

My Inbox – User Guide

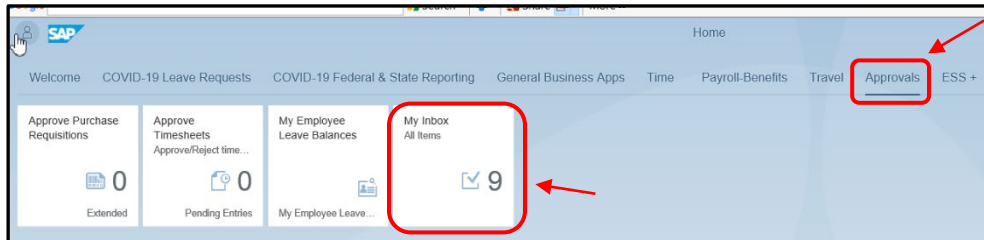
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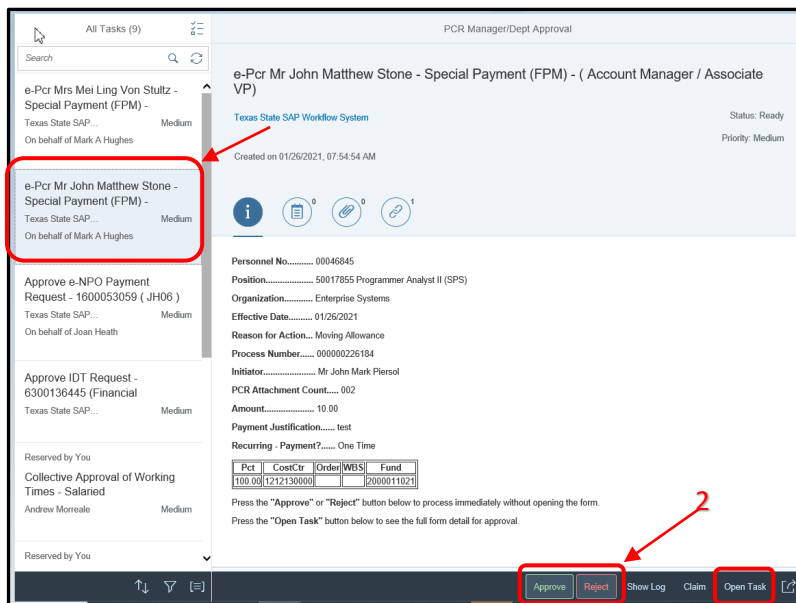
Getting Started

My Inbox is a mobile friendly SAP Portal application that will be **used for all SAP workflow approvals**. This application can be found on the SAP Portal in the **Approvals** section.



The count (9) identifies how many approval items you have.

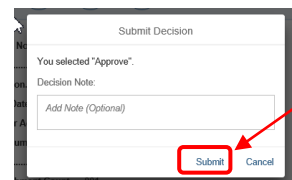
Quick Approvals (where approve/reject buttons are visible)



1. Click on a **task description** to choose an approval item to process.

2. Click **Approve** or **Reject** to process your approval decision.

3. A **comment box** will pop-up for providing a comment. Click **Submit** to log a comment.



4. To see more detail (like document attachments, etc.), click **Open Task** to launch a detailed approval screen.

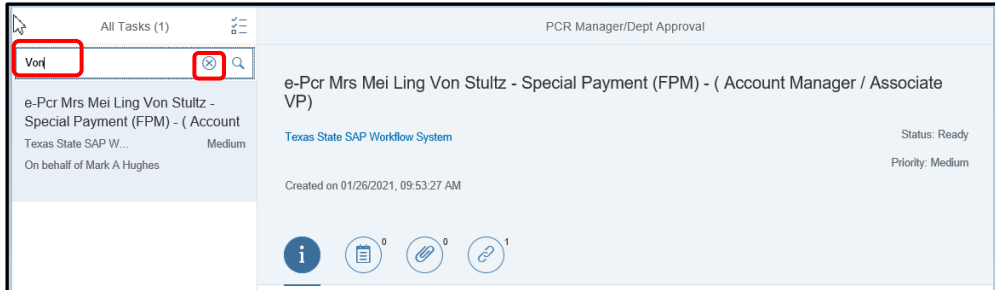
NOTE: In the case where the **Approve** and **Reject** buttons are not available, click **Open Task** to process the approval item.

