DBVI UPDATE 2/24/16

I will be participating in the SRC phone meeting on 2/24 and will be anxious to answer any questions on DBVI's status, but here's a brief update on our progress.

The first item of interest is the cancellation of interviews for the Division Director's position scheduled for 2/23. With the unfortunate withdrawal of two candidates from the interview process, we elected to resume recruiting for the position, rather than proceed with only one candidate. We will renew our nation-wide advertising, and welcome your assistance in locating well-qualified candidates for this critical position.

Our fiscal status continues to strengthen in response to our efforts. We are holding a number of staff vacancies, capturing additional data on PETS expenditures, and planning new contract RFPs which should help us achieve some amount of additional savings.

At the same time, we are closely reviewing direct service staff coverage state-wide, in order to assure the best use of our resources in every area of activity. This includes both DBVI and contract staff, and involves a review of both service priorities and geographic assignments.

There's a great deal more yet to do, and I'll be addressing some of that in our phone meeting on 2/24.