprise of:

- Implementation Guidance and Basis for Conclusions.
- IG5-6 states <u>land and infrastructure assets should be separately accounted for.</u>
- IG7 states <u>land and infrastructure assets should be separately disclosed.</u>

and infrastructure assets.

Refer to Appendix 6.2.1A (Pages 4-5 of Agenda Item 6.2.1).



Separating, Control and Valuing Land under Infrastructure Assets (Agenda Item 6.2.1) (3/7)

- 1. <u>Does the IPSASB agree with the additional guidance</u> recommended by staff for **Separating** land under or over infrastructure assets?
- 2. Refer to IG5-IG7 and BC15 BC17 in Appendix 6.2.1A (Pages 4-5 of Agenda Item 6.2.1).



Separating, Control and Valuing Land under Infrastructure Assets (Agenda Item 6.2.1) (4/7)

Control of Land under or over Infrastructure Assets

Staff Analysis	•	IPSAS 17.14 states recognize PPE when probable future economic benefits and cost measured reliably.
Staff Recommendation	•	IPSAS 17 <u>does not provide control guidance</u> . Develop <u>authoritative application guidance</u> on <u>control of asset</u> . Develop <u>non-authoritative guidance</u> on <u>beneficial ownership</u> .

Proposed Guidance comprise of:

- Application Guidance, Implementation Guidance and Basis for Conclusions.
- AG1-AG6, explains <u>control of asset</u>. IG9-IG17, explains <u>beneficial ownership</u>.
- Refer to Appendix 6.2.1B (Pages 6-10 of Agenda Item 6.2.1).



Separating, Control and Valuing Land under Infrastructure Assets (Agenda Item 6.2.1) (5/7)

- 1. <u>Does the IPSASB agree with the additional guidance</u> recommended by staff for **Control** of land under or over infrastructure assets?
- 2. Refer to AG1-AG6, IG9-IG17 and BC18-BC19 in Appendix 6.2.1B (Pages 6-10 of Agenda Item 6.2.1).



Separating, Control and Valuing Land under Infrastructure Assets (Agenda Item 6.2.1) (6/7)

Valuing Land under or over Infrastructure Assets

Staff Analysis	IPSAS 17.42-48: Revalued assets measured at fair value (market based/
	value). If difficult, use similar items fair value. Specialized assets use
	Depreciated Replacement Cost.
Staff	Develop authoritative guidance. No guidance on land if PPE value increase.
Recommendation	Develop additional non-authoritative guidance as difficult to value
	specialized land and infrastructure assets.

Proposed Guidance comprises of:

- Application Guidance, Implementation Guidance and Basis for Conclusions.
- AG7-AG8, explains <u>valuing land when PPE value increases</u>.
- IG19-IG27, explains <u>approach to valuing land and infrastructure assets</u>. Refer to Appendix 6.2.1C (Pages 11-15, Agenda Item 6.2.1).



Separating, Control and Valuing Land under Infrastructure Assets (Agenda Item 6.2.1) (7/7)

- 1. <u>Does the IPSASB agree with the additional guidance</u> recommended by staff for **Valuing** land under or over infrastructure assets?
- 2. Refer to AG7-AG8, IG19-IG27 and BC20-BC21 of Appendix 6.2.1C (Pages 11-15 of Agenda Item 6.2.1).



Definition, Characteristics and Examples of Infrastructure Assets (Agenda Item 6.2.2) (1/4)

Definition, characteristics and examples of Infrastructure Assets

Flowchart		Task Force Analysis	
Decision 1	Is the issue prevalent in the public sector?	<u>Yes</u>	
Decision 2	Is there sufficient authoritative IPSAS guidance?	Yes for Definition and No for Characteristics and Examples	
Decision 3	Is issue related to financial statements?	Yes for Characteristics and Examples and Not Applicable for Definition	
Decision 4	Is non-authoritative guidance necessary?	No for Definition and Not Applicable for Characteristics and Examples	
Decision 5	Is the issue relevant to other projects?	<u>No</u>	
Flowchart red	commendation	Authoritative for Characteristics and Examples and No further guidance for Definition	



Definition, Characteristics and Examples of Infrastructure Assets (Agenda Item 6.2.2) (2/4

Task Force time spent around Decision 2 and Decision 4

Definition, characteristics and examples of Infrastructure Assets

Decision 2 - Is there sufficient authoritative IPSAS guidance?

Sufficient guidance for Definition (IPSAS 17.5(b), 13 & 21)

- PPE includes Infrastructure Assets.
- Infrastructure assets meet definition of PPE.
- Characteristics and examples of PPE.

