

Technology Services Adaptive Project Leadership

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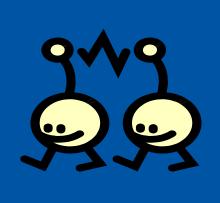
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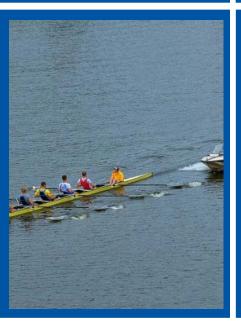
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Training Steps

Next Steps











Opportunities



- Supply vs. Demand Basic Economics
 - "Demand" = Projects
 - "Supply" = TS Employees
- Matching Supply and Demand:
 - The customers don't care about our "supply" divisions
 - But, our TS division structure constrains our ability to meet the demand.
- Speaking Different Project Languages => Inefficiencies, Frustration, Confusion, etc.
- Single Threading = Tough
 - Commonality and Synergy of Project Leaders is Super Critical Right Now
 - Where Feasible:
 - Utility Players
 - End to End Responsibility
 - Expanded Repertoires and Variety of Work
- Convoluted Communication Flows

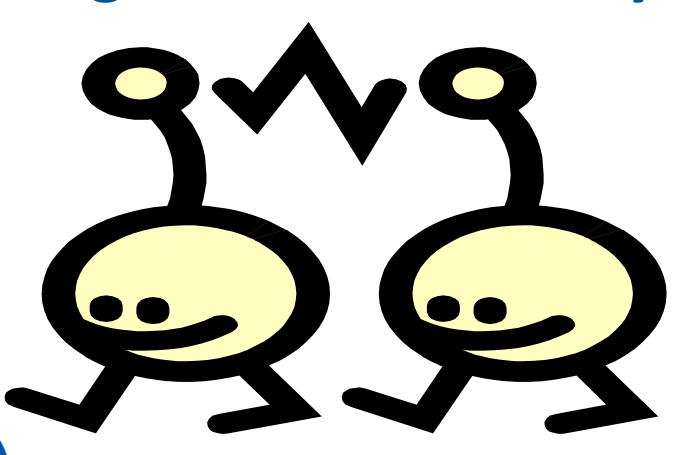


Goals



- ULTIMATELY: Business RESULTS
- Getting There Focus:
 - Maximize usage of Project Coordinators for any and all TS related project work.
 - Cross-training and knowledge transfer for end-to-end responsibility.
 - Open opportunities for all types of project work to the Project Coordinators.
 - Further break down communication barriers and integrate employees and work across all of TS.
 - Speak a common language and get on the same page for project leadership and communication & change management.

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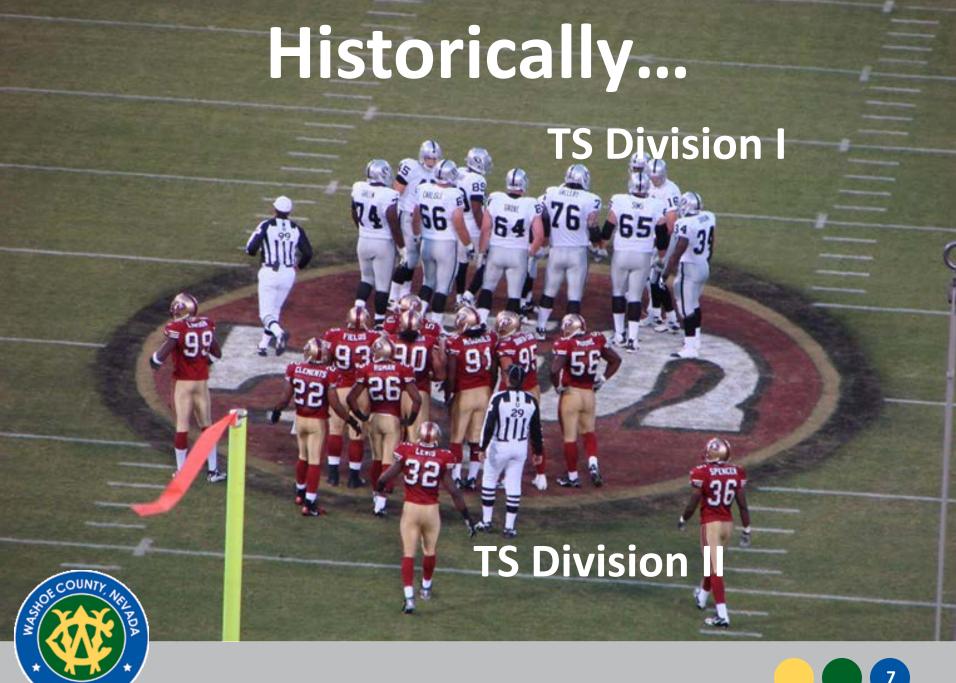






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Where I'd Like to See Us...



Project Coordinators



- Pooled
- Co-located
- Reporting Relationships
 - Report to TS Administration, 108100
 - Performance Review
 - Lead Coach / IT Manager
 - CIMO
 - Supervisory/management customers from projects



Projects



- Assigned to Coordinators by CIMO and IT Managers.
- Immediate term: Subject matter expertise will be a significant factor in assignments.
- Future: More sharing and fungible
 Coordinators = more flexibility in assignments.
- Note: Coordinator funding source will need to be factored in as needed.





Adaptive Project Leadership



- We can only know XX% of an effort the YY% is unknown.
 - Marine Military Manual: 60% known; 40% unknown...
 - Must be able to adjust to be successful.
 - Regardless of percentages, we have to adapt constantly.
- Work with a common foundation but also in the world of the customer.
- Have common skills, parameters, vision, etc.

Practical Project Management Services Washoe County

- Course 1...
- Pilot October 21, 22 and 23 (½ day on 23rd)
 - CIMO, IT Managers, Coordinators and a Few Seniors with Immediate Project Needs.
 - Two day course; ½ day debrief, customization thoughts, how tailor to TS.
- Methodology is part.
- Bigger part is practicality and adaptability.



Also...







The Four Rules of Active Listening

- 1. Seek to understand before you seek to be understood.
- 2. Be non judgmental
- 3. Give your undivided attention to the speaker
- 4. Use silence effectively



Approach



- Pilot Courses with Small Groups
- Refine Courses and Adapt to Fit TS and County Culture
- Future Course Sessions:
 - Open to TS employees.
 - Attendance matched to job duties, work teams and project demands.
 - Dependent on budget and demand/needs.





Next Steps



- Pilots of Each Course
 - Practical Project Management;
 - Active Listening;
 - Human Factor
- Standardization of Courses
- Coordinator Consolidation and Leveraging





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What Questions Do You Have?

