

#### 2011 Infrastructure Forum December 1, 2011

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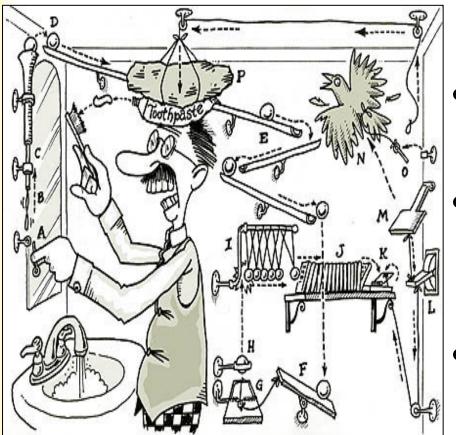
# Technology

#### Why Introduce Change?





# **Drivers of Change**



- Need for Improvement
- Benefit must Out-Weigh Cost
- Must be <u>Effective</u>!

# **Taking a Chance**

- What is the need?
- Can Technology Help?
- Will it <u>Actually Work</u>?



## The Good, The Bad &.....



- Attempted Several Initiatives
- Some have Worked Well, Others Need Work
- Here are a few examples...

# **Technology Initiative Examples**

Success - Project Portal

1<sup>st</sup> Step Taken - Central Real Estate Inventory

**Door Opening** - Web Based Management

Just Starting - Tablet Technology



#### **Situation**:

<u>Printed</u> Monthly Budget Books & Program Schedules

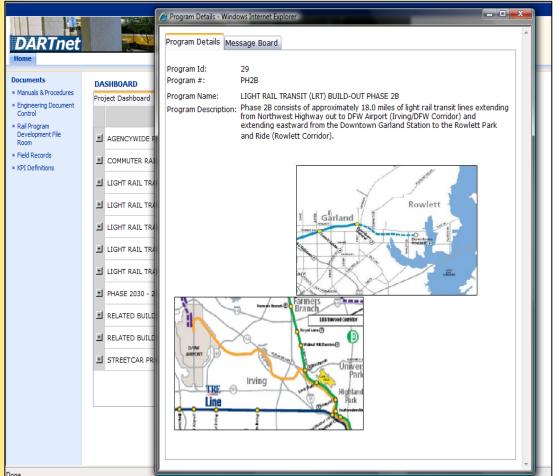
Available to Senior Managers

#### Need:

Access to Real-Time Data for all Team Members

#### Dashboard Platform for Ease of Viewing

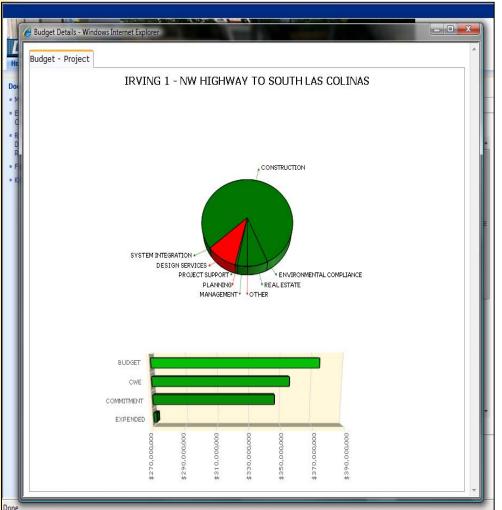
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#### Program Schedules Updates Monthly

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- Budget Data From Cost Management System (CMS)
- Integrated with DART Finance

- Updated Monthly
- •Drill down into budget line items

•Export to Excel

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#### **Effectiveness**

### Increased Ability to Manage The "Health" of a Project



#### Situation:

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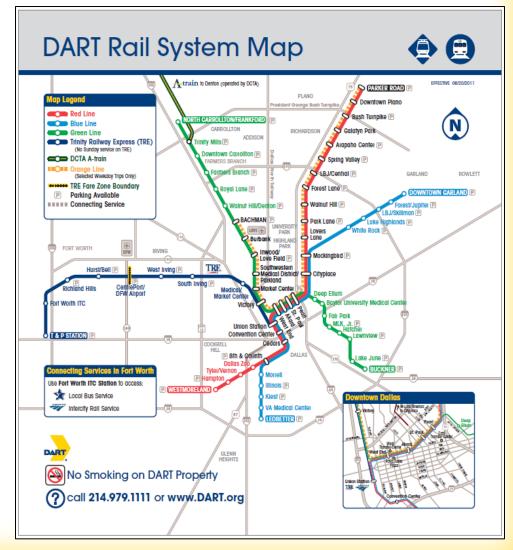
Available to Real Estate

#### Need:

Ability to Access, Sort, Search and Analyze Documents

Available to Project Team

We cover a lot of Area & Manage a lot of Properties!

