



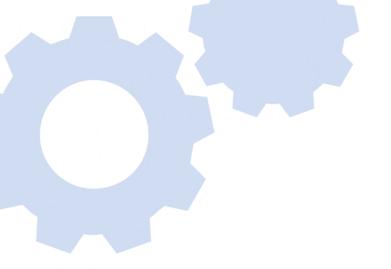
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THE CONFIGURABLE STATUS LIFECYCLE

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"Great things are not done by impulse, but by a series of small things brought together" Vincent Van Gogh

Great River Energy

27 member-owner cooperatives

- 715,000 members
- \$3.9 billion total assets
- \$981 million revenue

Competitive rates, stable forecast

4,800+ miles of transmission lines

3,000+ MW generation

~300,000 Maximo assets

Maximo 7.6.1.3 on Tivoli13 skin





Agenda

- Process background (2 minutes)
- Maximo architecture
- Application config
- Tying it all together
- Wrap-up / questions







Jade Warren
Principal Systems Analyst

- 19 years Maximo experience
- MUWG Management Committee
- Beekeeper



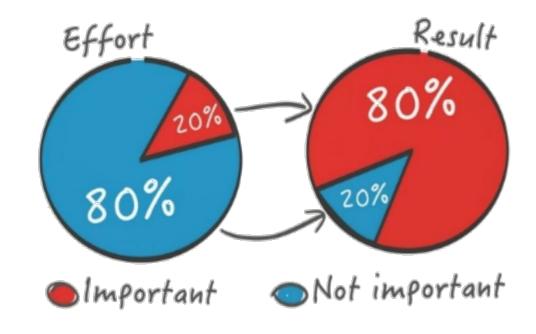
The Power of Curiosity





Interface Configuration

- Very approachable
- Almost NO risk
- MODERATE to SIGNIFICANT value



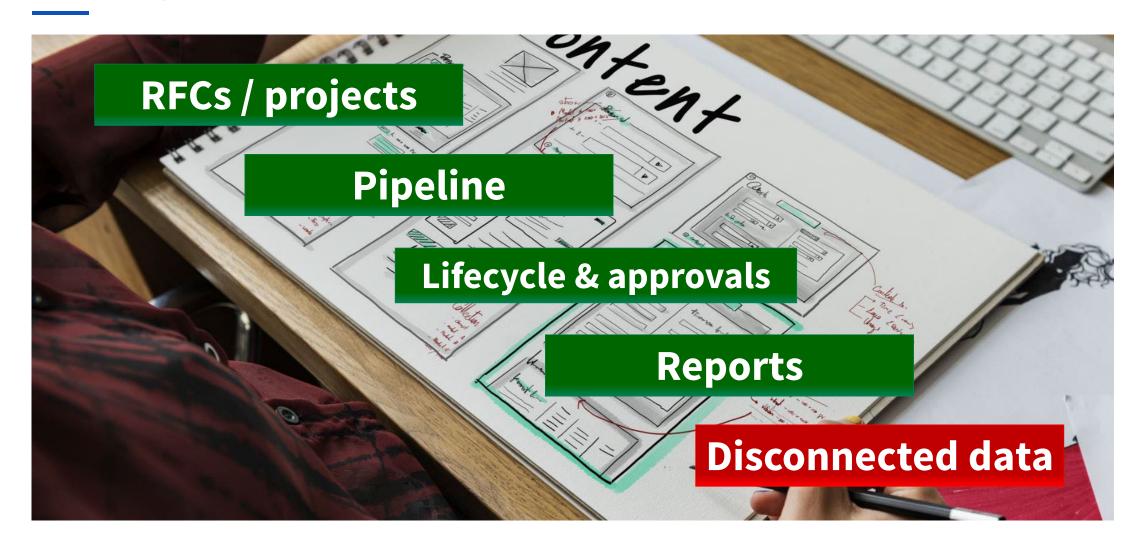


The IT Projects "Process"

Such as it was...

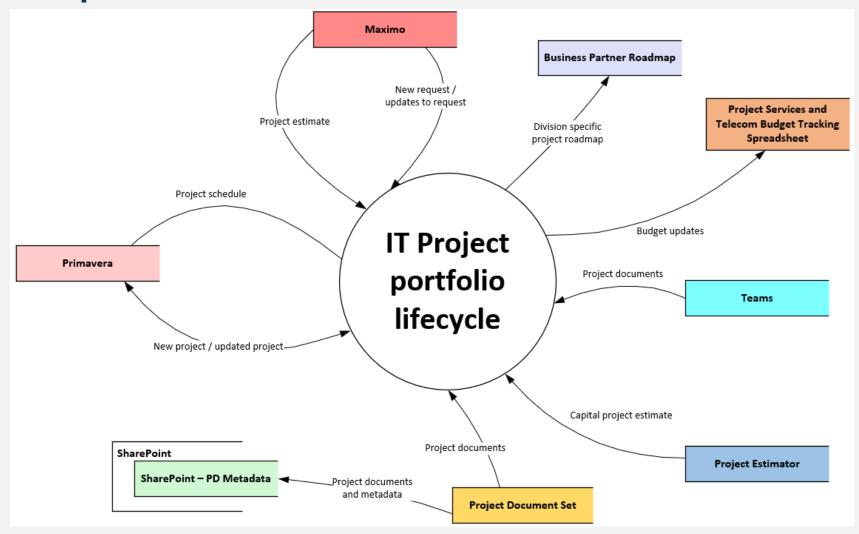


IT Projects





Data Repositories





Major Impediments

- Word documents & spreadsheets
 - → data entry
 - → reports
- No enforced lifecycle
- Limited visibility
- No automation
- Disconnected RFCs



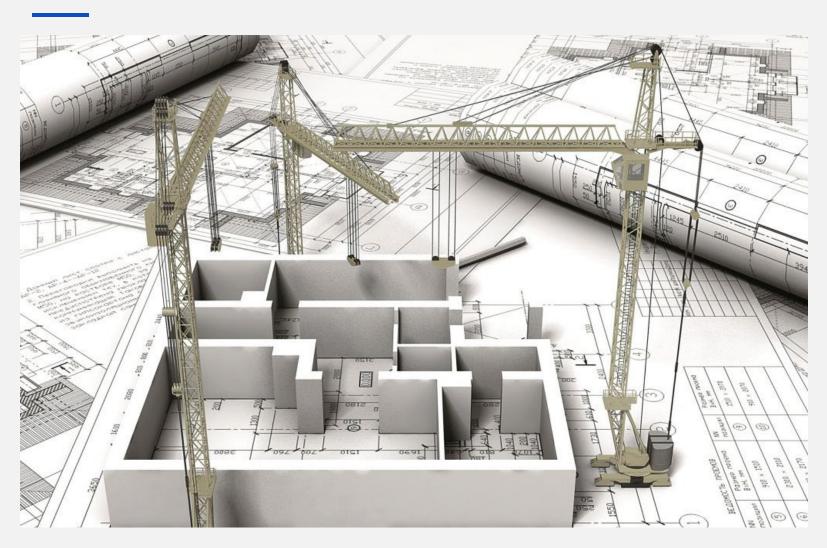


MAXIMO ARCHITECTURE

...and so forth



Architectural Decisions



- Tickets
 - Work orders
 - Child tables
- "From scratch"
- Scripting & conditional UI



