

A Federal Agency finds a nifty way of managing huge Projects, Tasks and Budgets under tight resource limitations.

A More4Apps Case Study



The Presidio of San Francisco is managed by two federal agencies in partnership: 300 acres along the coast are managed by the National Park Service, while the rest of the Presidio, 1,191 acres, is managed by the Presidio Trust. Both agencies work in close collaboration with the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy, a non-profit organization that provides indispensable philanthropic and programmatic support.

In partnership with the National Park Service and the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy, and at no cost to taxpayers, the Presidio Trust brings alive the unique historic, natural, and recreational assets of the Presidio for the inspiration, education, health, and enjoyment of all people.

Presidio Trust undertakes roughly about 400 building, construction or maintenance projects of varying sizes each year and meticulously tracks project costs and returns.

Using the prowess of Oracle E-Business Suite Projects modules, they are able to aggregate costs, enter and follow budgets, as well as report project returns accurately across the hundreds of tasks being tracked under each project. Operating with a trim Project Accounting team, this herculean task of entering tasks and budgets at the start of each fiscal year for each of the hundreds of projects is made possible only with the help of deft accelerator tools like the More4Apps Wizards.

More4Apps Projects and Budgets Wizard was adopted by Presidio users about 16 years ago when they were cutting over entire projects data to a new set of books. Historically they used excel templates as a starting point for their first-cut project plan with different templates covering capital, sponsored and operating projects. After capital approval, users entered these again into the standard Oracle forms.

Funding Summary and Details

Customer Name: Hilman and Associates
 Customer Number: 1004
 Agreement: Vision Operations
 Type: Purchase Orders
 Currency: USD
 Start Date:
 Billing Sequence:
 Terms: 30 Net
 Description:
 Administrator: Stock, Ms. Pat
 Organization:
 Product Source:
 Summary Amounts:
 Amount: 950,000.00
 Allocated, Not baselined: 0.00
 Allocated, Baselined: 815,000.00
 Net Allocated: 175,000.00

Project Number	Task Number	Funding Unbaselined	Funding Baselined	Fu
PC201		0.00	815,000.00	

