

# **Risk Practice**

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## **Tool Matrix**

Business Process	ORACLE* PRIMAVERA	Asta Powerproject*	Plweb
Portfolio Management	P6, Unifier		Portfolios
Planning & Budgeting	Unifier	Powerproject	Planning
Estimating		BidCon	Estimating
CPM Scheduling	P6	Powerproject	Scheduling
Cost Management & Reporting	P6, Unifier	Powerproject	Cost Management
Document Management	Unifier		Doc. Management
Change Management	Unifier		Workflows
BIM/Engineering Forms	Unifier	Asta BIM	Engineering Forms
Risk Analysis	Risk Analysis	Asta Risk	Risk Register
Facility Management/Work Orders	Unifier	8	Facility Management
Claims Support & Analysis	P6	Powerproject	Scheduling Doc. Management



# **Agenda**

#### **Risk Analysis**

- Risk Definitions, Reasons, Methodology
- Sample Demonstration
  - Risk Event Template
  - Sliders
  - P80
  - Schedule Contribution
  - Risk Register
- Pros/Cons Primavera Risk Analysis (PRA) vs Acumen Risk (AR)



#### **Risk Analysis Definitions**

- Risk: An uncertain event or condition that, if it occurs, has a positive
   (opportunity) or negative (threat) effect on a project's objectives.
   Understanding these risks helps to better evaluate and reduce risk exposure, increase confidence, identify areas of potential acceleration of schedule and help establish reasonable contingency
- Threat situation or condition that is unfavorable to project
  - Negative circumstance
  - Risk with negative impact
- Opportunity situation or condition that is favorable to project
  - Positive circumstance
  - Risk with positive impact



#### **Risk Analysis Definitions (Con't)**

 Uncertainty – lack of knowledge about an event that reduces

confidence in conclusions drawn from the data.

- Cost
- Time
- Work effort
- Quality requirements





#### Risk Analysis Workshop – Why/When do it...

#### Why

- Identify/Quantify potential events causing delay/cost increase to Project
  - Incomplete design
  - Inadequate site investigation
  - Unrealistic schedule/budget
  - Permit requirements
  - Weather
  - Supplier's/contractor's ability to deliver
  - Public relations
  - Unforeseen conditions...
- Optimize Project Performance, identify Critical activities, create Transparency, predictability, minimize surprises-early warning





#### Risk Analysis Workshop - Why/When do it...

#### When

- Before entering into a Funding gate
- Before/during Engineering Phase
- Before starting Construction evaluating competing bids for equipment for example
- As often as it feels necessary to capture/evaluate/mitigate/eliminate risk affecting ultimate project goal – Completing project
  - Some groups review Portfolio quarterly
  - Some review yearly (ex. LRP cycle)
  - Partner review initiated

Many times it is seen as a one time event but in these large scale projects spanning several years, risk assessments should be done frequently, if nothing else, to update the risk register and adjust for risk past and for new risks surfacing. Proactively performing Risk is best done throughout the life cycle



#### Risk Analysis Workshop - *Process*

- Review of CPM schedule for duration and logic integrity (Schedule Quality)
  - Use of Acumen Fuse for identifying issues
  - Schedule quality key to driving valuable Risk outcomes
- Identify Uncertainty Ranging of activities in schedule (adjust for wobble)
  - Maybe more certainty around Engineering durations but less certainty over Construction durations (with Acumen-could be reviewed at WBS)
  - Validate these ranges and inputs with Project team for buy-in
  - Careful not to be too optimistic, management directives
  - Compare against past performance if available
- Identification of Risk Events with project team (Risk Register)
  - Establish Risk Template ranges
  - Could involve risk mitigation during exercise (usually after having analysis and mitigating known critical risk)



#### Risk Analysis Workshop - *Process*

- Run the Risk Analysis
  - Uncertainty Only
  - Uncertainty plus Risk Events (Full Risk Exposure)
  - Identify top contributing activities and risk events
  - Propose/evaluate risk handling Schedule and Cost Estimate MUST be updated to show new work from accepted risk handling
- Optimize schedule from above results (scenario planning)
  - Could mean rebaseline using P80 schedule results
  - Mitigate Risks
  - Exclude show-stoppers



