

AT A GLANCE

Deltek Cobra™ Features

Deltek Cobra is a powerful system for managing project costs, measuring earned value and analyzing budgets, actuals, and forecasts. It offers seamless integration with leading scheduling tools and unmatched flexibility to meet the most exacting cost management requirements, including the rigorous EVMS standard required by the U.S. government. Deltek Cobra features improve every phase of the project life cycle:

ESTIMATING

- Back in your hours using top-down planning to meet a required monetary amount to satisfy last-minute negotiations
- Move projects easily along a timeline when priorities change or projects are delayed
- Reprice values quickly using new rates or rate escalation to accurately price projects
- Define your own calculations to model your company's accounting system
- Define rules using apportionment to add new resources such as travel and IT support based on other resources

BUDGETING

- Organize data in Deltek Cobra using control accounts and work packages
- Improve your compliance with the ANSI standard of EVMS with flexible formatting of the project hierarchy
- Add up to 18 codes to the control account and work packages for charge numbers, customer reporting requirements and much more to summarize or filter data on reports
- Load your budget data quickly from Deltek Open Plan™, Microsoft Project®, Primavera P3® and Primavera Engineering and Construction (P3e/cTM) or Microsoft Excel® using the Integration Wizard
- Estimate future rate increase or exchange rates over time using time-phased budgets and rate escalation
- Use multiple pools for general and administrative (G&A) rates and overhead
- Calculate staffing requirements better than any scheduling tool using different productive hours for each period
- Work in multiple foreign currencies, even triangulation as per the European Monetary Union

STATUS/EARNED VALUE

- Utilize direct schedule integration for up-to-the-minute, reliable information from the Integration Wizard
- Update status automatically from a schedule without any user intervention using batch processing
- Choose from 12 different earned value techniques for accurate earned value calculations
- Monitor alerts designed to show work not progressing as planned using defined thresholds and exception criteria
- Document the causes of the variance, impact and corrective actions

ACTUAL COSTS

- Load data seamlessly overnight from most accounting systems into Deltek Cobra without user intervention
- Integrate high-level charge numbers from your accounting system to activities in your schedule for cost variance analysis
- Ensure Deltek Cobra keeps in sync with accounting using multiple posting options
- Reduce maintenance by extracting a single file from accounting and loading it into multiple Deltek Cobra projects

FORECASTING

- Enhance cash flow management with time-phased forecasts
- Load forecasts from Microsoft Excel or a schedule, or manually enter data with an easy-to-use Excel interface
- Maintain unlimited, time-phased forecasts effortlessly within Deltek Cobra
- Compare statistical forecasts based on past performance to manually entered forecasts confidence in project costs
- Use different sets of rates for “What if?” analysis on each forecast

CHANGE CONTROL

- Identify estimates, budgets, forecasts, quantities, purchase orders, actual costs, and more for all changes throughout the duration of a project
- Control multiple changes through a process that facilitates the change request, analysis, and approval without affecting customer reports or requiring dual data entry when changes are approved
- Simplify change request approvals with a report showing proposed changes and approved changes
- Produce customer reports easily, no matter the quantity or location of proposed changes in the approval process
- Use a different set of rates for each change in scope
- Track changes automatically with an integrated log function that creates an audit trail

INTEGRATION

- Integrate directly with Deltek Open Plan, Microsoft Project® 2000/2003, Excel®, P3®, and Primavera Engineering and Construction (P3e/cTM)
- Export information to Deltek wInsight™ in both X12 and XML interface
- Link Deltek WelcomHome™ schedules to Deltek Cobra programs
- Send earned value data in Excel to contractors for updates
- View Deltek Cobra data from within Deltek Open Plan
- Schedule Deltek Cobra to automatically load data from a scheduling tool
- Deltek WelcomRisk™ can import cost accounts and work package lists

REPORTING

- Produce first-class reports within Deltek Cobra or output data directly to Excel spreadsheets
- Create detailed time-phased reports or high-level, multi-project reports
- Tailor your reports easily with the Report Wizard
- Sort, filter, and select multiple criteria to create the finest custom reports for your organization
- Submit standard monthly reports in many formats, including CPR Formats 1–5, C/SSR, CFSR, 553M, 533Q, and many more

SCALABILITY

- Support hundreds of concurrent users in a multi-project environment
- Address your organization’s large implementations with Deltek Cobra’s remote data access, batch processing at night, tight security, audit trail, and administrative tools
- Satisfy the needs of your organization’s smaller projects with the broad range of easy-to-use abilities found in Deltek Cobra

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