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Search, Filter, and Group Tasks

My Inbox provides options for organizing tasks that make it easier to find specific tasks to approve when needed.

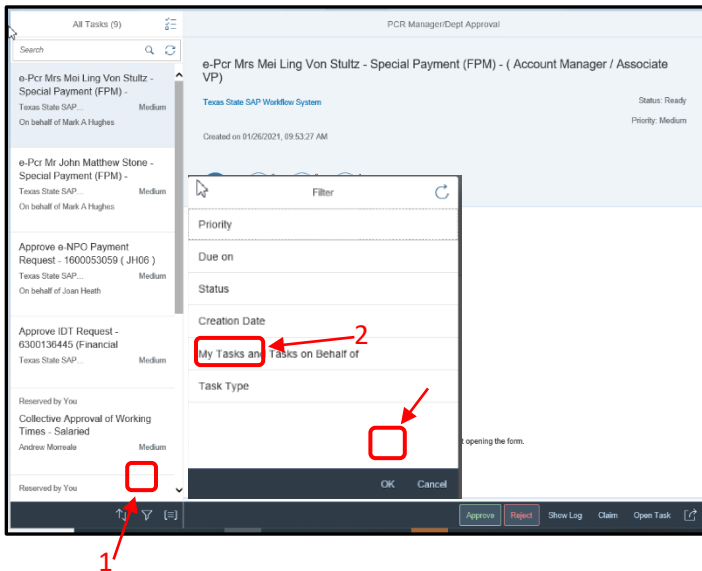
Search



1. Enter **text from a Task Description** to search.

2. Click **X** to clear search.

Filter By: Task Type

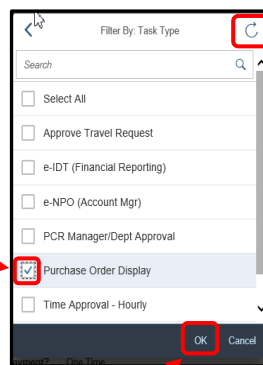


1. Click the **Filter** button to bring up a **filter option screen**.

2. Choose the **Task Type** filter and click OK.

3. Choose one or more **Task Types** and click **OK**.

4. Click the **Clear All Filters** button to remove the filter.

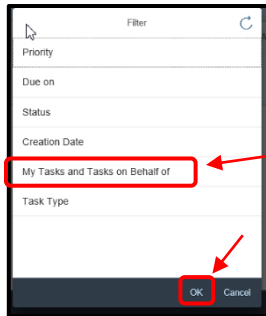


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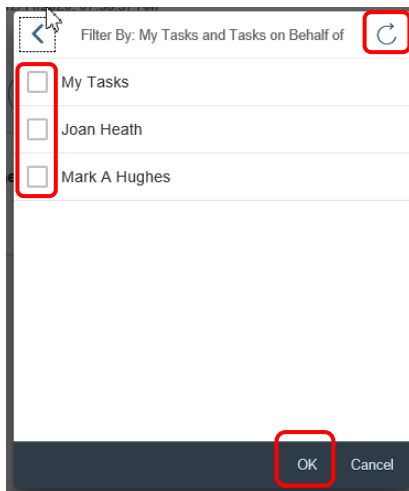
Search, Filter, and Group Tasks – cont.

Filter By: My Tasks and Tasks on Behalf of

(For a Scenario where you have been established as an approval substitute)



Using the filter options, choose **My Tasks and Tasks on Behalf of** and click **OK**.



