Updating, Deleting, and Withdrawing Expense Transactions

Cardinal allows users to update, delete, or withdraw expense transactions (Travel Authorizations, Cash Advances, and Expense Reports). Travel Authorizations are the only expense transaction that can be canceled and the steps for that process are included in this job aid as well.

Once expense transactions are deleted, they cannot be viewed. The delete action is permanent and cannot be undone.

When expense transactions are withdrawn, it opens the transaction so that it can be updated or deleted. Expense transactions can only be withdrawn prior to the approver taking action on the transaction. Once the approver takes an action on the expense transaction, it cannot be withdrawn.

Navigation Note: Please note that there may be a **Notify** button at the bottom of various pages utilized while completing the processes within this Job Aid. This “Notify” functionality is not currently turned on to send email notifications to specific users within Cardinal.

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Revision History

Revision Date	Summary of Changes
8/12/2025	Added a section on how to withdraw Expense transactions (Withdrawing Expense Transactions).
3/1/2025	Updated the screenshots of the Search pages (Section 1, after Step 1; Section 2, after Step 1; Section 3, after Step 1; Section 4, after Step 1; Section 5, after Step 1; Section 6, after Step 1; Section 7, after Step 1). Added reference information to the Overview of the Cardinal FIN Search Pages Job Aid.

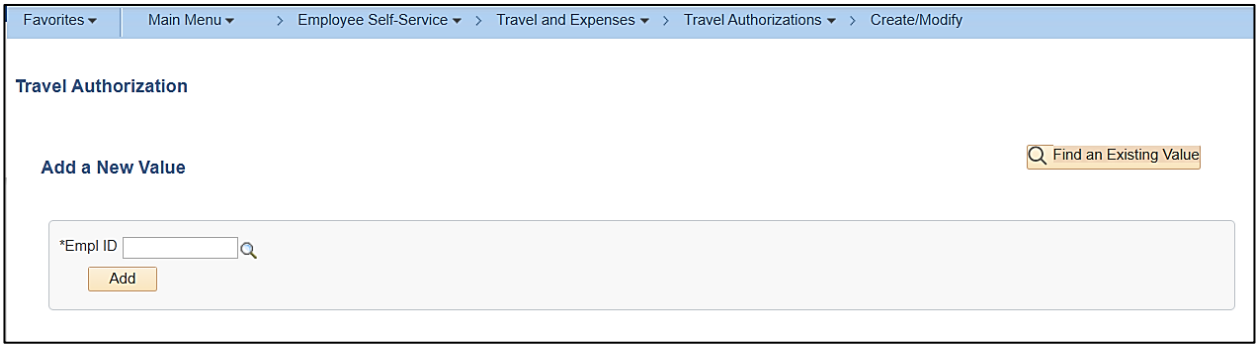
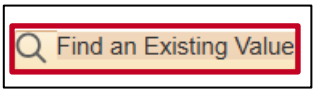
Updating a Travel Authorization

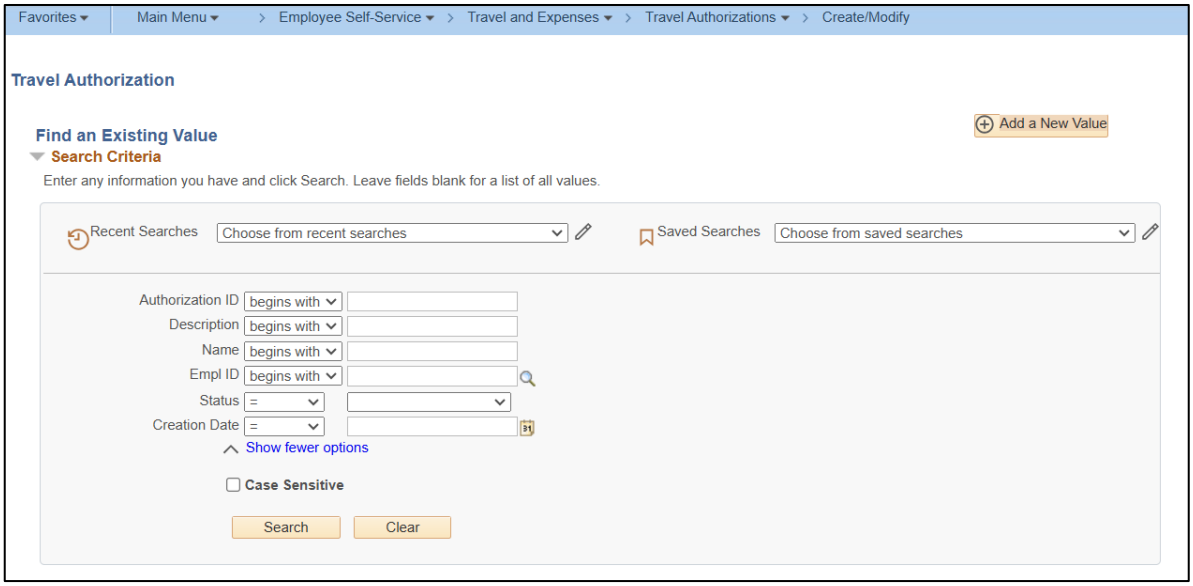
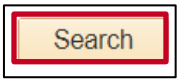
A Travel Authorization can be updated if it has been:

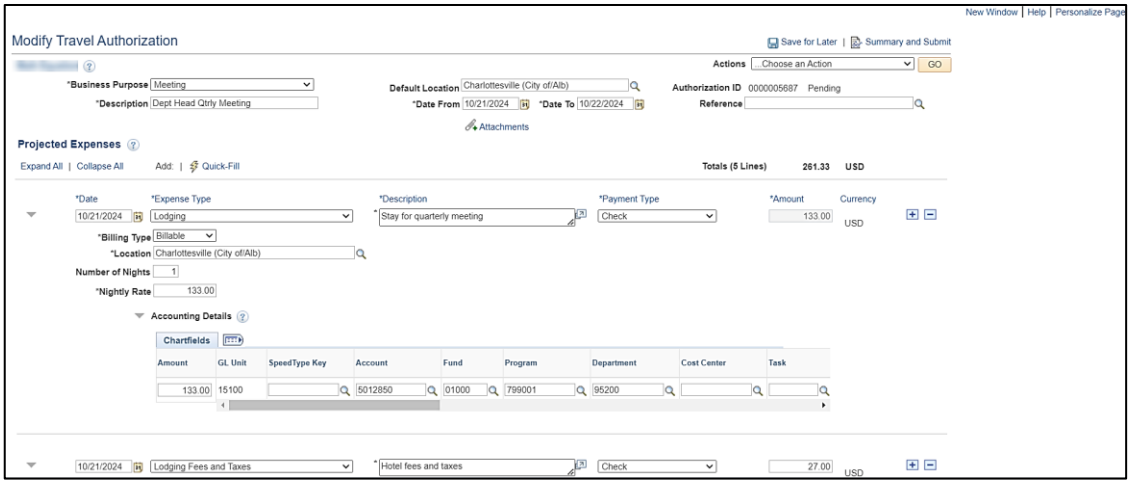
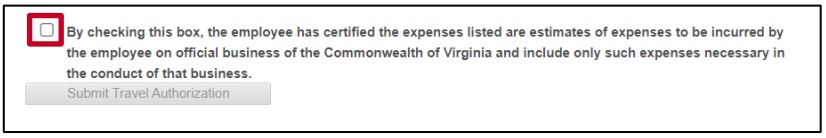
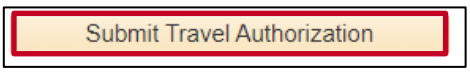
- Saved, but not submitted for approvals
- Withdrawn from approvals after submission
- Sent back by the approver with a required comment
- An email is sent to the employee or the proxy who keyed the Travel Authorization

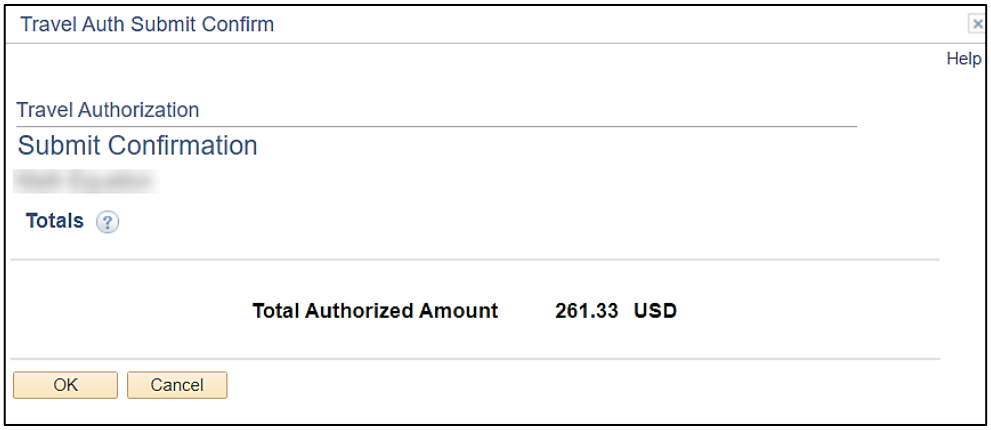
A Travel Authorization cannot be updated if it has been:

- Approved
- Denied by the approver
- An email is sent to the employee or proxy who keyed the Travel Authorization
- A denied Travel Authorization must be deleted

Step	Action
1.	Navigate to the **Travel Authorization** page using the following path: **Main Menu > Employee Self-Service > Travel and Expenses > Travel Authorizations > Create/Modify**
The **Travel Authorization Add a New Value** page displays.  	
	For more information pertaining to the Cardinal FIN Search pages, refer to the Job Aid titled "Overview of the Cardinal FIN Search Pages". This Job Aid is located on the Cardinal Website in **Job Aids** under **Learning**.
2.	Click the **Find an Existing Value** button. 

Step	Action
The **Travel Authorization** search page displays. 	
3.	Enter the **Authorization ID** on the **Find an Existing Value** page for the Travel Authorization that you want to modify.
	If the **Authorization ID** is not known, search using the other options by clicking the **Search by** dropdown menu. The other search options include “Authorization ID”, “Description Name”, “Empl ID”, “Status”, and “Creation Date”.
4.	Click the **Search** button. 
	Users can only search for and update Travel Authorizations of employees for whom they are a proxy with “Edit & Submit” authorization. For more detailed information about authorizing a proxy, see the Job Aid titled **AP315_Authorizing a Proxy for an Employee** located on the Cardinal website in **Job Aids** under **Learning**.

Step	Action
The **Modify Travel Authorization** page displays. 	
	This page is identical to the page that was used to create the Travel Authorization. Make the updates to the Travel Authorization. Users can perform any action on the Travel Authorization that they could to create it (e.g., add or delete lines, change amounts, dates, locations, etc.). If modifying a Travel Authorization that has been sent back by an approver, the user will see **Sent Back for Revision** in red font at the top of the page and a hyperlink with the approver's comment.
5.	Click the **Summary and Submit** link at the top of the page after completing all revisions.
6.	Click the **Save for Later** link if the transaction is not ready to submit for approval.
7.	Click the **Certification** checkbox option when the transaction is ready to be submitted. 
8.	Click the **Submit Travel Authorization** button to send the updated Travel Authorization through approval workflow. 