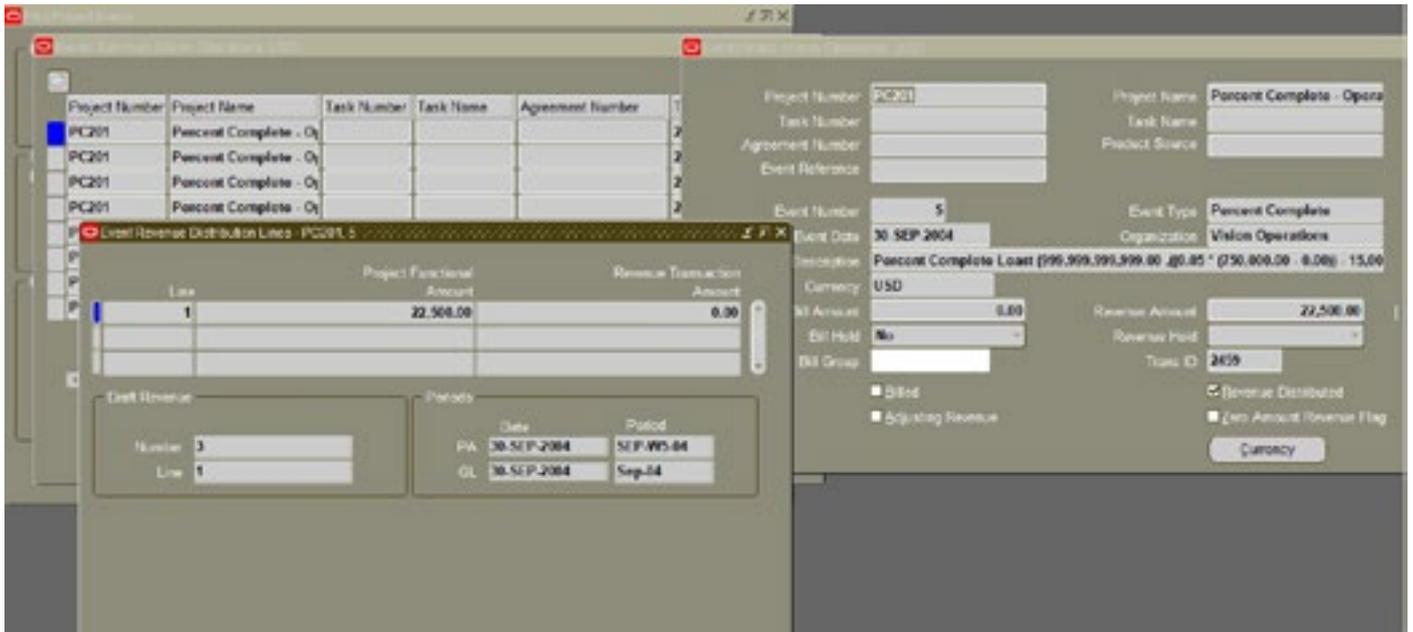
Budgets

Find Budget:
 Project Number: Bldg Renovation
 Project Name: Bldg Renovation
 Budget Type: Capital Cost Budget

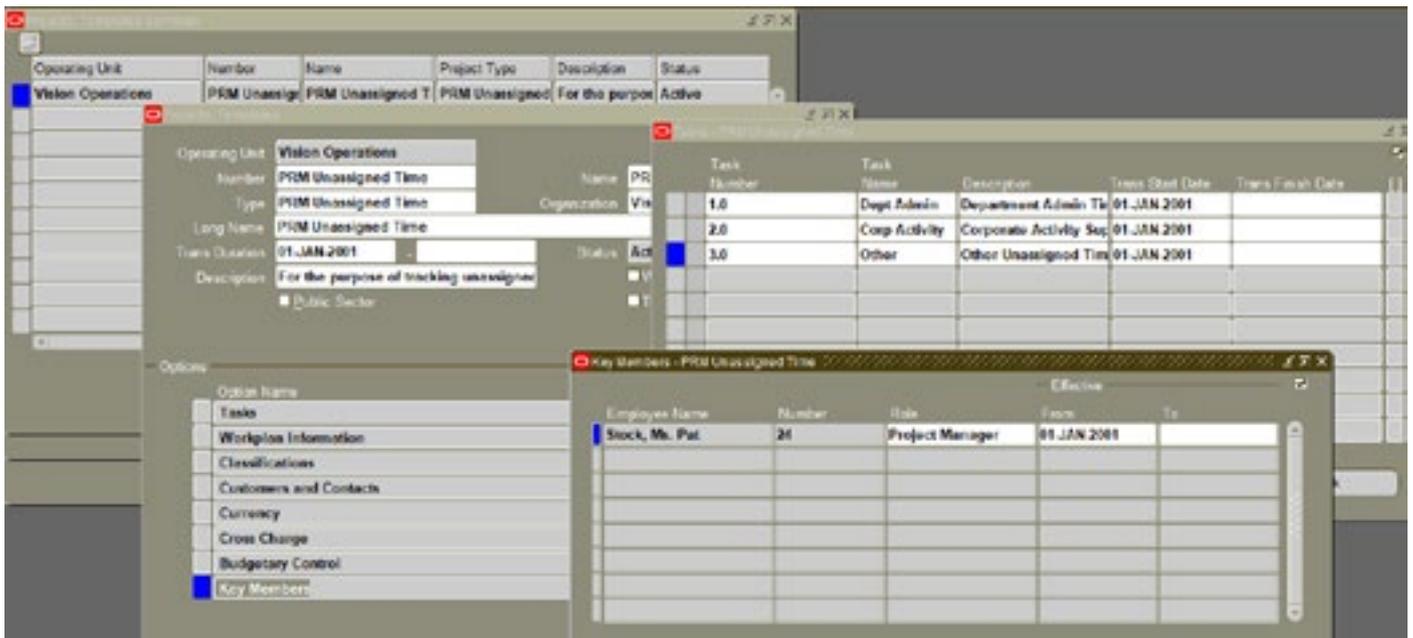
Draft Budget:
 Version Name:
 Change Reason:
 Description:
 Entry Method: Project by PA Period

Resource Alias	Amount Type	DEC-W1-19	DEC-W2-19	DEC-W3-19	DEC-W4-19	Period Totals
None	Raw Cost					
Totals: Raw Cost		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	

Events



Projects (Tasks, Key Members etc)



More4Apps Wizards liberated them from the cumbersome forms interface and gave instead to the users the power of connecting their excel templates directly into EBS through well-supported, standard Oracle interfaces. The Presidio excel templates could now be straightaway adapted into the More4Apps wizards layout and uploaded into Oracle EBS with easy validated-upload functionality.