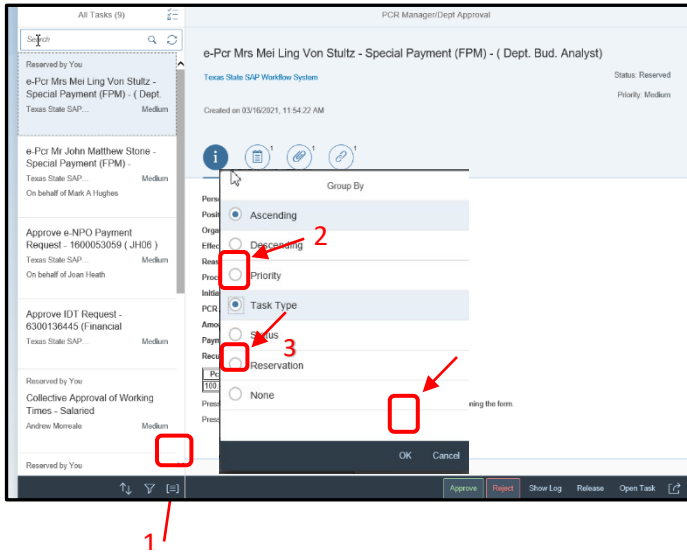
1. Choose **one or more people** to see the tasks for which you are an approval substitute. Click **OK**.
2. Choose **My Tasks** to see **ONLY** your personal approval items.
3. Click **Clear All Filters** button to remove the filter.

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Group

With Group, you can further arrange approval items.



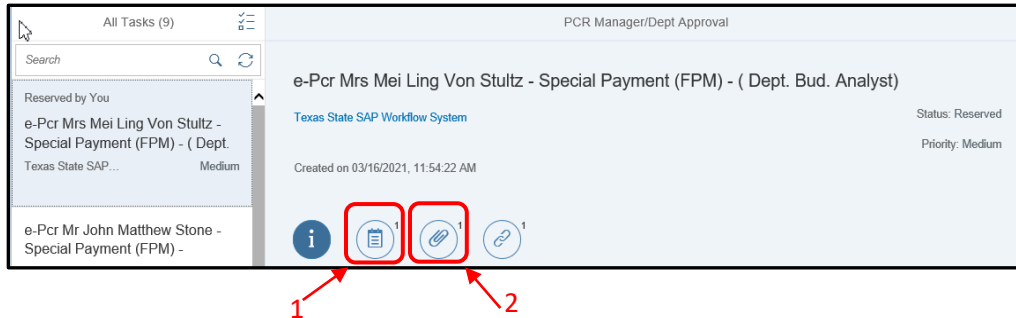
1. Click the Group button to bring up the Group By option screen.

2. Choose **Group By** and click **OK**.
NOTE: This grouping will organize tasks by type (ie e-NPO,e-PCR, e-IDT, etc.).

3. Choose **None** to stop grouping and click **OK**.

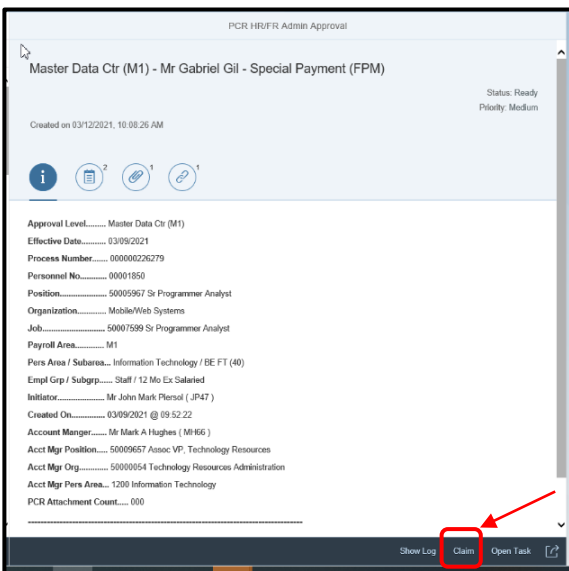
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Comments and Attachments



1. Click on the **Comments** button to read what a prior approver noted when they completed an approval item using the **Approve** or **Reject** button and providing a comment.
2. Click on the **Attachments** button to add a supplemental attachment. You can also click to see what a prior approver has attached.

