

The Evolution of Project Controls at CSX Transportation



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## Agenda

- CSX Transportation Overview
- Where We Began (2011)
- What We Accomplished (2012-13)
- What We Plan to do Next (2014+)
- Q&A
- Websites and Email



## CSX Transportation Overview



#### **Our Vision**

To be the safest, most progressive, North American railroad, relentless in the pursuit of customer and employee excellence

Operate in every major population and industrial center east of the Mississippi and two Canadian provinces

- \$11.9B in Revenue
- 21,000+ route miles / Over 32,000 employees
- 4,000 locomotives / 70,000 freight cars
- Operates an average of 1,350 trains per day
- Transports an average of 20,000 carloads per day
- Transports 6 million carloads of products and raw materials a year



# CSX Technology Overview











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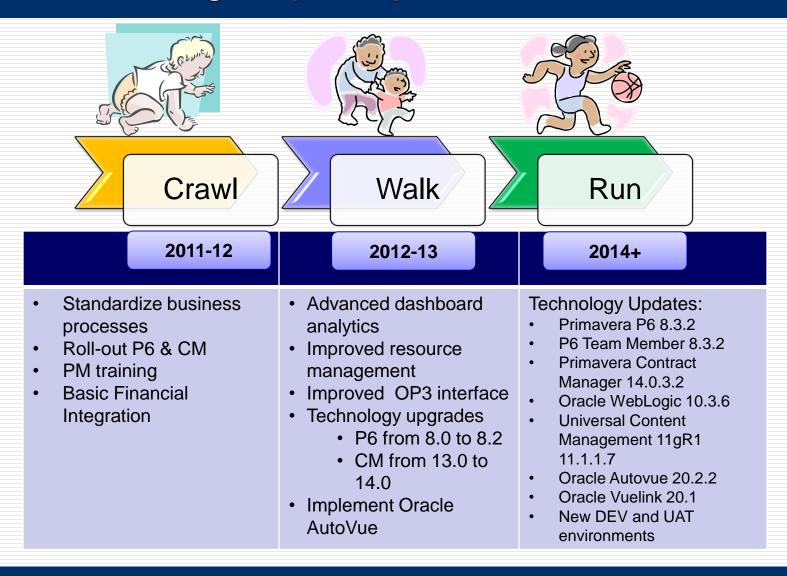
EMPLOYEE STATISTICS	
Total U.Sbased employees	30,974
Total U.Sbased IT employees	479
IT employee turnover in 2013	4%
IT employee promotions in 2013	6%
TRAINING	
Training days offered per IT employee in 2013	8
Training budget per IT employee in 2013	\$1,378

#### **Abstract**

- CSX Transportation's (CSX) adoption and use of Primavera P6 and Contract Management solutions has exploded in 2013-14.
- In 2012, we had over 300 projects and 30,000 activities. Today, we have more than 4,100 capital and public engineering projects and 520,000 activities.
- The Engineering organization requested that CSX Technology upgrade our existing Oracle solutions (P6 and PCM) to current releases to leverage new functionality.
- AutoVue was also implemented to manage drawing markups to aid in optimal decision-making.



