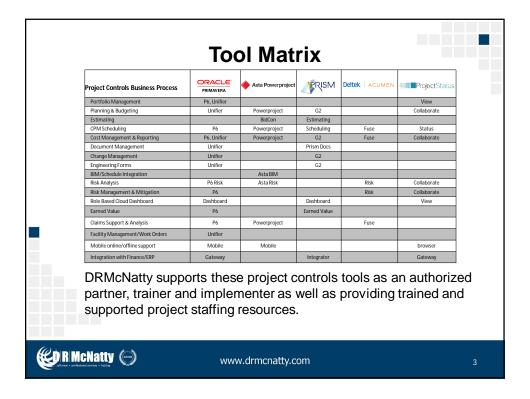


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#### **Abstract**

### Leveraging Technology of Today and the Future in Project Controls

Program management systems should be designed based on the <u>best available current technology</u> to meet the clients' requirements while still allowing for the flexibility to adopt <u>new and changing technologies</u> as they evolve in the future... all the while ensuring a "common core system of record" that will survive the life of the program.

For more extensive technology trends, reference recent report from Jim Zack: "Trends In Construction Technology".

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### **Agenda**

### Leveraging Technology of Today and the Future in Project Controls

- Concept a "common system of record"
- Perceptions how people think about technology
- Issues encountered between people & technology
- Solutions a combination of standards & flexibility
- Examples applications of current technology
- Trending Technologies and potential impacts
- Conclusions things to think about



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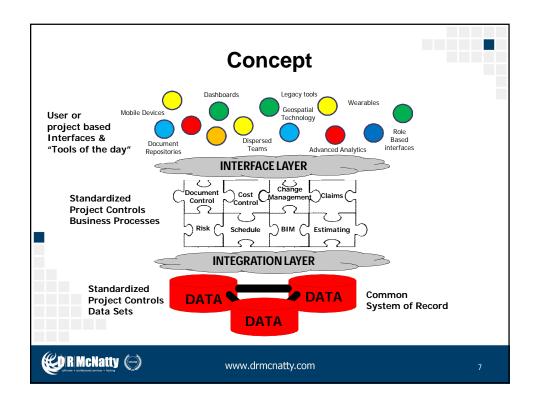
## Leveraging the Technology of Today and the Future in Project Controls

#### Concept (a common system of record...)

- Many available solutions to various business processes on many different platforms.
- Start at the bottom what tool will provide a common repository for all project data, for the life of the program?
- What tool set can capture, stabilize and secure data integrated in a "common system of record"?
  - Select the most efficient user facing solution that is capable of integrating with the system of record.
  - Criteria: Security, longevity, integration & control.



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#### Perceptions (by people...)

Overcoming people's perceptions on how they think things are, or should be, will have the biggest impact on how you move forward.

- Stick with what worked before...
- Short-term or single project solutions...
- Stakeholder tools and standards...
- Can't live without "Best of Breed" or latest trend...
- Resistance to change...



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#### Issues (caused by perceptions...)

Technology is the easy part – getting people to agree on standards and how to apply technology requires a plan, patience and persistence.

- · Alignment of data between separate tools.
- At what step in a process data has to be captured and stored in the system of record.
- · Getting user participation and adoption.
- Maintaining security, context and an audit trail.



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#### Solutions (to achieve success...)

- Management vision how high does it go?
- Management control do they actually have it?
- Foundation is the most important part.
- Interfaces will change over time.
- The integration layer will need to adapt to different inputs while maintaining security and data integrity.
  - Develop a culture of flexibility while respecting and preserving the foundation.



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#### **Examples (current technology...)**

- 40-year Transportation Program
  - Common web interface to collect data from contractors.
  - Multiple tools used to manage projects.
  - Web interface provides role based team interaction.
- · Large Utility with multiple departments
  - Each group wanted to define their own environments.
  - Web interface used to improve user adoption & team interaction.
- Large, multi-regional GC/CM
  - Multiple projects, schedules, documents, schedulers.
  - Information scattered across networks, computers and software.