Step	Action
The **Travel Auth Submit Confirm** page displays in a pop-up window. 	
9.	Click the **OK** button to confirm the submission.
	Once submitted, the Travel Authorization can only be modified by clicking the **Withdraw Travel Authorization** button when the travel authorization is in in submitted for approval status or if it is sent back by the approver.

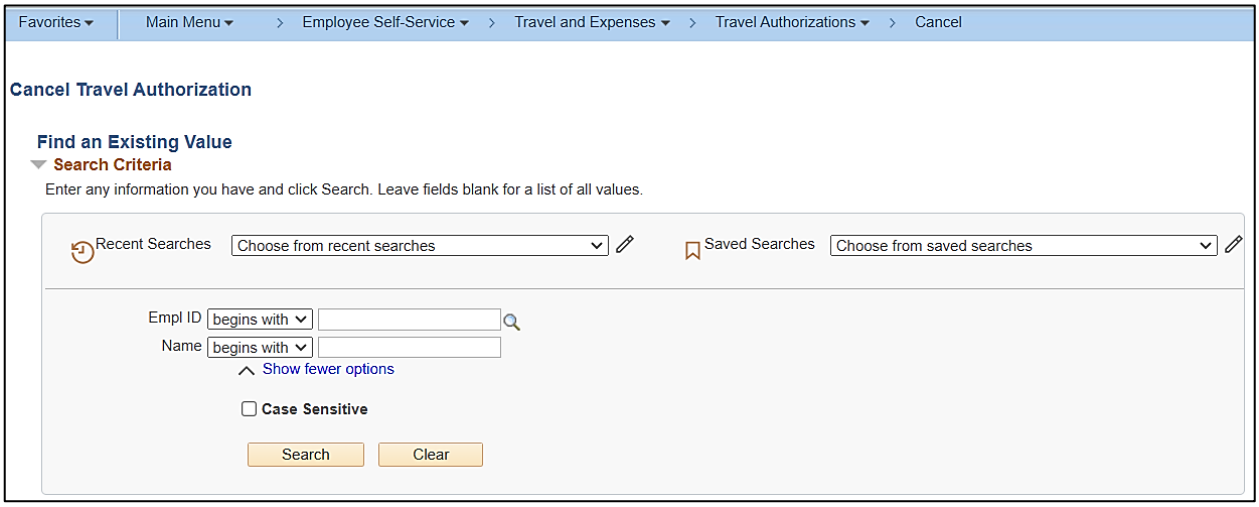
Canceling a Travel Authorization

An approved travel authorization can be cancelled if no longer needed. Once cancelled, it cannot be assigned to an Expense Report.

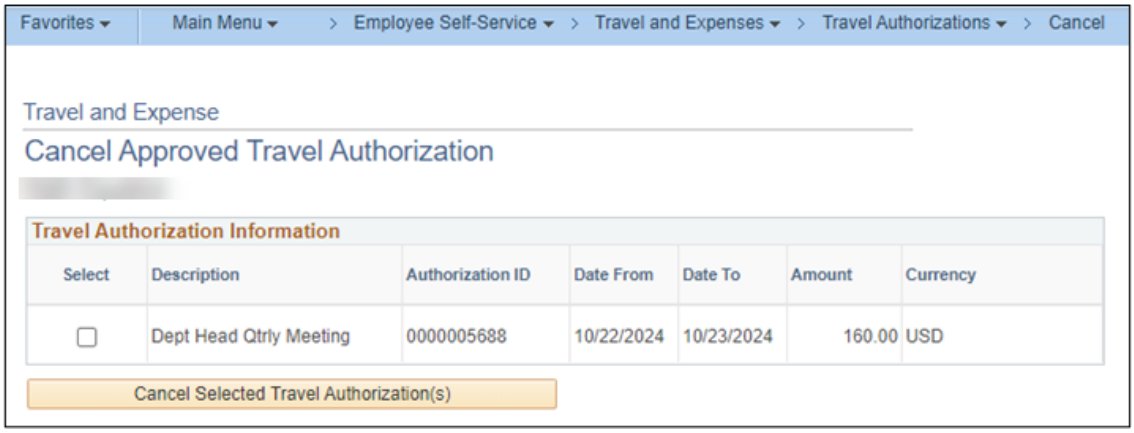
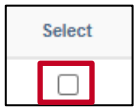
Users can only cancel a Travel Authorization if it has been approved but not assigned to an Expense Report.

Step	Action
1.	Navigate to the **Cancel Travel Authorization** page using the following path: **Main Menu > Employee Self-Service > Travel and Expenses > Travel Authorizations > Cancel**

The **Cancel Travel Authorization Search** page displays.



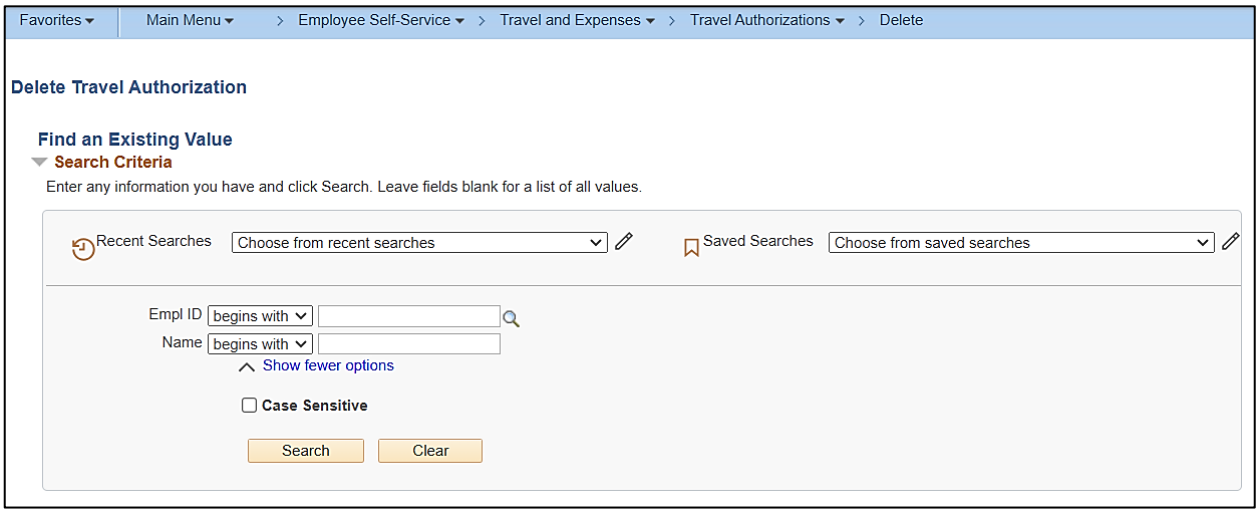
	For more information pertaining to the Cardinal FIN Search pages, refer to the Job Aid titled "Overview of the Cardinal FIN Search Pages". This Job Aid is located on the Cardinal Website in **Job Aids** under **Learning**.
2.	The employee ID will default into the **Empl ID** field. Enter their Employee ID or Name if cancelling a Travel Authorization for another employee. **Note**: Users can only search for and cancel Travel Authorizations of employees for whom they are a proxy.
3.	Click the **Search** button.

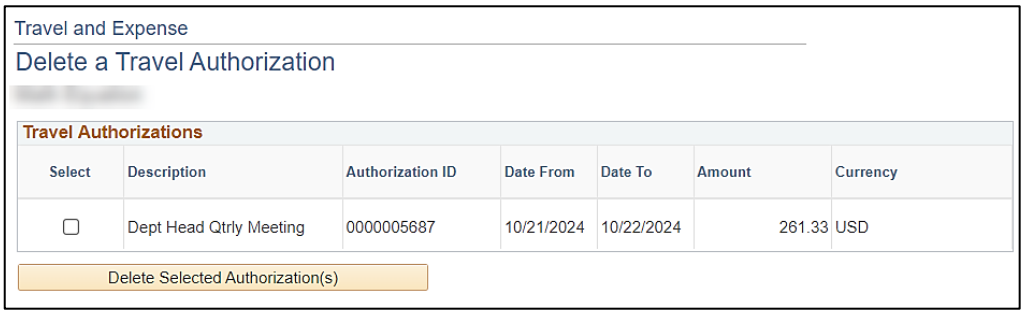
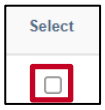
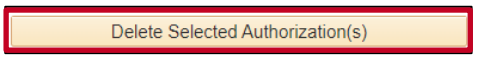
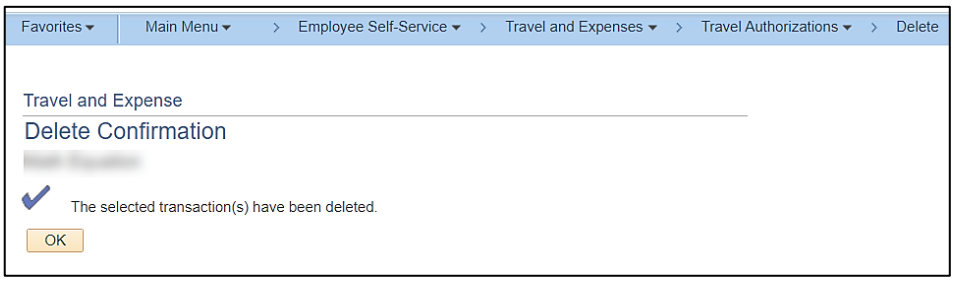
Step	Action
The **Cancel Approved Travel Authorization** page displays. 	
	Only Travel Authorizations that are eligible for cancellation display.
4.	Click the **Select** checkbox option beside the Travel Authorization that requires cancellation. 
5.	Click the **Cancel Selected Travel Authorization(s)** button.
	The cancel action is saved on the Travel Authorization.

Deleting a Travel Authorization

Users can only delete a Travel Authorization if it has been:

- Saved, but not Submitted for approvals
- Withdrawn from approval after submission
- Cancelled – approved Travel Authorizations that are not associated with an Expense Report can be cancelled by users with appropriate access
- Sent Back by the approver with a required comment. An email is sent to the employee or proxy who keyed the Travel Authorization.
- Denied by the approver. An email is sent to the employee or proxy who keyed the Travel Authorization.

Step	Action
1.	Navigate to the **Delete Travel Authorization** page using the following path: **Main Menu > Employee Self-Service > Travel and Expenses > Travel Authorizations > Delete**
The **Delete Travel Authorization Search** page displays.  	
	For more information pertaining to the Cardinal FIN Search pages, refer to the Job Aid titled "Overview of the Cardinal FIN Search Pages". This Job Aid is located on the Cardinal Website in **Job Aids** under **Learning**.
2.	The Employee ID will default into the **Empl ID** field. Enter their Employee ID or Name if deleting a Travel Authorization for another employee.

