Questions from November 2016 Tech Webinar   **Presented by: Brian Criss and Dan Beck**

Title: Oracle Primavera P6 User Forum

#	Question	Answer
1	Printing Layouts: Is there an automatic way of enabling insert manual page breaks to improve readability of printed schedules?	The ability to insert manual page breaks is an existing enhancement request. Page breaks are available for layouts within the Group / Sort options in P6. For tabular reports, choose the option to modify the report using the report editor and right click on the appropriate heading to view the properties window. Within the properties is where the options to insert page breaks can be found.
2	Printing Layouts: Is there a setting that will allow the software to automatically switch activity descriptions from the right end of the activity bar to the left end of the activity bar, so that the description will not be cutoff based on the timescale to be printed? As it is now, we have to make the timescale much longer than it otherwise need to be in order to avoid cutting off activity descriptions.	The ability to have P6 handle this function automatically is not available in the current versions of the software. Workaround options would include using a global activity code to determine whether the activity name should read to the left or right of the bar in the gantt chart. Once the code has been assigned to activities, create two custom bars for display of the label (one for Left and one for Right side).
3	I have lots of layouts/filters defined for sorting and selecting Activity Codes. For Example, I select certain physical areas of the project in a contractor's schedule using Location Code. However, when applying to the next month's update, the Location Code lines in the layout and filter are gone. Do you know why this would happen and a fix to this problem? this does not happen when selecting using WBS.	This condition happens when using Project Specific Activity Codes for grouping and sorting layouts. P6 will append the code name with the Project ID and therefore, will display properly only when using for a specific project. Workaround options would include 1) modifying the layout with each import, 2) utilizing EPS level activity codes, or 3) Import new data into the same project using the "update existing" function during import.

| 4 | Can you provide license details for Primavera? | **Oracle Primavera license details**

1. P6 EPPM licenses bundled with components like P6 Web application, P6 optional client, BI Publisher (for 51 Out Of Box reports in P6 EPPM) and Team Member.
2. Any development in P6 EPPM reporting using BIP will require separate license
3. P6 Team member (Timesheet / Progress Reporter / Mobile App) is separately licensed for light users, not having a full license
4. P6 EPPM webservices (required for integrating P6 EPPM with other applications) are mandatory and should match the P6 EPPM licenses.
5. Unifier licenses include the Unifier Application, webservices (required for integrating Unifier with other applications) and the mobile application.
6. BIP for reporting in Unifier is licensed separately.
7. AutoVue 2D licenses are mandatory and should match the Unifier licenses. AutoVue 3D is utilizing BIM
8. Primavera Analytics can now connect to both Unifier and P6 EPPM databases for reporting.
9. Primavera Gateway is complementary for connecting P6 EPPM and Unifier, to connect P6 EPPM with SAP PS/PM and Oracle Projects it will become chargeable. |
| 5 | **While working on Primavera P6, I am encountering a rather strange error. When i am linking my activities or giving any relationships whatsoever the following error as the attachment pops up. Can someone help me out, i have tried restarting and everything thing possible.** | **PRM DBAccess Error: ORA-12952: The request exceeds the maximum allowed database size of 4 GB** |

6	Auto Tracking Of Project Expenses Based On % Completion of Activities I had loaded expenses in each activities and updated project but expenses are not able to reflect based on % completion of activities. Settings: Activities % complete type : Duration Auto complete actual for expenses : activated	Two options for this would be to use the "Apply Actuals" function after all activities have been updated, or using the "Update Progress" function during the schedule update. Both options will automatically align the activity percent complete with the Expense percent complete. NOTE: These functions may update in accordance with the activity Planned Dates so prior to running these operations, be sure to check (add these columns to the layout) to ensure that the current dates are aligned with the Planned Dates.
7	I´m trying to get the driving activities path for a given activity in the gantt chart view, something like the "Trace Logic" tool but using bars. Is there any way to get it in a single click operation instead of clicking one by one with the GoTo button in the relationships tab?	The best option for achieving this would be to enable the "Calculate Multiple Float Paths" option on the Advanced tab within the Scheduling Options (see slide #15 from the webinar). Recommendation is to select the option to use "Free Float" and for the number of float paths, choose 1. Select the activity from which you would like to see the driving predecessors and recalculate the schedule. With this process, develop a new layout that groups the activities by Float Path and see the desired chain of activities at the top of the page.
8	Do you know how to get the WBS to total up actual work days vs the calendar work days it show now?	The calendars used for the activities in a specific WBS or the Default Project Calendar will determine how the summary totals within the WBS grouping bands will display. A work around option would be to use WBS Summary activities or Level of Effort activities and assign those specific items to a 7-Day calendar. This will display the duration in Calendar days rather than work days and these summary tasks can be easily filtered to create a custom layout showing Calendar day durations for work summaries.

9	I have been having issues with Print preview in P6 15.2. When trying to add elements in either the Footer or Header, I am unable to add any of the variables from the drop down list. Is there a known fix for this issue or did this occur from the installation?	**Bug 22127464 - Not Able to Add Variables in Header or Footer Layout** This issue has been resolved and the fix has been included as part of the Primavera 15.2.6.0 Patch Set. All subsequent Patch Sets for this release version will also include the fix. NOTE: To review the latest Patch Set for your release, please refer to the following document: What Are The Latest Patch Sets For Primavera P6 Release 15.2 (Both PPM and EPPM Releases)? **(Doc ID 2061766.1)** To implement the solution, please execute the following steps: 1. Download and review the README documentation and prerequisites for the Patch Set. 2. Ensure that you have taken a backup of your system before applying the recommended Patch Set. 3. Apply the Patch Set in a test environment. 4. Retest the issue. 5. Implement the solution as appropriate on other environments.
10	I am familiar on how to clean POBS data from an exported P6 XER ile. Is it possible to clean the P6 file of POBS while it is stillbeing stored on the SQL Server Daabase?	You can log into SQL as SA or PRIVUSER and run the following Query: Delete from pobs; Commit; To review the latest Patch Set for your release, please refer to the following document on Oracle Knowledgebase: • Doc id 2061766.1 - What Are The Latest Patch Sets For Primavera P6 Release 15.2 (Both PPM and EPPM Releases)? • Doc id 2005620.1 - What Are The Latest Patch Sets For Primavera P6 Release 15.1 (Both PPM and EPPM Releases)? • Doc id 1941059.1 - What Are The Latest Patch Sets For Primavera P6 Release 8.4 (Both PPM and EPPM Releases)? • Doc ID 1542433.1 - What Are The Latest Patch Sets For Primavera P6 Release 8.3 (Both PPM and EPPM Releases)?

11	What is the best way to manage resource access among multiple users? Currently, Priamvera resource breakdown structure only allows a user to be assigned to a single resource node. There are times where users are working on multiple project schedules. In that case, I would give such user access to all resources and i am not comfortable giving a user access to all resources. Is there a work around for this?	This is a tricky situation insofar as the Resource dictionary is global and often access for P6 users is intended to be project specific. The only course of action here would be to develop a very detailed Resource Breakdown Structure to potentially allow administrators to provide access to only certain resources. Given users may only be provided with a single level of access to the Resource dictionary makes this task all the more difficult. Often the end result is to provide users with access to all resources in the dictionary.
12	What is the appropriate way to use Expenses in lieu of Budgeted Total Cost?	The appropriate way to use expenses would be to identify the costs for all (or desired) activities in the schedule and add an expense item and cost for each activity in the schedule.