

UW Facilities Engineering Services: System Development and Process Improvement

The Facilitators UW ISE-Winter/Spring 2020

Quantify the issues

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ENGINEERING SERVICES

CONTINUOUS

IMPROVEMENT

CYCLE

(e.g. Promote correct AiM usage,

prioritized list of work

orders for staff

Run PLG to generate

prioritized list

(e.g. Generate ES performance

Identify specific areas of

focus and perform Root

(e.g. Compare ES Performance to

ES completes

work order

ES completes work

System automatically

Cause Analysis

KPI timelines)

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BACKGROUND

Engineering Services (ES) is a team of engineers, architects, and records staff that is responsible for all UW community operations, maintenance, and other engineering supports.

MAINTENANCE | ENGINEERING | CONSTRUCTION

PROBLEM OVERVIEW

Engineering Services Initial Internal Flowchart

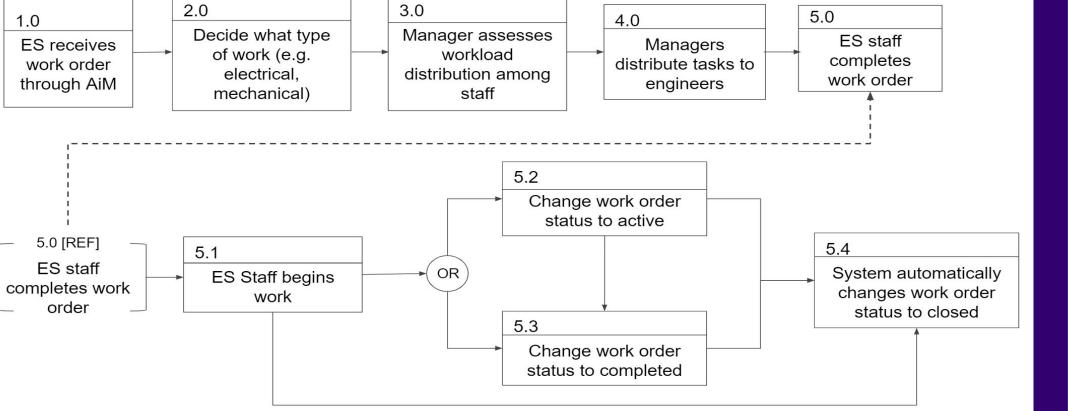


Figure 1: Initial System Flow Chart		
Current State	Opportunities	
 Lack of immediate problem identification and definition No departmental work performance measures 	Implement accurate work performance feedback system	
	Implement Six Sigma concepts	
 Lack of standardized processes 	Implement standard operating	

To maximize ES value to the UW community by providing more

effective services through data-driven decision making, process

standardization, and work performance review.

procedures

Work orders (WOs) are

- done intuitively based on experience
- Inconsistent use of status change on AiM

GOAL STATEMENT

SYSTEM CREATION

REQUIREMENTS

Our system shall provide...

WORK ORDER CATEGORIZATION

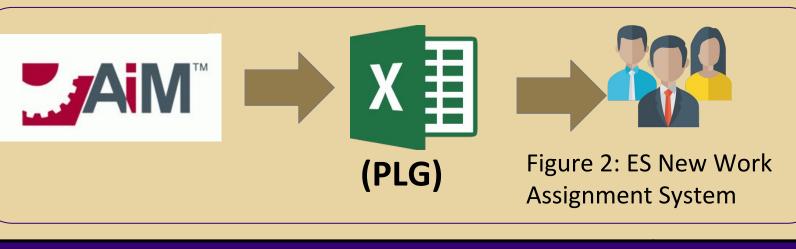
WORK ORDER PRIORITIZATION

STANDARD **PROCEDURES & DEFINITIONS**

PERFORMANCE REVIEW

CONTINUOUS **IMPROVEMENT** PLAN

WORK ORDERS CATEGORIZATION & PRIORITIZATION



Assignment System		
ES Work Order Risk Level	Risk Score (/0.67)	
00 (High) - Environmental, Health & Safety sks OR Project with ≤ 1-week deadline.	0.670	
00 (Moderate) - Regulatory risks OR Project rith 2-4 weeks deadline.	0.330	
00 (Low) - Low risks OR Projects with no	0.294	