Step	Action
	Users can only search for and delete Travel Authorizations of employees for whom they are a proxy with “Edit & Submit” authorization. For more detailed information about authorizing a proxy, see the job aid titled **AP315: Authorizing a Proxy for an Employee** located on the Cardinal website in **Job Aids** under **Learning**.
3.	Click the **Search** button.
The **Delete Travel Authorization** page displays.  	
	Only Travel Authorizations that are eligible for deletion display.
4.	Click the **Select** checkbox beside the Travel Authorization that requires deletion. 
5.	Click the **Delete Selected Authorization(s)** button. 
A **Confirmation** message displays indicating that the selected transaction has been deleted.  	

Step	Action
6.	Click the **OK** button.
	A deleted Travel Authorization cannot be viewed. The delete action is permanent and cannot be undone.

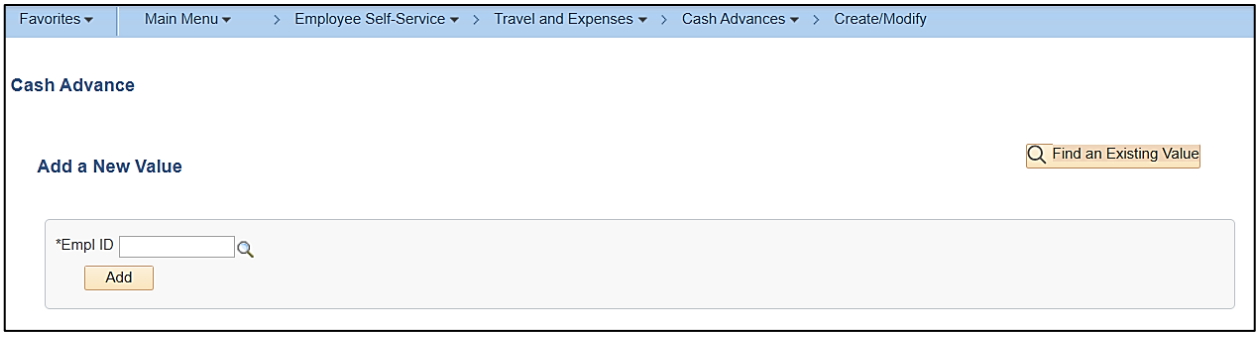
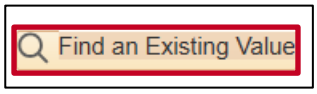
Updating a Cash Advance

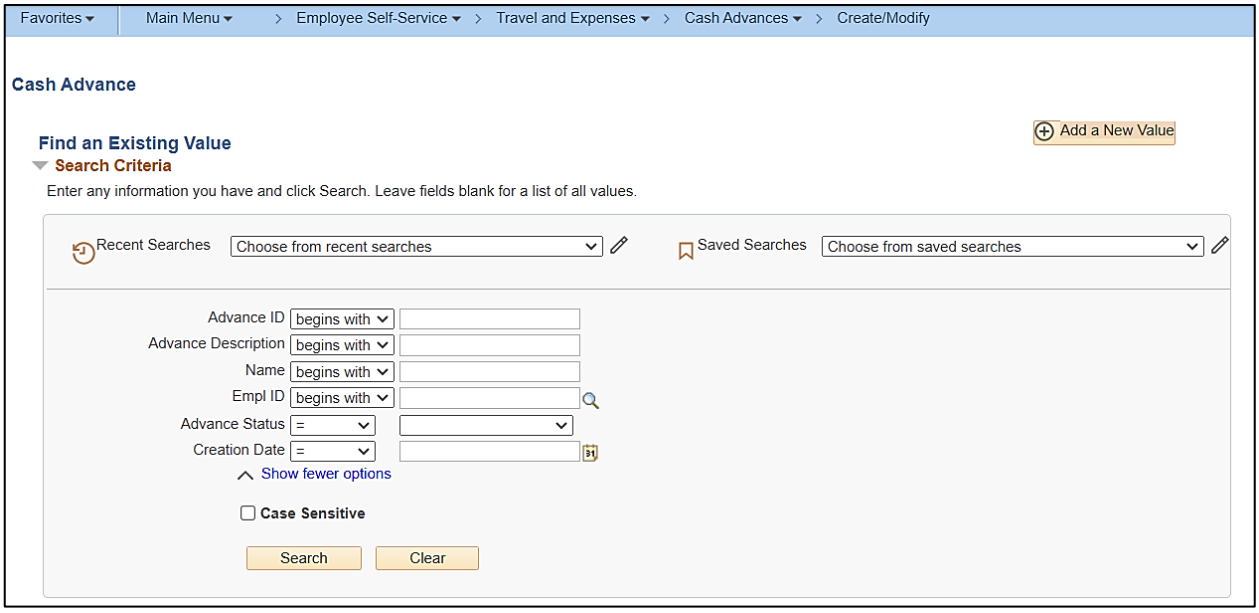
A Cash Advance can only be updated if it has been:

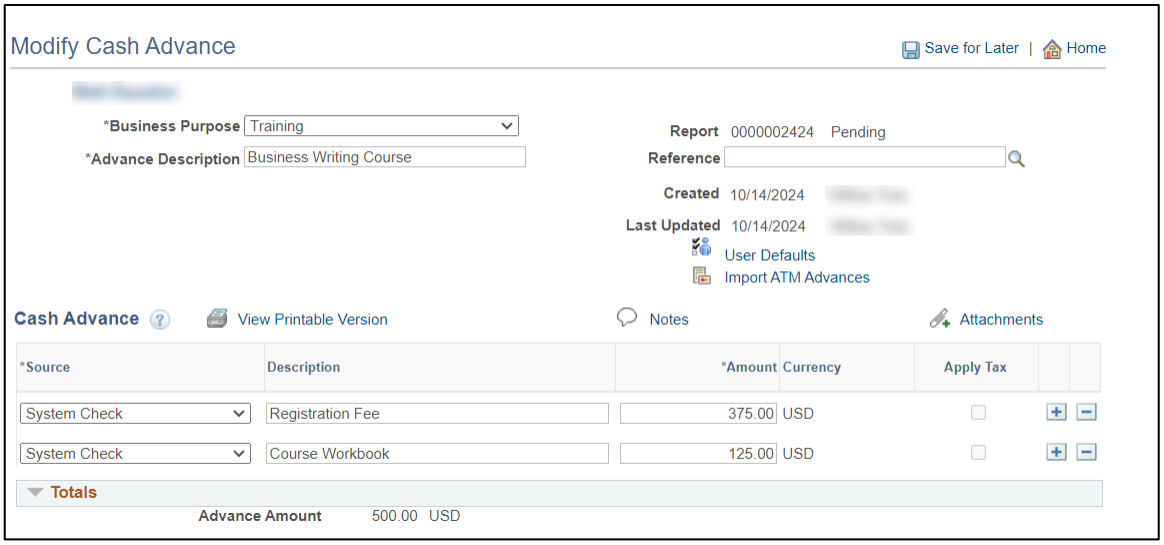
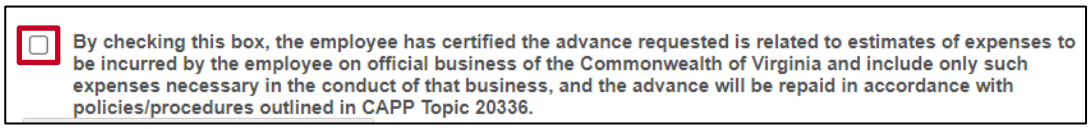
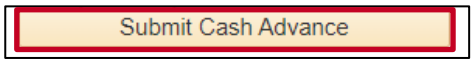
- Saved, but not been Submitted for approval
- Withdrawn from approval after submission
- Sent Back by an approver with required comments. An email is sent to the employee or the proxy who keyed the Cash Advance.

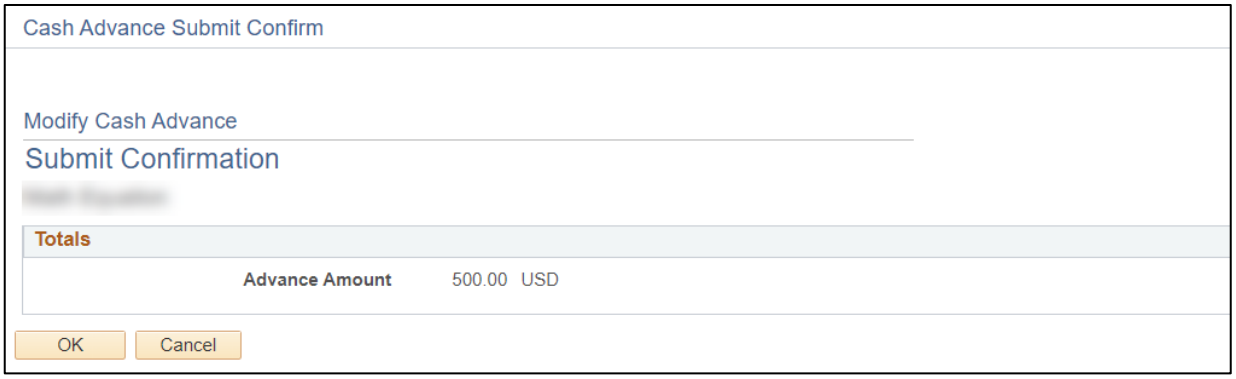
A Cash Advance cannot be updated if it has been:

- Approved
- Denied by the approver. An email is sent to the employee or the proxy who keyed the Cash Advance. A denied Cash Advance must be deleted.

Step	Action
1.	Navigate to the **Cash Advance** page using the following path: **Main Menu > Employee Self-Service > Travel and Expenses > Cash Advances > Create/Modify**
The **Cash Advance Add a New Value** page displays.  	
	For more information pertaining to the Cardinal FIN Search pages, refer to the Job Aid titled "Overview of the Cardinal FIN Search Pages". This Job Aid is located on the Cardinal Website in **Job Aids** under **Learning**.
2.	Click the **Find an Existing Value** button. 

Step	Action
The **Cash Advance** search page displays. 	
3.	On the **Find an Existing Value** page, enter the Advance ID.
	If the **Advance ID** is not known, search using the other options by clicking the **Search by** dropdown menu. The search options include “Advance Description”, “Name”, “Empl ID”, “Advance Status”, and “Creation Date”. Users can only search for and update Cash Advances of employees for whom they are a proxy with “Edit & Submit” authorization. For more detailed information about authorizing a proxy, see the Job Aid titled **AP315: Authorizing a Proxy for an Employee** located on the Cardinal website in **Job Aids** under **Learning**.
4.	Click the **Search** button.