Insufficient guidance for Characteristics and Examples (IPSAS 17.21)

Network/System, Constraint on Disposal, Immovable, Specialized.

Decision 4 - Is non-authoritative guidance necessary?

No additional guidance necessary for Definition

- Infrastructure assets are tangible so accounting is similar to PPE.
- Infrastructure thought to include roads, bridges, sewers already included in the characteristics and examples.
- GFS and IIFM infrastructure asset definitions included in the Characteristics.
- Definition may not capture all attributes (Complex).
- Jurisdictions have not defined Infrastructure Assets.
- No interpretation issues in the private sector who apply IAS 16.



Definition, Characteristics and Examples of Infrastructure Assets (Agenda Item 6.2.2) (3/4)

Guidance proposed by the Task Force

Definition

- No further guidance necessary.
- Basis for Conclusions paragraphs BC24-BC25, explains no further guidance for definition is necessary.
- Refer to Appendix 6.2.2C (Pages 9-10 of Agenda Item 6.2.2).

Characteristics and **Examples**

- Additional authoritative core guidance to add the characteristics and examples of infrastructure assets.
- IPSAS 17 paragraph 21.
- Refer to Appendix 6.2.2B (Pages 7-8 of Agenda Item 6.2.2).



Definition, Characteristics and Examples of Infrastructure Assets (Agenda Item 6.2.2) (4/4)

- 1. <u>Does the IPSASB agree with the Task Force recommendation:</u>
- a) <u>Develop additional authoritative core guidance for characteristics and examples of infrastructure assets; and</u>
- b) No further guidance necessary for definition of infrastructure assets?
- 2. <u>Does the IPSASB agree with additional guidance recommended by the Task</u>
 <u>Force for **Characteristics and Examples** Refer to Appendix 6.2.2B (Pages 7-8 of Agenda Item 6.2.2).</u>
- 3. <u>Does the IPSASB agree with the Basis for Conclusions paragraphs explaining Task Force rationale for no additional guidance for definition?</u> Refer to <u>Appendix 6.2.2C (Pages 9-10 of Agenda Item 6.2.2).</u>



Depreciation versus Renewals Accounting (Agenda Item 6.2.3) (1/3)

Depreciation versus Renewals Accounting of Infrastructure Assets		
Flowchart		Task Force Analysis
Decision 1	Is the issue prevalent in the public sector?	Yes
Decision 2	Is there sufficient authoritative IPSAS guidance?	Yes (par 13, 59, 64, 68, 71)
Decision 3	Is issue related to financial statements?	Not Applicable
Decision 4	Is non-authoritative guidance necessary?	No
Decision 5	Is the issue relevant to other projects?	Yes (Measurement and Heritage)
Flowchart recommendation No further guidance		No further guidance



Depreciation versus Renewals Accounting (Agenda Item 6.2.3) (2/3)

Task Force time spent around Decision 4

Depreciation versus Renewals Accounting

Decision 4 - Is nonauthoritative guidance necessary?

No further non-authoritative guidance for Renewals Accounting:

- Renewals accounting states don't depreciate when you maintain the assets since the assets remains steady.
- Historical cost and current value measurement models state you need to depreciate even if value of asset increases. Maintenance doesn't negate depreciation.
- Depreciation measures consumption.

Guidance proposed by the Task Force

- No further guidance necessary.
- Basis for Conclusions paragraphs BC26-BC28, explains no further guidance for renewals is necessary.
- Refer to Appendix 6.2.3B (Pages 6-8 of Agenda Item 6.2.3).



Depreciation versus Renewals Accounting (Agenda Item 6.2.3) (3/3)

- 1. Does the IPSASB agree with the Task Force recommendation:
- a) No further guidance necessary for renewals accounting for infrastructure assets?
- 2. <u>Does the IPSASB agree with Basis for Conclusion paragraphs explaining Task Force rationale for no additional guidance for renewals accounting? Refer to Appendix 6.2.3B (Pages 6-8 of Agenda Item 6.2.3).</u>



Infrastructure Assets Spare Parts (Agenda Item 6.2.4) (1/3)

Accounting for Infrastructure Assets Spare Parts		
Flowchart		Task Force Analysis
Decision 1	Is the issue prevalent in the public sector?	Yes
Decision 2	Is there sufficient authoritative IPSAS guidance?	Yes (par 17, 18, & 23)
Decision 3	Is issue related to financial statements?	Not Applicable
Decision 4	Is non-authoritative guidance necessary?	Yes (Clarify principle)
Decision 5	Is the issue relevant to other projects?	No
Flowchart recommendation		Non-Authoritative Guidance



Infrastructure Assets Spare Parts (Agenda Item 6.2.4) (2/3)

Task Force time spent around Decision 4

Accounting for Infrastructure Assets Spare Parts

<u>Decision 4</u> - Is nonauthoritative guidance necessary?