## Where we Began (2011)

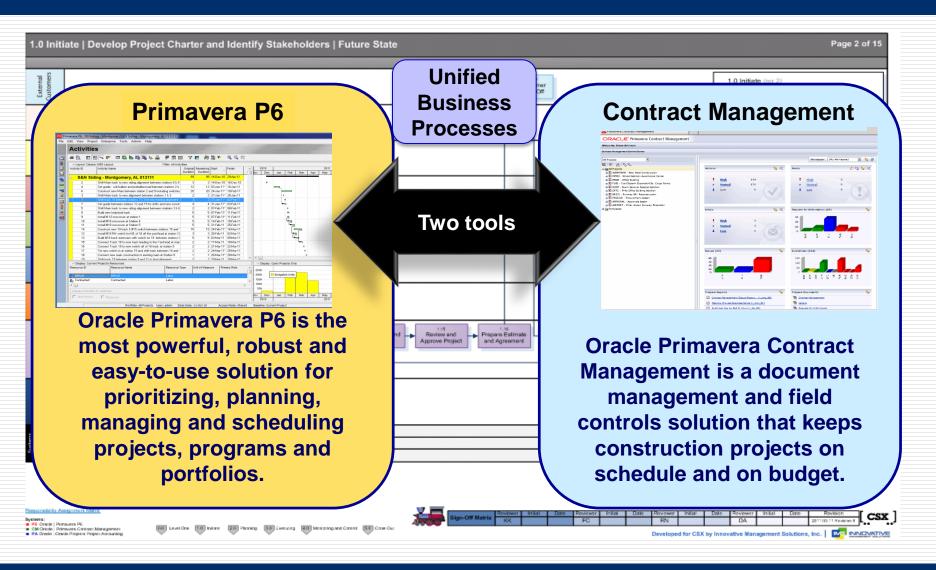


# Where we Began at CSX (2011-12)

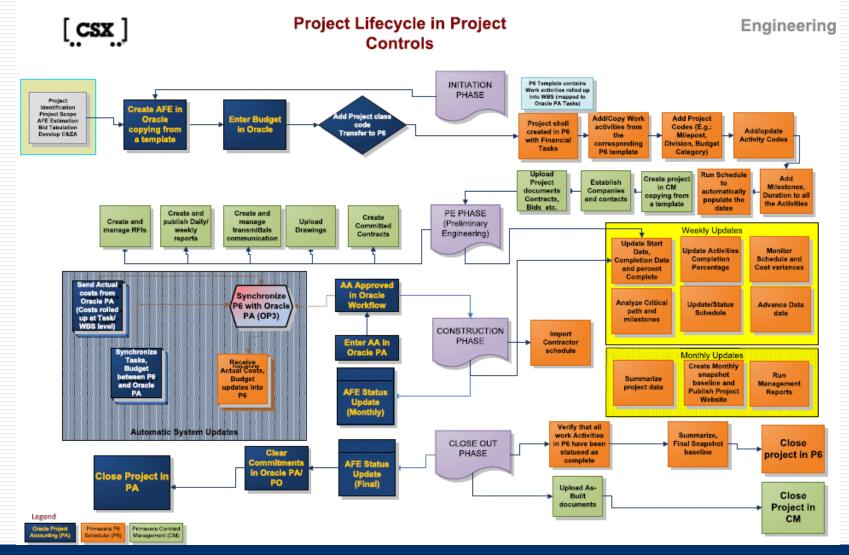
- Oracle Primavera P6 8.0
  - 35 named P6 users
  - Limited adoption
  - 300+ projects and 30,000 activities
- Oracle Primavera Contract Management 13
  - 5 PCM users
  - 25 projects (beta)
- Oracle Financials 12.1.3
  - Project Accounting (data source)
- Project Partners OP3 2.5.10
  - Integrates Oracle Project Accounting and P6
    - Budgets
    - Actuals



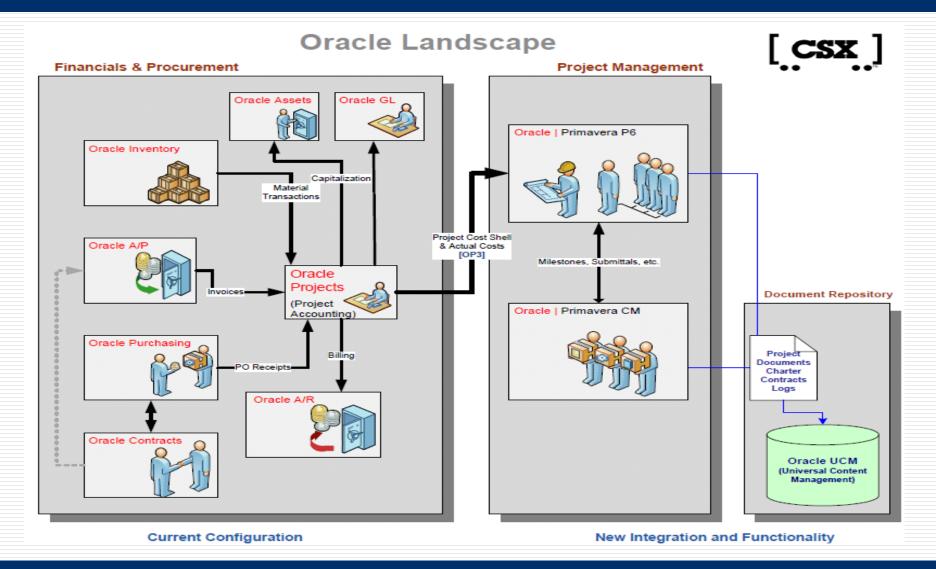
## What was CSX Project Controls in 2011?