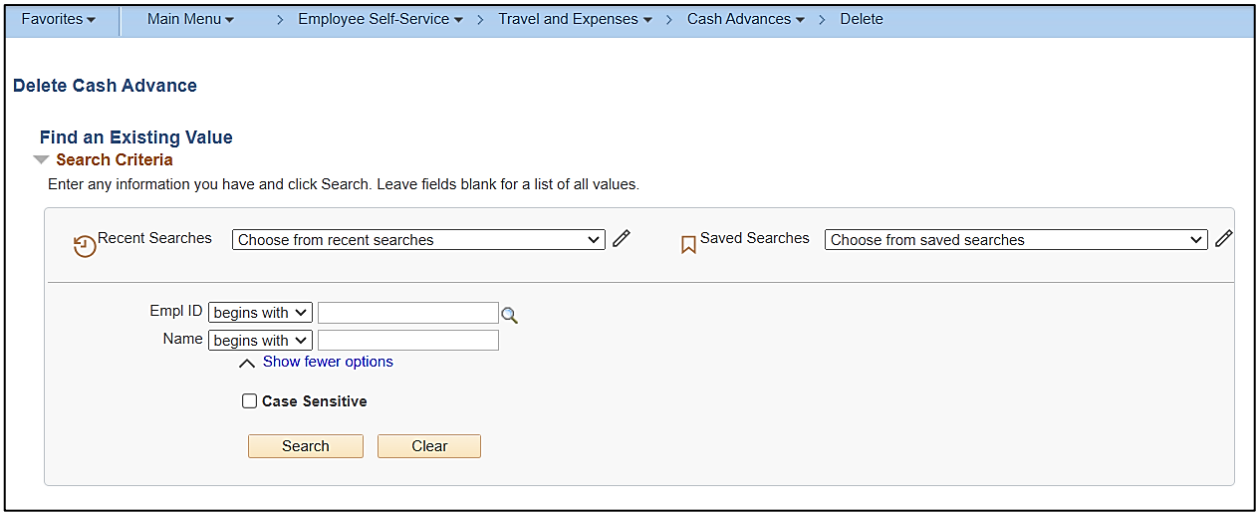
Step	Action
	The **Modify Cash Advance** page displays. 
	This page is identical to the page that was used to create the Cash Advance. Make any necessary changes to the Cash Advance. Users can perform any action on the Cash Advance that they could when creating it (e.g., add or delete lines, change amounts, etc.). If modifying a Cash Advance that has been sent back by an approver, the user will see **Sent Back for Revision** in red font at the top of the page and a hyperlink with the approver's comment.
5.	Click the **Save for Later** button if the transaction is not ready to be routed for approval.
6.	Click the **Certification** checkbox option to enable the **Submit Cash Advance** button when ready to submit the cash advance. 
7.	Click the **Submit Cash Advance** button to send the updated Cash Advance through the approval workflow. 

Step	Action
The **Expense Report Submit Confirm** page displays in a pop-up window. 	
8.	Click the **OK** button to submit the cash advance for review and approval.
	Once the Cash Advance has been submitted, users can only modify the cash advance by clicking the **Withdraw Cash Advance** button when the cash advance is in a “Submitted for Approval” status or if it is sent back by the approver.

Deleting a Cash Advance

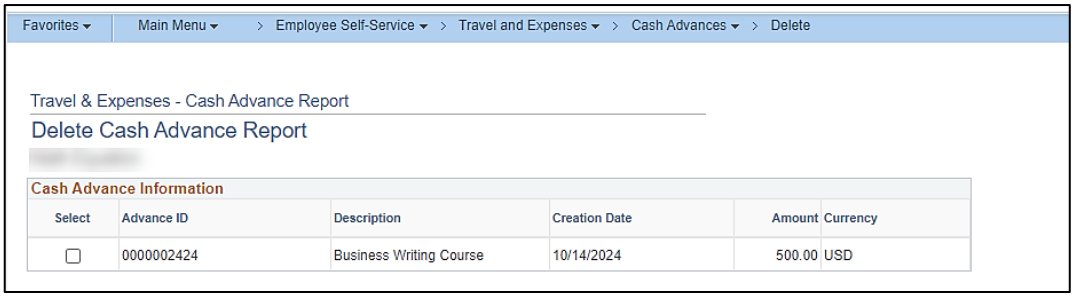
A Cash Advance request can be deleted if it has been:

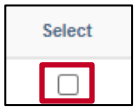
- Saved, but not Submitted for approval
- Withdrawn from approval after submission
- Sent Back by the approver with a required comment. An email is sent to the employee or the proxy who keyed the Cash Advance.
- Denied by the approver. An email is sent to the employee or the proxy who keyed the Cash Advance.

Step	Action
1.	Navigate to the **Delete Cash Advance** page using the following path: **Main Menu > Employee Self-Service > Travel and Expenses > Cash Advances > Delete**
The **Delete Cash Advance Search** page displays.  	
	For more information pertaining to the Cardinal FIN Search pages, refer to the Job Aid titled "Overview of the Cardinal FIN Search Pages". This Job Aid is located on the Cardinal Website in **Job Aids** under **Learning**.
2.	The user's Employee ID defaults into the **Empl ID** field. Enter their Employee ID or Name if deleting a Cash Advance for another employee.
	Users can only search for and delete Cash Advances of employees for whom they are a proxy with "Edit & Submit" authorization. For more detailed information about authorizing a proxy, see the Job Aid titled **AP315: Authorizing a Proxy for an Employee** located on the Cardinal website in **Job Aids** under **Learning**.

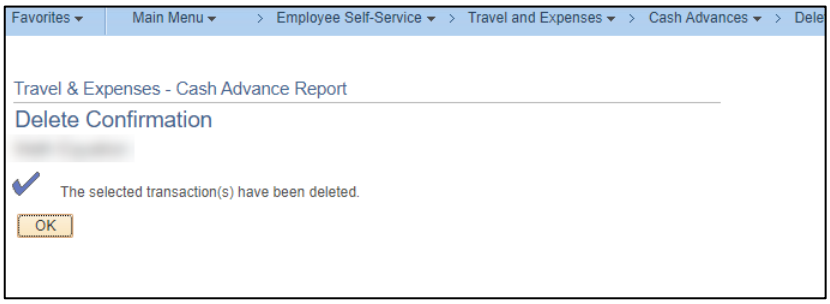
Step	Action
3.	Click the **Search** button.

The **Delete Cash Advance Report** page displays.



	Only cash advances that are eligible for deletion display.
4.	Click the **Select** checkbox beside the cash advance that requires deletion. 
5.	Click the **Delete Selected Advance(s)** button.

A **Confirmation** message displays indicating that the selected transaction has been deleted.



6.	Click the **OK** button.

Step	Action
	A deleted Cash Advance cannot be viewed. The delete action is permanent and cannot be undone.

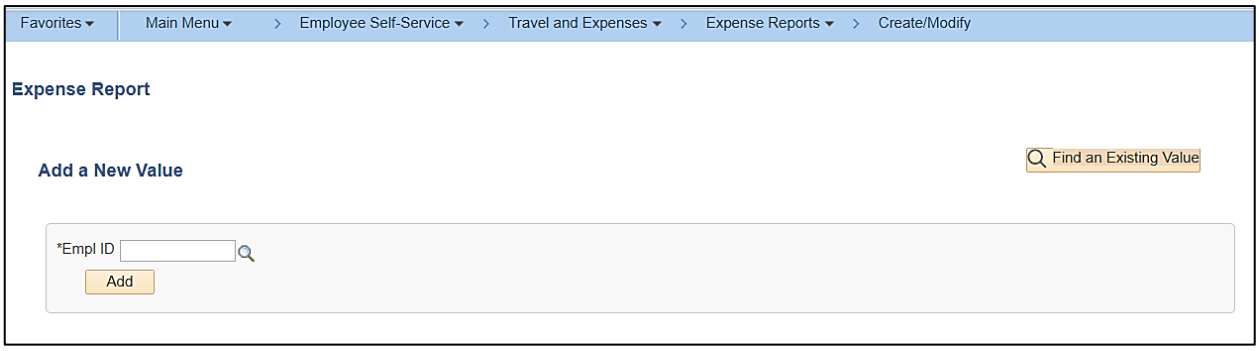
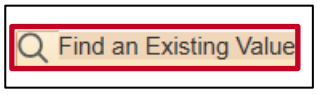
Updating an Expense Report

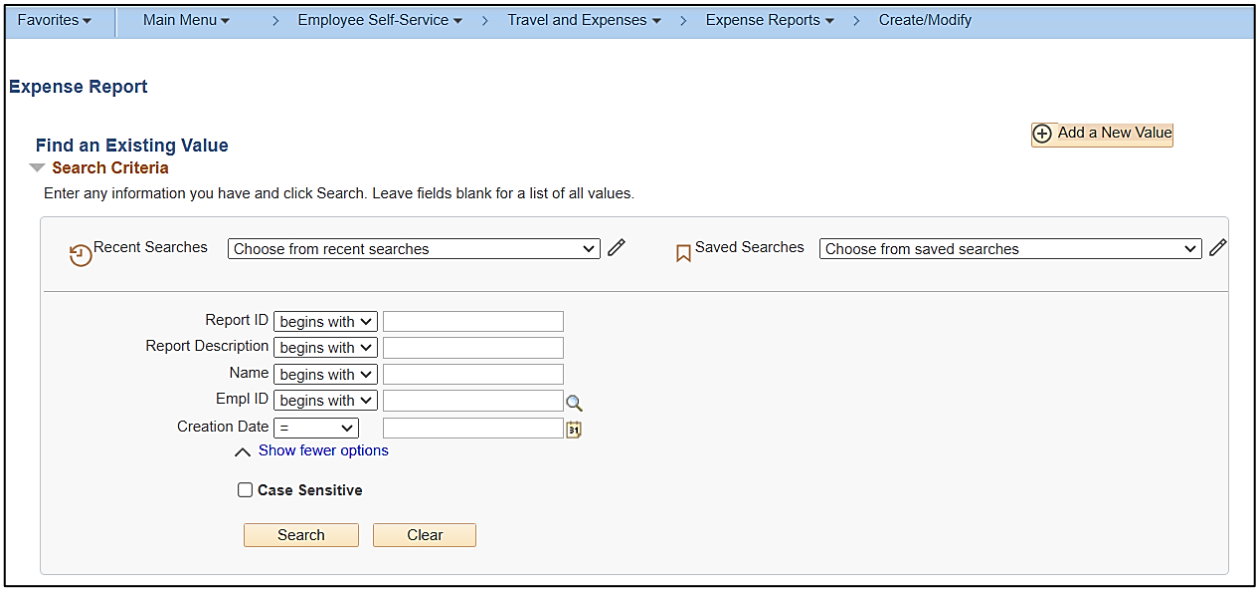
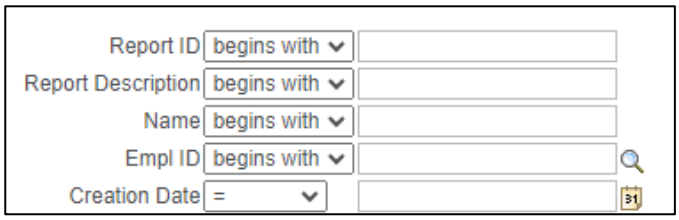
An Expense Report can be updated if it has been:

- Saved, but not submitted for approval
- Withdrawn from approval after submission
- Sent back by the approver with a required comment. An email is sent to the employee or the proxy who keyed the Expense Report

An Expense Report cannot be updated if it has been:

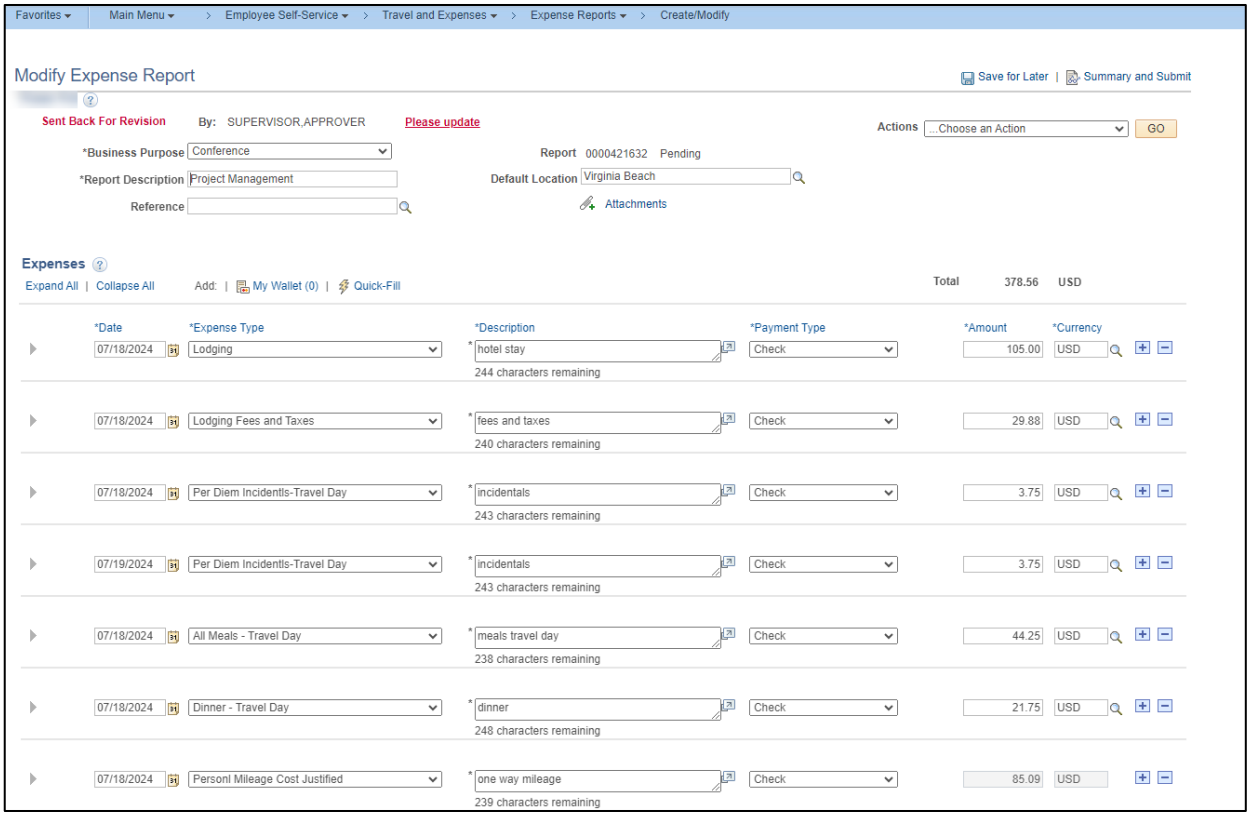
- Approved
- Denied by the approver. An email is sent to the employee or the proxy who keyed the Expense Report. A denied Expense Report must be deleted

Step	Action
1.	Navigate to the **Expense Report** page using the following path: **Main Menu > Employee Self-Service > Travel and Expenses > Expense Reports > Create/Modify**
The **Expense Report Add a New Value** page displays.  	
	For more information pertaining to the Cardinal FIN Search pages, refer to the Job Aid titled "Overview of the Cardinal FIN Search Pages". This Job Aid is located on the Cardinal Website in **Job Aids** under **Learning**.
2.	Click the **Find an Existing Value** button. 

Step	Action
The **Expense Report** search page displays. 	
3.	Enter the **Report ID** of the Expense Report that needs to be modified on the **Find an Existing Value** tab.
	If the ID is not known, search using the other options by clicking the **Search by** dropdown menu. The search options include “Report ID”, “Report Description Name”, “Empl ID”, and “Creation Date”. 
4.	Click the **Search** button.
	Users can only search for and update Expense Reports of employees for whom they are a proxy with “Edit & Submit” authorization. For more detailed information about authorizing a proxy, see the Job Aid titled **AP315: Authorizing a Proxy for an Employee** located on the Cardinal website in **Job Aids** under **Learning**.

Step	Action

The **Modify Expense Report** page displays.

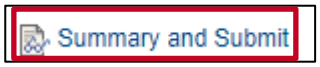


This page is identical to the page that was used to create the Expense Report. Make the required updates to the Expense Report. Users can perform any action on the Expense Report that they could when creating it (e.g., add or delete lines, change amounts, dates, locations, etc.).

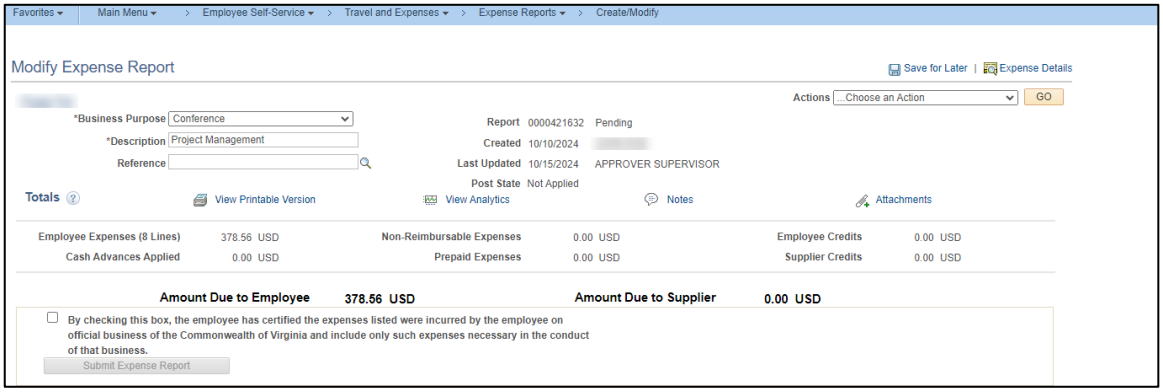
If modifying an Expense Report that has been sent back by an approver, the user will see **Sent Back for Revision** in red font at the top of the page and a hyperlink with the approver's comment.

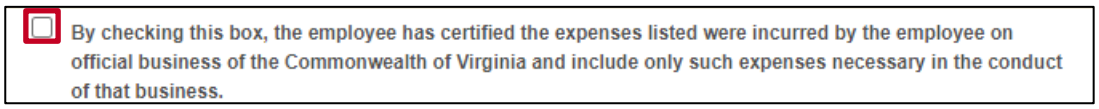
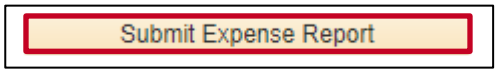
Sent Back For Revision

5. Click the **Save for Later** button if the transaction is not ready to be routed for approval.

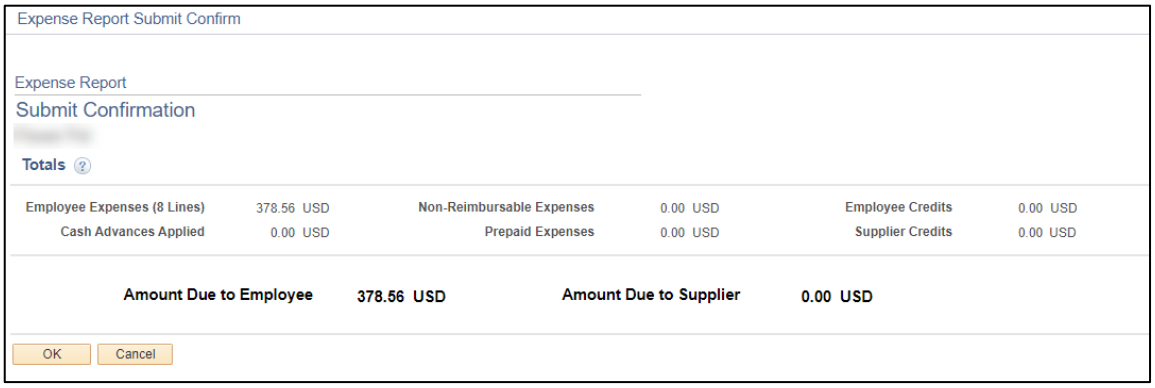
Step	Action
6.	When ready to submit the expense report after making revisions, click the **Summary and Submit** link at the top of the page. 

The **Modify Expense Report** page displays.



7.	Click the **Certification** checkbox option to enable the **Submit Expense Report** button. 
8.	Click the **Submit Expense Report** button to send the Expense Report through approval workflow. 

The **Expense Report Submit Confirm** page displays in a pop-up window.



Step	Action
9.	Click the **OK** button to confirm that the updated Expense Report is submitted for approval. OK Cancel
	Once the Expense Report has been submitted, users can only modify the Expense Report by clicking the **Withdraw Expense Report** button when the Expense Report is in a "Submitted for Approval" status or if it is sent back by the approver.