Agreements and Funding Wizard

Agreement ID	Agreement Number	Customer Number	Customer Name	Customer Order	Currency	Amount	Type	Project Name	Project Num	Task Number	Task Name	Date Alloc	Funding Account	Classification	Term	Revenue	Prod	Len
	COW18Agreement01	7804	Hilman and Associates		USD	3000	Service	task		780	Design	12/02/18	1000	Original	30	Fact	No	No
	COW18Agreement02	7804	Hilman and Associates		USD	3000	Service	task		780	Develop	12/02/18	1000	Original	30	Fact	No	No
	COW18Agreement03	7804	Hilman and Associates		USD	3000	Service	task		780	Implement	12/02/18	1000	Original	30	Fact	No	No
	COW18Agreement04	7804	Hilman and Associates		USD	3000	Service	task		780	Design	12/02/18	1000	Original	30	Fact	No	No
	COW18Agreement05	7804	Hilman and Associates		USD	3000	Service	task		780	Develop	12/02/18	1000	Original	30	Fact	No	No
	COW18Agreement06	7804	Hilman and Associates		USD	3000	Service	task		780	Implement	12/02/18	1000	Original	30	Fact	No	No
	COW18Agreement07	7804	Hilman and Associates		USD	3000	Service	task		780	Design	12/02/18	1000	Original	30	Fact	No	No

Budgets Wizard

UPLOAD RESULTS			PROJECT		BUDGET LINE DETAILS AND NON-FIN PHASE DETAILED AMOUNTS										Period Name				
Upload OK	Error OK	Upload Error	Project Name	Category	Task Number	Resource	Description	Amount	Type	Amount	FEB-09	MAR-09	APR-09	MAY-09	JUN-09	JUL-09	AUG-09	SEP-09	OCT
			DP101		1.1.1		Chargeback	Raw Cost	9,229.73	12,169.36	9,267.92	14,443.22	3,333.75	3,917.35	7,216.13	4,628.53	7,224.11	4,619	
							Contractor	Raw Cost	1,958.83		1,958.83				834.93	834.93		834.93	
							Expenses	Raw Cost							443.25				
							Labor	Raw Cost	6,248.83	5,758.90	9,268.90	3,689.30	3,103.30	3,728.80	3,919.80	4,358.83	4,198.28	3,780	
							Chargeback	Raw Cost	2,615.53						8.90	8.90		8.90	
							Expenses	Raw Cost											
							Labor	Raw Cost	1,258.83	508.90		1,289.30	589.30	589.80					
							Labor	Raw Cost	289.80	309.30	188.80								80
							Contractor	Raw Cost			2,585.80				1,297.90				
							Labor	Raw Cost											
							Material	Raw Cost											
			DP101		1.1.1		Chargeback	Raw Cost	158.83	158.83	158.83	153.33	153.33	158.83	158.83	158.83	158.83	158.83	150
							Contractor	Raw Cost	258.83	258.83	258.83	253.33	253.33	258.83	258.83	258.83	258.83	258.83	250
							Chargeback	Raw Cost	33.33	33.33	33.33	33.33	33.33	33.33	33.33	33.33	33.33	33.33	33
							Chargeback	Raw Cost	2,544.83	2,544.83	2,544.83	2,544.83	2,544.83	2,544.83	2,544.83	2,544.83	2,544.83	2,544.83	2,544
							Contractor	Raw Cost	2,544.83	2,544.83	2,544.83	2,544.83	2,544.83	2,544.83	2,544.83	2,544.83	2,544.83	2,544.83	2,544
							Labor	Raw Cost	2.83	308.90	188.80	183.30	183.30	188.80	188.80	188.80	188.80	188.80	180