#### **Demonstration**

- Risk Event Template
- Acumen Summary by WBS showing Duration "Slider" and dates to WBS level #
- Running Risk Analysis roll the dice
- P80 Report
- Schedule Contribution (Tornado chart)

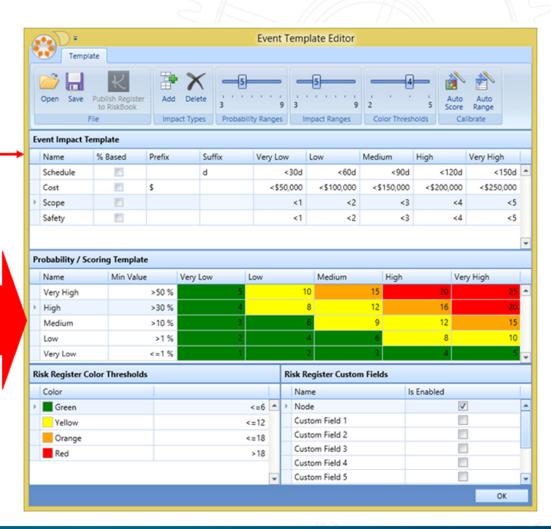


#### **Risk Event Template**

# A. Acumen Risk Event Template

The Acumen Risk template, has been set to match the Risk Profile as provided in Excel on 2/14/15 (below).

2	Likelihood Rating <sup>(1)</sup>	Chance Of Occuring <sup>(1)</sup>	Assumed Probability <sup>(2)</sup>
3	1	0 - 1%	0.50%
4	2	1 - 10%	5%
5	3	10 - 30%	20%
6	4	30 - 50%	40%
7	5	> 50%	75%
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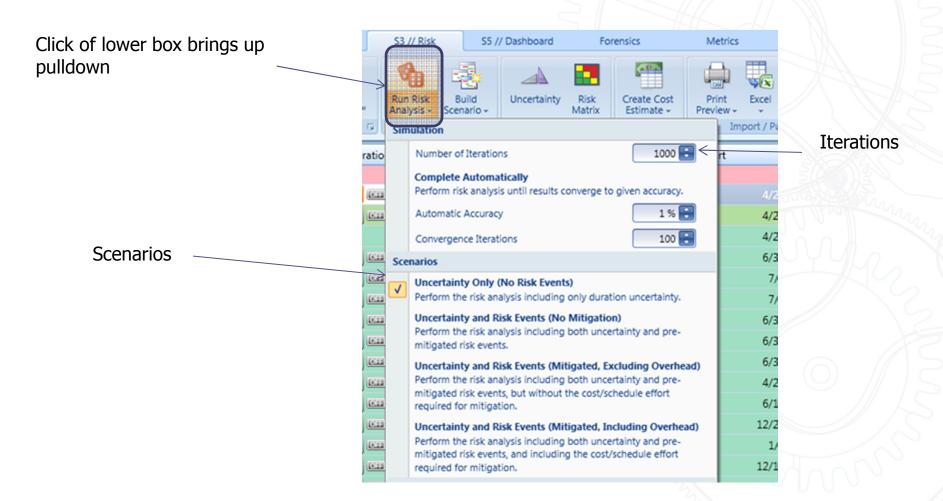