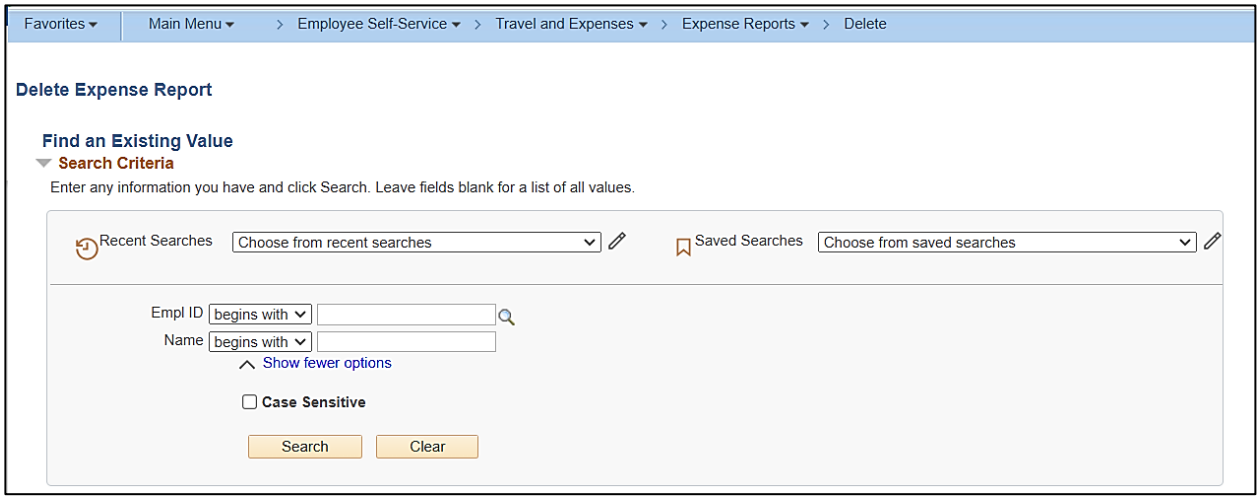
Deleting an Expense Report

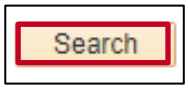
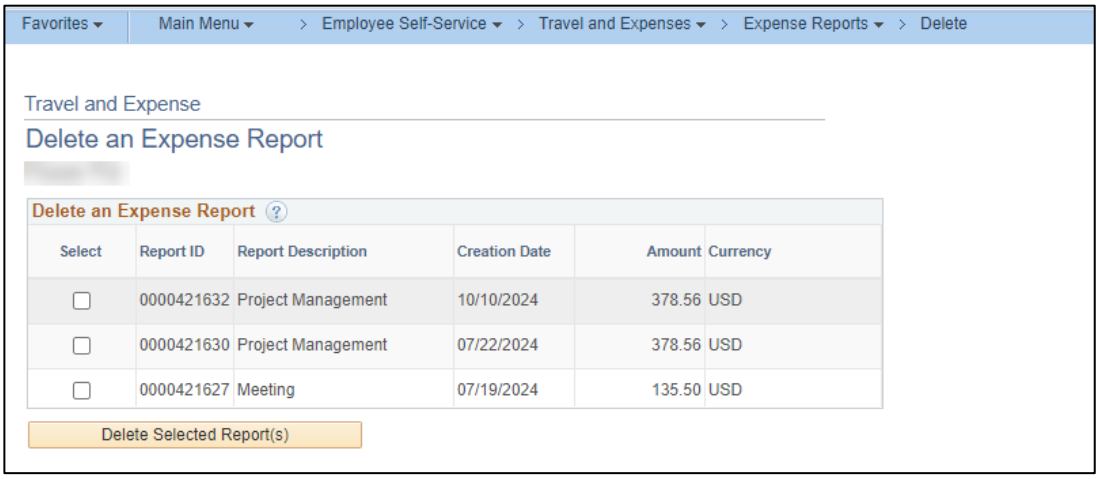
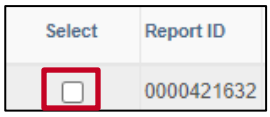
Users can only delete an Expense Report if it has:

- Been saved, but not submitted for approval
- Withdrawn from Approval status
- Been sent back by the approver with a required comment. An email is sent to the employee or the proxy who keyed the Expense Report
- No Cash Advance applied to it
- Been Denied by the approver. An email is sent to the employee or the proxy who keyed the Expense Report. Denied Expense Reports should be deleted to restore any associated Travel Authorization if applicable. Users can then use the restored Travel Authorization to create another Expense Report if needed

Step	Action
1.	Navigate to the **Delete Expense Report** page using the following path: **Main Menu > Employee Self-Service >Travel and Expenses > Expense Reports > Delete**

The **Delete Expense Report Search** page displays.



Step	Action
	For more information pertaining to the Cardinal FIN Search pages, refer to the Job Aid titled "Overview of the Cardinal FIN Search Pages". This Job Aid is located on the Cardinal Website in **Job Aids** under **Learning**.
2.	The user's Employee ID will default into the **Empl ID** field. Enter the Employee ID or Name if deleting an Expense Report for another employee.
	Users can only search for and delete Expense Reports of employees for whom they are a proxy.
3.	Click the **Search** button. 
The **Delete an Expense Report** page displays.  	
	Only Expense Reports that are eligible for deletion display.
4.	Click the **Select** checkbox option beside the Expense Report that requires deletion. 
5.	Click the **Delete Selected Report(s)** button.

Step	Action

Step	Action
A **Confirmation** message displays indicating that the selected transaction has been deleted.	
6.	Click the **OK** button.
	A deleted Expense Report cannot be viewed. The delete action is permanent and cannot be undone.

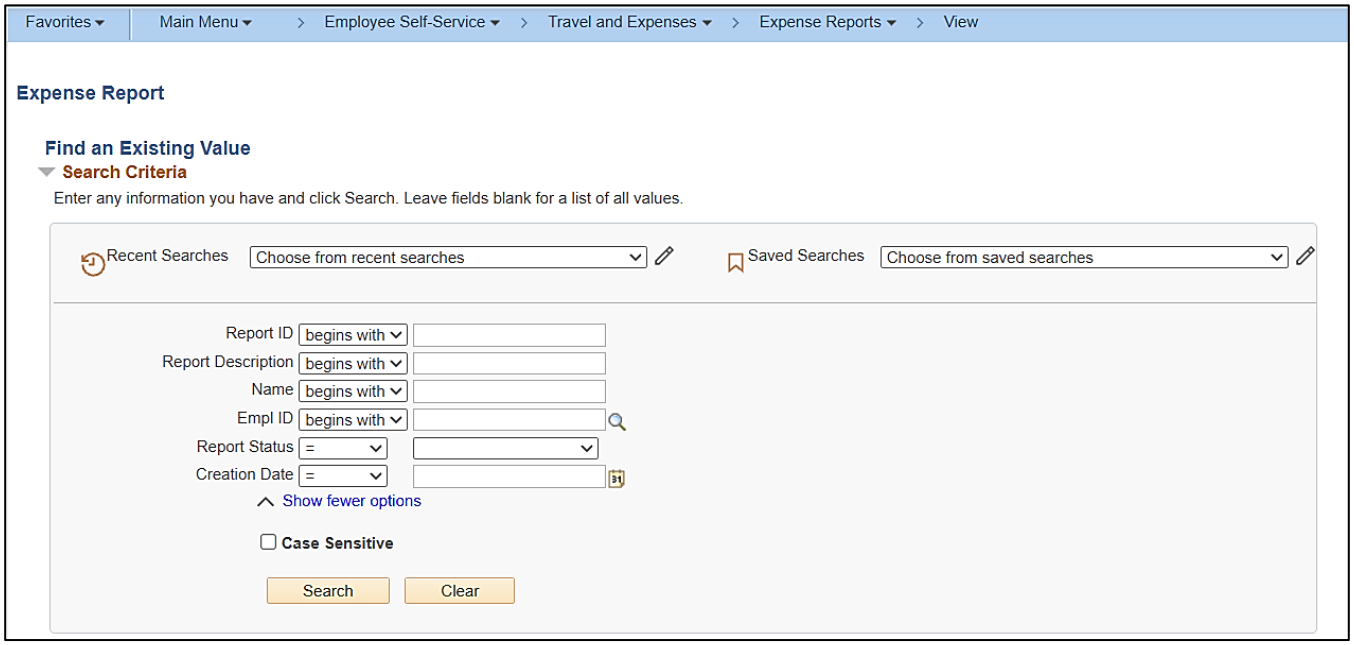
Withdrawing Expense Transactions

After an expense transaction has been submitted, it can be withdrawn so additional updates can be made. Expense transactions can only be withdrawn if the approver has not taken action on the transaction. Once an approver takes action on the transaction, the only way it can be updated is if it is sent back by the approver.

This section of the Job Aid will walk through the steps for withdrawing, updating, and resubmitting an expense transaction. This process is demonstrated using an Expense Report and is applicable to Travel Authorizations and Cash Advances as well. For those transactions, replace “Expense Reports” in the navigation path noted with “Travel Authorizations” or “Cash Advances” as applicable.

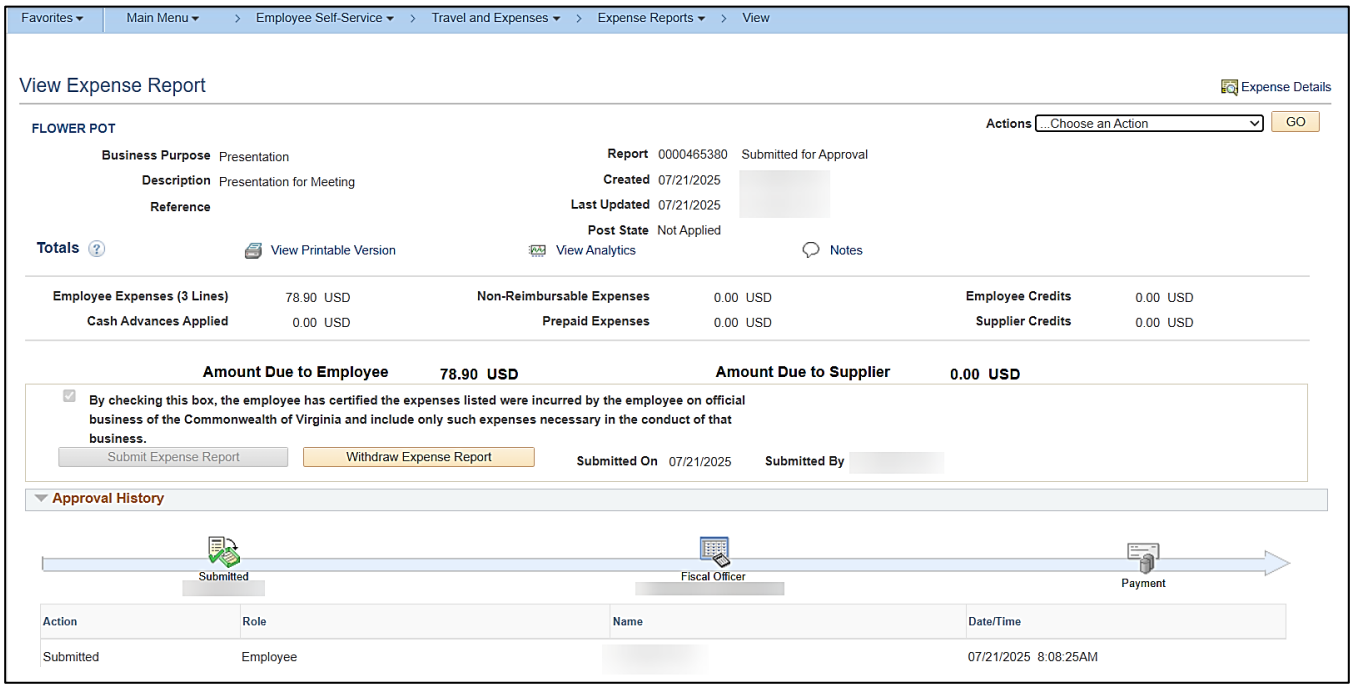
Step	Action
1.	Navigate to the **View** page using the following path: **Main Menu > Employee Self-Service > Travel and Expenses > Expense Report > View**
	When withdrawing a Travel Authorization or Cash Advance, navigate to the applicable **View** page.

The **Expense Report Find an Existing Value Search** page displays.



Step	Action
	For more information pertaining to the Cardinal FIN Search pages, refer to the Job Aid titled "Overview of the Cardinal FIN Search Pages". This Job Aid is located on the Cardinal Website in **Job Aids** under **Learning**.
2.	Enter the Report ID for the Expense Report that needs to be withdrawn in the **Report ID** field.
3.	Click the **Search** button.