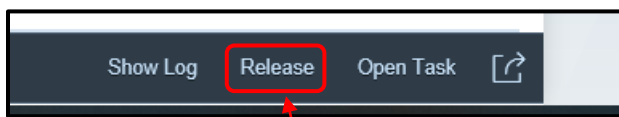
Claim and Release Tasks



1. Click **Claim** to reserve a task for your processing only.

NOTES: Claiming is relevant in a **group approval situation**. Only you will see a claimed task.

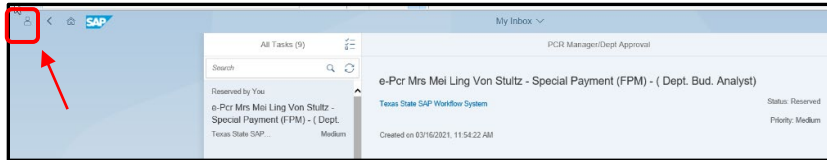
In addition, as an approval substitute, you can claim a task to remove task visibility from a primary approver.




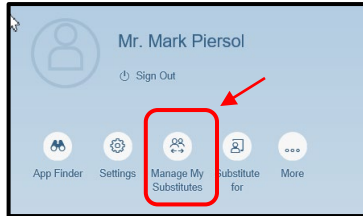
After claiming a task, click **Release** if necessary to make a task visible again to the entire group (or primary approver).

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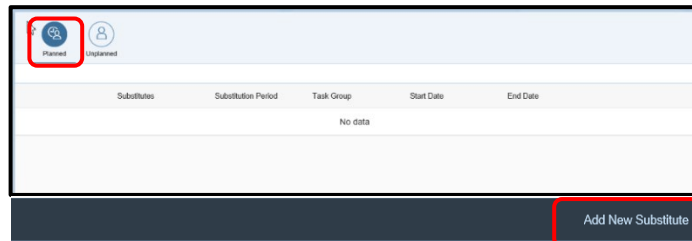
Setting up a Planned Approval Substitute



1. Go to My Inbox and click on the User Icon. 



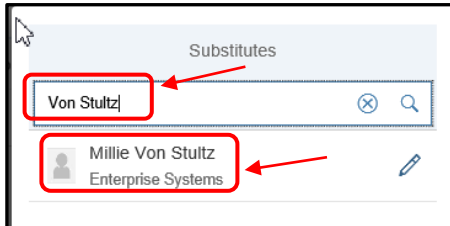
2. Click **Manage My Substitutes**.




3. Click **Add New Substitute**.

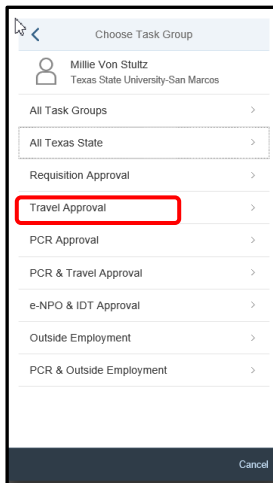
NOTE: The default substitute type is **Planned**.

A planned substitute is an ongoing substitute that always sees tasks in My Inbox as they become available.



1. Enter the name of the person (partial name) to establish as a substitute and click the search. 

Click on the **desired name** to choose.



2. Click to choose a **Task Group** for your new substitute (e.g., Travel Approval).

NOTE: Only one task group can be established for an individual substitute.

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Setting up a Planned Approval Substitute – cont.

Choose Substitution Period

Millie Von Stultz
Texas State University-San Marcos

Task Group
Travel Approval

Substitution Period
From 22 Mar 2021 To 31 May 2021

May 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
17	25	26	27	28	29	30
18	2	3	4	5	6	7
19	9	10	11	12	13	14
20	16	17	18	19	20	21
21	23	24	25	26	27	28
22	30	31	1	2	3	4


Save Cancel

3. The default start date is today. **Adjust to a future start date** using calendar (if necessary).

4. Choose an **end date on the calendar** if the substitution is temporary.

5. Click **Save**.

Planned Unplanned

Substitutes	Substitution Period	Task Group	Start Date	End Date
 Millie Von Stultz Inactive	Starts in 5 days	Travel Approval	03/22/2021	05/31/2021

Add New Substitute Delete

Established substitutes cannot be edited, but they can be deleted.