Supporting Cast

- Escalations
- Communication templates
- Comm log & work log
- Person groups
- Related records
- Solutions
- Auditing





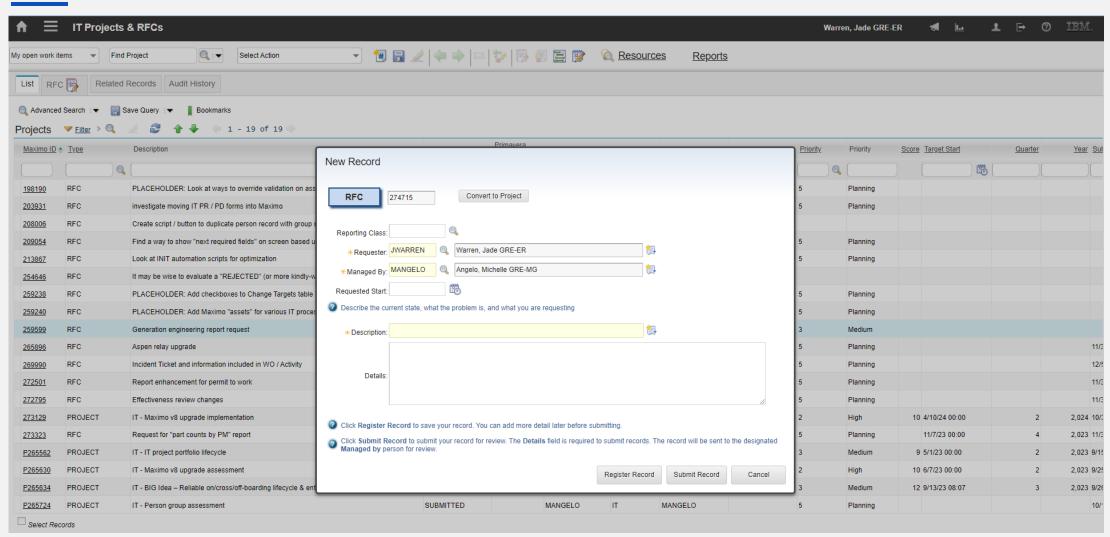
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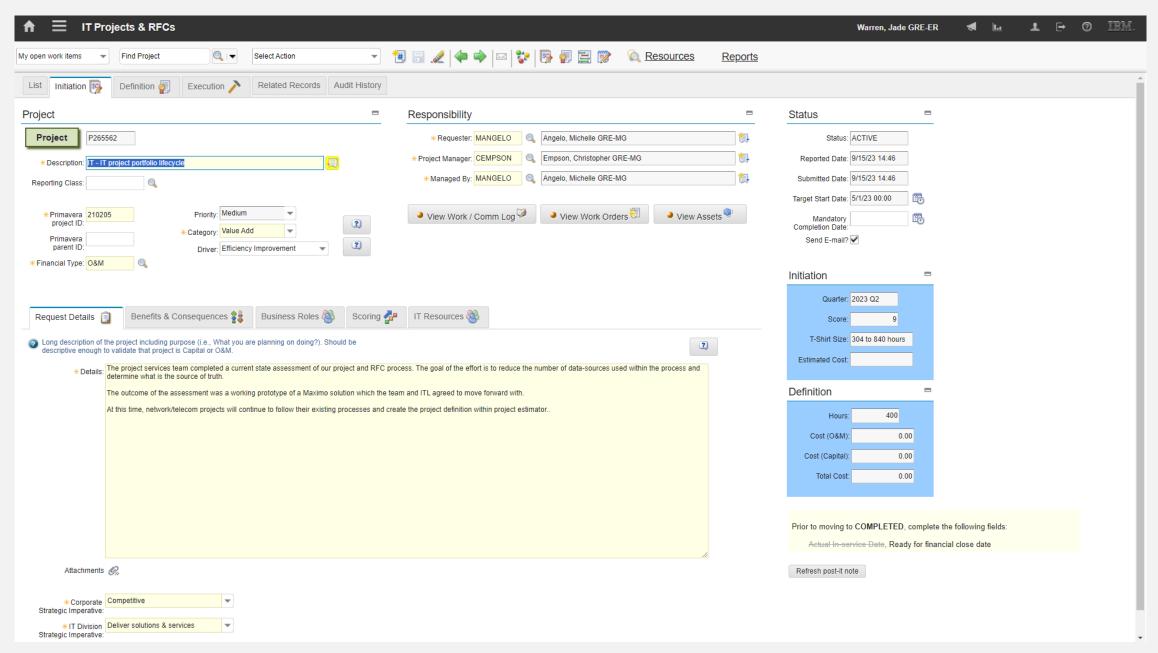
"This world is but a canvas to our imagination." Henry David Thoreau