Event Wizard

Upload Status	Upload Message	Event ID	Project Name	Task Number	Task Name	Agreement Number	Event Month	Event Type	Event Date	Department	Description	Bill Amount	Revenue Amount	Advising Revenue	Oil Cost	Prod
Default Values			TEST 9.2.174	TEST 9.2.174				Manual	TEST 9.2.174	VISION SEM	Manual			No		16
Accepted		TE+05	TEST 9.2.174	TEST 9.2.174			1	Manual	TEST 9.2.174	VISION SEM	Manual	1900	500	No		16
Accepted		TE+05	TEST 9.2.174	TEST 9.2.174			2	Manual	TEST 9.2.174	VISION SEM	Manual	5800	2500	No		16
Accepted		TE+05	TEST 9.2.174	TEST 9.2.174			3	Manual	TEST 9.2.174	VISION SEM	Manual	500	18	No		16
Accepted		TE+05	TEST 9.2.174	TEST 9.2.174			4	Manual	TEST 9.2.174	VISION SEM	Manual	2150	43	No		16
Accepted		TE+05	TEST 9.2.174	TEST 9.2.174			5	Manual	TEST 9.2.174	VISION SEM	Manual	1	0.02	No		16
Accepted		TE+05	TEST 9.2.174	TEST 9.2.174			6	Manual	TEST 9.2.174	VISION SEM	Manual	295.37	4.31	No		16
Accepted		TE+05	TEST 9.2.174	TEST 9.2.174			7	Manual	TEST 9.2.174	VISION SEM	Manual	251	0.3785	No		16
Accepted		TE+05	TEST 9.2.174	TEST 9.2.174			8	Manual	TEST 9.2.174	VISION SEM	Manual	885	1.6775	No		16
Accepted		TE+05	TEST 9.2.174	TEST 9.2.174			9	Manual	TEST 9.2.174	VISION SEM	Manual	1983.5	1.02025	No		16
Accepted		TE+05	TEST 9.2.174	TEST 9.2.174			10	Manual	TEST 9.2.174	VISION SEM	Manual	1191.85	1.78775	No		16
Accepted		TE+05	TEST 9.2.174	TEST 9.2.174			11	Manual	TEST 9.2.174	VISION SEM	Manual	1311.04	1.87	No		16
Accepted		TE+05	TEST 9.2.174	TEST 9.2.174			12	Manual	TEST 9.2.174	VISION SEM	Manual	1482.54	2.16	No		16
Accepted		TE+05	TEST 9.2.174	TEST 9.2.174			13	Manual	TEST 9.2.174	VISION SEM	Manual	1536.35	2.38	No		16
Accepted		TE+05	TEST 9.2.174	TEST 9.2.174			14	Manual	TEST 9.2.174	VISION SEM	Manual	1744.98	2.62	No		16
Accepted		TE+05	TEST 9.2.174	TEST 9.2.174			15	Manual	TEST 9.2.174	VISION SEM	Manual	1910.46	2.88	No		16
Accepted		TE+05	TEST 9.2.174	TEST 9.2.174			16	Manual	TEST 9.2.174	VISION SEM	Manual	2111.42	3.17	No		16
Accepted		TE+05	TEST 9.2.174	TEST 9.2.174			17	Manual	TEST 9.2.174	VISION SEM	Manual	2320.57	3.48	No		16
Accepted		TE+05	TEST 9.2.174	TEST 9.2.174			18	Manual	TEST 9.2.174	VISION SEM	Manual	2544.93	3.82	No		16
Accepted		TE+05	TEST 9.2.174	TEST 9.2.174			19	Manual	TEST 9.2.174	VISION SEM	Manual	2810.31	4.22	No		16
Accepted		TE+05	TEST 9.2.174	TEST 9.2.174			20	Manual	TEST 9.2.174	VISION SEM	Manual	3097.34	4.64	No		16

