Project Management Capability Survey Assessment/Results

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Purpose and Agenda

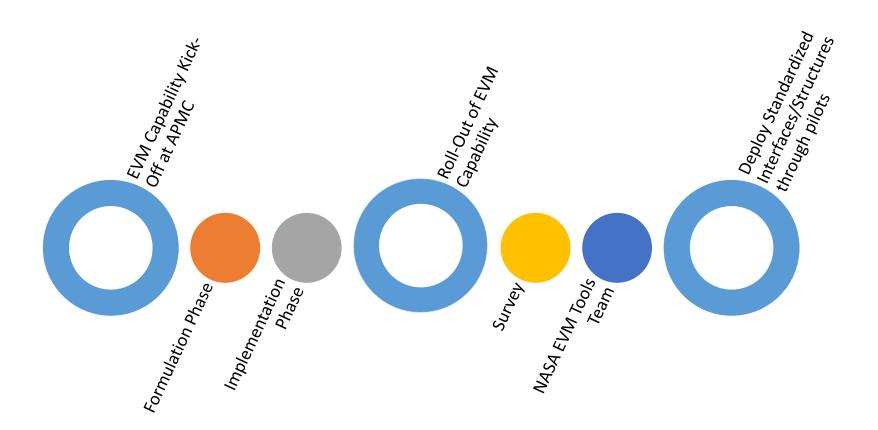
Purpose

- Highlight the inconsistencies in planning approaches identified in the Project Management Capability Survey
- Describe inroads that have been made to address some inconsistencies

Agenda

- Background
- Survey Approach & Summary Results
- Progress To Date
- Summary and Forward Work







Survey Approach



<u>Purpose</u>

Ascertain the feasibility of implementing a common system, including software, procedures, and training throughout the Agency

Approach

- 8 Survey Categories
- 52 Questions for Centers
- 60 Questions for Projects

<u>Center Responses</u>

LaRC, GRC, GSFC, KSC, JSC, MSFC, and DFRC

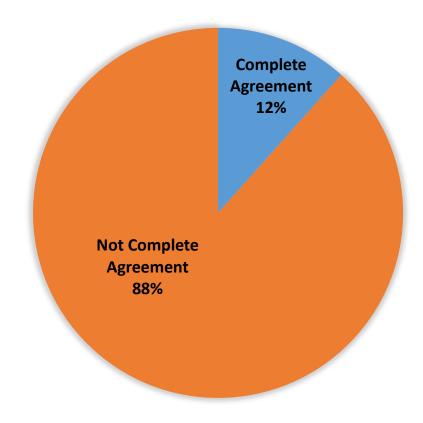
Project Responses

Kepler, Iris, Sofia (ARC, DFRC), Connect, GSFC (Multi-projects), MPCV, and Ares



Summary Survey Results and Actions

- Complete Agreement in a Handful of Areas
- Vast Majority of Areas Have Inconsistencies

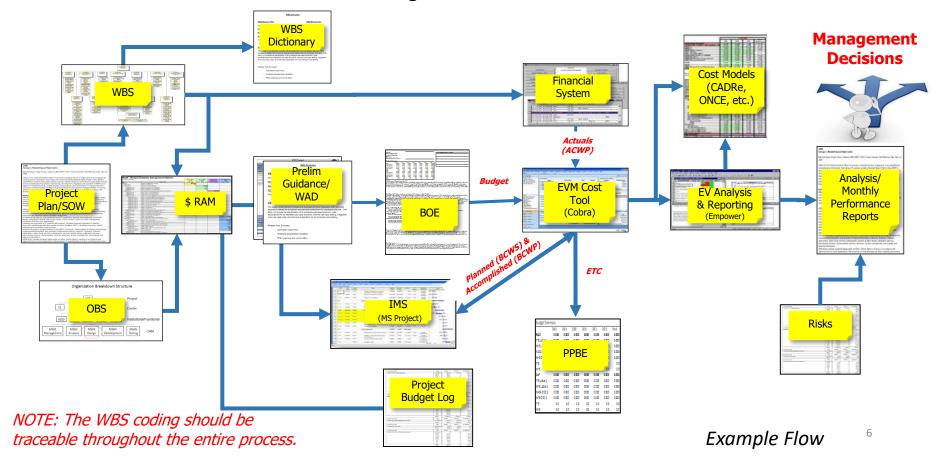


- Began utilizing NASA EVM Tools Team (chartered by NASA EVM Program Executive) to identify opportunities for standardization
- GSFC is testing the EVM Tools Team recommendations on pilot projects



Common PP&C Processes for PPBE

- Issue: NPR 7120.5
 (EVM, JCL, etc.)
 products and OCFO
 reporting come from
 different systems
- Impacts: Project
 Managers may be
 looking at distinct and
 possibly disjointed
 views of project
 management data.
- Recommended
 Approach: Integrate
 PPBE process with
 PP&C processes and
 standard structures and
 tools.

