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Effective Supply Flow Control

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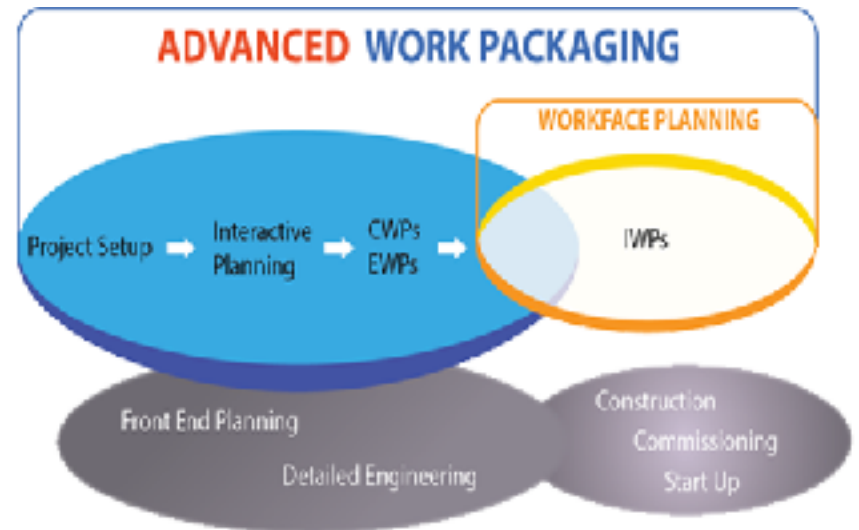
Design through Workface Execution



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Effective Implementation of Work Packaging for Complex Projects

Scope:

Project cost and schedule overruns in the energy and industrial sectors have reached crisis levels. These cost and schedule overruns are impacting shareholder value and the ability for energy and industrial companies to deliver and maintain their assets. Work Packaging is one area that is gaining much interest among owners, operators and EPC firms. Recently, CII and COAA released Report 272-2 Advanced Work Packaging. Building on and expanding this recent work, this PPI research project explores how the application of operations management theory and practice can optimize the execution of work packages and in so doing support better control and predictability of project cost and duration.

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A Critique of Advanced Work Packaging JUNE 2015

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3. Having defined work packages, coordinated between engineering and construction, does not reduce the challenge of coordinating massive flows of materials, information and resources to construction sites when needed. We expect labor utilization to get worse rather than better.
4. Inventory growth, longer project durations, and higher labor costs—plus increased costs for expediting and firefighting—are expected to result in projects well over budget and time.