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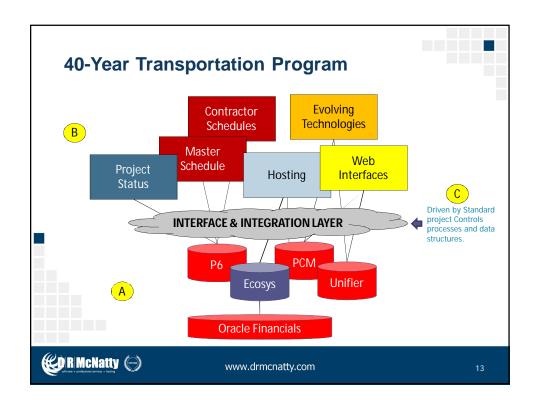
### Example # 1

#### **40-Year Transportation Program**

- Owner engaged implementation team to design.
- Deployed through hosting vendor to simplify responses.
- Initially deployed independent of PM's and CM's.
- Hosted system can be brought in-house, at will...
- · Foundation software vendor meets all criteria.
- Licensing strategy saved hundreds of thousands of \$.
- Web interface layer used to facilitate user adoption.
- Integration to connect efficient web data collection to foundation with a complete audit trail.



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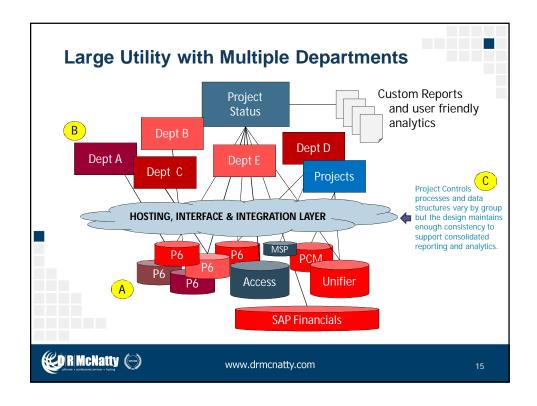
### Example # 2

#### **Large Utility with Multiple Departments**

- Multiple P6 databases.
- Different versions, different data structures.
- Integration with legacy data sources.
- Integration with SAP.
- · Constant cycling of participants.
- · External advocating of standards and versions.
- The "Anti-Enterprise" system.
- Able to meet management level reports across groups.



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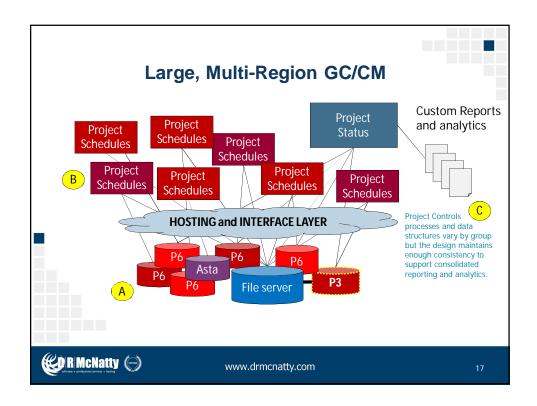
### Example #3

#### Large, Multi-Region GC/CM

- Centralized data environment (multiple databases)
  - Data was scattered across internal/external computers.
- Centralized storage of supporting documents & files
  - Data and hardcopies scattered everywhere.
- Ability for management to monitor all schedules.
- Management ensured of data security and controlled access.
- Ability to integrate reports across all databases.



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#### **Trending Technology...**

- BIM 4D (3D CAD + Schedule)
  - As standards evolve this becomes easier to do.
- BIM 5D (3D CAD + Schedule + Documents)
  - The WBS is the core data structure element assigned to doc's.
- BIM 6D (3D CAD + Schedule + Documents + Costs)
  - The CBS aligns with the WBS... (good luck).
- Anything-Anytime-Anywhere wireless access
  - Will solve the current limits related to access and speed.



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4D, 5D, 6D, BIM, AAA0

- The successful application of current and future technology trends require:
  - Taking responsibility for defining standard data environments.
  - Supporting flexible interfaces while preserving the "system of record".
  - Spend wisely understand all of your needs and how they impact licensing and deployment.
  - Wireless technology access and speed improvements.
- Success = Standards + Discipline + Flexibility.



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#### Conclusions (things to think about...)

- · Owners can define the "Rules of Engagement".
- Application of new technologies can increase productivity and reduce costs while ensuring quality.
- Sources of funding may require full project controls and standard data structures.
- New technologies can be worth the effort to gain increased adoption across the program team.
- Owner deployment of "common system of record".
  - "Asynchronous data (data that is not aligned) can only be solved by proactive owner responsibility and action.



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