Work Order Category	Assessment Time	Expected Completion Time
Maintenance	30 Days	90 Days
Construction	60 Days	270 Days
Engineering	60 Days	270 Days
Table 1: Assessment and expected completion time of WO Categories		

STANDARD PROCEDURES & DEFINITION

Current AiM status usage is inconsistent and not

Annual completion time for Engineering WOs

Figure 3: Example of generated chart on annual performance report

Newly defined operational definitions allow better

ES AiM Operational Definition

Open - Work order received may/may not be assigned;

Work Complete - All tasks required for a work order are

completed. No status transitions are permitted once the

Active - Work order is assigned to staff and work

execution has begun for completion or rework.

work order is completed EXCEPT rework

Average of ACTIVE

Average of OPEN

Completion Time

—Average of

Figure 3 shows obvious lack of status change

actively performed

work overview

work execution has **not** begun.

specified deadline OR > 4 weeks deadline.

Order 🔽 Risk Level 🔍 Phase Shop 🔍 Order Type 🔍 Entry Date 78 ELECTRICAL MAINTENANCE 3/31/2020 11:51:06 AM 78 ELECTRICAL | MAINTENANCE | 3/31/2020 11:51:59 AM 4/2/2020 8:40:25 AM 78 ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION 5/2/2018 9:16:30 AM 78 ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION 5/2/2018 9:18:50 AM

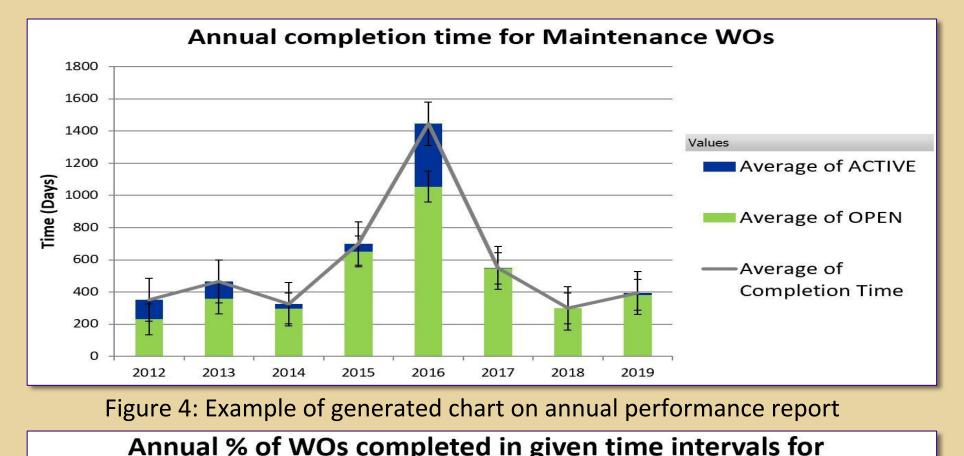
Table 2: Example of Prioritized List (Yellow indicates WOs that have reached assessment time, Blue indicates WOs that have not reached assessment time)