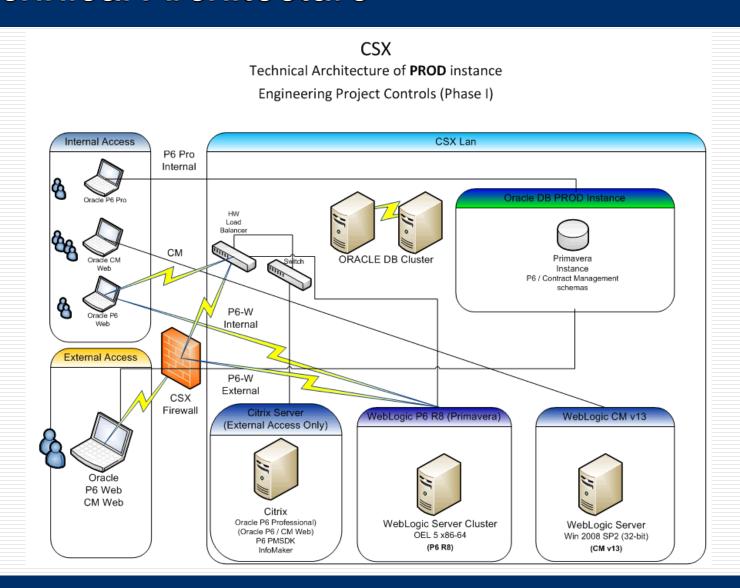
#### Project Controls Lifecycle



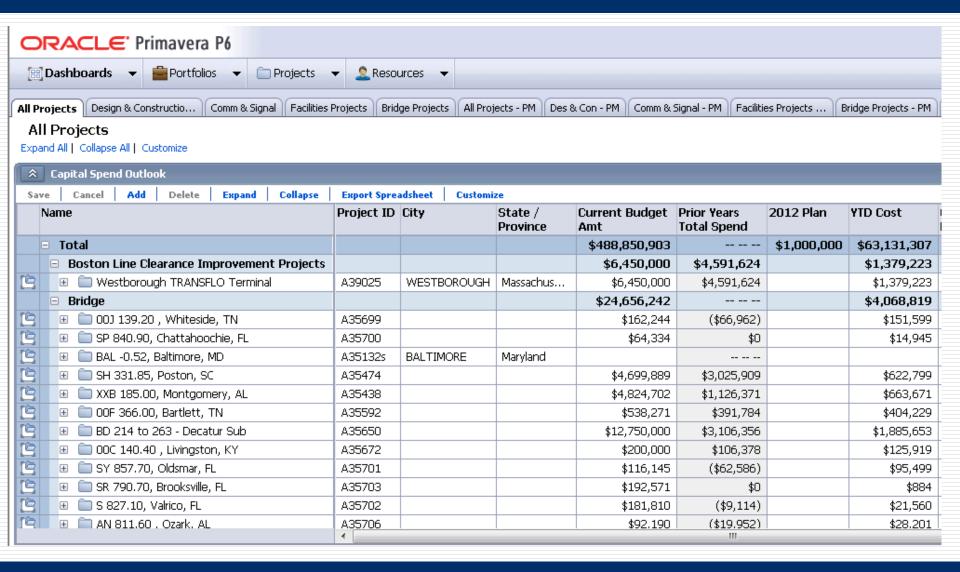
## Oracle Technical Landscape



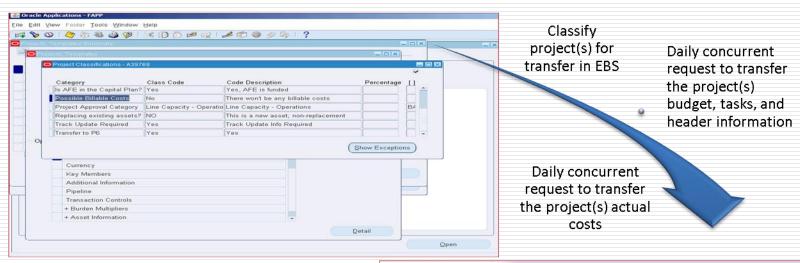
#### Technical Architecture



## 2012 Project Dashboard



# P6 and Oracle EBS Integration (2011+)





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Workspace EPS Team Usage Activities Issues Risks Docur	ments					
Enterprise Project Structure						
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EPS / Project Name	Linked		Current Budget Amt	Original Budget Amt	YTD Cost	Total Actual Cost
CREATE B9 - ARGO INTERLOCKING	•	Y	\$207,390	\$207,390	\$14	\$159,23
CREATE B16 - THORNTON JCT CONN	•	Y	\$333,113	\$55,113	\$5,653	\$401,8
□ NOTASULGA SIDING	•	Υ	\$7,296,988	\$435,034		\$6,044,5
TYNER	•	Y	\$2,199,999	\$92,506	\$496,461	\$2,388,9
R CABIN MANNED INTERLOCKING	•	Y	\$349,664	\$349,664	\$114,028	\$431,3
WB MANNED INTERLOCKING	•	Υ	\$4,499,999	\$349,664	\$106,759	\$4,526,8
BLCIP MASSDOT RAISES	•	Y	\$934,705	\$934,705	\$31,821	\$139,5
