

CIO STATEMENT

I, Gary Washington, the undersigned Chief Information Officer of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, certify that my agency will comply with all reporting requirements of the OMB Memorandum "Data Center Optimization Initiative (DCOI)", as well as the data center related reporting requirements in FITARA.

My agency has verified that the accompanying Strategic Plan is a valid JSON file, conforms to the schema on management.cio.gov/schema, and addresses all the requirements for it specified in the DCOI. Furthermore, I confirm that this Strategic Plan and CIO Certification have been posted publicly at www.usda.gov/digitalstrategy/datacenteroptimizationstrategicplan.json and www.usda.gov/digitalstrategy/dcoi-cio-certification.pdf respectively.

Signed,



Francisco Salgado, Deputy CIO on behalf

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