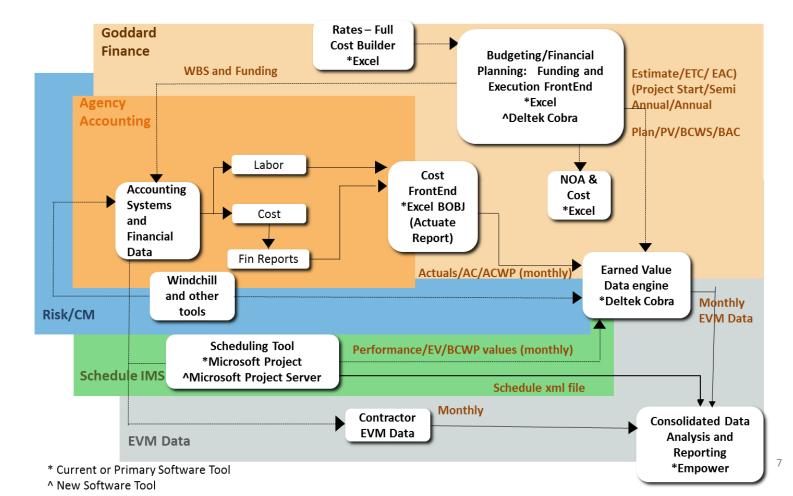




Common COTS Architecture

 Issue: Some COTS variation between Centers

- Impacts: Centers must purchase or create interfaces to facilitate data flow.
- Recommended
 Approach: Standardize
 COTS and interfaces for use at all Centers.





Align Cost and Schedule

- Issue: Many times Cost plans are created by Financial personnel and Schedules by Planner/Schedulers with limited coordination.
- Impacts: Start and Finish dates of Control Accounts do not match and actual cost does not align with work accomplished creating artificial variances that can be difficult to reconcile.
- Recommended Approach:
 Use simultaneous meeting
 with P-CAM, EVM Lead,
 Scheduler, and Financial
 personnel. Verify dates
 match in Empower by
 importing cost xml and
 schedule xml files.

WBS	DESCRIPTION	PCT CMP	IMS BL START	FIRST BCWS	IMS BL FINISH	LAST BCWS	IMS START	FIRST ACWP/ETC	IMS FINISH	LAST ACWP/ETC
1.1.1.1	PROJECT OFFICE MANAGEMENT	69.47	2015-01-15	2014-04-01 2014-04-30	2015-02-25	2018-09-01 2018-09-30	2013-02-13	2014-04-01 2014-04-30	2015-03-13	2018-09-01 2018-09-30
1.1.1.2	PROJECT SCIENTIST-APL	67.71		2014-04-01 2014-04-30		2018-09-01 2018-09-30	2012-01-12	2014-04-01 2014-04-30	2014-02-26	2018-09-01 2018-09-30
1.1.1.5	PROJECT ADMINISTRATION	73.90		2014-04-01 2014-04-30		2018-09-01 2018-09-30		2014-04-01 2014-04-30		2018-09-01 2018-09-30
1.1.1.6	PROJECT SCHEDULING/EVMS	76.16		2014-04-01 2014-04-30		2018-09-01 2018-09-30		2014-04-01 2014-04-30		2018-09-01 2018-09-30
1.1.1.7	COST ESTIMATING/JCL SUPPORT	0.00		2014-04-01 2014-04-30		2014-04-01 2014-04-30	2012-07-02	2014-04-01 2014-04-30	2013-06-21	2014-05-01 2014-05-31
1.1.1.8	PP&E	100.00		2014-05-01 2014-05-31		2016-10-01 2016-10-31		2014-06-01 2014-06-30		2017-09-01 2017-09-30
1.1.1.9	PROJECT COMMUNICATIONS	93.71		2016-01-01 2016-01-31		2017-06-01 2017-06-30		2016-01-01 2016-01-31		2018-09-01 2018-09-30
1.1.1.A	RENAMING OF SPP	66.48		2017-04-01 2017-04-30		2017-06-01 2017-06-30		2017-04-01 2017-04-30		2017-05-01 2017-05-31
1.1.2.1	MISSION SYSTEM ENGINEERING (LEAD, DEPUTY, SOFTWARE)	74.50		2014-04-01 2014-04-30		2018-09-01 2018-09-30	2012-01-03	2014-04-01 2014-04-30	2013-10-03	2018-09-01 2018-09-30
1.1.2.2	SPACECRAFT SYSTEM ENGINEERING (LEAD, DEPUTY ELECTRICAL)	65.16	2014-12-10	2014-04-01 2014-04-30	2014-12-11	2018-09-01 2018-09-30	2012-04-04	2014-04-01 2014-04-30	2015-03-11	2018-09-01 2018-09-30
1.1.2.3	PAYLOAD SYSTEMS ENGINEERING	68.15		2014-04-01 2014-04-30		2018-09-01 2018-09-30	2012-04-02	2014-04-01 2014-04-30	2013-05-23	2018-09-01 2018-09-30