#### **Summary WBS showing Duration Uncertainty "Sliders"**



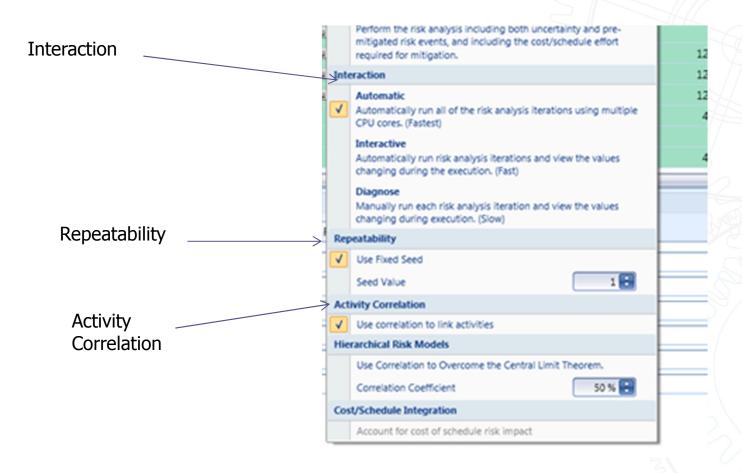


#### Run Risk Analysis – Roll the dice



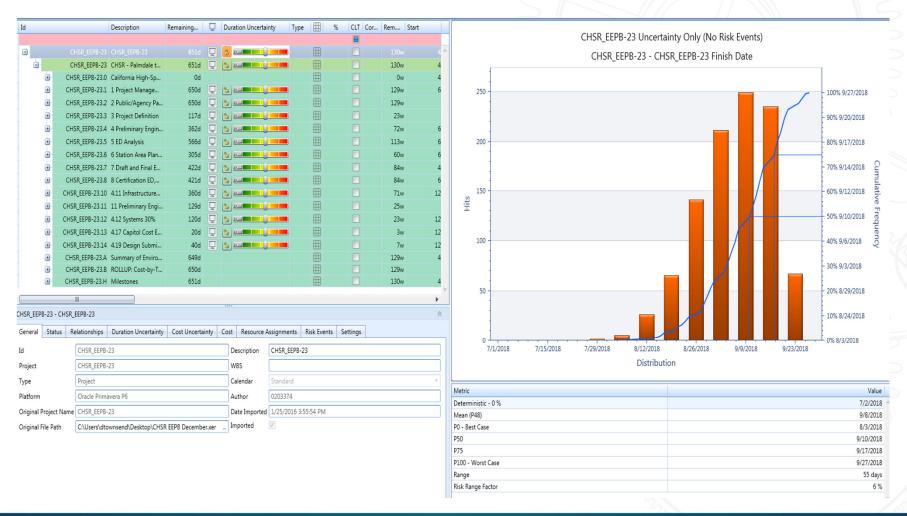


### Run Risk Analysis – Roll the dice





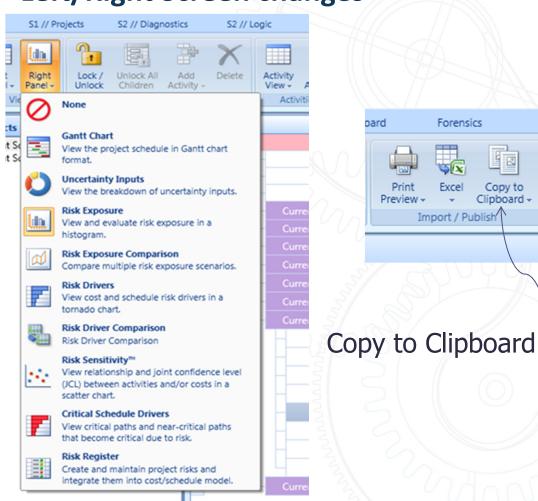
#### Run Risk Analysis – Initial output





#### Risk Model Outputs - Left/Right Screen changes

- **Various Views** possible depending on Desired review.
- Any active screen can be copied to Clipboard for pasting into Word or Excel
- Version 8 3Q 2016 will include an Exec Report function to automatically include several of these graphics