WORCESTER CP45 & CP46	•	Y	\$6,000,925	\$380,001	\$40,008	\$2,191,0
□ VA0344 KILBY SUPPORT YARD	•	Υ	\$0	\$366,999	\$1,754,972	\$1,811,3
MAGELLA	•	Υ	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$3,723	\$224,1
BESSEMER SUPPORT YARD	•	Υ	\$15,149,631	\$700,000	\$43,836	\$12,522,2
BLCIP WILBRAHAM	•	Υ	\$1,373,529	\$1,373,529	\$100	\$1,279,5
☐ Freedom Siding & TCS	•	Υ	\$7,192,863	\$400,000	\$658,420	\$2,780,6
□ GALATEA CONNECTION	0	Υ	\$4,919,509	\$408,650	\$133,352	\$2,750,1
Galatea - Install track between Toledo Sub and Willard Sub						

## What We Accomplished (2012-13)

- Platform Change
  - Switched from Microsoft Windows 2008R2 to Redhat EL5
  - Physical servers to virtual machines, except Oracle database
- New Oracle Software
  - Team Member 8.2 (email enabled)
  - AutoVue 20.1 for visual decision-making
  - Oracle 11.1.1.5 WebCenter integration
  - Vuelink to "bridge" between Contract Management, AutoVue and Content Management system
- Authentication
  - From native method to Microsoft Active Directory
    - Oracle P6 and Contract Management
    - Oracle WebCenter and Oracle AutoVue

