

**AMTRAK** 

Enterprise
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Empowering AMTRAK to to deliver on the promise

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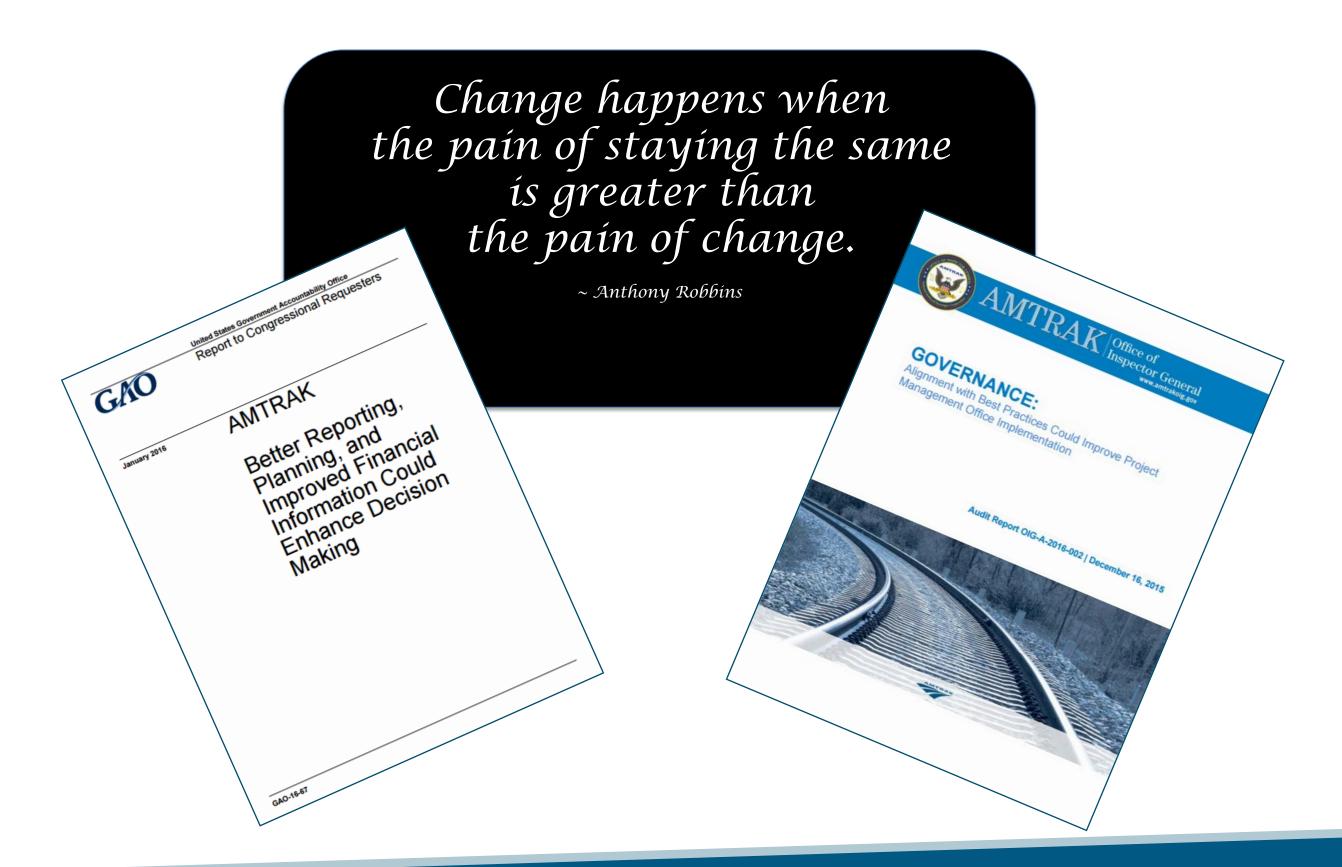
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"High performing PMOs enable the right level of engagement with senior leaders through meaningful milestones, smart routines that track progress without adding new burdens, and application of the right talent to create an enterprise capability which empowers change.

These interlocked capabilities reinforce each other and lead to stronger strategic performance.

Building these capabilities is not easy, but doing so is crucial."