Organizational Breakdown Structure

- Issue: Lack of common OBS employed by projects, even when those projects were in the same Center and program
- Impact: Impedes ability to aggregate multiple projects within and across Centers and accurate reporting by organization
- Recommended Approach: Use the Center OBS in cost and schedule tools

Cobra Explore	Codes - NA	SA OBS ×
	Code	Description
▶ 🗏	1	Agency
	10	Headquarters
	21	Ames Research Center
	22	Glenn Research Center
	23	Langley Research Center
	24	Armstrong Flight Research Center
	51	Goddard Space Flight Center
	55	Jet Propulsion Laboratory
	62	Marshall Space Flight Center
	64	Stennis Space Center
	72	Johnson Space Center
	76	Kennedy Space Center
	AA	Center Director Staff
	NE	Engineering Directorate
	NE-E	Electrical Division
ļ	NE-EA	Avionics Branch
ļ	NE-ES	Software Branch
ļ	NE-EG	Ground Controls Branch
L	SA	Safety & Mission Assurance



Resource Breakdown Structure

- Issue: Resource breakdown structures varied between projects, even projects within the same Center
- Impacts: Sub-optimizes the ability of the projects and Centers to utilize the information for decision making
- Recommended Approach:
 Standardize resource types and naming conventions that are consistent with SAP data

1	Α	В	С	D	E	F	G	Н	I	J
	op Level									
	evel 1	Level 2	DESCRIPTION	LABOR Level 3		DESCRIPTION	Level 4	DESCRIPTION	Level 5	Resource Description
	All			(Y/N)						
4		T	Travel	N	T	Travel	TCIV	Travel-Civil Servant	TRVCS	Travel
5									2000	Trv Budget
5									2100	Tvl & Transprt Persn
7									9000.2500	TRAVEL
В		L	Civil Servant Labor	Y	L	Civil Servant Labor	L	Civil Servant Labor	CS-AD10	Admin.Entry-CS
9									CS-AD20	Admin. JR-CS
5									CGS	CSRS RETIREMENT - GO
6		P	Procurements	N	M	Material	EQP	Equipment	EQPT	Equipment
7									2570	O&M of Equipment
8									3100	Equipment
9							MAT	Material	MATL	Material
0									2600	Supplies & Materials
1									9000.5233	STRUCTURE & MAT
2					0	Other Direct Costs	FAC	Facilities	FACL	Facilities
3									2540	O&M of Fac
4									9000.3000	FACILITIES SERVICES
8							ITS	IT Service & Equip	ITSE	IT Services and Equipm
9									9000.4000	INFORMATION SERVIC
34									9500.9104	Info. Tech (IT)
35							ODC	Miscellaneous	MISC	Miscellaneous Expens
86									HSTACT	Historic Actuals
31									300	Penalty & Fines Rev
32							TAX	Taxes	TAXES	Center and Code Charg
33									9000.1000	Corp G&A
50							TRN	Training	TRAIN	Training
51										
52							ITRA	Other Centers	ITRAC	Other Centers
53										
54					S	Subcontractor	FAB	Fabrication Pool	FABP	Fab Pool
55					_				9000.6000	FABR SVCS INHOUSE
56									9000.6100	FABR SVCS CONTRACT
57							KTR	Contracts	CONTR	Contracts



Summary and Forward Work

- Standardization provides benefits in common key areas
 - Data that is standardized is better understood to be consistent and valid; and therefore, is more meaningful and valuable to all levels of management
 - Reduces learning curves for people moving from project to project
 - NASA projects are more often comprised of multiple Centers, driving the need for better integration of data
 - Less reinventing the wheel on COTS and interfaces, which saves money
 - Creates PP&C Capability
- Look at ways to use these tools to support NPR 7120.5 (EVM, JCL, etc.) and OCFO reporting to meet business needs – reporting coming from one system
- NASA will continue to deploy to projects the standardization of interfaces and structures based on recommendations from the NASA EVM Tools Team
 - An Interface and Structure Handbook could be an outcome of this work

Continuing the efforts to standardize the common critical elements of planning and control provide consistency for PP&C (including EVM)



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