New Record

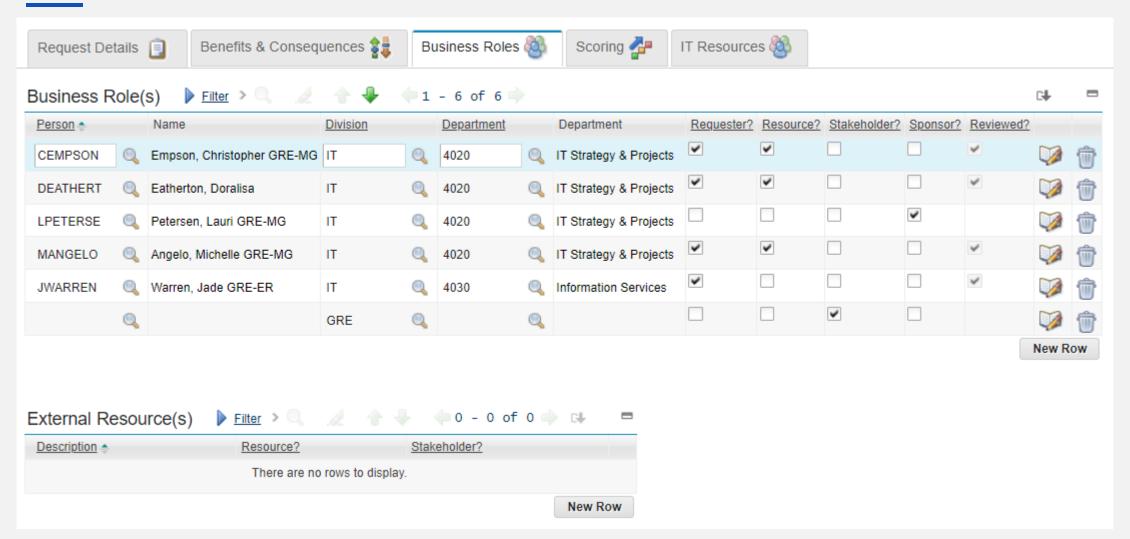








Business Roles



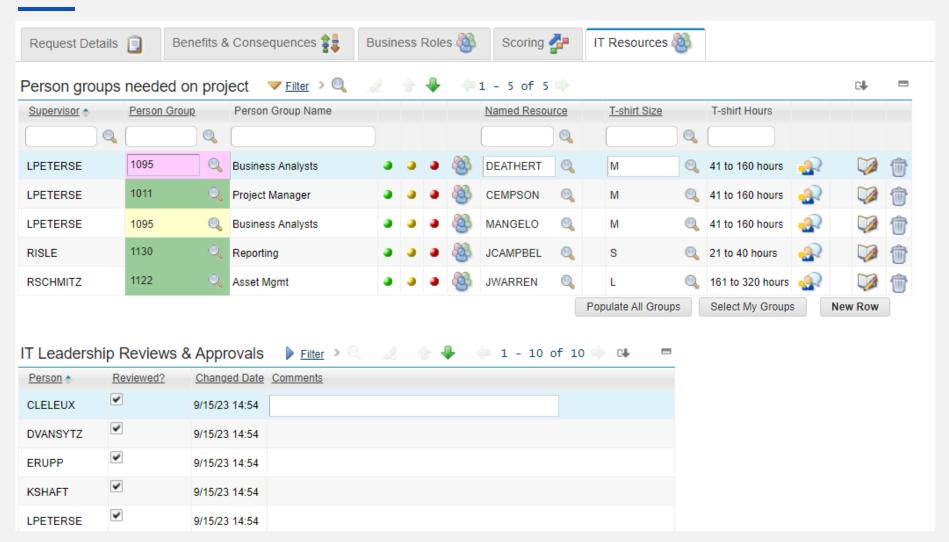


Scoring

Request Details	Benefits & Consequences	Business Roles 🚳	Scoring 🚰	IT R	esources 🚳			
Scoring								
Estimated Cost: ** Assessments should be scored assuming the results of an implementation **							**	
Score Detail Filte	er > 0, // 1 + 1 -	9 of 9 🦈					G₩	-
<u>Criteria</u>			<u>S</u>	core	Score Description	Details / Comments		
This meets one or more of the following: resolves a safety-related condition; is required to maintain external compliance mandates; addresses an unacceptable shutdown risk to a generating unit; addresses an unacceptable decline in transmission reliability; is required to meet contractual obligations			unit;	0 🔍	No			
This project has a mandatory start or completion date				0 🔍	No			
Does the project result in a new business capability or significant new functionality that directly adds value for business users?				1 🔍	Yes			
This project will result in a business improvement. BI types include: one-time cost savings; annual cost savings; process improvement; security enhancement; safety enhancement; environmental improvement; revenue enhancement; partners; reliability (G&T)				1 🔍	Yes			
This project will reduce risk associated with a business capability and/or process				1 🔍	Slight risk reduction			
This project is required to maintain existing functionality, in support, reliable and available to business users				1 🔍	Yes			
What is the risk to business users if this project is not done?				0 🔍	No anticipated impact			
What is the risk of doing / executing on the project?				2 🔍	Low risk; few or no unknown	ns		
How many stakeholders are directly impacted by this project?				3 🔍	GRE enterprise			

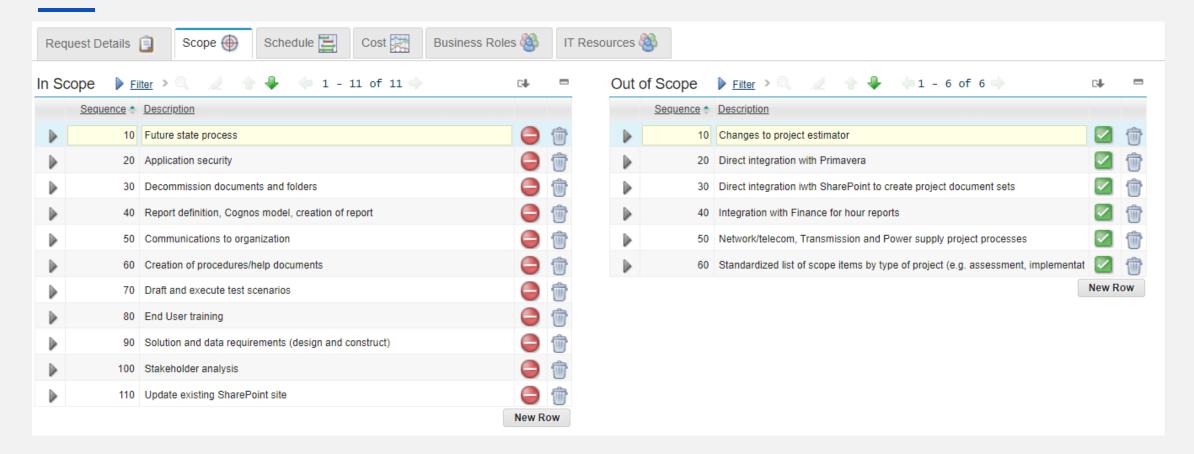


IT Resources



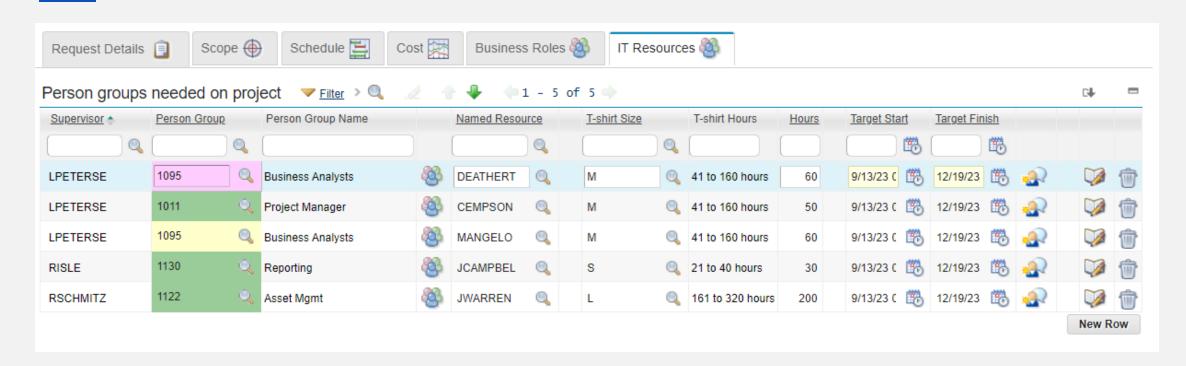


Scope



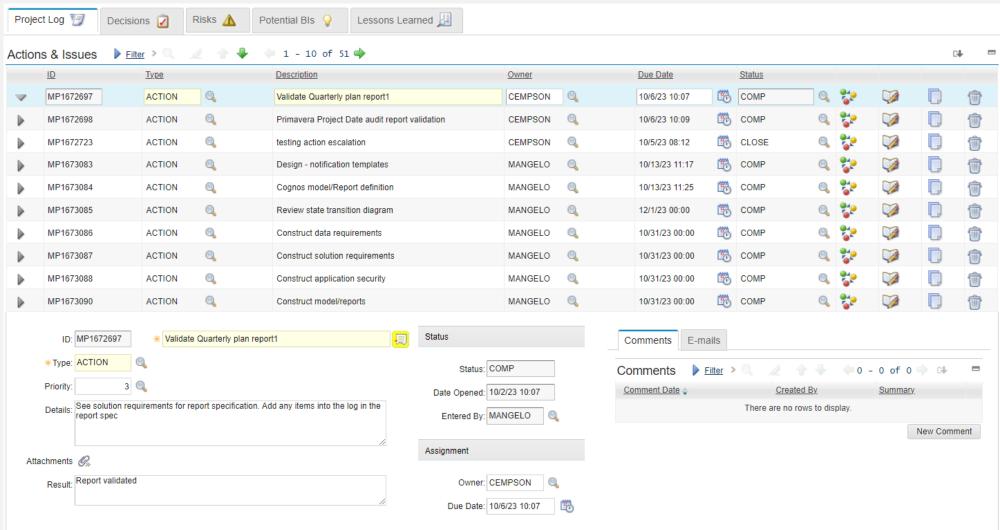


IT Resources (again)