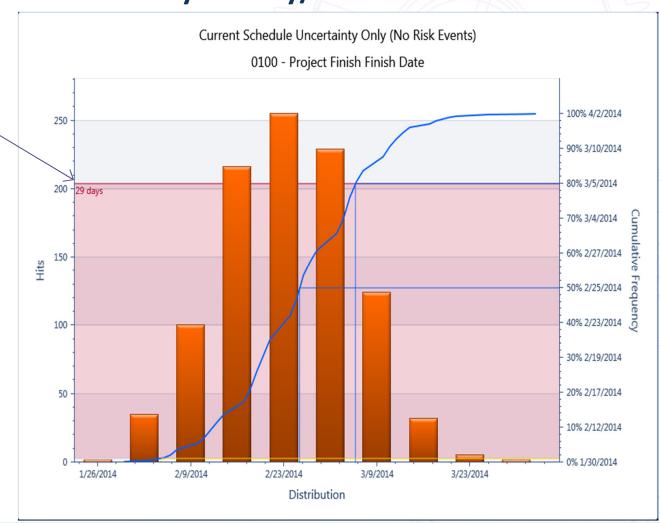


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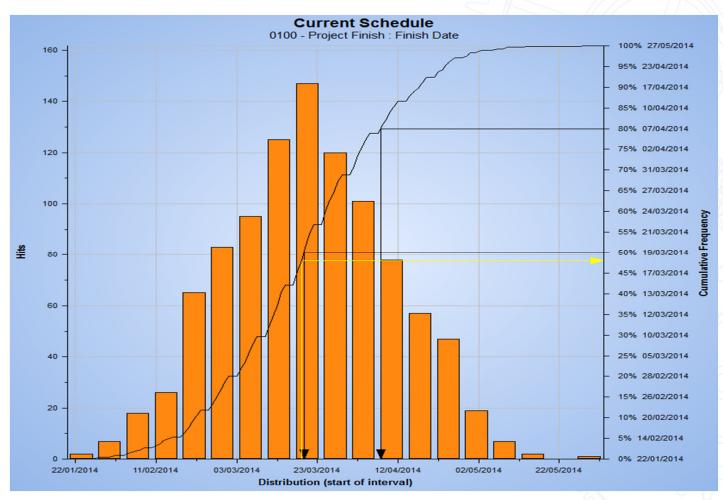
P80 Report (AR) – Can select any activity/milestone in Schedule