- To delete a substitute, click to the **left of the name** and click **delete**.
- Confirm deletion.

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Setting up an Unplanned Approval Substitute

Unlike a Planned Approval Substitute, an unplanned substitute does not see any approval items unless they opt to receive tasks for each primary approver. The intention is for the unplanned substitute to take over this duty periodically as needed.

To set up follow the steps for “Setting up a Planned Approval Substitute” (pg. 7).

Note a few differences:

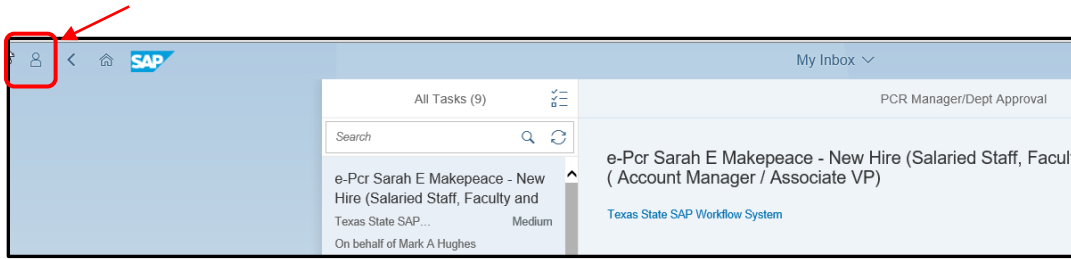
The screenshot shows a user interface for setting up an unplanned approval substitute. At the top left, there are two tabs: 'Planned' and 'Unplanned'. The 'Unplanned' tab is selected and highlighted with a red box. Below the tabs is a table with three columns: 'Substitutes', 'Task Group', and 'Start Date'. The table currently contains the text 'No data'. At the bottom right of the interface, there is a button labeled 'Add New Substitute', which is also highlighted with a red box and an arrow.


- Choose Unplanned and click **Add New Substitute**.

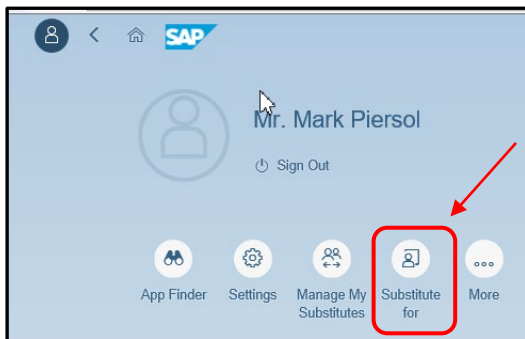
No calendar is provided since unplanned substitutes “take over” as necessary not limited by dates.

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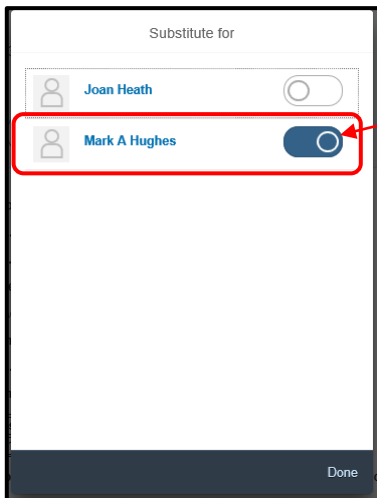
Receiving tasks as an Unplanned Approval Substitute



1. Go to **My Inbox** and click on the **User** icon. 



2. Click on **Substitute for**.



3. Choose **one or more primary approvers** to receive tasks for by **sliding switch to the right**.

4. **Slide the switch back to the left** when you are finished receiving tasks.