Actions / Decisions / Risks





Application Config

APPLICATION CONFIG

Objective: provide business users with application configuration capabilities



Status-based Requirements

Status TRANSITIONS

- Prevent certain transitions (always)
- Apply conditions to other transitions
- Check requirements prior to status change
- **Inform the user** of "missing" requirements
- Provide on-screen help ("what's next?")
- Update the screen
 - Conditional status-based rules
 - READ-ONLY and REQUIRED
- Send e-mails & perform actions during status change



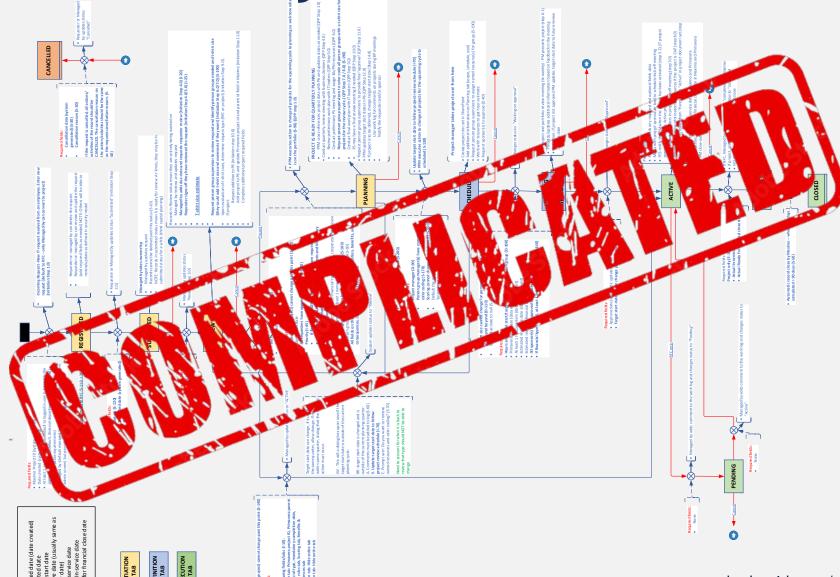


Status-based Requirements

 Status TRANSITIONS Prevent certain transitions (always) Apply conditions to other transitions 	Domain value conditions
 Check requirements prior to status change Inform the user of "missing" requirements 	 Attribute-based scripting
 Provide on-screen "what's next?" help 	INIT event scripting
 Update the screen Conditional status-based rules READ-ONLY and REQUIRED 	• Conditional UI
 Send e-mails & perform actions during status change 	Attribute-based scripting



State Transition Diagram





Requirement Cost

- Each time a new requirement is identified...
 - Update conditions
 - Update status-based scripting
 - Update INIT-based scripting
 - Update conditional UI rules
- Decreased
 - Supportability
 - Agility during development
- Increased RISK





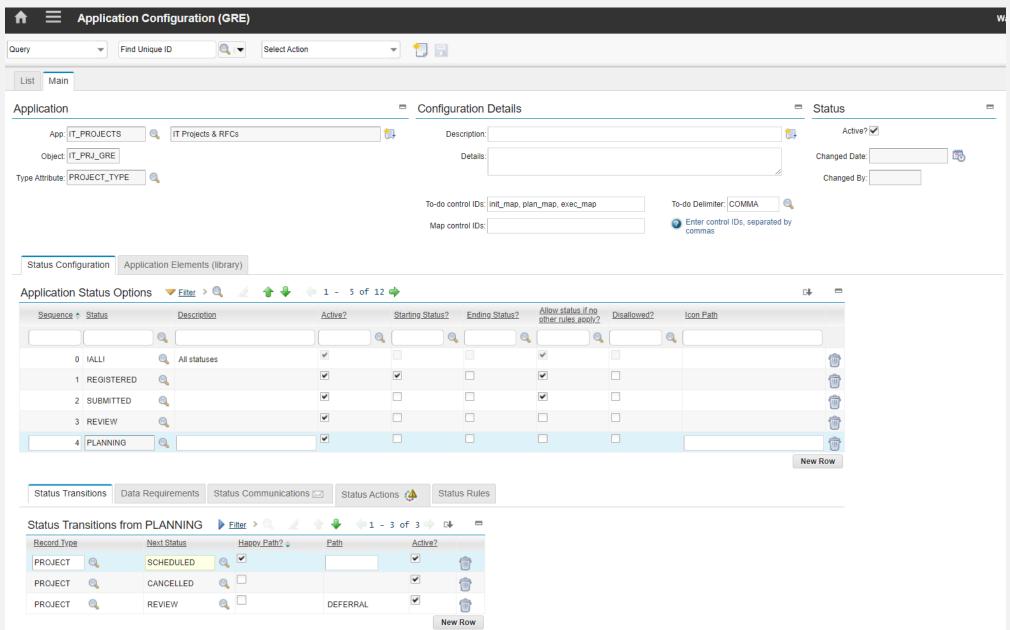


The solution—"Application Config"

- Single screen to store all requirement config
- Hooks into...
 - domain value conditions
 - status-based scripting
 - INIT-based scripting
- Leverages...
 - Conditional expressions
 - Communication templates
 - Actions







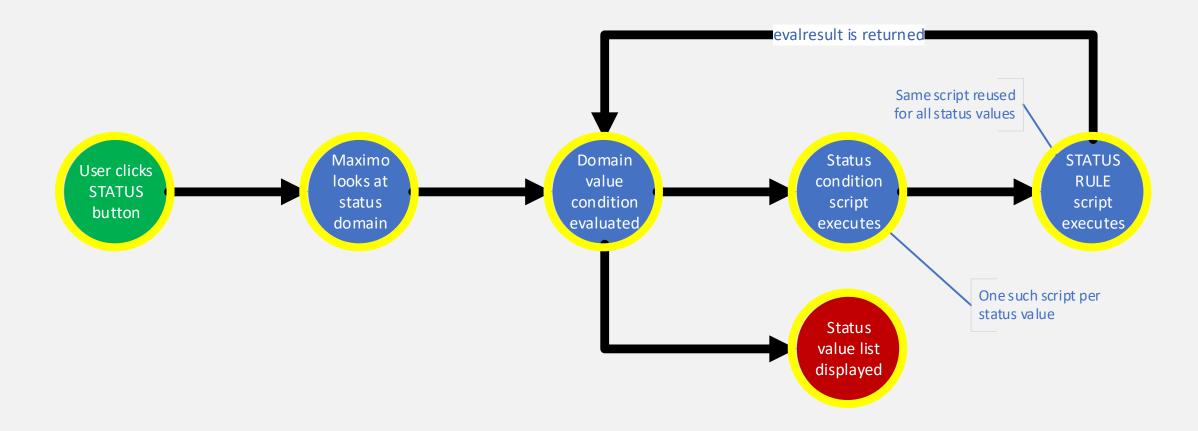


The Status Framework

- 1) Define the status values
- 2) Define the transitions
- 3) Make transitions conditional