Situation and Unintended Consequences

Strategy to Better Synchronize Supply with
Demand

Learnings to Date

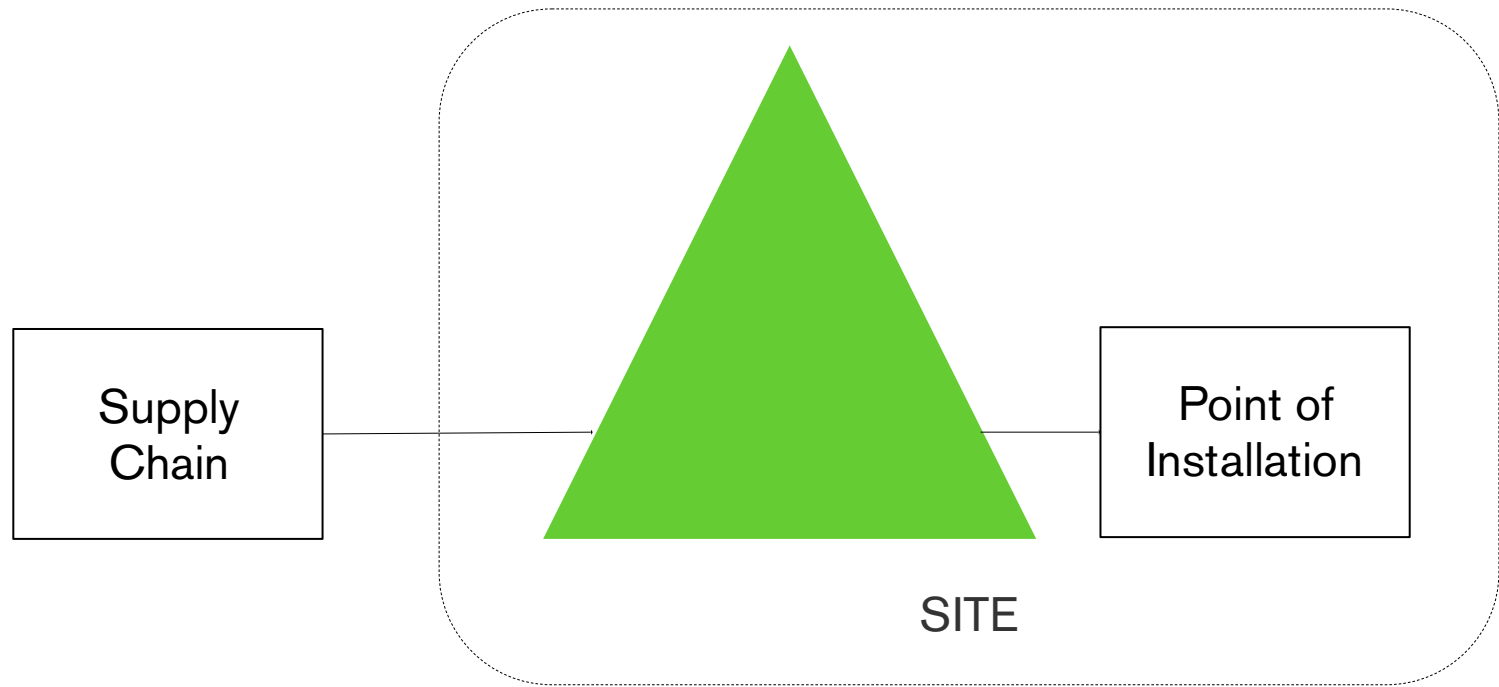












Inventory

“We cannot get what we need when we need it”

