

## PARINERS IN PROGRESS

## 2008 <br> PLANNED SCHEDULE COMPRESSION

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## Biography

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## Face Challenges

* Declining Productivity and Profit
* Increased demand on accelerated schedule


## Productivity Gap



## Profitability is Declining in Construction




## Schedule Compression

"A reduction from the normal experienced time or optimal time typical for the type and size of project being planned within a given set of circumstance" (CII 1990)

## Schedule Compression \& Acceleration


-- Originally Planned Work Hours
Compressed Work Hours
$\rightarrow$ Compressed Work Hours With Inefficiencies

## Manpower Loading Sheet Metal Work



## Types of Schedule Compression \& Acceleration

1. Mandated Acceleration * Owner's request
2. Constructive Acceleration

* Late Start
* Delay
* Change Scope


## Why Schedule Compression is a Problem



## Overtime Impact (Hanna, 2006)



## 1. Effect of Overtime

## Effect of overtime on Productivity 50- and 60-Hour

 Work-Weeks

Figure is based on information from Scheduled Overtime Effect on Construction Projects, The Business Roundtable(1980)


## 1. Effect of Overtime (Cont.) Scheduled Overtime:



Scheduled Overtime Productivity Decreases in Terms of Hours per Week for 50 and 60-Hour Weeks (The Business Roundtable 1980)

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## Overmanning Impact (Hanna, 2006)



Applicable Range

- Peak/Avg. Ratio
:1.7~3.8
- Actual Peak
: $4 \sim 50$
- Project Size $700 ~ 208,000$ Manhrs



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## Shift Work Impact (Hanna, 2006)



Applicable Range

- \% Shift Work : 2\% 2 -53\%
- Project Size
: 3,000-550,000 Manhrs

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## Concepts included in the Planned Schedule Compression Concept File

| Project Category |  |
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| Organization | Provide Employees with Incentives |
|  | Staff the Project with the Most Efficient Crews |
|  | Avoid Interrupting Crews During Peak Productivity Times |
|  | Provide Proactive Schedule Management during Compression Periods |
|  | Participative Management |
|  | Detailed Project Planning |
|  | Reduction of Task Scope to Milestone Activities |
|  | Increase the Supervisor to Worker Ratio |
|  | Use CPM Scheduling Techniques for Project Control |
|  | Include Anticipated Weather Delays in Work Schedule |
|  | Employ a Just-in-Time Material Delivery Plan |
|  | Establish a Special Material Handling Crew for the Project |
|  | Establish a Special Material Cleanup Crew for the Project |
|  | Assign a Material Coordinator to the Project |
|  | Establish a Clear Zone in the Material Lay-Down Area |
| Equipment and Tools | Improve Vendor Performance by Establishing a Vendor Management System |
|  | Develop a Project Tool Management Program |
| Information | Increase the Inventory of Spare Parts, Tools, Etc. |
| Labor | Complete a Constructability Analysis of the Plans Prior to Construction |
|  | Add Additional Staff to the Project |
|  | Add a Second Shift |
|  | Change to Special Shifts |
|  | Use a Set-up Crew |
| Support Services | Schedule Tasks in Repetition |
| Construction Methods | Create More Detailed Subcontractor Schedules |
|  | Look for Short Cuts in the Process |
|  | Plan for and Use Modular and Preassembled Components |
|  | Brief the Crew Prior to Work Operations |
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