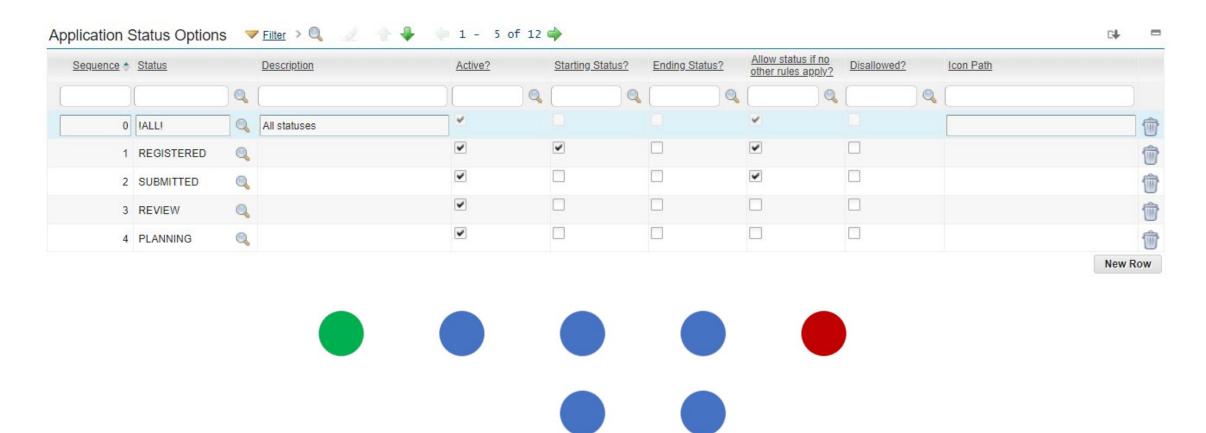
PRE status change - Logical Flow





Building the Status Framework

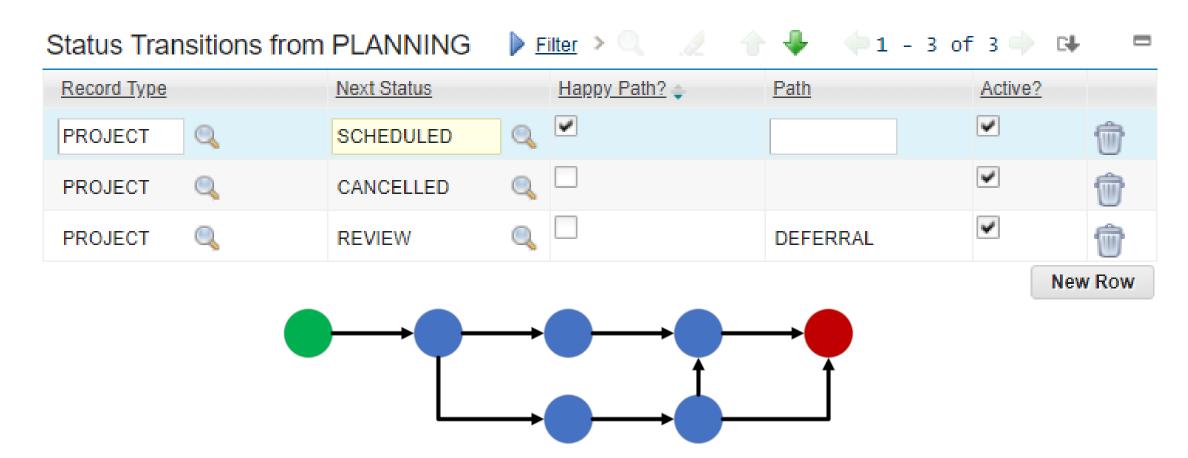
Add status values from status domain





Building the Status Framework

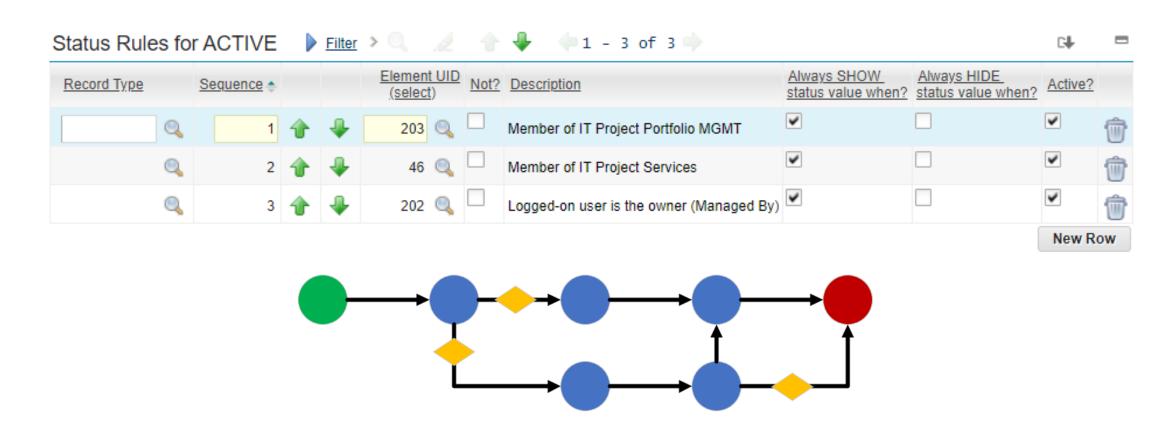
Define links between status values.