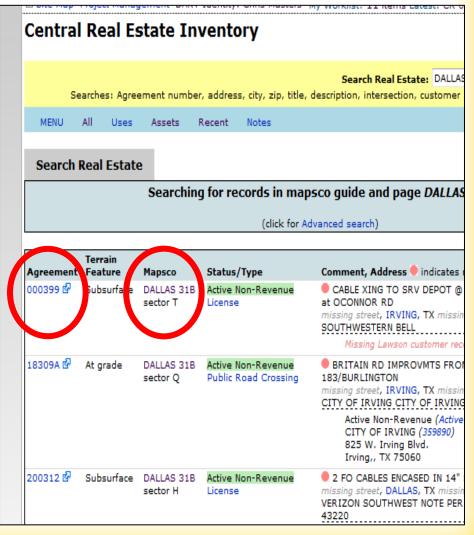


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#### Searchable by...

- Agreement number
- Address
- Title
- Description
- Intersection
- Customer Name
- Previous Owner

- Linking to Map System for Parcel Location
- Linked to Agreements for Property Acquisition / Use





#### Next Steps...

- Complete data upload
- Complete linking to maps
- Final Validation
- Fully Operation

#### **Real Estate Data Base**

#### **Effectiveness**

## Increases Ability to Manage Agency's Property Assets

#### Web Based Management

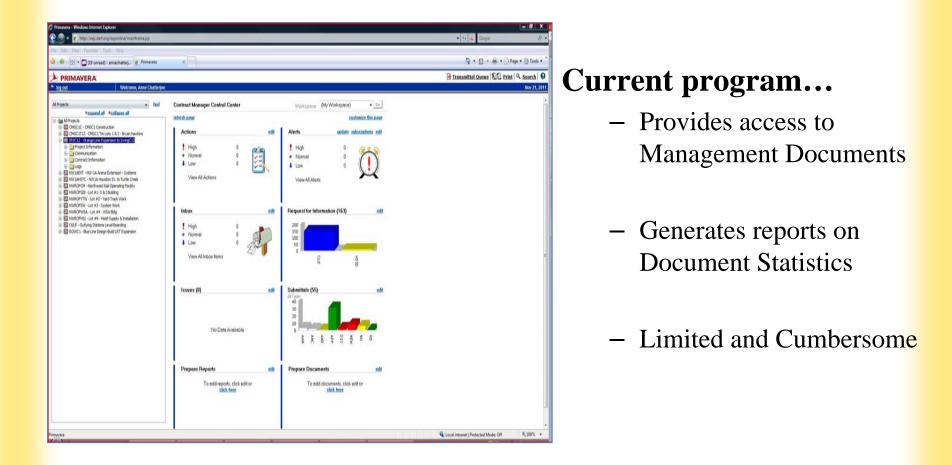
Situation: Existing Program,

Specifically Tailored for DART, Significant Investment, <u>Out Of Date</u>

Need: More Robust Management Program covering more Aspects of Program Management & Delivery



### Web Based Management



## Web Based Management

- Exposed to New Programs through Design-Build Contracts
- Ability to Generate, Manage & Access more Features

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### Web Base Management

#### **Effectiveness**

## Would Increase Productivity and Project Transparency



# Situation: We need a lot of info & Carry <u>a lot of Paper</u>!

<u>Need</u>: Reduce dependence on Paper & Increase access to <u>most current</u> Documents

- Began to Look into Tablets
- Security Firewalls limit <u>Network File access</u>
- Software Compatibility limits *file size* for attachments







- Microsoft Tablet has "Laptop" characteristics
- Possible solution to some Restrictions from other Tablets
- Undergoing field testing

#### **Effectiveness**

To Be Determined

# **Moving Forward**



- Stay in Tune with available Technologies
- Don't be Attracted to "Shiny Things"
- Make sure Choices are <u>Effective</u>



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