## LOCAL QUALITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM CONSULTANTS

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Quality Time Montana consultant, Kurt Borge, uses a unique approach for implementing Quality Management Systems: bottom-up. Traditional consultants help a company write a set of "ISO procedures" to get them ISO certified, the top-down approach. Mr. Borge begins with the *existing business systems* and work flow, defining them in flow charts, then revising them as needed to manage risks and improve processes. Then, the QMS requirements are visited and incorporated. This is a more streamlined approach to developing a QMS, which better represents the way the company actually operates, not the QMS standard. Mr. Borge has thirty years of developing and maintaining QMS's in a wide range of industries and to multiple QMS standards. He is also available for general quality consulting, training, and auditing.