~ Strategic Initiative Management – The PMO Imperative 2013 PMI Thought Leadership Series



Project Management Improvement &

**Accountability Act** 

- Creates a formal job series and career path for program managers
- Develops a standards-based model for program management consistent throughout the federal government



- Recognizes the value of executive sponsorship and engagement by designating a senior executive in each agency to be responsible for program management policy and strategy
- Breaks down silos and encourages collaboration through an interagency council on program management



# AMTRAK EPMO Mission & Structure



## **AMTRAK EPMO Mission & Structure**

### **Enterprise Program Management Office**

Vice President, EPMO

Enterprise Project Management
Center of Excellence

Director, PMCoE

Stepe 1

1 Amtrak way for project execution

Organizational PM Maturity

Talent

**Standards** 

Methodologies

Adherence

Training/Coaching

Enables enterprise portfolio reporting

**Enterprise Portfolio Governance** 

Director, Portfolio Governance

Step 2

Voice of project management

**Policy** 

**Prioritization Process** 

PPM Data Capture

**Analysis** 

Reporting

Consulting

Informs intelligent enterprise portfolio governance, annual enterprise strategic planning, & ongoing progress tracking

**Enterprise Portfolio Execution** 

Director, Portfolio Execution

Step 3

**Enterprise Execution Capability** 

Operate

**Optimize** 

Grow

Leads or oversees as appropriate any enterprise, cross functional, initiatives using captured & credentialed program and project managers ~ ensures CoE & portfolio reporting are applied to the most critical strategic imperatives of the enterprise