Additional non-authoritative guidance's necessary for Infrastructure Assets Spare Parts:

- To clarify existing IPSAS 17 principle.
- Infrastructure assets spare parts that are capital versus Inventory.
- Spare parts are usually inventory unless they meet definition of PPE.
- Material spare parts are PPE.
- Held for long periods.
- Professional judgment.

Guidance proposed by the Task Force

- Non-authoritative Implementation guidance to distinguish Infrastructure Assets Spare Parts that are Inventory (consumable) and PPE (added value).
- Paragraphs **IG28-IG30**, *explains the distinction*.
- Refer to Appendix 6.2.4B (Pages 5-7 of Agenda Item 6.2.4).



Infrastructure Assets
Infrastructure Assets Spare Parts
(Agenda Item 6.2.4) (3/3)

- 1. Does the IPSASB agree with the Task Force recommendation to:
- a) <u>Develop additional non-authoritative implementation guidance for infrastructure assets spare parts?</u>
- 2. <u>Does the IPSASB agree with additional guidance recommended by the Task Force? Refer to Appendix 6.2.4B (Pages 5-7 of Agenda Item 6.2.4).</u>



Costs to dismantle Infrastructure Assets (Agenda Item 6.2.5) (1/3)

Accounting for costs to dismantle Infrastructure Assets		
Flowchart		Task Force Analysis
Decision 1	Is the issue prevalent in the public sector?	Yes
Decision 2	Is there sufficient authoritative IPSAS guidance?	Yes (par 30, 32, & 91)
Decision 3	Is issue related to financial statements?	Not Applicable
Decision 4	Is non-authoritative guidance necessary?	Yes (Clarify principle)
Decision 5	Is the issue relevant to other projects?	Yes (Measurement & Heritage)
Flowchart recommendation		Non-Authoritative Guidance



Costs to dismantle Infrastructure Assets (Agenda Item 6.2.5) (2/3)

Task Force time spent around Decision 4,

Accounting for costs to dismantle Infrastructure Assets

<u>Decision 4</u> - Is nonauthoritative guidance necessary?

<u>Additional non-authoritative guidance is necessary for costs to</u> dismantle Infrastructure Assets:

- Clarify existing IPSAS 17 principles.
- Illustrate impact of the present obligation (legal and/or constructive) of decommissioning costs on the cost/value of PPE.
- Illustrate no provision is made, and no amount is capitalized, for future decommissioning costs.

Guidance proposed by the Task Force

- Non-authoritative implementation guidance to illustrate impact of decommissioning costs on the cost/value of PPE.
- Paragraphs <u>IG31-IG33</u>, explains the accounting for decommissioning costs.
- Refer to Appendix 6.2.5B (Pages 5-7 of Agenda Item 6.2.5).



Costs to dismantle Infrastructure Assets (Agenda Item 6.2.5) (3/3)

- 1. Does the IPSASB agree with the Task Force recommendation to:
- a) <u>Develop additional non-authoritative implementation guidance for costs to dismantle infrastructure assets?</u>
- 2. <u>Does the IPSASB agree with additional guidance recommended by the Task Force? Refer to Appendix 6.2.5B (Pages 5-7 of Agenda Item 6.2.5).</u>



Conclusion – Next Steps (1/2)

Issues <u>Bolded</u> were already analyzed by the Task Force on February 25th

Task Force Analysis and guidance to be discusse Oat the June IPSASB meeting

Disclosure requirements of Infrastructure Assets

Accounting for deferred maintenance expenses

Application of control requirements to infrastructure assets that cross more than one jurisdiction

Application of control requirements to other infrastructure assets

Accounting for land easements (right-of-way and access rights)

Insufficient guidance on derecognition of infrastructure assets

Assessment of impairment of infrastructure assets could be complex



Conclusion – Next Steps (2/2)

Task Force Analysis and guidance to be discussed at the September meeting

Applying the componentization approach may not be suitable for infrastructure assets.

Initial and subsequent measurement of infrastructure assets

Complex to value network assets

Complex to distinguish subsequent expenditure as capital or expenses

Threshold of initial and subsequent infrastructure assets costs to capitalize or expense



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