Implications

1. Safety Risks

2. Schedule Delays (+ loss of revenue)

3. Higher Cost (“the price is not the cost”)

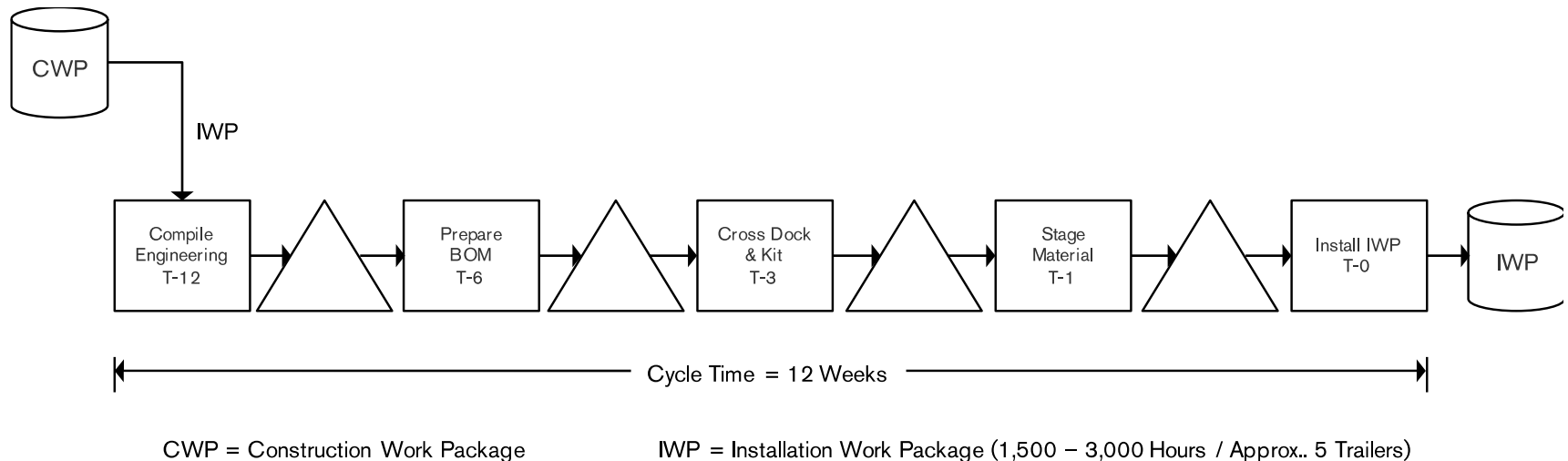
What They Were Doing

1. Use of Workface Planning

2. Shared onsite logistics capacity

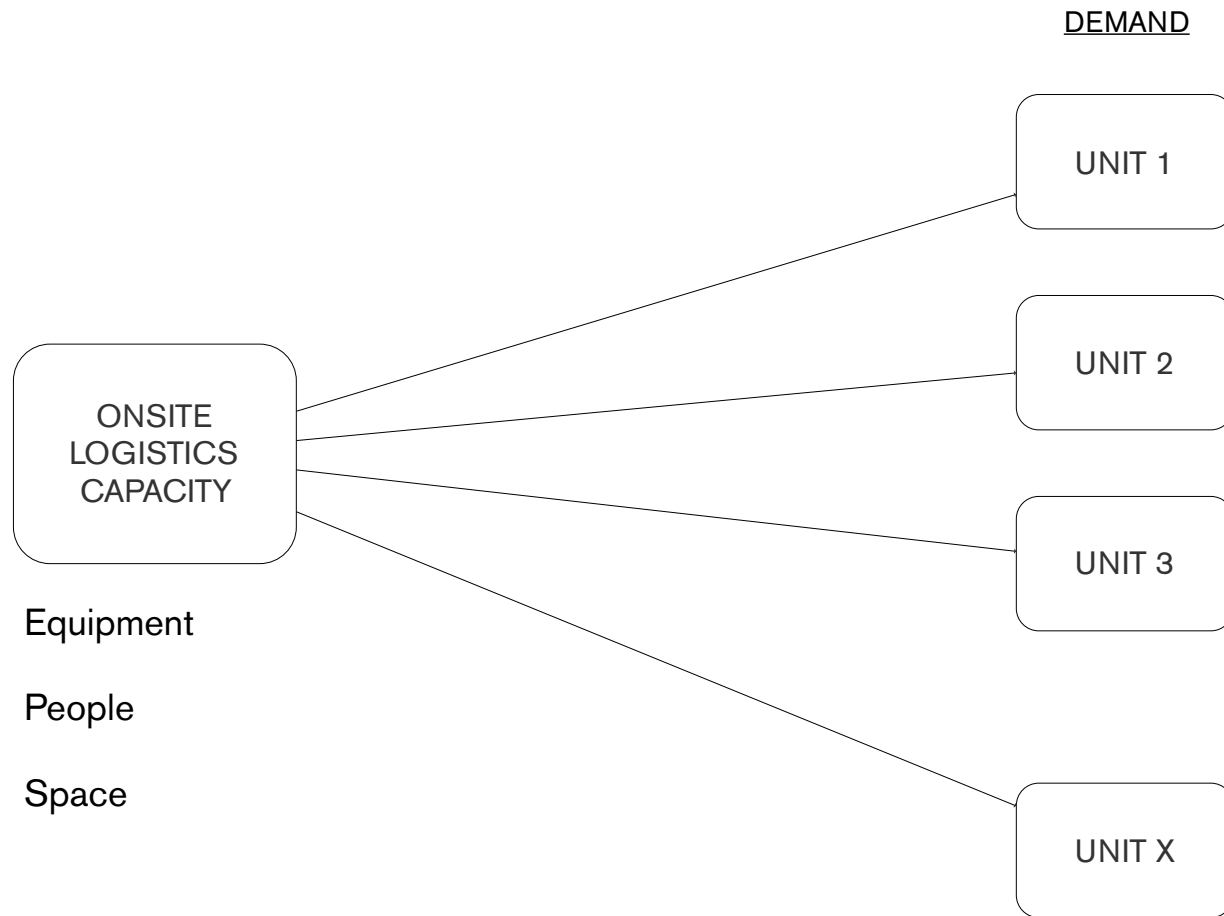
3. Project Controls (Era 2) systems driving demand

Workface Planning (WFP)



- 1 – Field Material Requests (FRMs) must be submitted 21 days in advance of need date
- 2 – Size of FMRs is set based on IWPs (2-3 weeks worth of work)
- 3 – If 100% of IWP materials are not on site, FMR cannot be submitted