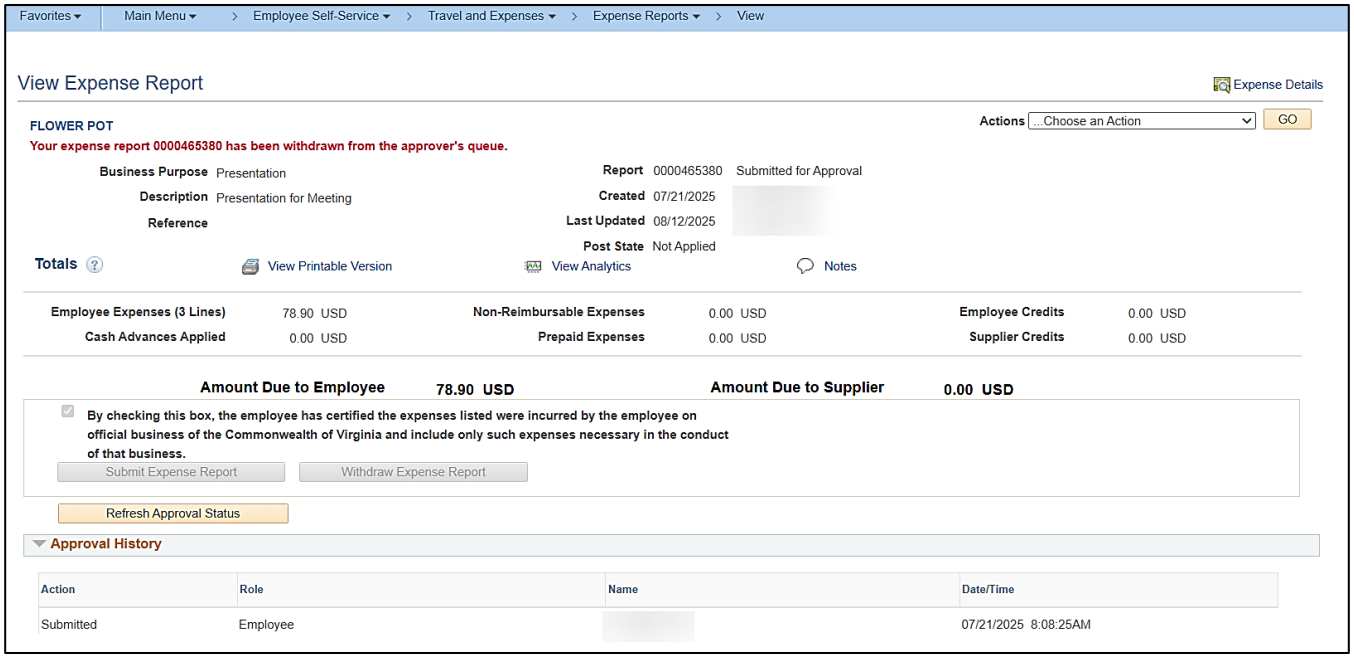
The **View Expense Report** page displays.



4.	Click the **Withdraw Expense Report** button.
	The **Withdraw Expense Report** button will not be available if the approver has taken action.

Step	Action

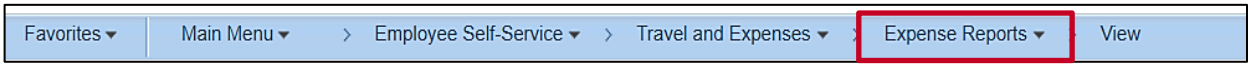
The page refreshes.



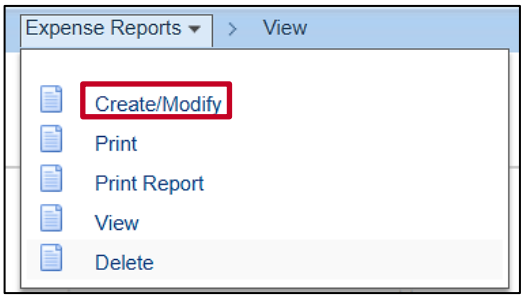
A message displays at the top of the page indicating that the Expense Report has been withdrawn from the approver's queue.

Your expense report 0000465380 has been withdrawn from the approver's queue.

5. Click the **Expense Reports** dropdown button in the breadcrumbs at the top of the page.

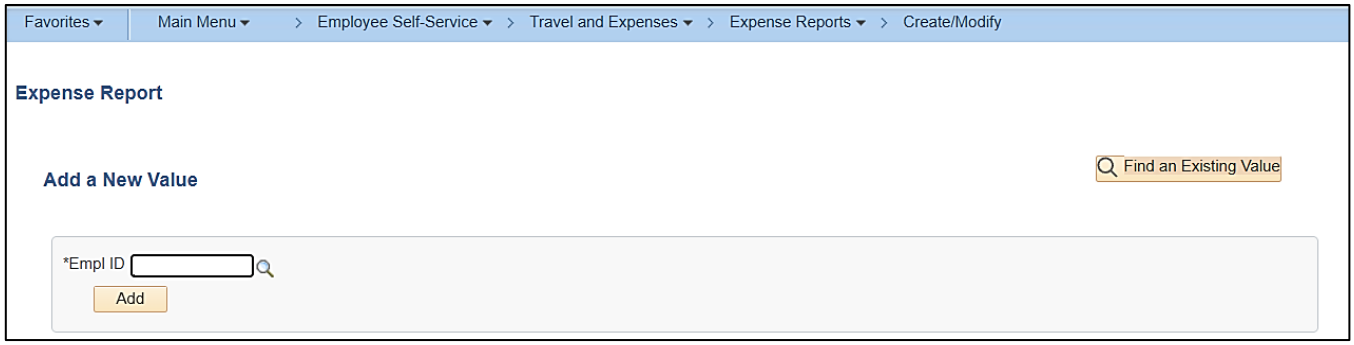


6. Click the **Create/Modify** menu list item.



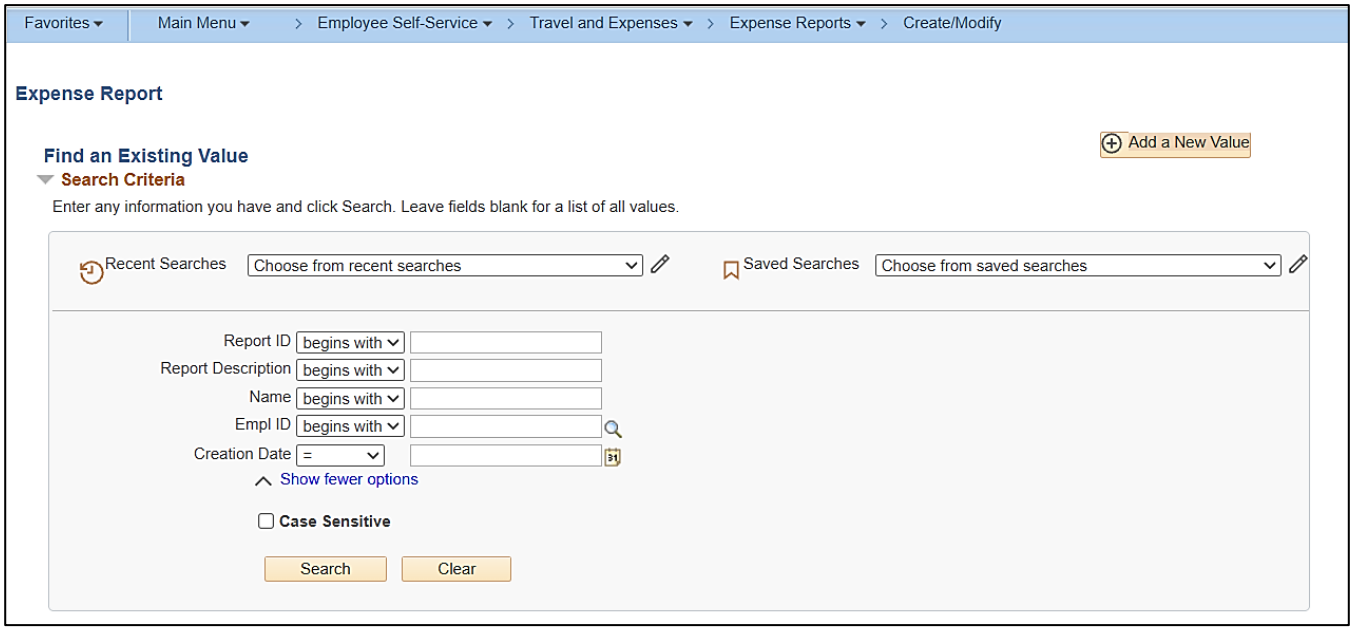
Step	Action

The **Expense Report Add a New Value** page displays.



7. Click the **Find an Existing Value** button.

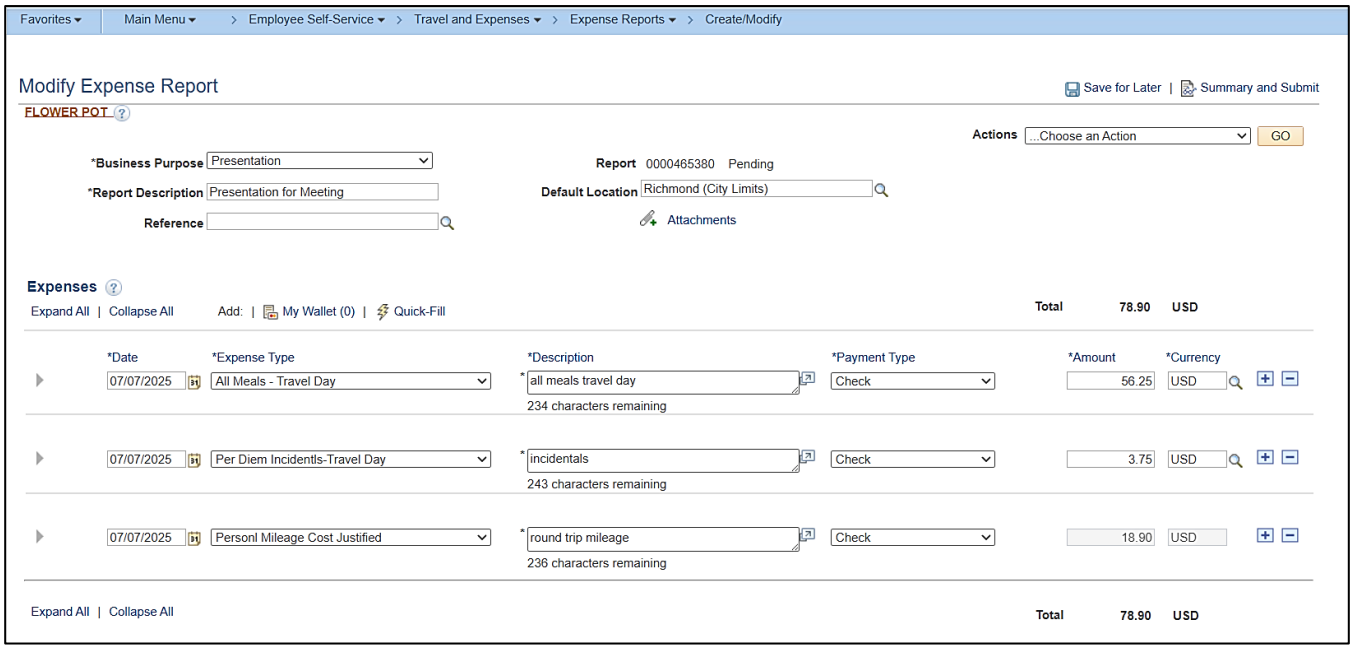
The **Expense Report Find an Existing Value Search** page displays.



