



**BIM:** How do you implement it  
into the Design Process?



## Pulse of the Room

- Which industry sectors are represented in the room?
  - Ownership, Facilities Management, Design Team, GC, EC, Trade Partners, Material Rep/Distribution
- Who is involved in the early design process?
- Who is most commonly involved in construction coordination activities, as it pertains to BIM and Design?



# Topics of Discussion

- General Assumptions about use of BIM in Design Process
- Purposes of Design and BIM
- Does it work? (Design vs. BIM)
- Breakdowns for each topology
- How to Prevent the Breakdowns
- Cherry Picking the Best Practices
- Suggestions for Success
- Open Discussion/Questions



# General Assumptions of BIM in Design Process

- The application of BIM activities are limited to:
  - 3D Model Creation
  - Clash Detection
  - Embedded Product Data Sheets
  - Project Scheduling/Sequencing
  - Project Cost Projections
- Skilled Resources are at a premium
- BIM does not have to stand for “**BIG I**GNORANT **M**ASS”



# What's The Purpose?

- **DESIGN**

- Create tangible documentation of project concept
- Confirm Code Compliance
- Ensure MEP concepts are viable and can co-exist
- Architectural concepts are viable
- Specify products and manufacturers

- **BIM**

- Confirm project concept through tangible visualization of scope (3D Model)
- Expedited access to product data sheets
- Expedite the construction process
- Logistical Analysis, given project schedule (4D)
- Cost/Billing Projections, given project schedule and cost values (5D)
- Keep track of Facilities Maintenance Documentation (6D)



# Topologies and Do They Work?

- Design without BIM implemented YES
- BIM without Design completed CONDITIONALLY
- Design with BIM implemented CONDITIONALLY
- BIM with Design completed YES



# What are the **Breakdowns** to each Topology?

- **Design without BIM**
  - Lost potential for gained efficiencies
  - Potential for “working in a bubble” creates increased potential for incomplete coordination between design team members
- **BIM without Design**
  - Very inefficient use of resources
  - Too many moving parts
  - Lack of direction creates confusion, which leads to extra costs in all phases of the project



# What are the **Breakdowns** to each Topology?

- **Design with BIM**

- Division of skilled resources can derail the process of getting to permitted design
- Lack of common focus/purpose can fragment the motivation of an otherwise well-meaning team

- **BIM with Design**

- Design team may not remain actively involved in coordination process
  - Likely to cause delays in coordination, sign-off, and subsequent field activities





# How to Prevent Breakdowns of each Topology

- **Design without BIM implemented**
  - Create and maintain a detailed design schedule
  - Utilize either a physical or virtual hub for design team to meet daily
  - Daily sharing of drafting/design progress



# How to Prevent Breakdowns of each Topology

- **BIM without Design completed**
  - Create and maintain a detailed design schedule
  - Limit 3D coordination to items which may present structural implications only
  - MEP trade partners must be on either Design-Assist or Design-Build contracts
  - Lock in equipment schedules, ASAP
  - Daily Uploads of drafting progress to central hub
  - Lock down architectural issuances early
  - Architect is embedded into the trade coordination process (non-stop)
  - Much of the above is too difficult to control in this topology, without strong focus from the Lead Design/Trade Partner



# How to Prevent Breakdowns of each Topology

- **Design with BIM implemented**
  - Create and maintain a detailed design schedule
  - Lock in equipment schedules, ASAP
  - Limit architectural updates
  - Stop all architectural changes within two weeks of permit drawing submittal date
  - The process must begin with design and work toward BIM, otherwise limited resources are unnecessarily divided
  - Discover the “Targets for Success” for each discipline, and base design/BIM efforts toward those goals whenever possible
    - *May need assistance from construction team to discern some of the barriers to constructability*



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  - *Continued participation in coordination/design constructability of the design team is essential through sign-off by trade partners*



# Cherry Picking the Best Practices of all Topologies

- “Targets for Success” as primary focus for action
- Create and Maintain a Detailed Schedule
- Lock-In Equipment & Fixture Schedules EARLY
- Early coordination activities should be limited to only those that impact structure
- Optimization of Limited Resources
  - Foster a collective effort and avoid “bubbles”
  - Central Hub for all BIM data



# Suggestions for Success

- Never forget that technology is a tool and not a solution.
- Quality Communication and Deliberate Planning are the most important skills to nurture in your engineering staff
- Your scheduling tool should be expressly dynamic, to foster a dependency upon this resource
  - Hyperlink to important files
  - Allows for internal communication between stake holders
  - Tracks completion of tasks
  - Analyzes Resource Allocation
  - Generates reports for managers to assess progress
  - Sends automated reminders to stake holders
  - Contains means of support team to request approval of task-based products from managers
  - Automated status updates which display visually