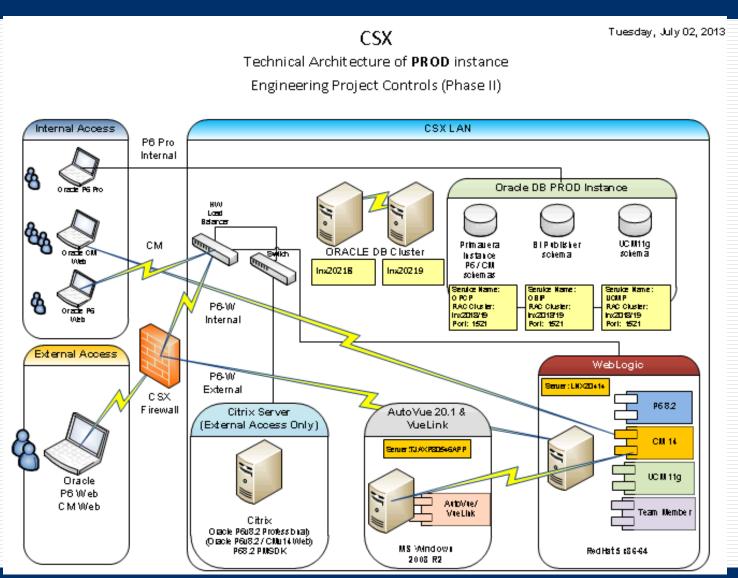


## What We Accomplished (2012-13)

- Upgraded Core Oracle Products
  - P6
    - From 8.0 To 8.2.1
      - Gained 20-30% improvement in performance of P6 web
    - Improved dashboards and reporting
    - Expanded resource management from managing by work teams to specific work teams
  - Contract Management
    - From Release 13 to Version 14.0.2.0
    - Refined Contract Management drawings and drawing sets
    - Standardized dashboards
    - Integrated with Oracle UCM 11g as document repository



## Improved Technical Architecture



## Top Primavera Implementation Issue

#### **Problem:**

Users were maintaining separate logins for Primavera and their email, resulting in complaints from users.



#### **Resolution:**

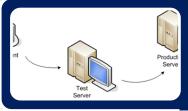
- We created a single point of entry for new users via Microsoft Active Directory.
- We increased integration to all business systems by utilizing one source of truth.
- We improved user satisfaction, as it resulted in one less password to remember.



# Implemented Quality Control Practices



Implemented IT patching strategy



**Created multiple environments to support PROD (i.e., DEV and TEST)** 



CSX instituted a Project Controls Governance Board (PCGB)



Implemented change control and quality assurance



#### Project Control Governance Board Principles

- Ensure a single point of accountability for the success of the project
- Ensure separation of stakeholder management and project decision-making activities
- Ensure separation of project governance and organizational governance structures

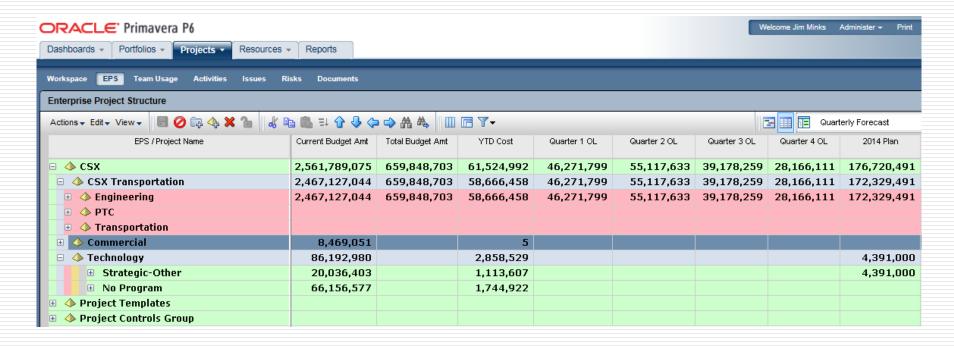


#### Elements of CSX Project Controls Governance

- All stakeholders were identified
  - CSX business partners
  - CSX Technology
    - Project Management
    - Infrastructure Support
  - Primavera P6 super users
- A defined method of communication was developed
  - Monthly meetings
  - Quarterly newsletters to field personnel
- Clear roles and responsibilities were assigned
- Process for management and resolution of issues was implemented
- Process for recording and communicating risks was established



## Primavera P6 (2012-13)



- 4,100 projects
- 650,000 activities
- \$2.5B in capital and public projects



#### P6 Web Benefits for CSX



#### Portfolio Analysis

- Customized portfolio view capabilities
- Status snapshot of a portfolio of projects