Building the Status Framework

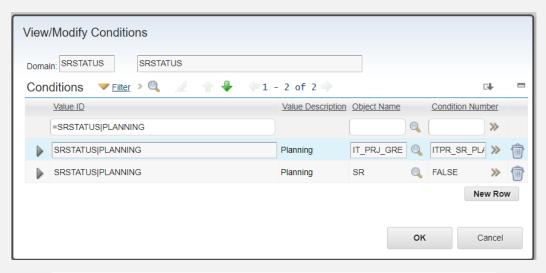
Add conditions to various status values

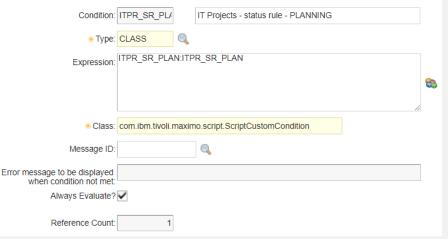




Linking to the Status Domain

- Add conditions w/in the status domain
- Each condition points to an automation script w/a custom condition launch point
- Eliminates—
 - Multiple conditions on the status domain
 - VERY CONFUSING SQL

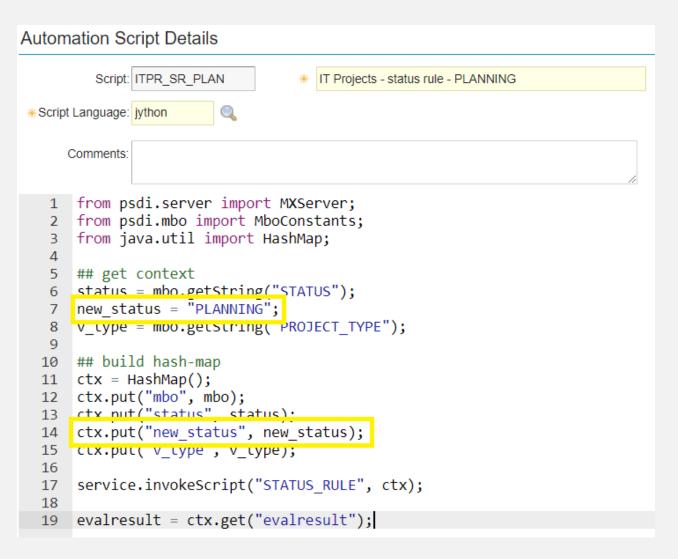






Linking to the Status Domain

- Each conditional status script builds a "hash map"
 - "Type" parameter
 - "Status" parameter
- And invokes the STATUS_RULE script





```
1 from psdi.server import MXServer;
 2 from psdi.mbo import MboConstants;
 3 from java.util import HashMap;
                                                                     Check to see if the status is automatically disallowed
   ## establish context
 6 object name = mbo.getName();
                                                                      Check to see if the transition from current to next is allowed
 7 person = mbo.getUserInfo().getPersonId();
 8 user = mbo.getUserInfo().getUserName();
 9 has rules = False;
                                                                      Check any rules
           vapp = mbo.getThisMboSet().getParentApp();
11 try:
12 except: vapp = 'XXX';
14 ## get the default
            evalresult = mbo.getMboSet("$DFLT", "STATUS CYCLE GRE", "app = '" + vapp + "' AND objectname = '" + object name + "' AND status = '" + new status + "' AND active =
16 except: evalresult = True;
18 ## first determine whether the desired transition is actually even possible...
19 → try:
       trans set = mbo.getMboSet("$TRANS", "STATUS TRANS GRE", "app = '" + vapp + " AND objectname = '" + object name + "' AND (record type = '" + v type + "' OR record type ]
20
        allowed = False if trans set.moveFirst() == None else True;
21
        has rules = True;
22
23 - except:
        allowed = False;
24
       evalresult = True;
25
27 ## if the transition is theoretically possible given configuration, then check rules...
28 - if (allowed and has rules):
       rule set = mbo.getMboSet("$RULES", "STATUS COND GRE", "app = '" + vapp + "' AND objectname = '" + object name + "' AND status = '" + new status + "' AND active = 1 AND r
29
       rule set.setOrderBy("SEQUENCE GRE");
30
31
       rule set.reset();
32
33
        rule = rule set.moveFirst();
34 ▼
        while (rule):
35
           NOT = rule.getBoolean("NOT GRE");
           SHOW = rule.getBoolean("SHOW WHEN");
36
           HIDE = rule.getBoolean("HIDE WHEN");
37
           c result = mbo.evaluateCondition(rule.getString("ELEMENT.CONDITIONNUM"));
38
           c result = not c result if NOT else c result;
39
40
41 *
           if (c result):
42
               evalresult = True if SHOW else evalresult;
               evalresult = False if HIDE else evalresult;
43
44
               break;
45
           rule = rule set.moveNext();
47 elif (not has rules): evalresult = True;
48 else: evalresult = False;
```

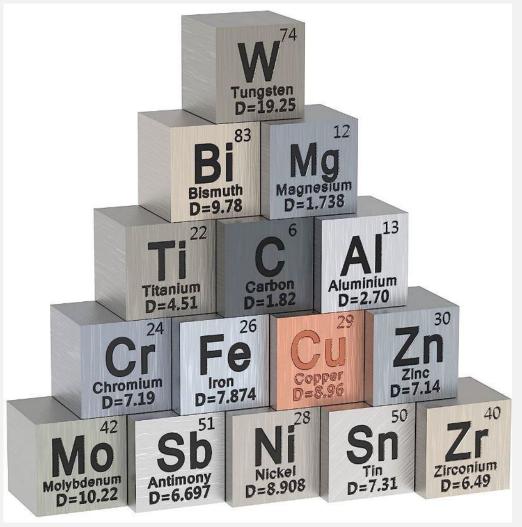


Rules & Requirements

- 1) Define the elements
- 2) Build the "library"
- 3) Link the elements to status values



Define the elements

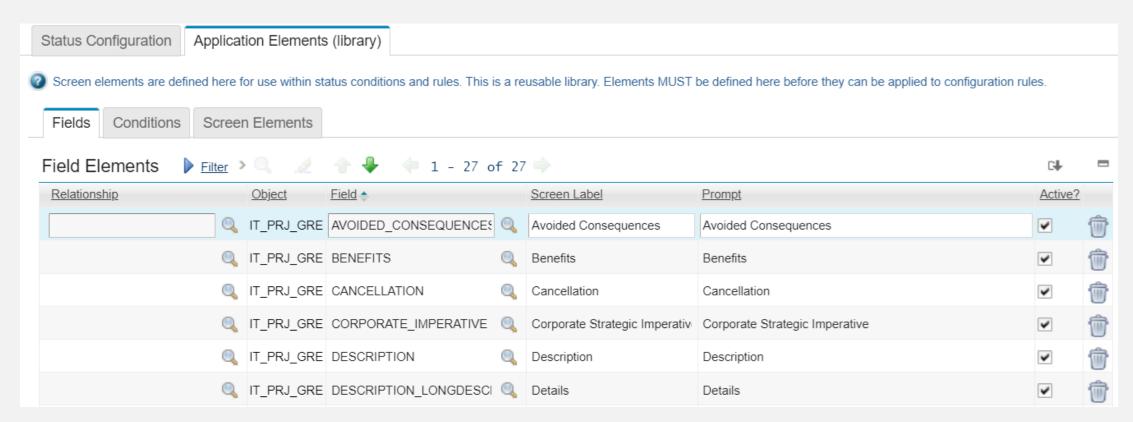


- OBJECTIVE—make sure it's OK to move to the "next" status
- Two types of tests
- BASIC—fields (null or not null)
- **COMPLEX**—conditions
 - State of child tables
 - Various combinations of data
 - Other
- Harvest from state transition diagram