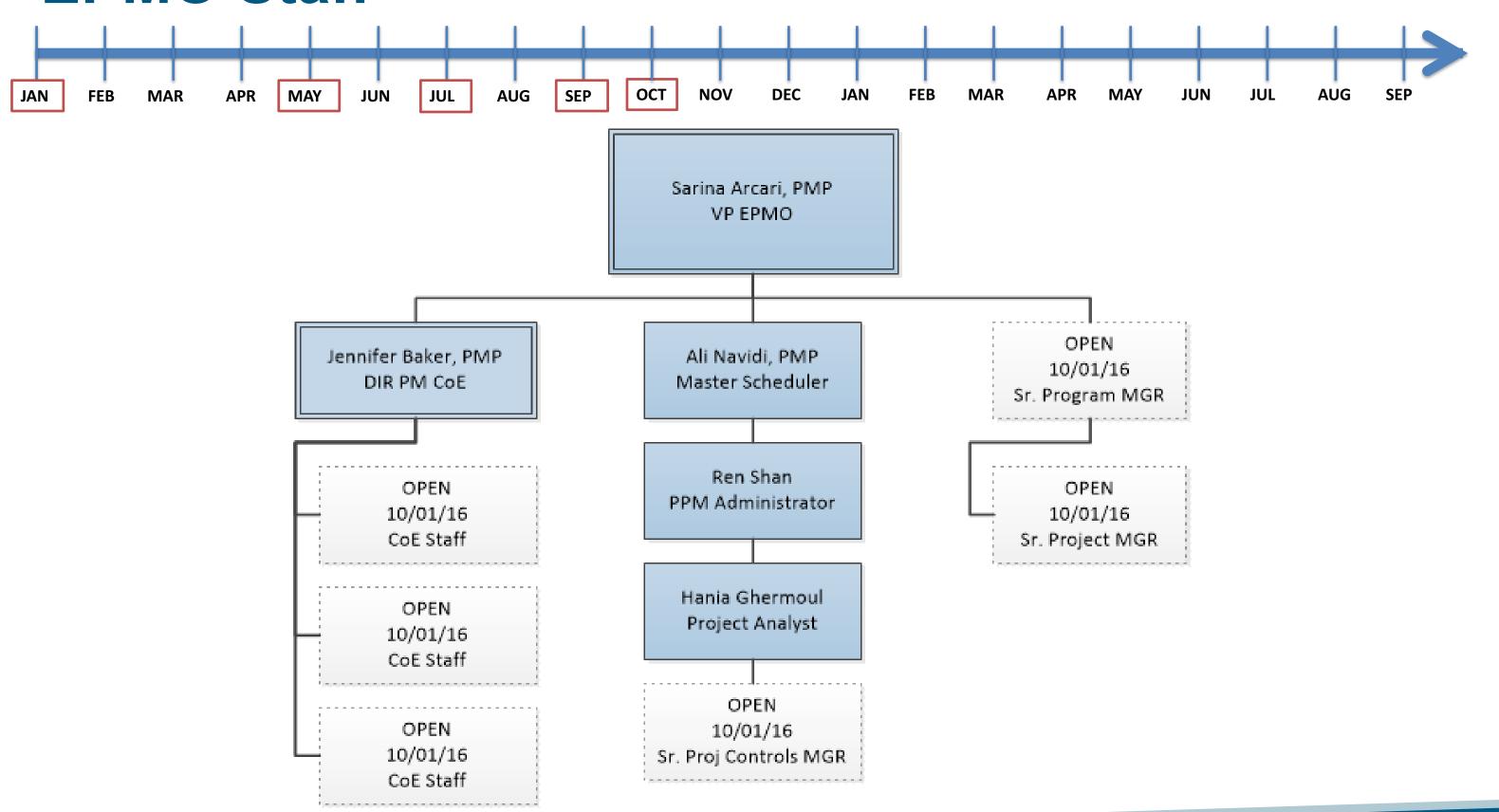
# AMTRAK's EPMO Where we are now



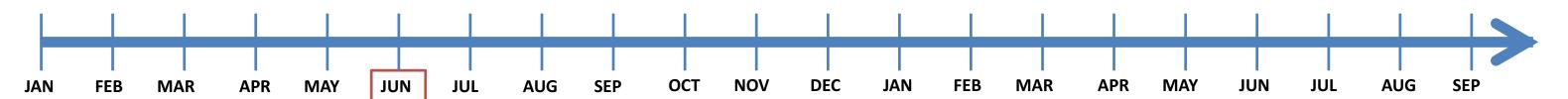
### Where We Are Now

- EPMO Staff
- Enterprise project management maturity assessment
- Enterprise project management policy
- Enterprise project complexity rating model
- Enterprise project management job family

## **EPMO Staff**



## **Enterprise Project Management Maturity Assessment**



#### Level 5 - World Class Project Organization.

• Process performance continually improved through incremental and innovative technological improvements

#### Level 4 – Systematic and Managed Project Management Processes

Processes are controlled using statistical and other quantitative techniques.

#### Level 3 – Defined Project Management Processes

- Processes are well characterized and understood. Processes, standards, procedures and tools are defined at the enterprise level.
- Proactive

#### Level 2 – Project Management Exists but is not Well Documented

- Processes are planned, documented, performed, monitored and controlled at the project level.
- Often reactive

#### Level 1 – Basic Knowledge of Project Management

• Processes are unpredictable, poorly controlled and reactive.

#### Level 0 – Lack of Awareness about Project Management

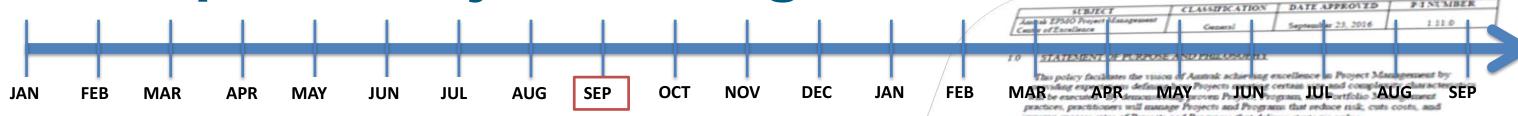
• No awareness or understanding of project management processes or framework.

PMI project management process groups and Organizational Project Management Maturity Model (OPM3)

- Survey distributed internally & externally to @ 300 respondents
- Highlights areas of greatest opportunity
- Establishes a baseline to measure EPMO effectiveness
- Re-assess every 1-2 years



Enterprise Project Management Policy



- ✓ Establishes the Amtrak Enterprise PM Delivery System, Project Investment Lifecycle, & PM CoE Enterprise PM Standards
- ✓ Mandates that all existing projects be complexity rated by 10/1/16
- ✓ Mandates that all projects starting after 10/1/16 be conducted in compliance with policy
- ✓ Provides one full fiscal year for in-flight projects to come into compliance

improve success rates of Projects and Programs that deliver strategic value.

The expectations are defined through an enterprise Project Management Framework introduced in this policy and detailed through a set of Standards maintained by the Australi: Project Management Center of Excellence (PMCOE). These expectations include the practitioners managing and supporting Projects.

