



IAEM-USA Region VII Conference



Matthew Hanson

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Matthew Hanson, CGMS, brings more than 25 years progressive experience in government program/grant management, finance, and agency operations at the federal, state, and local levels. He currently provides American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) project management support to several state, county, and local government organizations. This involves project investment allowability reviews, establishing internal controls and other audit and compliance mechanisms, delivering training to state agencies and local governments on all aspects of ARPA, tracking and aligning funding opportunities to maximize resources for state and local clients, and supporting program design including reporting and outcome assessments. Before joining Witt O'Brien's, he served as Assistant Director of the Arizona Governor's Office of Strategic Planning and Budgeting, Economic Recovery Management Team. In that role, he supported the state's response to, and recovery from, COVID-19 through administration of the CARES Act and other federal programs. He was fully engaged in stakeholder engagement/outreach, project management, grant management, and financial oversight. His analysis of the COVID-19 relief bills was key to developing appropriate programs, workflows, and impactful executive-level briefings to the Governor's Office and other state leaders. He also created and delivered training to internal staff and external stakeholders.