Shared Logistics Capacity





Little's Law:

$$TH = WIP / CT$$

TH = 20 trailers / day

→ WIP = 420 trailers

CT = 21 days

TH = 20 trailers / day

→ WIP = 100 trailers

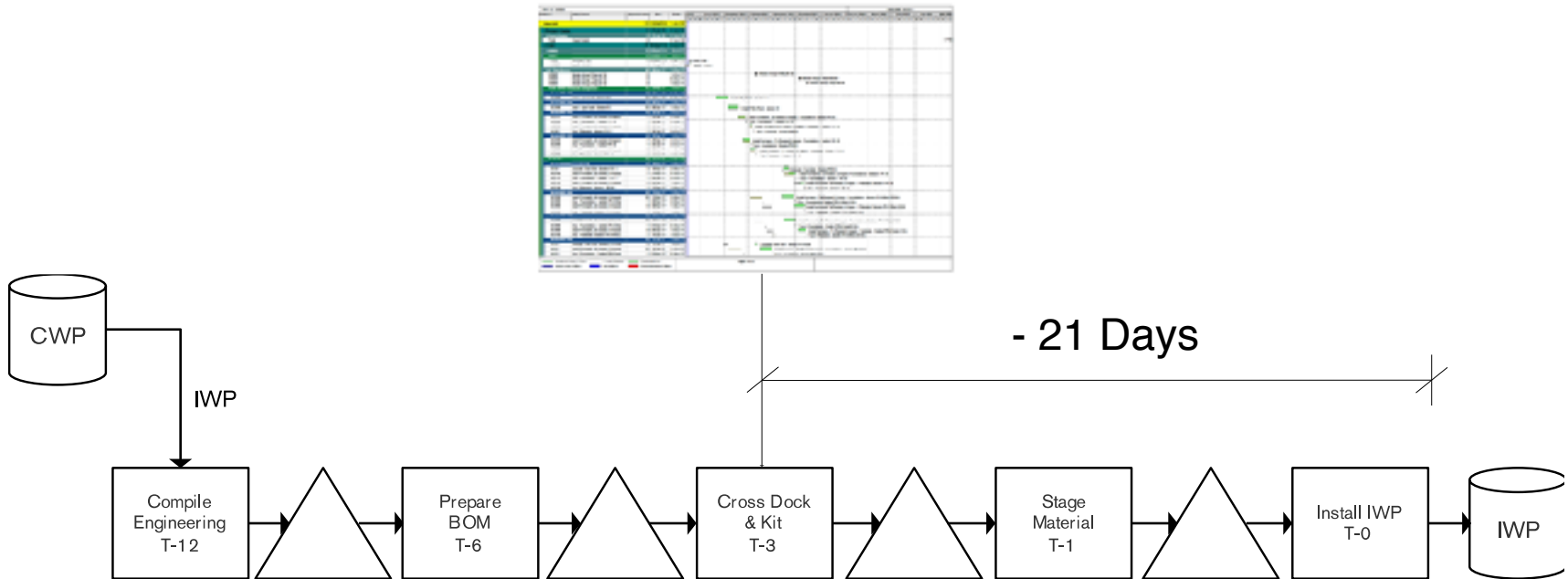
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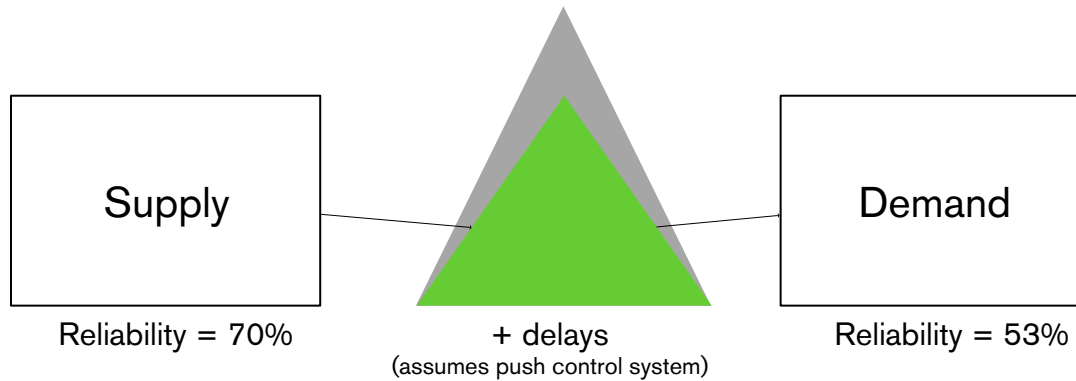
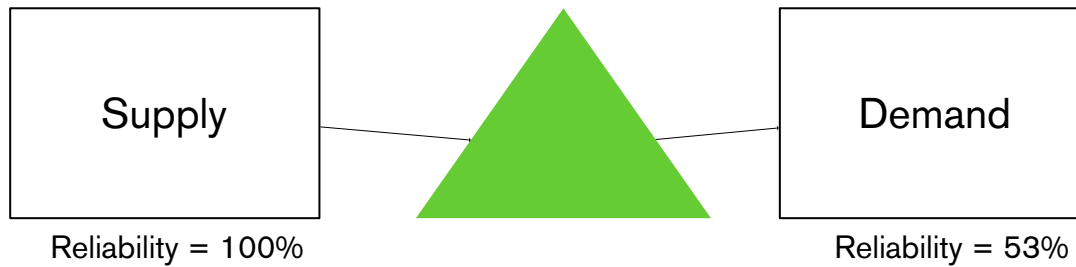
Cycle Time Formula:

$$CT = BT + MT + ST + PT + QT$$

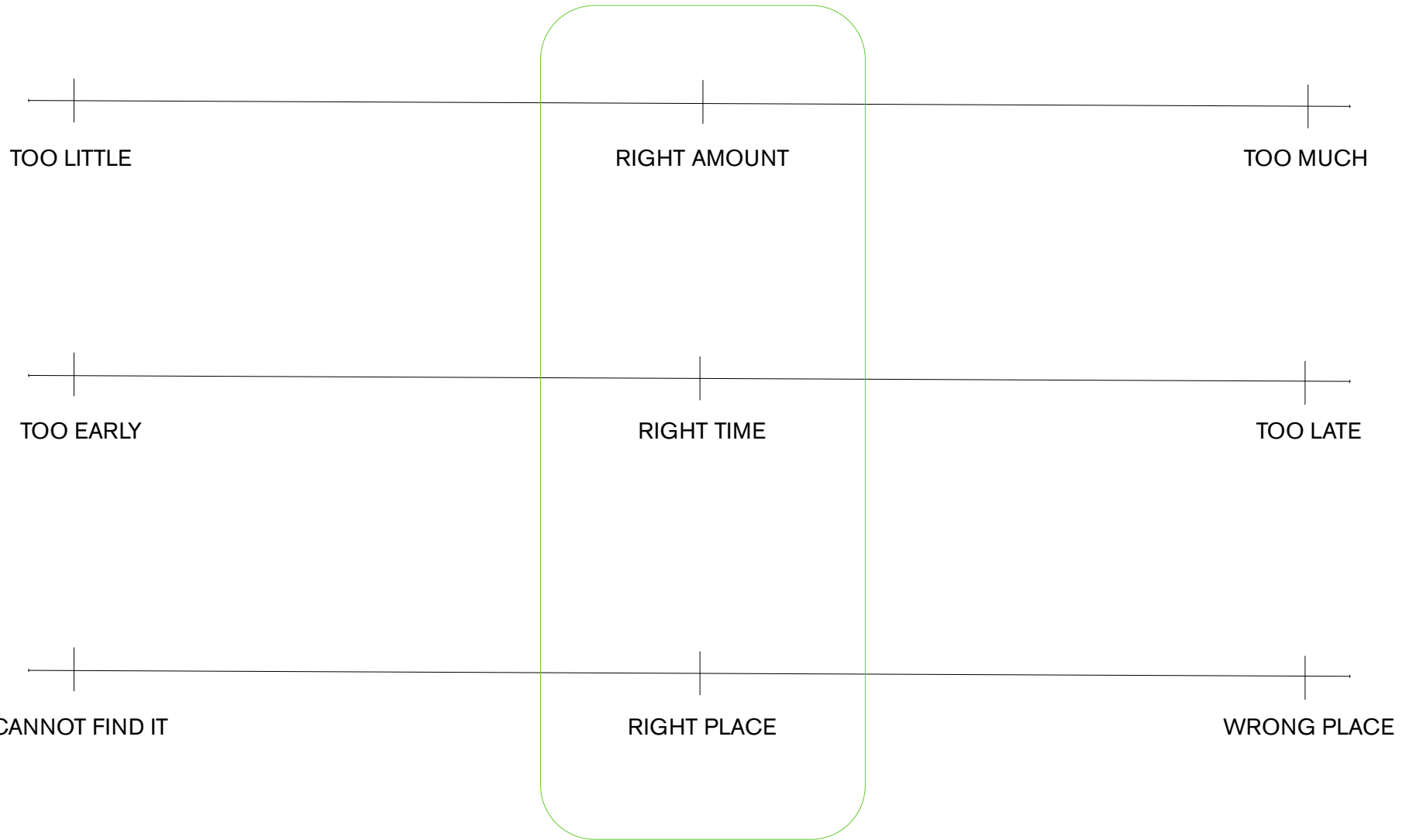
Project Controls Driving Demand

L4 Schedule



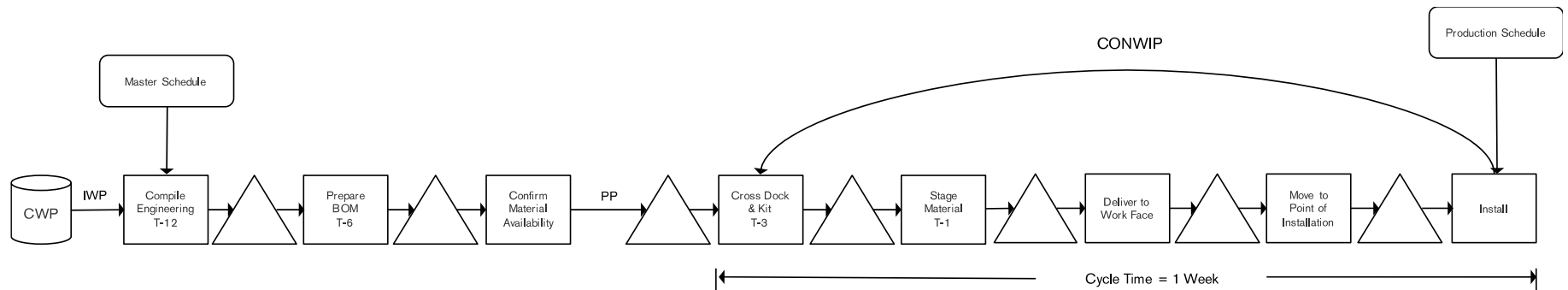


Variability → Excessive WIP → Cost & Schedule Overruns



Proposed Strategy

1. Increase reliability of demand
2. Pull materials to the point of installation
3. Control and optimize supply



