



# ROSS Module Summary

## Contract

The screenshot displays the ROSS (Resource Ordering and Status System) interface. The title bar reads "Resource Ordering and Status System (ROSS) - PRACTICE \*\*\* PRACTICE \*\*\* PRACTICE \*\*\* PRACTICE". The menu bar includes "File", "Administration", "Resource", "Incident", "Request", "Travel", "Status", "Window", and "Help". The status bar shows "User: SROUSSOPOULOS @ NC-NCC".

The main window is titled "Contract" and contains a table of contracts:

Contract Number	Type	Begin Date	End Date	Global Access	Vendor / Other Government Provider	Entered By
45-1206-2-0121	BPA	08/01/2002	12/31/2003	<input type="checkbox"/>	Quality Inn & Suites - Asheville, NC	NC-NCC
45-1206-2-0125	BPA	10/01/2001	09/30/2004	<input type="checkbox"/>	Shoney's of Long Shoals	NC-NCC
45-4568-2-0555	EXU	07/01/2002	09/30/2003	<input type="checkbox"/>	UK-USA HELICOPTERS, INC.	NC-NCC
56-4568-2-0003	CWN	11/09/2001	09/30/2003	<input type="checkbox"/>	Billy Holder	NC-NCC
56-4568-2-0004	CWN	11/10/2001	09/30/2003	<input type="checkbox"/>	Emma Bus Lines, Inc.	NC-NCC
56-4568-2-0202 amdm 01	CWN	10/01/2001	09/30/2003	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tipton & Young	NC-NCC
56-4568-2-0203	CWN	10/01/2001	09/30/2003	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tipton & Young	NC-NCC

Below the table, there are sections for "Organizations Involved" and "Organizations With Direct Access".

**Organizations Involved**

Role	Organization
Contracting Office	National Forests in North Carolina
Managing Dispatch	North Carolina Interagency Coordination Center

**Organizations Managing Items**

Name
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**Organizations With Direct Access**

Name
North Carolina Interagency Coordination Center

### Description

The Contract module is used to link contracts or agreements with vendors and their resources or services. The Contract module may also be used to record information about agreements between government organizations. For example, a cooperative fire protection agreement could be entered and tied to the resources that are dispatched through the agreement.

The Contract module stores information about a dispatch center's contracts or agreements with vendors. Prior to entering a contract, the vendor must be created via the Organization module. A dispatch center may link their contract to a vendor that was created by another dispatch center. Thus, a given vendor is entered only once in ROSS but may have more than one contract.

A vendor's resources or services must be entered and classified in the Resource Item module before they may be added to the Contract screen. A resource's owner must be set to the vendor organization in order to link the resource to the vendor's contract. Call-when-needed resources



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and purchase agreement services are displayed under the CWN and Purchase Agreement tabs, respectively, in the Pending Request module. Exclusive use contract items are displayed on the Available tab in Pending Request.

More than one dispatch center may manage resource items on a single contract. In this case, one office will create the contract and add the other centers as resource managers. Each center may add, edit and manage only their resources. Alternatively, more than one dispatch center may have authority to dispatch resources on a given CWN contract. In such situations, one dispatch center will create the contract and assign direct access to the other offices. Centers given direct access will be able to view and assign the contract resources from the CWN tab in the Pending Request module. The global access box should be checked when any dispatch center is permitted to assign resource items on a given contract (e.g., the OAS contract).

The Data Administrator at each dispatch center uses the Contract module to enter and maintain the center's contract information.

This module is related to the Organization, Resource Item, Person and Pending Request modules.

### Data Information:

Data Element	Data Definition
Contract	Information about contracts or agreements. Items include contract number, type, inclusive dates, global access indicator, vendor or other government provider, and entering dispatch center.
Contract Type	Contract or agreement category. Choices are Call When Needed (CWN), Exclusive Use (EXU) and Purchase Agreements (BPA). Emergency Equipment Rental Agreements (EERAs) are included in the CWN category. Resources for CWN and EXU contracts may include service and/or non-service items. BPA items must be services.
Global Access	Indicates whether or not <u>all</u> dispatch centers have access to contract items. Default is unchecked.
Contracting Office	The government (non-dispatch) organization with contract authority for the selected contract.
Managing Dispatch	The dispatch center that maintains the contract. This office may allow other centers access to the contract or its resources. Defaults to office creating the contract.



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<b>Data Element</b>	<b>Data Definition</b>
Resources	The resource items and/or services that may be ordered under the contract. These must first be entered and classified in the Resource Item module. Applies only to CWN and EXU contracts.
Purchase Agreement Items	The services that may be requested under a purchase agreement (BPA). These must first be entered and classified in the Resource Item module.
Organizations Managing Resources	Other dispatch centers that are permitted to add and manage resources under the selected contract. The contract's managing dispatch center adds the other centers.
Organizations with Direct Access	Organizations with authority to view and assign resources from the selected contract. Defaults to the dispatch center that entered the contract.