8. Enter the Report ID for the Expense Report that was withdrawn in the **Report ID** field.

Step	Action
9.	Click the **Search** button.

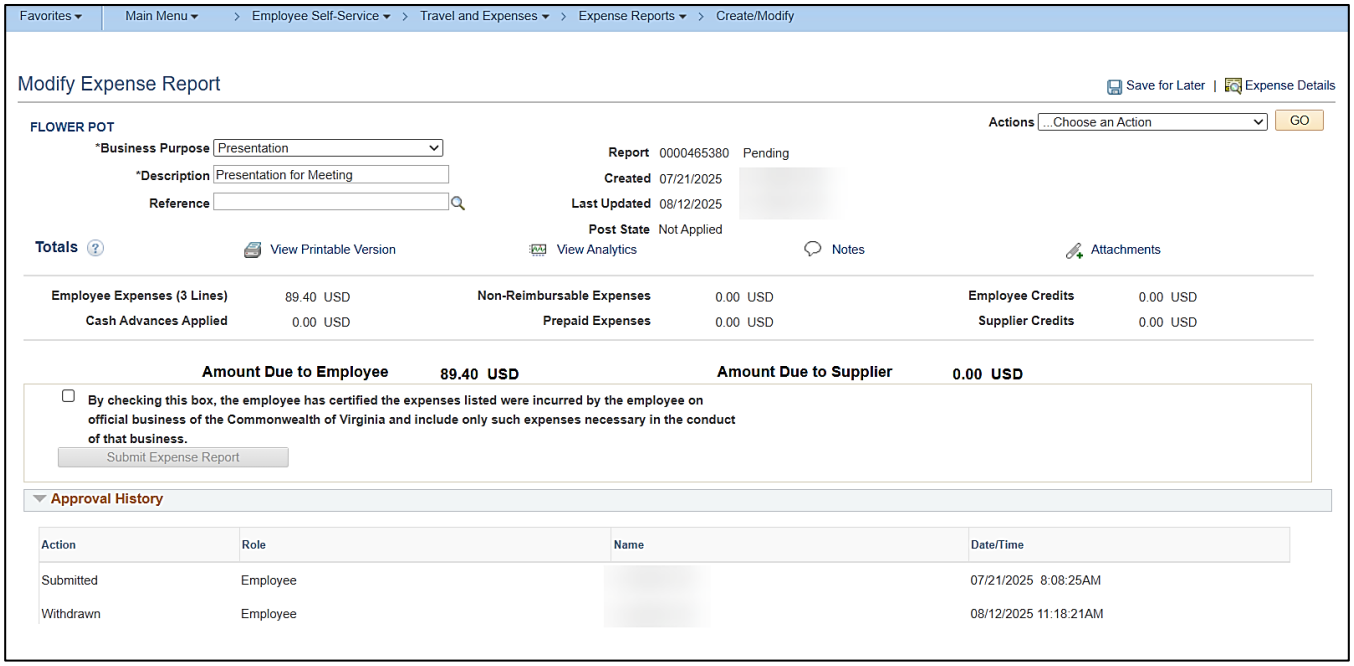
The **Modify Expense Report** page displays.



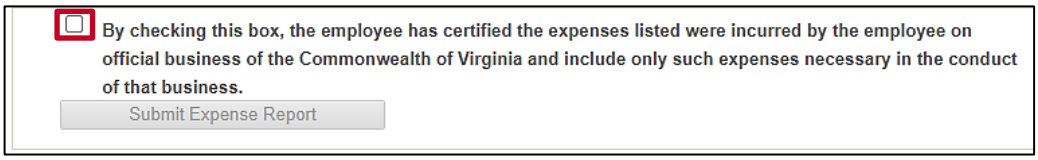
10.	Make the necessary updates.
11.	Click the **Summary and Submit** link at the top of the page.

Step	Action

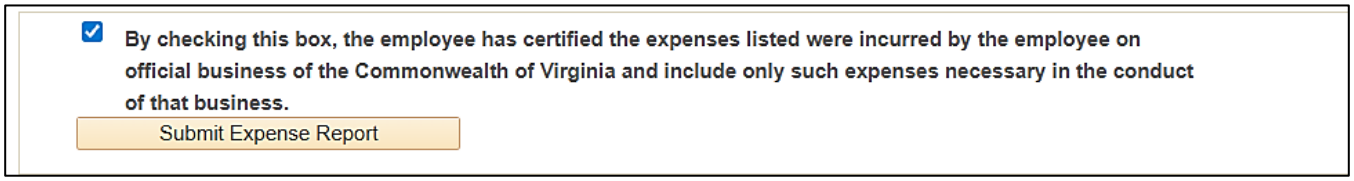
The **Modify Expense Report Summary and Submit** page displays.



	The **Approval History** section shows the actions that have been taken on this Expense Report. Notice that the withdrawal is recorded here.
12.	Click the checkbox option next to the Certification Statement.



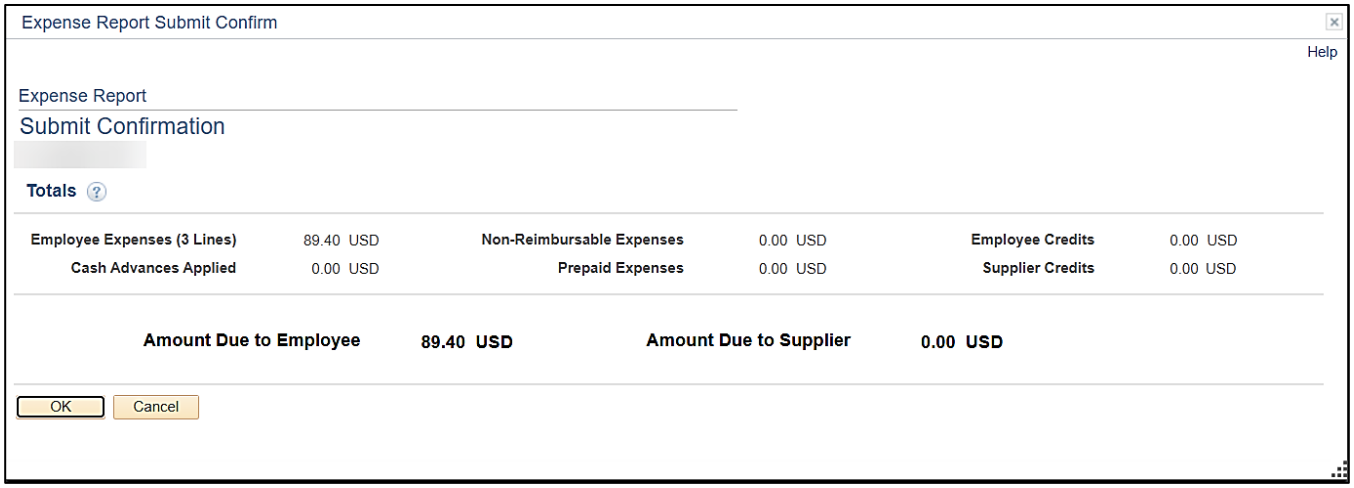
The page refreshes and the **Submit Expense Report** button is enabled.



13.	Click the **Submit Expense Report** button.

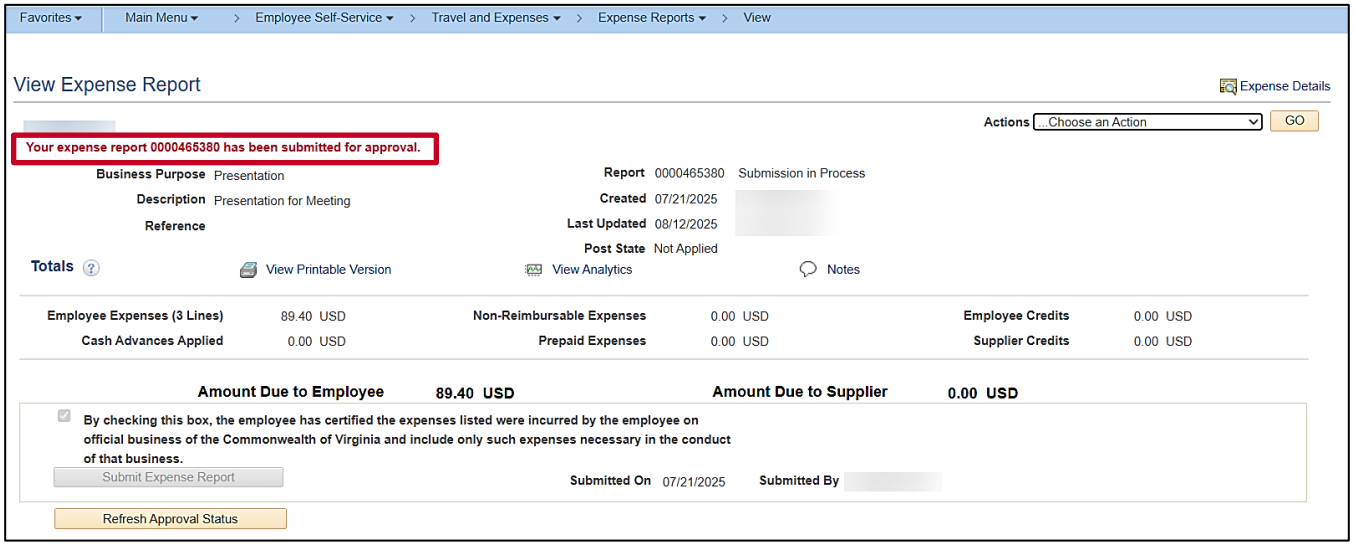
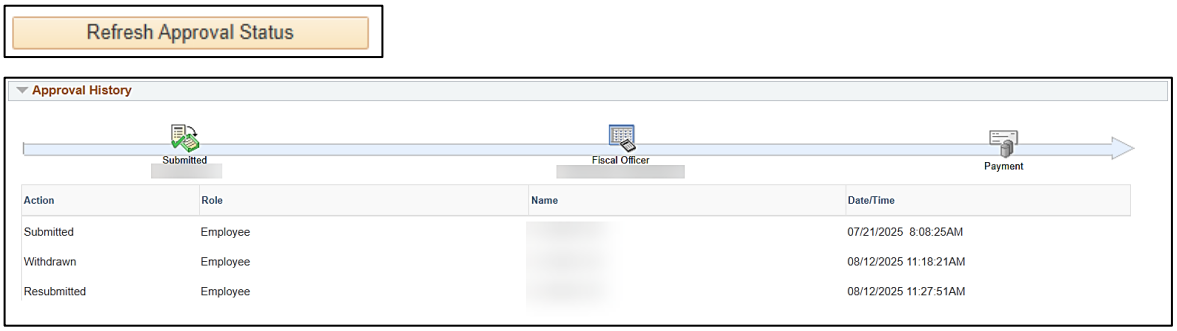
Step	Action

The **Expense Report Submit Confirmation** page displays.



14.	Click the **OK** button.

The **View Expense Report** page displays with a message confirming that the Expense Report has been submitted for approval.



Step	Action
	The **Refresh Approval Status** button can be optionally clicked to view all of the actions for the Expense Report as well as the Approval routing.