CWP = Construction Work Package

IWP = Installation Work Package (1,500 – 3,000 Hours / Approx.. 5 Trailers)

PP = Production Package (1 Shift for 1 Crew)

AUTHORIZE TO LOAD

DAY -4

LOAD

DAY -3

MOVE TO POI

DAY -2

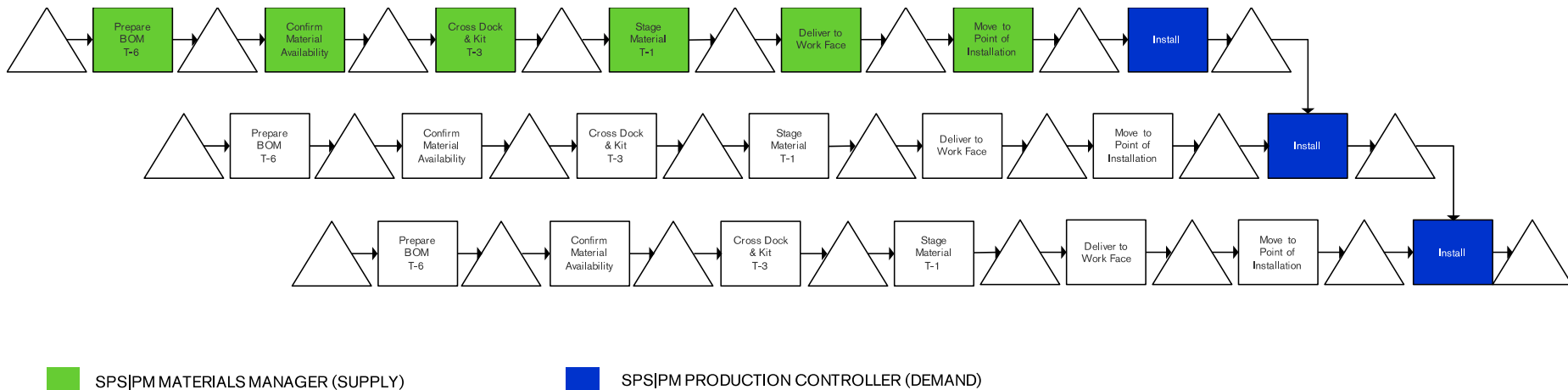
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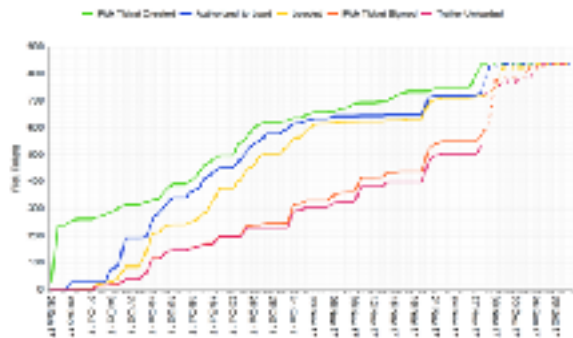
DAY -1