Measure of P80 contingency to the Deterministic



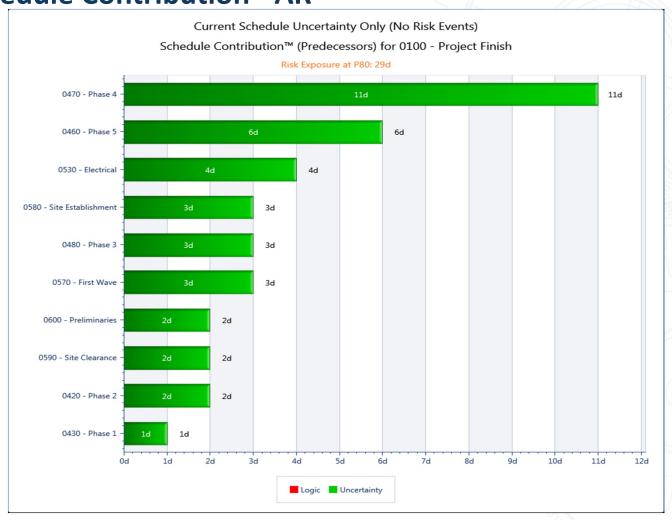


P80 Report (PRA) – Can select any activity/milestone in Schedule



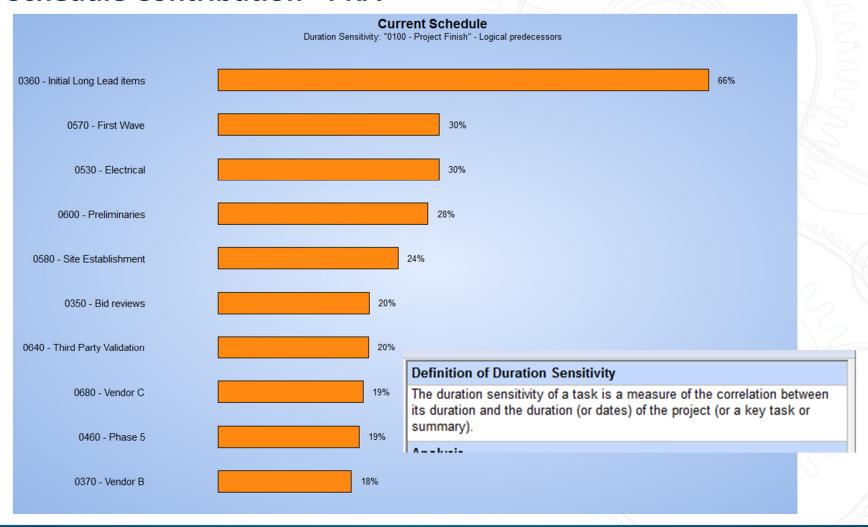


#### **Schedule Contribution - AR**





#### **Schedule Contribution - PRA**

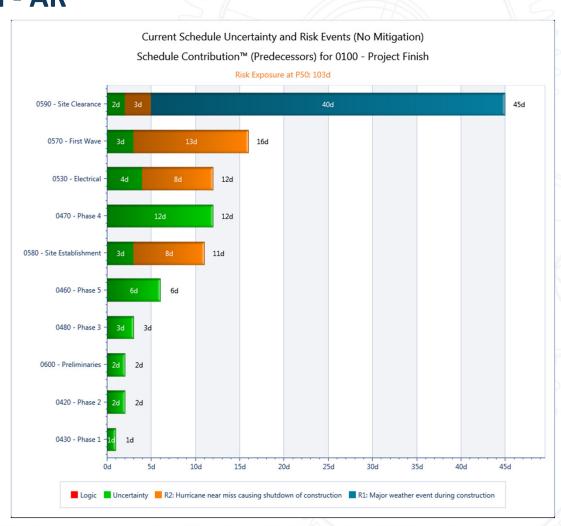




#### **Schedule Contribution - AR**

Indicating all types of drivers for impacting Project Finish (and days associated with each)

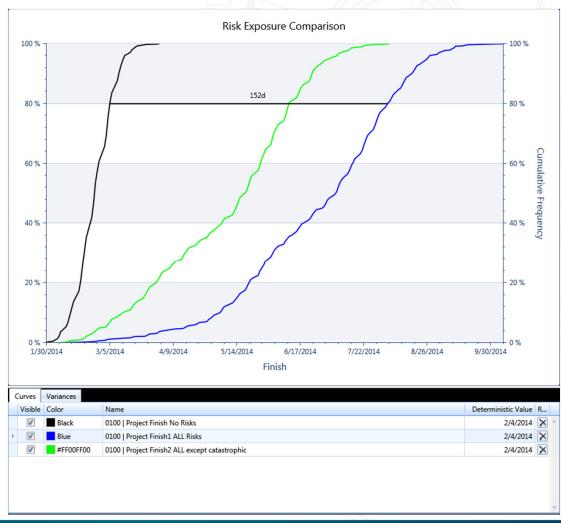
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- Uncertainty
- Hurricane near miss
- Major weather event





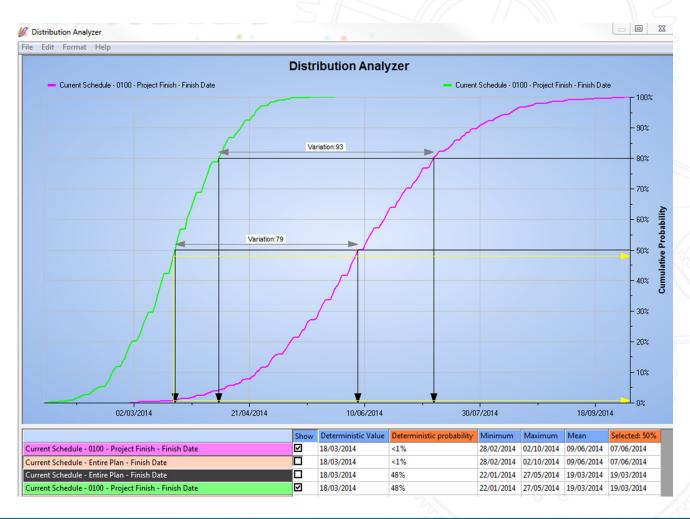
#### **Risk Exposure Comparison**

Measuring difference between applying NO risk vs ALL risks



#### **Risk Exposure Comparison (PRA)**

Measuring difference between 2 runs with different risks applied





### **Risk Register – Hurricane Example**

Risk	sk Current								
Enabled	Absolu	ID	•	Туре	Name	Probability	Schedule	Cost	Score
		R1		7	Inadequate schedule or improper controls to maintain schedule by EPC contractor	Low	Medium	High	8
	<b>✓</b>	R2		7	Major weather event affects site during construction	High	Medium	High	16
	<b>V</b>	R3		7	Major weather event affects region during construction	High	High	High	16
		R4		7	Ongoing construction activities damage operating trains of existing facilities	Very Low	Low	High	4
		R5		7	Delay of construction dock competion for receiving materials	Low	Low	Very Low	4
<b>V</b>		R6			Hurricane near miss causing shutdown of constuction	High	Low	Medium	12
	<b>✓</b>	R7		7	Piping discipline Labor shortage Train 1	High	High	High	16
	<b>V</b>	R8		7	Piping discipline Labor shortage Train 3	High	High	High	16

ld	R6	Name	Hurricane near miss causing shutdown of constuction
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		0	
Type Threat	Opportunity	<ul> <li>Calendar Event</li> </ul>	Risk Window

