

State of Arizona Accounting Manual

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INTRODUCTION

Long-lived resources sometimes come into the possession and ownership of the State by means other than purchase or development, such as by gift, confiscation, escheat, or court award. This section of SAAM addresses the accounting treatment for such assets.

POLICY & PROCEDURES

- 1. A long-lived resource received by the State as a result of a donation, confiscation, court-award, escheat or other non-purchase means should, if appropriate, be recorded on FAM at the time of its acquisition.
- 1.1. If the fair market value is five thousand dollars (\$5,000) or more, it is a capital asset and <u>must</u> be assigned a property identification number and be recorded in FAM.
- 1.2. If the resource is a stewardship resource or IT resource, it <u>must</u> be assigned a property identification number and be recorded in FAM.
- 1.3. If the resource is not a stewardship or IT resource and has a fair market value of less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000), the agency may, at its discretion, either record and maintain the resource on an internal listing or record it in FAM.
- 2. The acquisition of such resources should be recorded using the appropriate revenue source and an expenditure object appropriate for the type of resource obtained.
- 3. The ancillary costs of bringing a donated, confiscated or court-awarded capital asset into service should be treated as betterments, as described in SAAM 2525.