Usability Summary

Study

- HFI Human Factors International, Inc.
- Participants to test specific tasks on CA.gov
 - "How would you contact the Dept of Boating & Waterways..."
- Elliott Benson Center 1 way mirror
 Sessions lasted about 1 bour each
- Sessions lasted about 1 hour each

Participant Demographics

- > 10 females and 8 males
- > 4 22-30 year olds
- > 4 31-40 year olds
- > 4 41-50 year olds
- > 5 51-60 year olds
- > 1 61-70 year old

More Participant Information

> 10 of the 18 participants used site in last 30 days

- Most popular activity was checking e-mail daily and second was visiting social networking sites
- > 12 individuals and 6 small business owners

Findings

- > What users liked:
 - This site was better than the old
 - It stayed in mostly the same browser window
 - Users felt that they had learned about more services offered
 - Users wanted to explore the site in depth after the testing

Findings

> What users did not like:

- The navigation gave users too many options
- Node Diagram (Constellation)
 - Covered by the secondary navigation
 - Difficult to read
 - Users tried to click on labels rather than "nodes"this was somewhat confusing





More Findings

Some users felt there was not much emphasis on small business
Users liked the "Visit & Play" tab
Footer was not visually appealing
Imagery on front page was favorable (flash pictures)

Changes

In effect now:

- Making descriptions less "wordy"
- Adding links to more appropriate locations
 - Taxes was listed under "Home & Family", but now it is also found under the "Jobs" tab
- Constellation (Node) diagrams are being constructed to match secondary navigation

We want your input!

Survey will be coming out from the eServices Office in order to gain your input on the CA.gov site

You can provide suggestions and feedback on the newly launched site