#### Portfolio Dashboards

- Custom user-defined performance indicators
- · Spreadsheets can be reduced or eliminated



#### Resource Analysis

- Better resource team analysis
- Visibility to identify over- or under-allocated resources



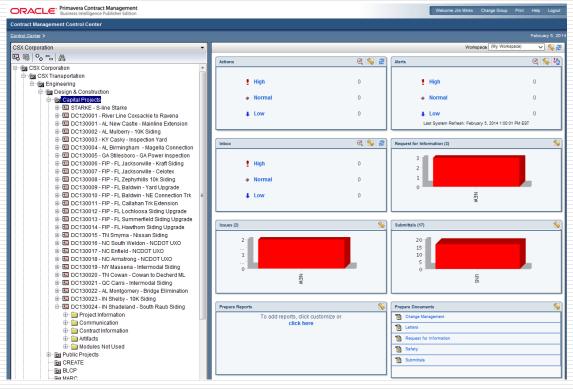
# What We Accomplished (2012-13) Florida Sun Rail (S Rail)

- The State of Florida purchased a 61-mile segment from CSX for high speed commuter rail.
- CSX provided governance of all engineering efforts:
  - \$1.2B budget
  - 350 engineering projects
  - 5,300 activities





# What We Accomplished (2012-13) Contract Management 14

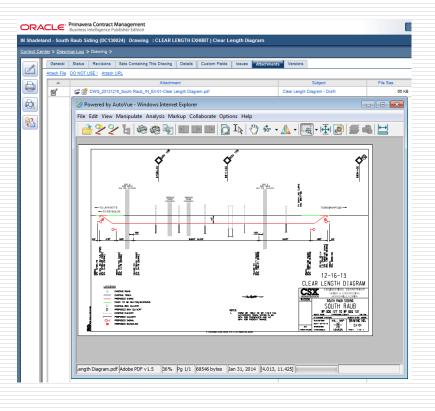


- Customized the User Interface to meet Engineering's needs and preferences
- Increased adoption and usage of Contract Management
  - 10 PCM users to 30+ users



## Accomplishments (2012-13)

 Integrated PCM with Oracle AutoVue 2D



#### Value Proposition to CSX Engineering

- Provided Engineering a webbased capability to access, view, digitally annotate and collaborate on drawing documents, without requiring investment in specialized CAD tools.
- Integrated AutoVue with Oracle ECM 11g for storing mark-ups.
- AutoVue improved Engineering's decision-making and workflow.



## What We Plan to Do Next (2014+)

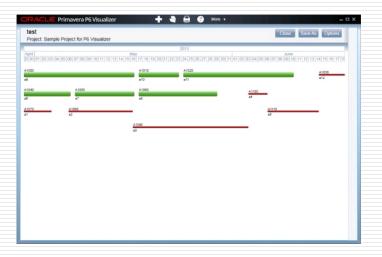
- Oracle Product Upgrades:
  - P6 8.2 to 8.3.2 to leverage new functionality
    - Team Member
      - Discussion Feature looks promising
      - Viewing Notebook topics
      - Viewing documents



Extended adoption and usage

Open P6 TM to General Engineering Contractors and Signal Engineering Contractors

## What We Plan to Do Next (2014+)



- Oracle Product Upgrades:
  - P6 Professional 8.3 to leverage new functionality (cont.)

#### Visualizer

- Will support graphical reporting by enabling users to create customizable Gantt charts and time scaled logic diagrams (TSLDs).
- Improve alignment of Engineering schedules, budgets and costs.



## What We Plan to Do Next (2014+)

- Continued improvements to P6 platform
  - Modify EPS for better team alignment
  - Improve security profiles due to expanded rollout of P6 to external users such as:
    - Signal Engineering Contractors (SECs)
    - General Engineering Contractors (GECs)
  - Increase adoption and usage of P6 Team Member
    - Discussion Feature enables users to communicate with their project manager and other team members about project task(s)
    - Viewing Documents allows team members to view important documents such as drawings and specifications



# Questions



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