

## Approving Travel Documents

### Business Process: Worklist

After an expense report, travel authorization, cash advance is created and submitted it will be routed for approval. Travel and Expense documents that are pending approval can be viewed and selected for approval through the Worklist Approval screen. In order for Travel and Expense documents to move onto the next approval step, the documents must be budget checked before approvals can be applied.

### Worklist:

The worklist can be found thru the menu or on the header as shown.

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Worklist for rgn3: Norton,Robert G

Detail View Work List Filters: [Dropdown] Feed

From	Date From	Work Item	Worked By Activity	Priority	Link		
Bialock, Karen JoAnn	06/26/2012	Approval Routing	Approval Workflow	2-Medium	ERApproval, 1011, NAU00, 1901-01-01, N, 0, SHEET_ID:0000000192 RDC:RA,1,A	Mark Worked	Reassign
Bialock, Karen JoAnn	06/26/2012	Approval Routing	Approval Workflow	2-Medium	ERApproval, 1021, NAU00, 1901-01-01, N, 0, SHEET_ID:0000000193 RDC:RA,1,A	Mark Worked	Reassign
Herre, Robyn Marie	06/27/2012	Approval Routing	Approval Workflow	2-Medium	ERApproval, 1041, NAU00, 1901-01-01, N, 0, SHEET_ID:0000000195 RDC:RA,1,A	Mark Worked	Reassign
Brown, Jodie Noelle	06/27/2012	Approval Routing	Approval Workflow	2-Medium	ERApproval, 1051, NAU00, 1901-01-01, N, 0, SHEET_ID:0000000196 RDC:RA,1,A	Mark Worked	Reassign
Colby, Sarah Jane	06/27/2012	Approval Routing	Approval Workflow	2-Medium	ERApproval, 1061, NAU00, 1901-01-01, N, 0, SHEET_ID:0000000199 RDC:RA,1,A	Mark Worked	Reassign
Paddock, Charlotte J	06/27/2012	Approval Routing	Approval Workflow	2-Medium	ERApproval, 1101, NAU00, 1901-01-01, N, 0, SHEET_ID:0000000201 RDC:RA,1,A	Mark Worked	Reassign

**From:** The Travel Specialist who created the travel and expense document.

**Date From:** Displays the date when the work item was triggered.

**Work Item/Worked By Activity:** Approval Routing. Displays the action that was generated.

**Priority:** No action required

**Link:** Click the link to access the target page; you can view information about the travel and expense document.

### General Information:

The fields on the Approve Expense Report Summary page displays the travelers name, report ID number, comments, accounting defaults and cash advance (s).

**Approve Expense Report**

**Expense Report Summary**

Heidi Conto [User Defaults](#) **Report ID:** 000000209

**General Information**

**Report Description:** fy13 research **Reference:** **Employee Base:** Office  
**Business Purpose:** Normal Job Duties **Comment:**  
**Report Status:** Submitted for Approval  
**Default Location:** Maricopa

**Accounting Date:** 06/27/2012 **Created On:** 06/27/2012 **By:** cls  
**Last Updated:** 06/27/2012 **By:** cls  
**Accounting Template:** STANDARD

[Risk Details](#)

[Accounting Defaults](#) [Apply Cash Advance\(s\)](#) **More Options:**

**Accounting Defaults:** Accounting Defaults hyperlink will direct you to the accounting distribution summary for the travel and expense document.

**Apply Cash Advance (s):** Apply Cash Advance hyperlink will direct you to the Apply Cash Advance summary applied to the expense report.

**Expense Line Items:**

The Expense Line Items section displays the expense types, reimburse amounts and exceptions regarding an expense type when applicable.

Expense Line Items								Customize   Find    
<a href="#">Expense Type</a>	Date	PC Business Unit	Project	Activity	Reimburse Amt	Currency	Approve	
<a href="#">Mileage</a>	06/27/2012				89.00	USD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
 <a href="#">Lodging</a>	06/27/2012				700.00	USD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<a href="#">M &amp; IE</a>	06/27/2012				54.00	USD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

**Expense Type:** Expense type hyperlink, will direct you to view the details about the expense transaction line.



**Exceptions Button:** Exceptions button will direct you to view any comments regarding

the expense type.

**Expense Report Totals:**

The Expense Report Totals section displays the travelers (employee) expenses, cash advances when applicable and amount due to traveler (employee).