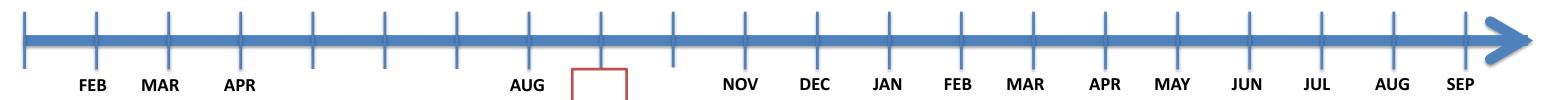
For the purposes of this policy, a Project is defined as a unique endeavor with a definitive start and end that produces an agreed upon set of objectives: scope, schedule and cost, while adhering to standards, regulations, and prudency. Source of funding, e.g., capital or expense, is immunterial to this definition.

#### 1.0 POLICY EXPECTATIONS

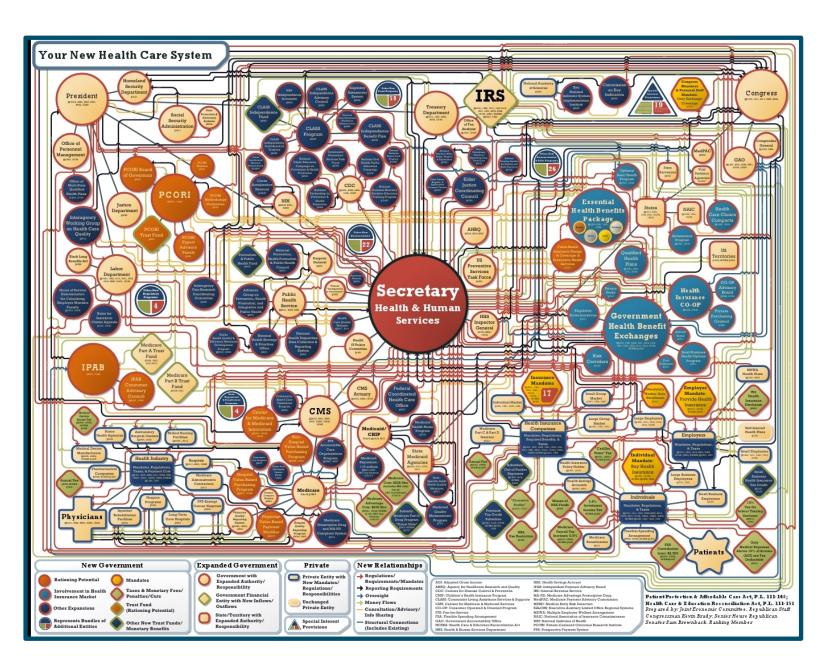
- 2.1 This policy is applicable to all Projects segmillers of finding. The extent of policy applicability is determined by Project size and complexity. Though the funding process is aligned with Project complexity rating process, it is a separate process. To determine the appropriate degree of Project Management expectations and sequirements. Projects are to be rated using the Australic Project Complexity Rating Tool which considers neven criteria for assessing Project complexity. Total Project Cost, Degree of Difficulty, laterface Complexity, Strategic Alignment, Risk, Benefit & Resource Impact and still senigh these facets together to determine an overall Project Complexity Rating.
- 2.1.1 All Projects are subject to the requirements of this policy and are to meet the minimum requirements and expectations defined in PMCOE Enterprise 5tm dering as defined by the Project's complexity rating.
- 2.1.2 Project sponsoring organizations may apply additional department specific implementation Standards, in part or whole, for all department sponsored Projects.
- 2 Projects will be assigned a Project complexity rating by the Project's sponsoring organization. The complexity rating should be validated at each stage gate and at subsequent Project reviews and audits. If the Project is approved to re-baseline scope, schedule and/or cost, the Project complexity rating must be re-assessed at that time.