On	Month	Probability	Min	Most Likely	Max
<b>V</b>	June	20 %	3 d	5 d	10 d
<b>V</b>	July	30 %	5 d	6 d	12 d
<b>V</b>	August	50 %	5 d	10 d	15 d
V	September	60 %	5 d	10 d	15 d
<b>✓</b>	October	50 %	5 d	10 d	15 d
<b>✓</b>	November	20 %	2 d	3 d	5 d
	December	0 %	0 d	0 d	0 d



#### Mitigation Analysis – New to latest Version (7.0)

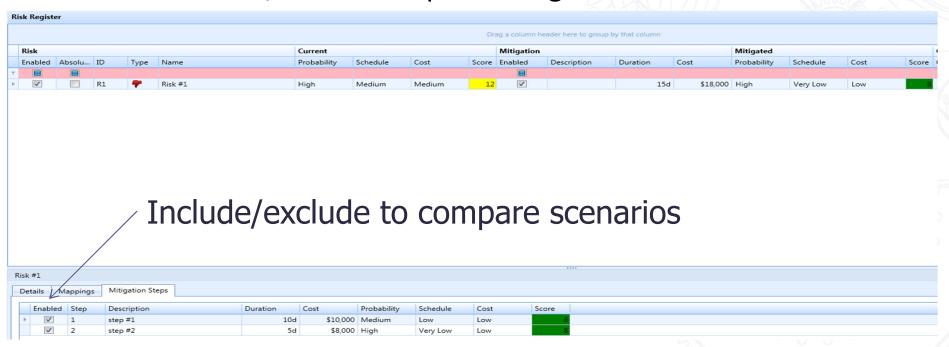
- Ability to access if Mitigation will reduce Project Risk and if the improvement will be worth the Investment
  - Easy to run Scenario basis including and excluding certain
     Mitigation steps
  - Add as many steps as necessary to Mitigate a given Risk
  - Apply Duration, Cost and Probability



#### Mitigation Analysis – New to latest Version

Mitigation Analysis

- Listing of Steps
  - Add as many Steps as required to Mitigate
  - Include/Exclude Steps running different scenarios

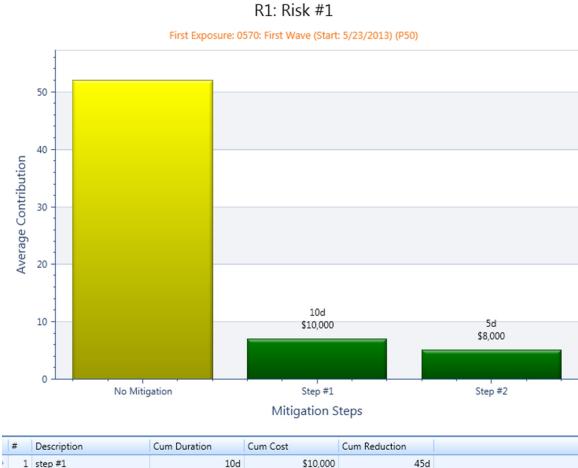




#### Mitigation Analysis - New to latest Version

Graphic of Steps impactin this case improvement

Shows you need 15d mitigation, \$18,000 to save 47d



# Description		Cum Duration	Cum Cost	Cum Reduction	
1	step #1	10d	\$10,000	45d	
2	step #2	15d	\$18,000	47d	



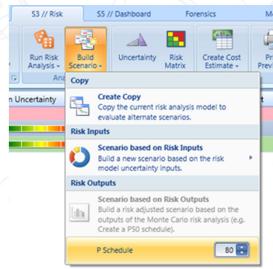
#### Scenario Planning – Forgotten Step Many Times