Project Wizard

UPLOAD RESULTS			PROJECT		BUDGET LINE DETAILS and NON TIME PHASED AMOUNTS					Period Dates									
Upload OK	Less OK	Upload Error	Project Number	Category	Task Number	Resource Code	Resource	Resource Type	Amount	JAN-05	FEB-05	MAR-05	APR-05	MAY-05	JUN-05	JUL-05	AUG-05	SEP-05	OCT
			CP101		1.1.1		Chargebacks	Raw Cost	9,239.19	13,168.96	9,257.92	14,448.22	3,333.75	5,917.25	7,216.95	4,628.53	7,234.11	4,618	
							Contractor	Raw Cost	1,508.00		1,508.00			834.00	834.00				
							Support	Raw Cost	6,248.00	5,728.00	9,228.00	5,889.00	1,500.00	3,728.00	3,918.00	4,399.00	4,166.00	3,780	
					1.1.2		Chargebacks	Raw Cost	2,617.52				8.95	8.95	8.95	8.95			
							Support	Raw Cost	1,258.00	508.00		1,258.00	508.00	508.00					
					7.0	1.2	Chargebacks	Raw Cost	248.00	368.00	168.00								80
							Contractor	Raw Cost			2,505.60			1,297.30					
							Labor	Raw Cost											
							Material	Raw Cost											
OK	OK	OK	CP101		1.1.1		Chargebacks	Raw Cost	158.00	158.00	158.00	153.00	153.00	158.00	158.00	158.00	158.00	158.00	150
OK	OK	OK			1.1.2		Chargebacks	Raw Cost	358.00	358.00	358.00	353.00	353.00	358.00	358.00	358.00	358.00	358.00	350
OK	OK	OK				1.2	Chargebacks	Raw Cost	33.33	33.33	33.33	33.33	33.33	33.33	33.33	33.33	33.33	33.33	33
OK	OK	OK			7.0		Chargebacks	Raw Cost	2,544.00	2,544.00	2,544.00	2,544.00	2,544.00	2,544.00	2,544.00	2,544.00	2,544.00	2,544.00	2,544
OK	OK	OK			7.0		Chargebacks	Raw Cost	2,544.00	2,544.00	2,544.00	2,544.00	2,544.00	2,544.00	2,544.00	2,544.00	2,544.00	2,544.00	2,544
OK	OK	OK			7.0		Contractor	Raw Cost	2.00	308.00	168.00	153.00	153.00	168.00	168.00	168.00	168.00	168.00	150
OK	OK	OK			7.0		Material	Raw Cost	168.00	168.00	168.00	163.00	163.00	168.00	168.00	168.00	168.00	168.00	160

Transaction Wizard

Transaction Settings					Required Columns - All Transaction Types						
ID	Batch Source	Expndrnr Type Cls	Organization	Employee	Business Group	Item Date	Project Number	Project Name	Project Description	Task Number	Task Name
	PBX Charges	Usages	Services-West			7/28/2016	Cost Plus	Cost Plus Project	Cost Plus projects	13	Task 13
	PBX Charges	Usages	Services-West			7/29/2016	Cost Plus	Cost Plus Project	Cost Plus projects	12	Task 12
	PBX Charges	Usages	Services-West			7/30/2009	SSC01	Software System	New Software De	4.0	Expenses
	PBX Charges	Usages	Services-West		Vision Corporation	7/28/2016	Cost Plus	Cost Plus Project	Cost Plus projects	1.1.1	User Interv
	PBX Charges	Usages	Services-West			7/30/2009		Software System	New Software De	4.0	Expenses
	Excel-Costed-No	Miscellaneous Transa	Vision Services			11/29/2017	Cost Plus	Cost Plus Project	Cost Plus Project	13	Task 13
	Excel-Costed-No	Miscellaneous Transa	Vision Services			11/29/2017	Cost Plus	Cost Plus Project	Cost Plus Project	13	Task 13

The tools not only saw them through this short-term task but has ever since been their aide in speeding up their Projects and Budgets annual entry plus maintenance from the familiar comfort of excel spreadsheets.

Every October, the fiscal year's projects are entered with 3 budgets - one for each of prior-year, current year and inception-to-date. Some of the budgets are at project tasks level resulting in about 800 budgets to be loaded for the fiscal year. Where this could well have been a labor-intensive 2 weeks' task for about 4 people it is reduced to a 2-days job for 2 people to set the Projects and Budgets rolling for the fiscal year on time every year.