# **Enterprise Project Complexity Rating Model**

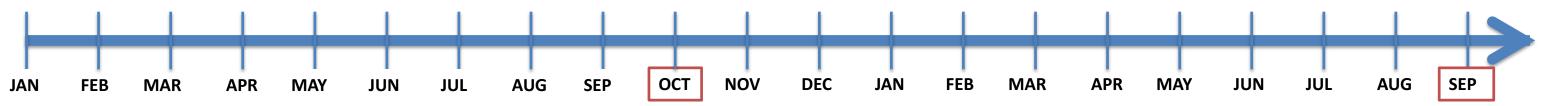


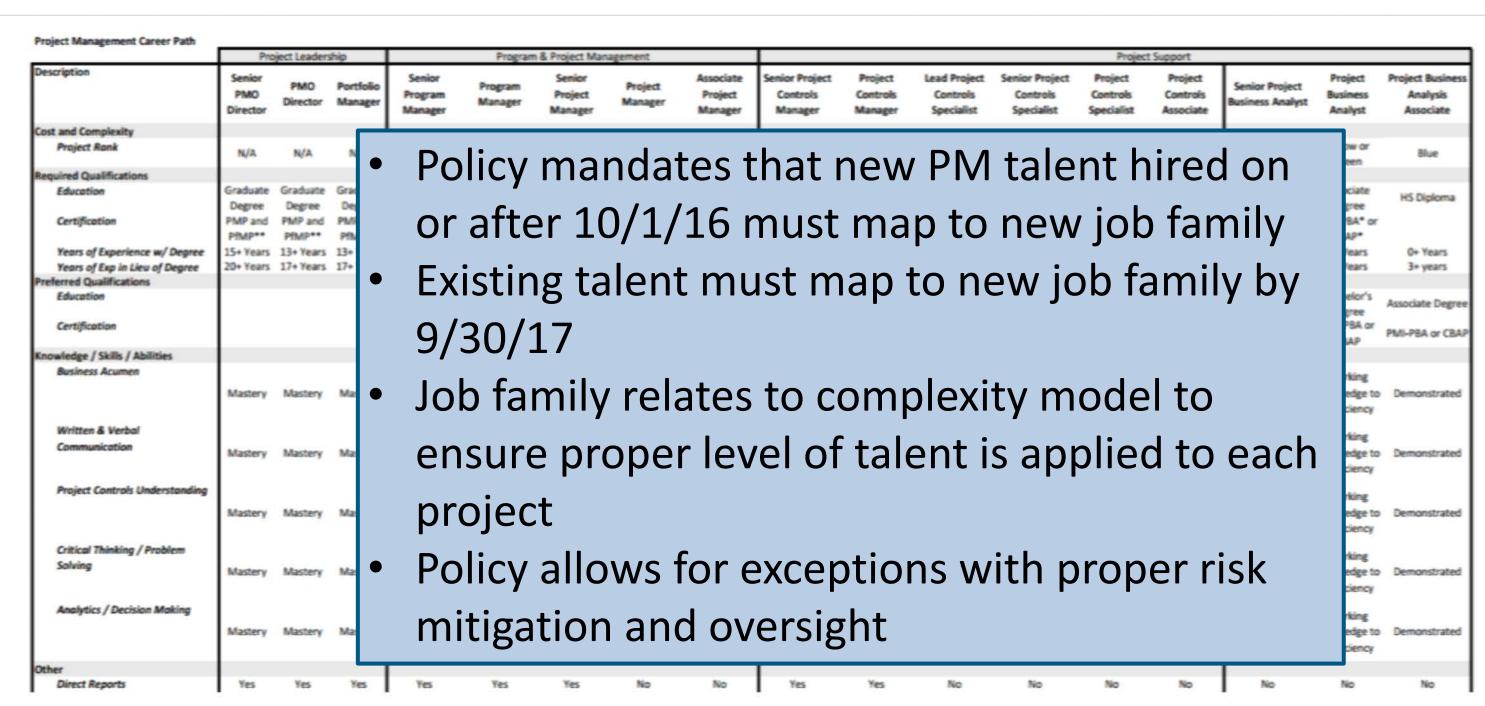
- Policy mandates that all inflight projects be assessed and complexity rated NLT 10/1/16
- New projects will be rated during the initiation or business case development process
- Seven criteria
  - ✓ Cost
  - ✓ Degree of difficulty
  - ✓ Interface complexity
  - ✓ Strategic alignment
  - ✓ Risk
  - ✓ Benefits & resource impact
  - ✓ Stakeholder engagement





