# Introduction to Advanced Work Packaging (AWP)

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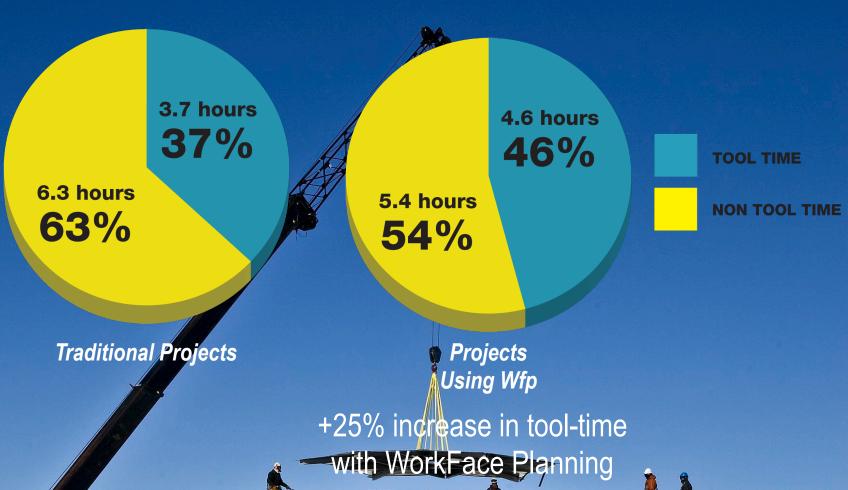
## From WorkFace Planning (WFP) to Advanced Work Packaging (AWP)

#### What is WorkFace Planning?

Workface planning is the process of organizing and delivering all the elements necessary for an installation work package, before the work is started. This proactive process enables craft workers to perform their work safely, effectively, and efficiently. This is accomplished by breaking construction work down (by trade) into discrete installation work packages (IWP's) that completely describe/cover the scope of work for a given project. This process promotes the efficient use of available resources and permits the tracking of progress.

#### **WorkFace Planning Overview**

How Crews Spend Their Time: Summary (Coaa Data)



## **Enhanced Work Packaging:** Design through Workface Execution

### CII and COAA Joint Effort



#### What is Advanced Work Packaging?

Advanced Work Packaging is the overall process flow of all the work packages (CWPs, EWPs, and IWPs). It is a planned, executable process that encompasses the work on an engineering, procurement, and construction (EPC) project, beginning with initial planning continuing through detailed design and construction execution.

Advanced work packaging provides the framework for productive and progressive construction, and presumes the existence of a construction execution plan.

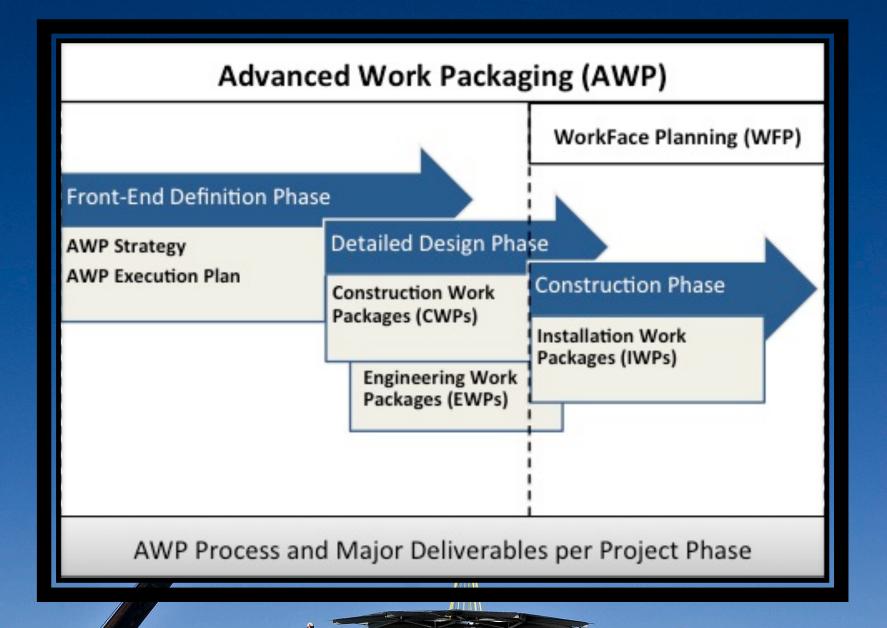
#### **Integrated Advanced Work Packaging Flowchart STAGE I STAGE II STAGE III** Preliminary Planning/Design Construction Refine CWP Construction **IWP** System Project and EWP Schedule Schedule and Engineering Turn-overs / Start-up Construction Development Definition Development Engineering & WBS Boundary & Execution & Commissioning Schedule Development Development Planning

