# Technical Instructions: Connecting/Reconnecting the W: Drive and Accessing PM SharePoint

#### **Overview**

This document provides step-by-step instructions for reconnecting the W: drive, accessing the PM SharePoint via Microsoft 365 Copilot, and adding the site to your Edge browser favorites and Windows taskbar for quick access.

# Section 1 (Best Method): Connect and map drive

To connect/reconnect the W: drive, follow the steps below:

#### 1. Access the PM SharePoint Site

- o Click the following link: PM Sharepoint
- If prompted with a security warning, click Yes.

## 2. Follow the SharePoint Site

 Click the "Not Following" link/star at the top of the page, it will change to "Following" this will add shortcuts to the site in M365 and all office applications, such as Excel & Word.

# 3. Open in File Explorer

- On the SharePoint site, click the "All Documents" dropdown from the top toolbar.
- Select "View in File Explorer."
- o This will open the SharePoint directory directly in File Explorer.

# 4. Right click on "This PC" in File Explorer

- Select "Map Network Drive"
- o From the Drive: dropdown select "W"
- For Folder, copy and paste this into the box: \\ersnell.sharepoint.com@SSL\DavWWWRoot\Sites\ProjectManagement\Project Management
- Ensure Reconnect at sign-in is checked
- Hit finish

## 5. Verify W: Drive Access

o Check if the **W: drive** is accessible via File Explorer.

## Section 2: Reconnect the W: Drive

To connect/reconnect the W: drive, follow the steps below:

## 1. Access the PM SharePoint Site

- o Click the following link: PM Sharepoint
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#### 2. Follow the SharePoint Site

 Click the "Not Following" link/star at the top of the page, it will change to "Following" this will add shortcuts to the site in M365 and all office applications, such as Excel & Word.

# 3. Open in File Explorer

- On the SharePoint site, click the "All Documents" dropdown from the top toolbar.
- Select "View in File Explorer."
- o This will open the SharePoint directory directly in File Explorer.

# 4. Verify W: Drive Access

- o Check if the **W: drive** is accessible via File Explorer.
- o Note: It may take a few minutes for the drive to appear.

# 5. Reboot if Necessary

 If the W: drive does not reappear, restart your computer to force the drive to re-map.

# Section 3: Access PM SharePoint via Microsoft 365 Copilot

To access the PM SharePoint through the M365 Copilot application:

## 1. Launch the M365 App

o Use the Windows **Start Menu** search bar to find and open the **M365** app.

# 2. Sign In

- Log in using your current Microsoft 365 credentials.
- Note: If this is your first login, setup may take several minutes.

# 3. Navigate to Project Management

- o In the M365 application, select **OneDrive** from the left-hand toolbar.
- Under Quick Access, select Project Management.

#### 4. Pin M365 for Future Access

- When prompted, allow M365 to pin shortcuts to your **Start Menu** and **Taskbar**.
- Alternatively, right-click the M365 app icon in the Windows Taskbar and select "Pin to taskbar."

# Section 4: Add PM SharePoint to Favorites in Edge

To quickly access PM SharePoint using Microsoft Edge:

- 1. Navigate to the **PM SharePoint** site in Edge.
- 2. Click the **star icon** ( $\bigstar$ ) in the address bar.
- 3. Choose **Favorites Bar** as the save location (Or another folder of choice).
- 4. Click Done.
- 5. Select the three dots at the top right of edge and select "Favorites" then select the three dots
- 6. Then select "Show favorites bar" and choose always

## Need Help?

If you encounter any issues, please open a support ticket HERE.