# **Enterprise Project Management Job Family**





# AMTRAK's EPMO Where we plan to go...

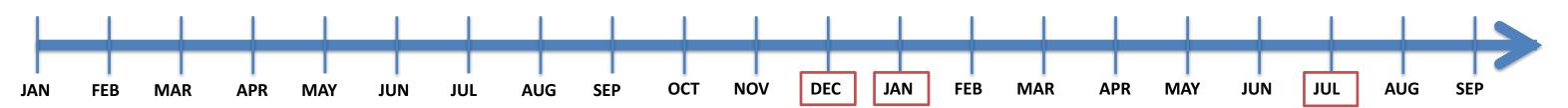


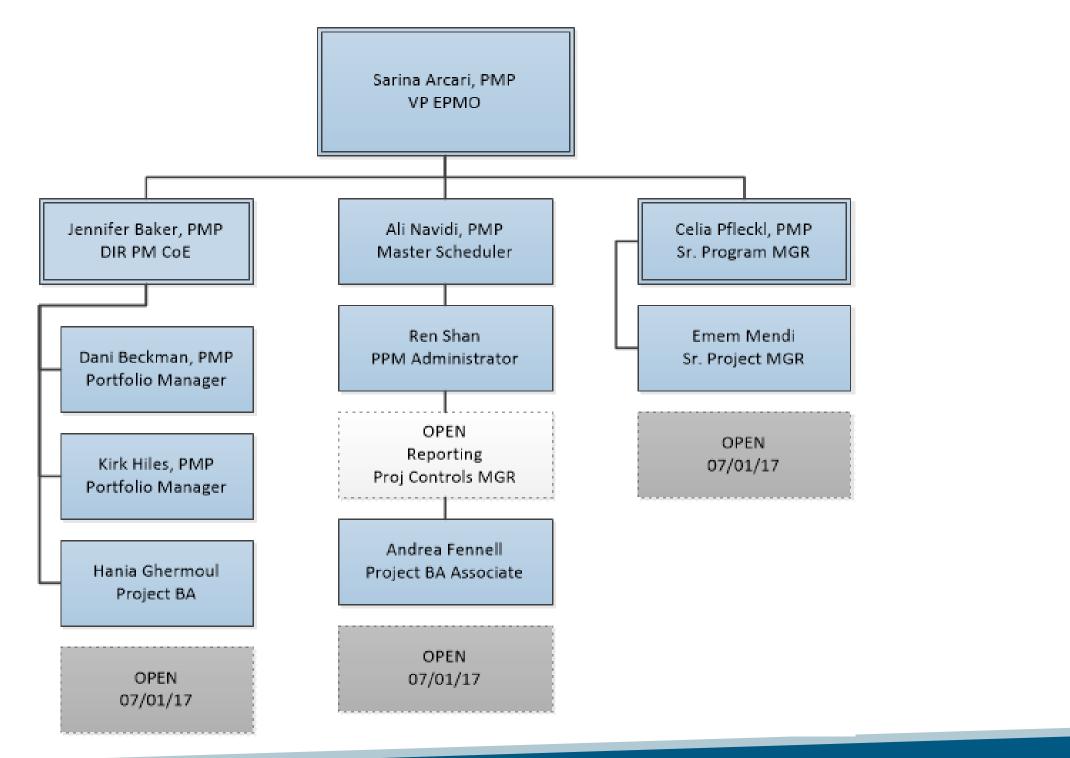
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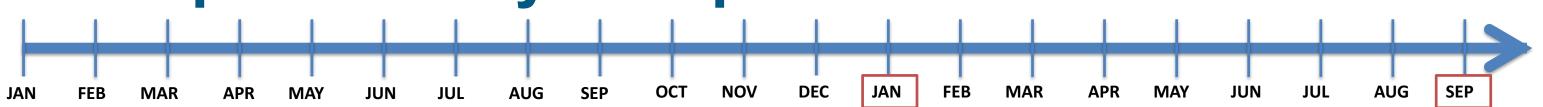
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- Enterprise portfolio capture & tracking
- Enterprise project portfolio management

## **EPMO Staff**





# **Enterprise Policy Compliance**

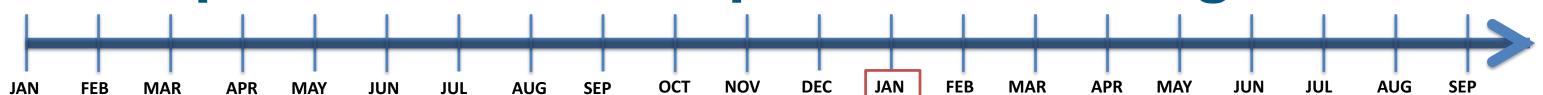


- CoE pivots from foundation implementation to full time internal project performance consulting staff
- Human Capital & Legal work with department leaders to map existing staff to new PM job family
- CoE assists with risk mitigation plans as needed
- CoE initiates PMP prep courses and ongoing PM continuing education classes





# **Enterprise Portfolio Capture & Tracking**



- Complete initial inventory of enterprise in flight projects
- Validate all in flight project complexity ratings
- Perform project health checks on any at risk projects
- Conduct project schedule assessments
- Develop & implement portfolio tracking and executive reporting process
- Support executive portfolio prioritization process





## Enterprise Project Portfolio Management