INSTALL

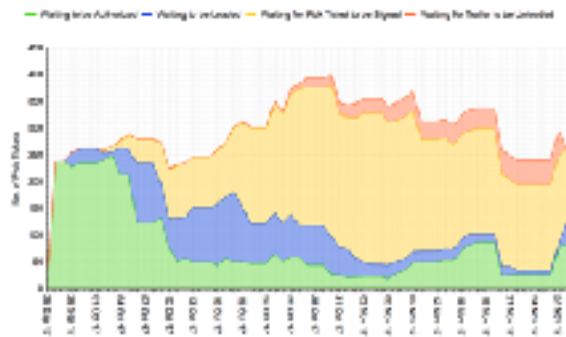
DAY 0

SUPPLY

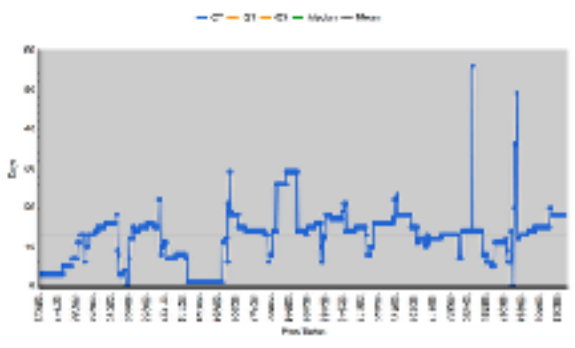




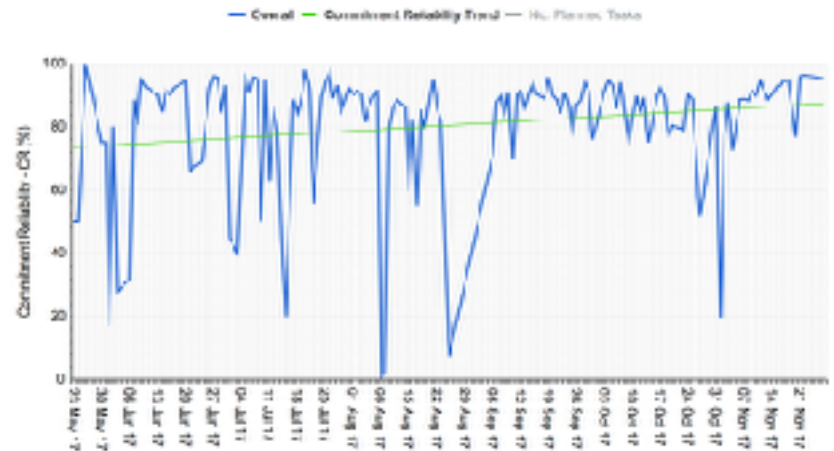
Throughput



Work in Process (WIP)



Cycle Time



Demand Reliability Trending Up

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PROJECT 1



PROJECT 2

More than Just a Coincidence

What is your Supply Flow Strategy?

“The enemy of a good plan is the dream of a perfect plan”

Carl Von Clausewitz (1780-1831)

Prussian soldier, military historian and military theorist

“The most serious mistakes are not being made as a result of wrong answers.

The true dangerous thing is asking the wrong question”.

Peter Drucker

Questions