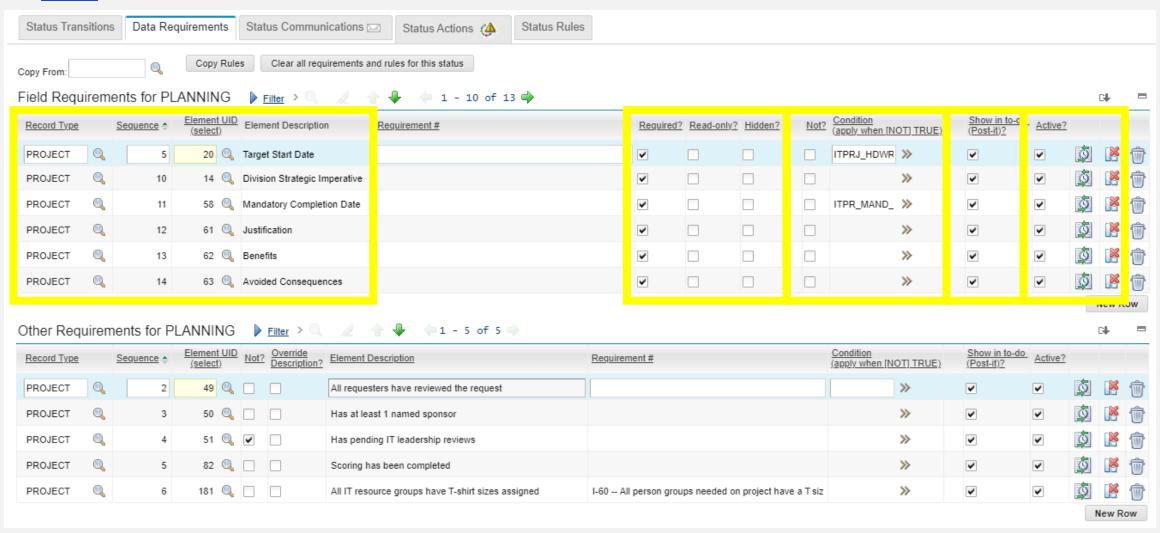
Building the "Library"

- Make configuration easier (pare down lists)
- Allow reusability (labels / prompts)





Link elements to status values

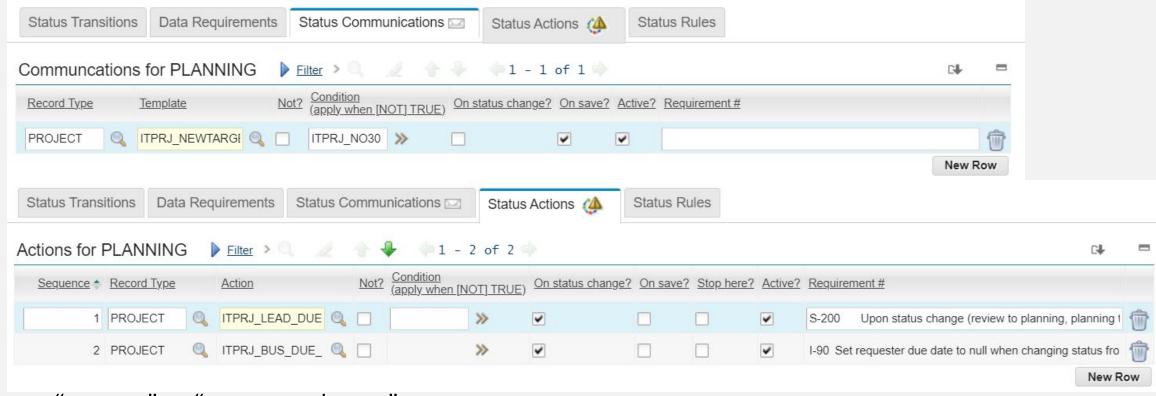




Actions & Communications



Bells & Whistles



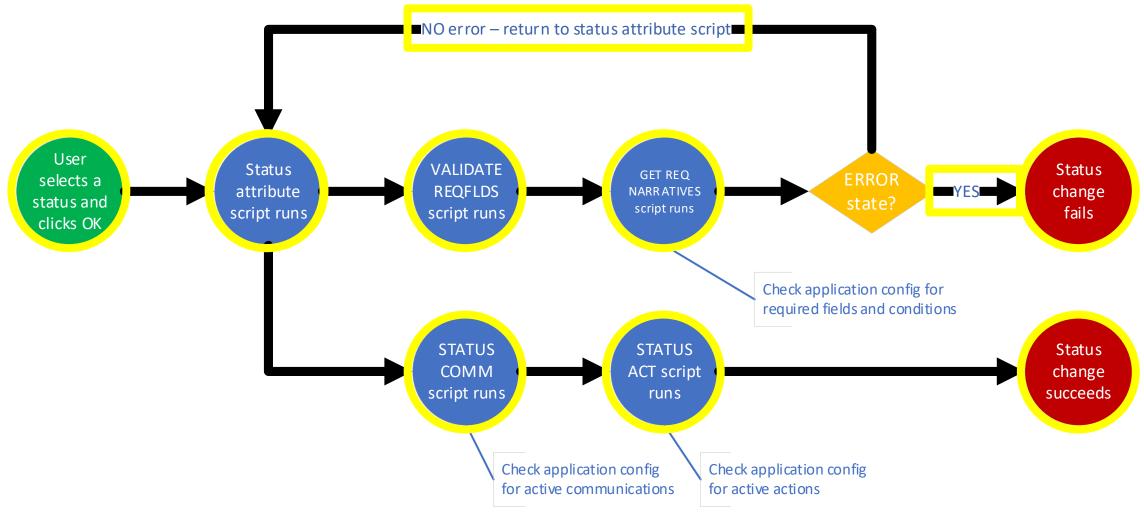
- "on save" vs "on status change"
- "stop here"
- Conditional



Tying it all together...



POST status change - Logical Flow





"Validate Required Fields" script(s)

- Calls "Get Required Fields Narratives" script
- Optionally throws error
- The "Get Required Fields Narratives" saves duplicate code by fulfilling 3 purposes in one loop:
 - Check for actual requirements (and return an error)
 - Build the error text for status change
 - Build the "to-do" HTML for the on-screen "post-it" note



Validate Required Fields

- If the user ignored the "post-it" note, they get a detailed list of missing items
- Go back to the record, update, then try again

System Message



BMXAA4295E - Could not change ticket 273129 status to PLANNING. BMXAA8967E -

The following fields are required in **PLANNING** status:

Primavera Project ID

Corporate Strategic Imperative

Division Strategic Imperative

Benefits

Avoided Consequences

Cancellation

Risks

The following conditions must satisfied in **PLANNING** status:

- * All requesters have reviewed the request
- * All IT leaders have reviewed and approved
- * All IT resource groups have T-shirt sizes assigned

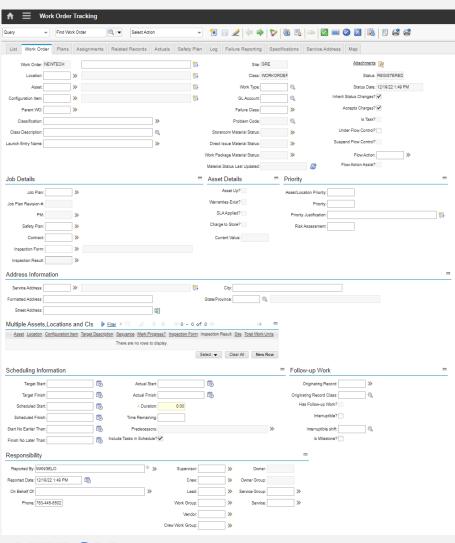
OK



The on-screen "post-it" & requirements (including read-only)



Maximo Screens are NOT user-friendly

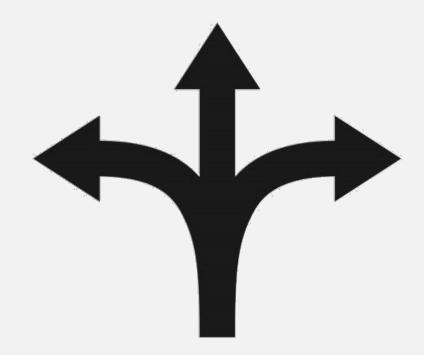


- MANY unused fields
- OOTB groupings don't match business use
- Multiple child tables & tabs
- By trying to meet everyone's needs...
 - They meet no one's needs...
- "What do I do next?"