Key Terms:

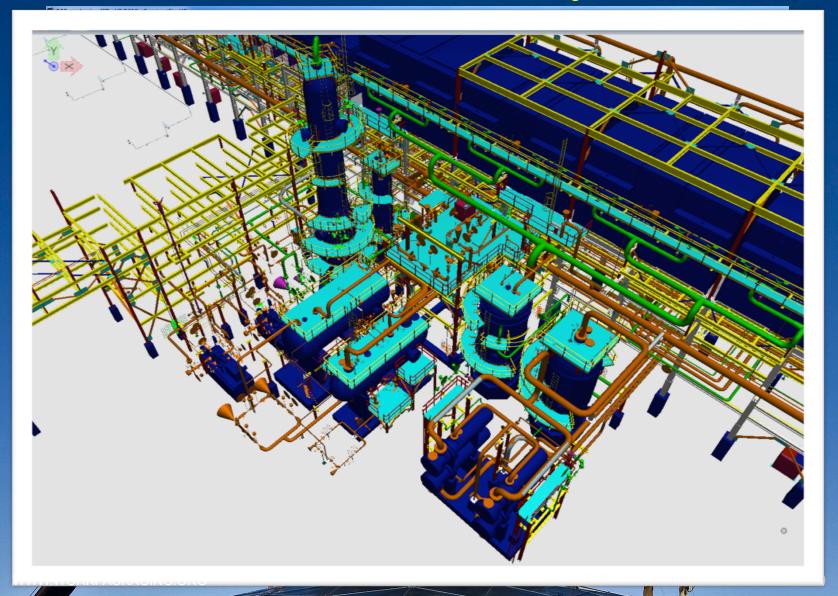
**CWP- Construction Work Packages** 

**EWP** Engineering Work Packages

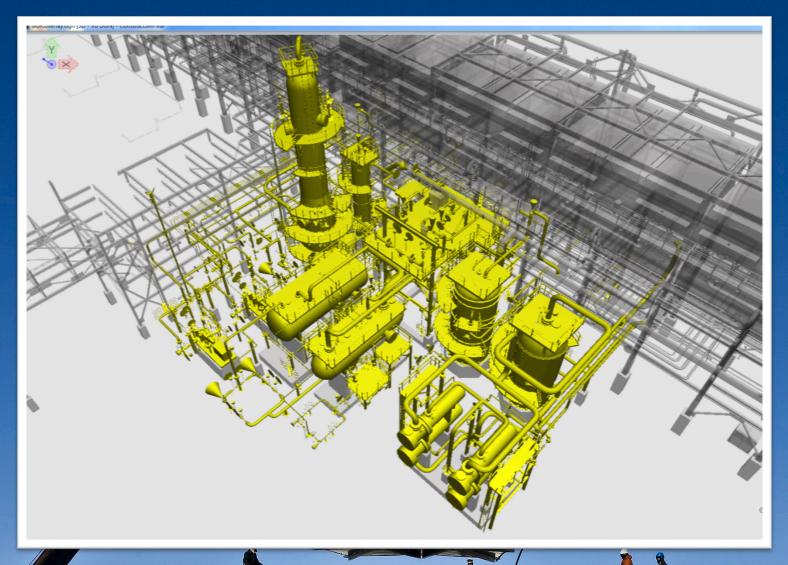
IWP- Installation Work Packages



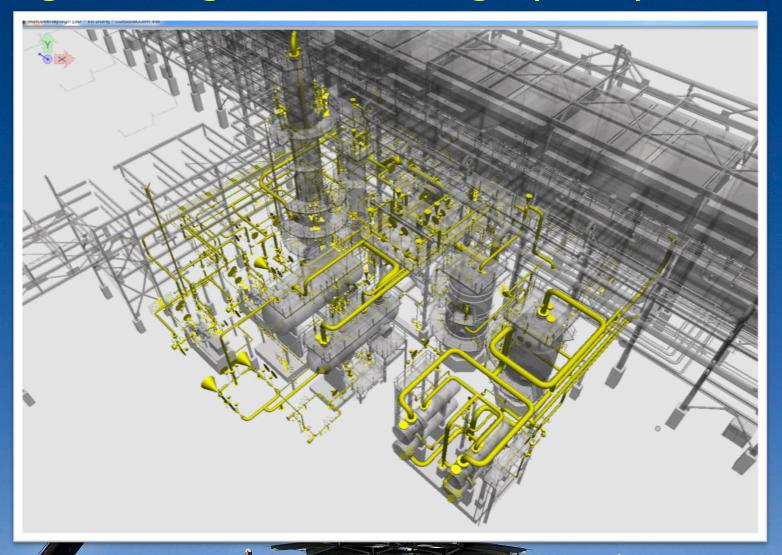