- How to Respond to Risk Results
  - Communicate Results to Necessary parties
  - Monitor and Control Risks Identified
  - Address Threats and Opportunities Develop strategies for Response
  - Assimilate Risk Outcomes back into working Forecast file
    - Applying more realistic remaining durations
    - Imbedding Risk events into Schedule for visibility
    - Applying Contingency to key deliverables
  - Could be used just as a Snapshot for Quarterly/Annual Reviews



#### Scenario Planning – Forgotten Step Many Times

- Build Scenario of Risk Inputs
  - Could be a baseline to compare to for future Risk work
- Build Scenario of Risk Outputs
  - Recreate Forecast schedule with Risks shown
    - P80 schedule



Important to apply learnings/outcomes from Risk exercise back into active Forecast schedule at a level Project Team agrees



#### **Pros PRA & AR**

- Both written by same team Dan Patterson headed up
- Both accept inputs from multiple planning programs
- Both have similar P## distribution curves on any activity in model
- Both respond best if a clean, healthy schedule is used this is true to ALL risk assessment tools
  - Minimal constraints, lags
  - Minimal SS/FF relationships
  - Minimal open ends
  - Both have the ability to convert positive lag into activities
- Both have ability to pick % on distribution curve
- Both work best on standalone workstations, slower response using virtual desktop – AR works fine with Citrix



#### **Pros**

- AR Kept up to date and in development today built on 64 Bit platform; uses multiple cores and supports hyperthreading (makes for faster running of iterations)
- AR Included with Fuse bundle, ability to screen schedule health and make corrections (Cleanse) in tool – Redundant logic, hard/soft constraints, remaining leads/lags (convert to tasks)
- AR Duration uncertainty "sliders", wobble
- AR Export to xer file, multiple file types, can import mpp and export as xer file
- AR Weather or calendar event building inside Risk Register
- AR Ability to assign Risks to activity or WBS level absolute or prorated across activities



#### Pros (con't)

- AR Export out the P-value schedule to continue scheduling forward
- AR Integrated Risk Register (all types of risk events included in one spot)
- AR Accepts inputs from Excel spreadsheet for Cost
- AR Cleaner way to model cost Risk Analysis (run separate models and then join them together for time-dependent costs)
- AR -Clearer representation of driver analysis for a selected P-Value (logic, uncertainty, risk drivers)
- AR Can enter and map risk events from the schedule activities
- AR Easier for project teams to follow and optimizes their time needed for inputs



#### Cons

- PRA Not significantly changed since Oracle purchased still in 32 Bit platform; capability taken away as macro programming no longer supported
- PRA Export to xer file problematic (buggy)
- PRA issues importing files with multiple calendars/workday definitions
- PRA have to understand statistics to 'get' the driver analysis (across P-values)
- AR not as many built-in modeling choices as PRA (duration distributions; probabilistic branching; probabilistic calendars; etc) – have to model differently
- PRA duration uncertainty loaded manually per activity, except as a Quick Risk or template Quick Risk method
- PRA schedule uncertainty poorly defined (% of correlation between durations and duration of project)



#### **Risk Assessment Conclusion**

- Why Risk
- When Risk
- Risk Expectations/Outputs
- Tool differences

Admitting there is Risk in the schedule is not a bad thing, refusing to believe any Risks identified will become issues and impact the schedule could lead to project failure. The workshop is intended to explore/brainstorm with the team the potential risks and help the team gain confidence and consensus on addressing those Risks in the correct method



# **Questions & Comments**

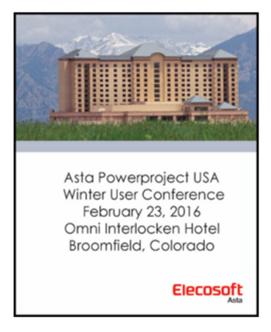
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- Answers are based on our own experiences using the various software products covered in this webinar.

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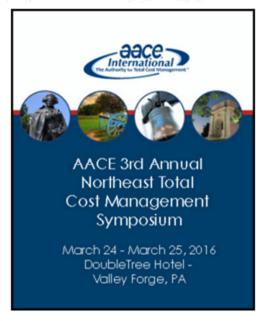
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 March Webinar – Reviewing & Preparing a Schedule Narrative for a client – March 16<sup>th</sup>, 10am Pacific Time

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