Conditional UI - challenges

- Separate SIG options for each condition group
- Have to edit in application designer
- Sequencing can be confusing / contradictory
- NOT END-USER CONFIGURABLE!!!





The solution—"Application Config"

- Use the same requirements for status change
 - Fields
 - Conditions
- Build HTML to display on the screen ("checklist")
- Update on each save to show progress
- Set field flags for required and read only

Prior to moving to **PLANNING**, complete the following fields:

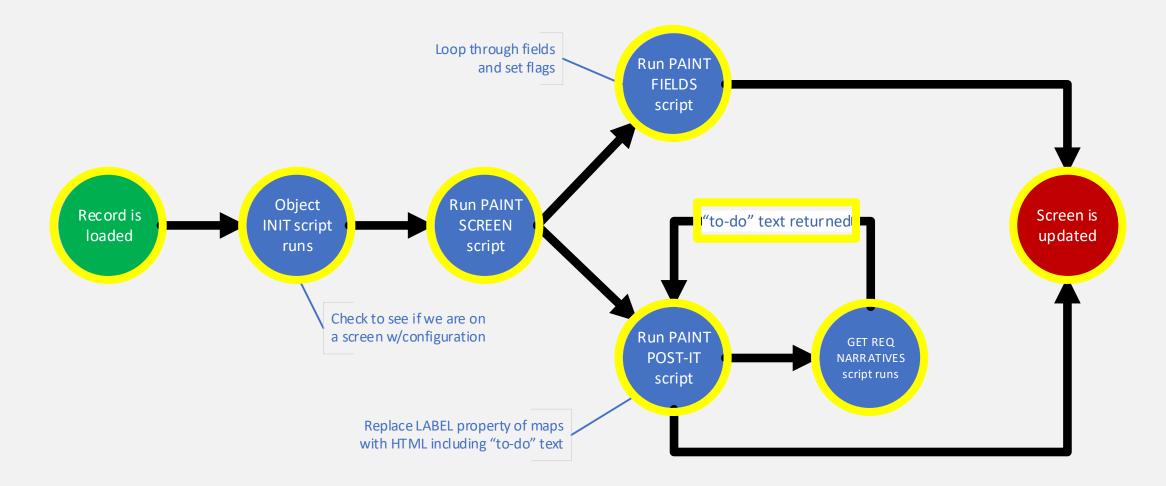
Target Start Date, Primavera Project ID, Financial Type, Category,
Corporate Strategic Imperative, Division Strategic Imperative,
Mandatory Completion Date, Justification, Benefits, Avoided Consequences,
Cancellation, Risks

Prior to moving to **PLANNING** ensure the that the following requirements are met:

- · All requesters have reviewed the request
- · Has at least 1 named sponsor
- · All IT leaders have reviewed and approved
- Scoring has been completed
- · All IT resource groups have T-shirt sizes assigned



Painting Screen – Logical Flow





Paint the Post-It Note

```
21 ## call the script to get our narrative
22 ## build hash-map
23 ctx = HashMap();
24 ctx.put("mbo", mbo);
25 ctx.put("v_type", v_type);
26 ctx.put("status", status);
27 ctx.put("object_name", object_name);
28 ctx.put("vapp", vapp);
30 service.invokeScript("GET_REQ_NARRATIVES", ctx);
31
32 ## get our returns
33 to do text = ctx.get("to do text");
35 ## finalize the post-it
             'table-layout: fixed;'><td style='padding: 5px;"
36 to_do =
           "background-color: #FFFFEE; word-wrap: break-word; width: 450px;'>" + to_do_text + "" ;
38
   ## find our maps
40 - try.
       map_set = mbo.getMboSet("$APPCON", "APPCON_GRE", "app = '" + vapp + "' AND objectname = '" + object name + "'");
       maps list = map set.moveFirst().getString("POST ITS");
      maps list = maps list.replace(" ", "");
       maps = maps list.split(",");
45 ₹ exc___.
       maps = [""];
46
   ## find our controls
49 for map in maps:
       post it = page.getControlInstance(map);
       if (post_it): post_it.setProperty("label", to_do);
       post_it = session.findControl(map);
       if (post it): post it.setProperty("label", to do);
```



Paint the Fields

```
17 -
        try.
            SQL = "objectname = '" + object name + "' AND app = '" + vapp + "' AND active = 1 AND (record type = '" +
18
                  v type + "' OR record type IS NULL) AND status IN ('" + status + ", '!ALL!')";
19
            req_set = mbo.getMboSet("$REQ", "STATUS COND GRE", SQL)
20
21
22
            ## loop through conditional rules
            req = req set.moveFirst();
23
            to do = "";
24
25
26 *
            while (rea):
                f = req.getString("ELEMENT.ATTRIBUTENAME");
27
28
29
                has condition = not req.isNull("CONDITIONNUM");
                if (has condition): c result = mbo.evaluateCondition(req.getString("CONDITIONNUM"));
30
                else: c result = True;
31
32
                NOT = req.getBoolean("NOT GRE");
33
                c result = not c result if NOT else c result;
34
35
                if (f != "" and c result):
36 *
                    if (req.getBoolean("HIDDEN")):
37
                                                       mbo.setFieldFlag(f, MboConstants.HIDDEN, True);
                    if (req.getBoolean("READONLY")):
                                                      mbo.setFieldFlag(f, MboConstants.READONLY, True);
38
                    if (req.getBoolean("REQUIRED")):
39 *
                        mbo.setFieldFlag(f, MboConstants.REQUIRED, True);
40
                        if (mbo.isNull(f)):
41 *
                            to do = to do + " " + req.getString("ELEMENT.ATTRIBUTETITLE");
42
43
                req req seermovemence(/)
        except: x = 1;
44
45
46
        if (to do != ""): mbo.setValue("CURRENT NP", to do, 11L);
```



DEMO



OTHER FUN THINGS....



Maybe in another session...

- Auditing—the RIGHT way
- Scripting tricks—making the screen great
- Application designer—breakout session ###
- Admin configuration—shift left to power users
- **Dynamic(ish) communication templates**—make outgoing e-mails truly useful



QUESTIONS?



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