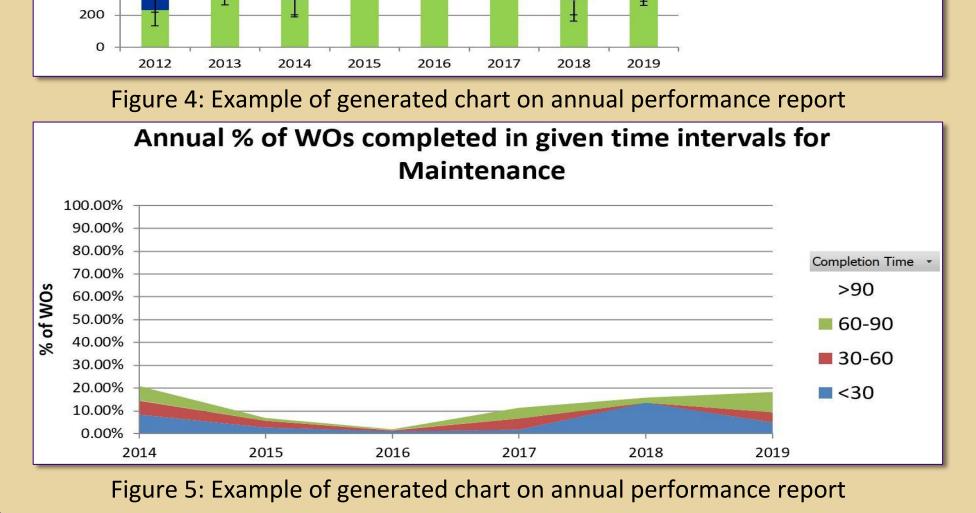
Prioritized List Generator (PLG):

- Produces prioritized list of WOs that promotes timely completion of work orders and better task overview
- A work order priority score is weighted based on: risk level (67%) and time opened (33%)
- WOs will be sorted from highest to lowest priority score
- Open and Active WOs that have reached assessment time (Table 1) would be highlighted on the prioritized list (Table 2) to gain staffers attention and prompt the progress of the WO

PERFORMANCE REVIEW

- Produces quarterly and annual reports on PPT based on:
 - Order category (maintenance/ engineering/ construction)
 - ES Departments (e.g. electrical/mechanical)
- Helps managers identify areas of improvement
- Allow manager to assess ES workforce capacity
- Analyze which engineering department is not performing up to standard
- Report generator is completely automated





IMPACT ANALYSIS **Engineering Services Improved Internal Flowchart** Managers assign worl order risk level and through AiM staff(s) in AiM Admin download AiM prioritized list of work work orders from designated link

CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT PLAN

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Control

Define the problem

(e.g. Work order backlog

and long work order

completion time)

Maintain the improved

(e.g. Team Review, Update

operating procedures, lesson

process and pursue

perfection

learned sessions)

and improvement

opportunities

Figure 6: Improved System Flow Chart

Change work

order status to

Assumptions:

which work order to

- Analysis uses <u>adjusted historical time</u> which is a 25% completion time reduction relative to historical data based on:
- New status update procedures
- Emphasis on early work assessments
- Historical Open time only accounts for 25% of adjusted historical time due to new status definitions
- Adjusted Open time would be equal to the PLG assessment time (Table 1) due to *prioritization of work orders*
- Historical Open time and adjusted open time are used to estimate the reduction in Open time

Expected Impacts:

Work Order Category	Est. Reduction in Completion Time vs. 2019 Avg. (Days)	Est. Reduction in Completion Time vs. 2019 Avg. (%)
Maintenance	52	17%
Construction	46	3%
Engineering	133	27%

Table 3: Expected Impacts by WO Category

- Average completion times will decrease (refer to Table 3)
- Improved process oversight and data collection through the adoption of key performance indicators
- Continuous improvement processes are expected to yield further process improvements

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Prioritized List Generator

DELIVERABLES

- Performance Report Generator Work Order Process
- Standard Operating Procedures & Manuals

CONSTRAINTS

 Work dependency on other UWF departments

Introduce process controls

through a work order

prioritization scheme

- Limited access to work order database (AiM)
- Variability in ES work orders due to different timelines: maintenance, engineering, and construction

ES STAFF SURVEY RESPONSE

"It's unclear how to prioritize internal projects against client work orders, especially when some of these **work orders** have been **open** for **months or even years**." - ES Staff (2020)

"It **feels somewhat disjointed** at times, I would like to see it become more **cohesive**" - ES Staff (2020)