Expense Report Totals			
<b>Employee Expenses:</b>	843.00 USD	<b>Due Employee:</b>	843.00 USD
<b>Non-Reimbursable Expenses:</b>	0.00 USD	<b>Due Vendor:</b>	0.00 USD
<b>Prepaid Expenses:</b>	0.00 USD	<a href="#">Definition of Totals</a>	
<b>Employee Credits:</b>	0.00 USD		
<b>Vendor Credits:</b>	0.00 USD		
<b>Cash Advances Applied:</b>	0.00 USD		

**Pending Actions:**

The Pending Actions section displays the routing sequence for approval

Profile: Next approval necessary.

Name: always (Pooled). Use the Enterprise report "approver list" to find the approver assigned to the Speedcharts selected.

Pending Actions			
Profile	Name	Action	Date/Time
Expense Manager	(Pooled)		

**Action History:**

The Action History section displays the name of the individual who applied approvals to the expense document.

Action History			
Profile	Name	Action	Date/Time
	Barrett,Alyssa	Submitted	04/10/2017 10:36:21AM
Reviewer	Hooten,Brenda L.	Reviewed	04/10/2017 11:26:49AM
Expense Manager	Martin,Deborah	Approved	04/10/2017 11:58:50AM

**Comments:**

Comments are required when an expense report is sent back for revision.

Comments
<div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 5px;"> <p>Comments are required when an expense report is sent back for revision.</p> </div>

**Budget Status:**

Budget Checking is required before an expense report or travel authorization can be approved. Budget checking is running every hour. If the approve button is grayed out, you can select the Budget Options hyperlink.

<b>Budget Status:</b> <a href="#">Budget Options</a>	Not Budget Checked	<b>Budget Checking is required before the Expense Report can be Approved. Please click on the Budget Options hyperlink.</b>	
<input type="button" value="Approve"/>	<input type="button" value="Send Back"/>	<input type="button" value="Hold"/>	<input type="button" value="Deny"/>

**Budget Options:** Select the Budget Options hyperlink to access the Commitment Control page.

**Commitment Control:**

The Commitment Control page displays the commitment control details to budget check expense reports and authorizations.

### Commitment Control

**Commitment Control Details**

<b>Source Transaction Type:</b>	Expense Sheet
<b>Budget Checking Header Status:</b>	Not Budget Checked
<b>Commitment Control Amount Type:</b>	Encumbrance

**Override Transaction**

**Budget Check:** Select the budget check button to run the budget processor for this transaction.

- Note: If a pop up screen appears, select the ok button, in most cases this page is a Warning.
- Select Ok
- You will be directed to the Transactions Exceptions page

- Select No

Budget Checking has logged 'Warning' Exceptions. Do you want to Transfer to the Exceptions? (18021,1090)

Selecting "Yes" will transfer you to the Transaction Exception Page for this document while refreshing and minimizing the calling page.

Selecting "No" will refresh the page.

You can transfer later by using the "Go to Transaction Exception Header" Push Button on this secondary page.

**Budget Status Valid:**

The commitment control page will indicate if the expense document is valid with the "i" icon.

Budget Check

**i**

[Go to Transaction Exceptions](#)

[Go To Activity Log](#)

- Select Ok.

**Budget Status Valid:**

After manual budget checking has been completed the expense report is ready for approval. The approval button will display once budget checking has passed.

Budget Status: Valid

Budget Checking completed. Report is ready for Approval/Posting.

[Budget Options](#)

It is recommended to not use Deny.

**Approve:** Selecting the approve button changes the status to Approved for Payment. The expense report is ready for payment processing.

**Send Back:** Selecting the send back button changes the status to Pending. If you send the expense report back to the travel specialist for correction or revision, you must also provide an explanation in the Comment field.

**Hold:** Selecting the hold button puts the document on hold until you decide to approve or send back.

**Deny:** It is recommended to not use Deny. The system does not route denied expense nor does it allow the travel specialist to resubmit. Deny will cancel the document. You must provide an explanation in the comments field.

***Denied document vs Deleted document:***

Denied - A Denied document remains on the system as history. The document will have status "Denied" and is available to view only.

Delete - A Deleted document is removed from the PS Financials system and no longer found or available for view.

To approve VIA email:

**Email Approval:**

***Select the hyperlink at the bottom of the email. The link will go to the PS Financials login page. After logging in, it will automatically direct you to the expense report, travel authorization or cash advance that needs approval.***