

Security Services Edge (SSE) Onboarding Project

What is it?

SSE is a cloud-based security solution that brings together key tools--like web-filtering, cloud app protection, and secure remote access--into one easy-to-manage platform. This solution will keep users and data safe.

What's happening and what's the impact on the organization?

- We are upgrading our remote access and security by replacing VPN with a modern solution that includes encryption and data protection. This change supports our Zero Trust Architecture, strengthens cybersecurity, and improves compliance.
- All employees and contractors, whether remote or on-site, will have safer, more consistent access to agency systems. This strengthens protection against cyber threats, supports mobile work and helps business run more smoothly.
- Security teams will gain better visibility and control through centralized tools and custom policies, making it easier to monitor activity and protect both onsite and online resources.
- WaTech staff are the first to migrate with the Department of Ecology and additional agency partners to follow in a phased approach.

When is this happening?

We're ready to partner with agencies now to support the transition.

What's in it for those impacted?

- No VPN hassle
- Data loss prevention
- Notifications of malicious events
- Supports a Zero Trust Architecture
- Security teams achieve best-in-class management and oversight to drive protection, efficiency and risk reduction.

How can agencies adopt SSE?

WaTech will provide SSE as a standard enterprise service offering. WaTech will meet with agencies to develop a scaled approach to transition.

Who do I contact for questions?

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What is the timeline?