#### **Project Overall**



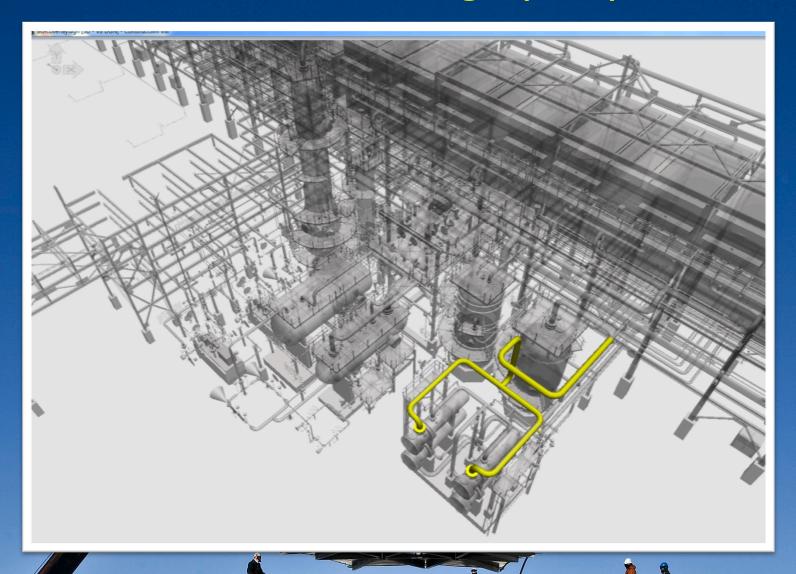
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#### **Engineering Work Package (EWP)**



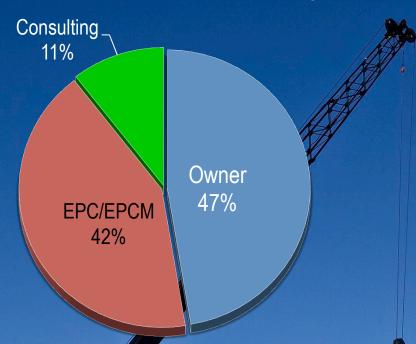
#### **Installation Work Package (IWP)**



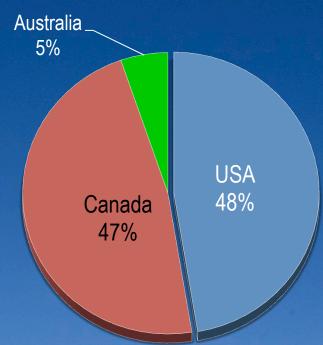
## Validating Advanced Work Packaging Implementation: Part 1

### Gathering Insights Through Expert Interviews

**Interviews Representation – Firm Type** 

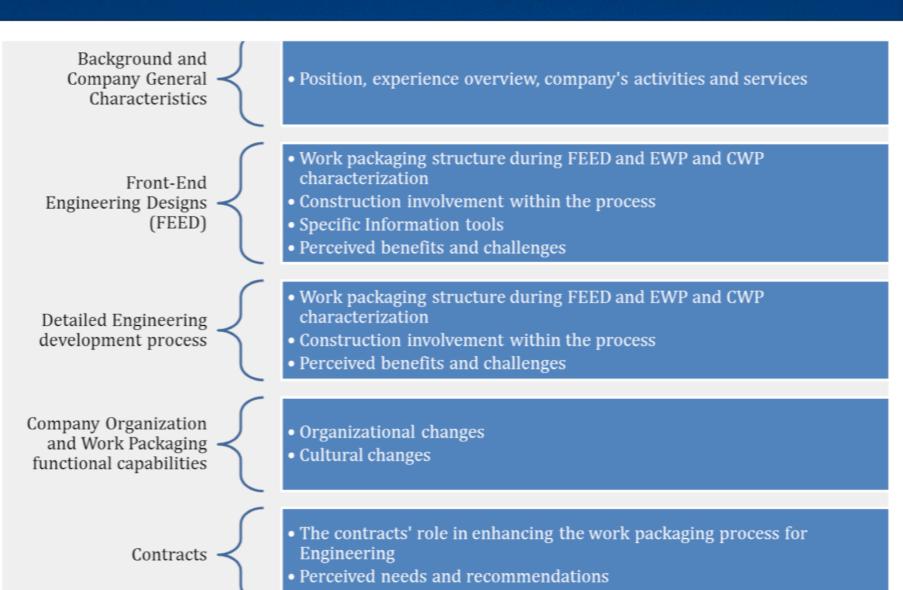


Interviews Representation Project Location

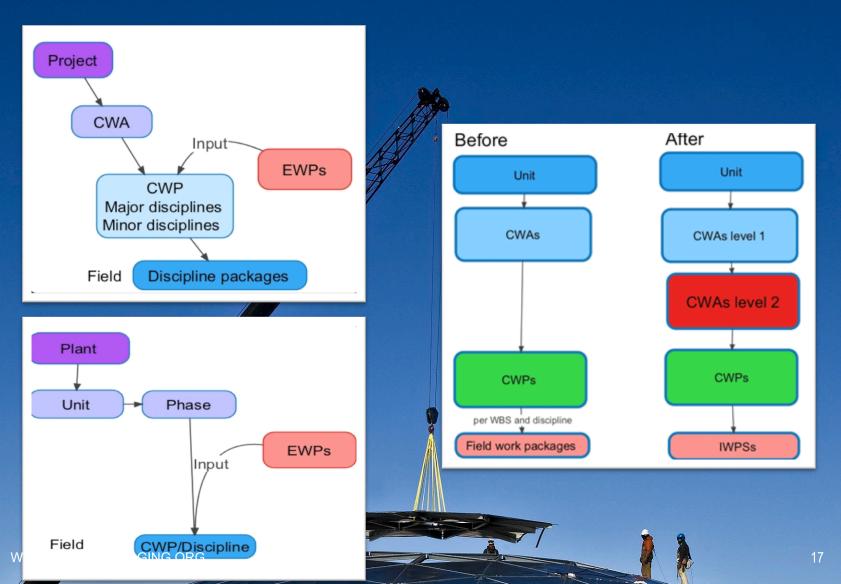


...and Surveys & Workshops

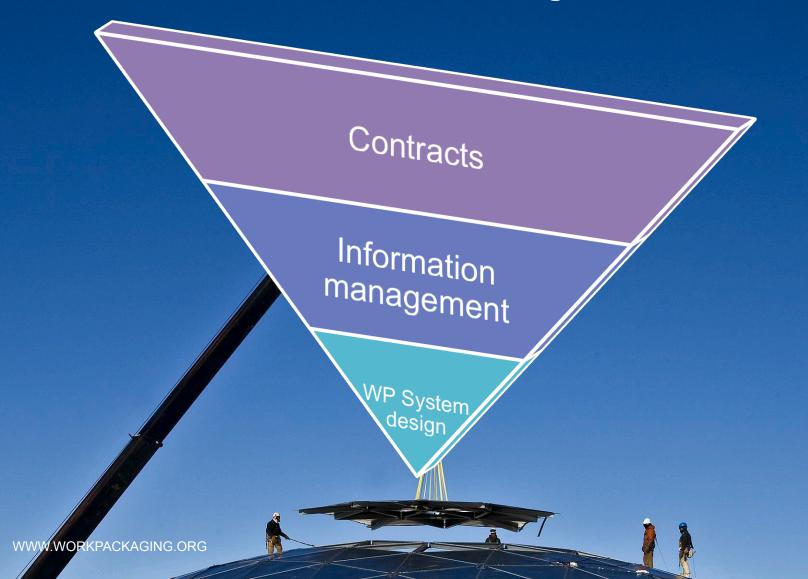
#### **Interview Format**



#### Findings include: Various Work packaging hierarchies and definitions



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#### Reported Implementation challenges include:

Inconsistency in execution Having price contract based on alliance to the best value for the dollar Following the changing scope Different levels of detail Lack of senior management buy-in Lack of education Quality and price of work packaging training and consulting Re-allocation of planners to the field -> distracted WorkFace planners Resistance to change Weak material tracking system WFP is very interdependent process

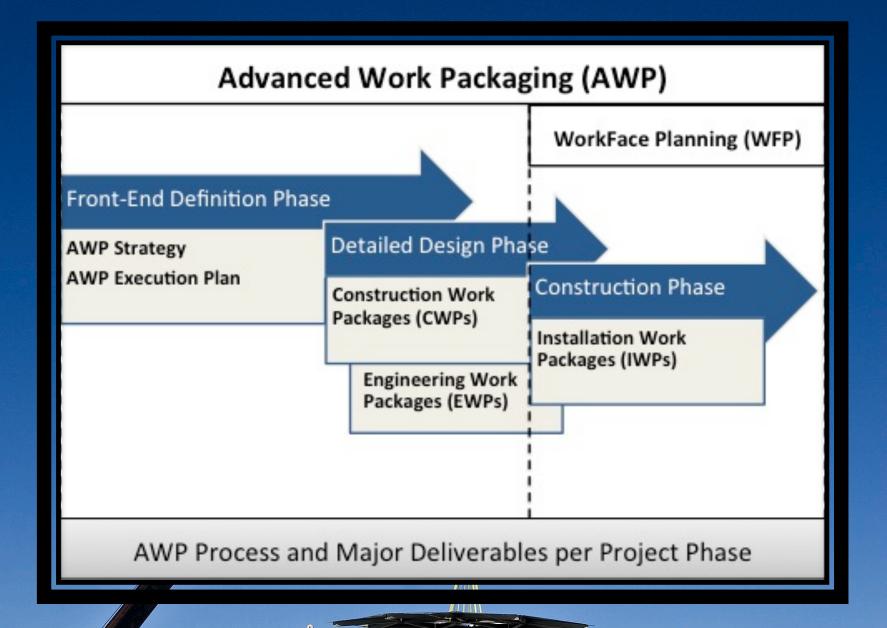
Knowledge management

Owners were reluctant to pay any more

Work Face Planner wearing many hats

#### Findings include: General Trends per Work Packaging Theme





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