# Scheduling Tool

## Functions of Note

			Have for Prelim. Draft	At Risk	Task Name	Start Date	End Date	Duration	Predecessors	Assigned To	% Complete	Status	Approved By Manager?	Ready For Issuance	Notes
					<a href="#">on the Electrical Notes page</a>										Matrix pending 11/14/17
39			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Red-Line U/G Utilities	11/03/17	11/03/17	1d		Mike Wickersham	100%				
40			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Draft U/G Utilities</a>	11/06/17	11/06/17	1d		Jorge Samano	100%	Ready For Review	Approved	Submitted	
41		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Red-Line Grounding Riser	11/07/17	11/07/17	1d		Mike Wickersham	100%				Add grounding detail from 324
42		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Draft Grounding Riser	11/07/17	11/08/17	2d		Jorge Samano	100%				
43			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Red-Line Interior Grounding Plan (Closets & Horizontal Routing)	11/07/17	11/08/17	2d		Mike Wickersham					
44			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Red-Line Riser Changes	11/03/17	11/08/17	4d		Mike Wickersham	100%				
45			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Draft Power Riser Changes</a>	11/08/17	11/08/17	1d		Jorge Samano	100%	Ready For Review	Approved	Submitted	
46			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Red-Line Riser Conduits	11/09/17	11/13/17	3d	43	Mike Wickersham	100%				Not mandatory for Permit, but Draft conduits to 9th floor pane Draft conduits to elevator equip Draft (2) 3-1/2" conduits from DP.
					<b>Hyperlinked Content</b>										
					<b>Internal Commentary</b>										
47	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Draft EM Riser	11/28/17	12/08/17	9d		Jorge Samano	100%	Ready For Review	Submitted		
48		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Draft Riser Conduits	01/03/18	01/05/18	3d		Elio Albavera	100%	In Progress	Revisions Required		REVISE 9E-HDP-1 FEEDERS
49			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Red-Line all Electrical Closets	11/09/17	11/10/17	2d	43	Mike Wickersham	100%	In Progress			
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51			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Create Panel Directories of all Distribution Panels</a>	11/09/17	11/10/17	2d		Jorge Samano	100%	Ready For Review	Approved	Submitted	This is done by placing the ge
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53			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Calculate Preliminary Service Size Calcs. given corrections to WMA Riser	11/06/17	11/06/17	1d		Dan Maimonis	100%	Complete			
54			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Compile Service Calculation Chart</a>	12/13/17	12/13/17	1d		Mike Wickersham	100%				
55			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Create Penetration & Box-Out Drawing	01/08/18	01/10/18	3d	48	Kris Nosek	0%				Try to include in Permit Set, so penetrations
56			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ground Level - Penetrations	01/08/18	01/08/18	1d	48	Jorge Samano	99%	Ready For Review	Submitted		Try to include in Permit Set, so penetrations
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mezzanine - Penetrations	01/08/18	01/08/18	1d	48	Jorge Samano	99%	Ready For Review	Submitted		Try to include in Permit Set, so



# Internal Communications

**Comments (3)** ? x

Row 47: Draft EM Riser [icon] [icon]

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**JS** **Jorge Samano** December 6, 2017 3:34 PM ▾  
I have made the changes to the EM riser diagram sheet E004 per MJW markups.  
[Add reply](#)

**MW** **Mike Wickersham** December 4, 2017 1:50 PM ▾  
THE LIVE RISER DIAGRAM HAS BEEN MARKED UP. PLEASE PICK UP THE EM RISER LAYER ITEMS.  
[Add reply](#)

**MW** **Mike Wickersham** December 4, 2017 9:20 AM ▾  
Mike W. to markup normal power riser to show just EM  
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# Status Update Requests

## 831 Emerson Preconstruction Schedule

End Date  
12/08/17

Duration  
9d

Assigned To  
Jorge Samano

% Complete  
100%

Status  
Ready For Review

Approved By Manager?  
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# Hyperlinked Content

Row 47 Attachments (1) ? x

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	<b>54 W Hubbard EM Riser.pdf</b> January 25, 2018 7:58 PM by Dan Maimonis (96k)	<input type="checkbox"/>
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# Approval Requests

**Dan Maimonis**

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**From:** (Redacted) Alerts & Actions <automation@ (Redacted) .com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 22, 2017 12:42 PM  
**To:** Dan Maimonis  
**Subject:** Approval request for 831 Emerson Preconstruction Schedule: Approval Request

This item is ready for review and approval. Please do so, within the next 24 hours or less to maintain schedule.

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Row 1

**Have for Prelim. Draft**



**At Risk**



**Task Name** Lower Level - Draft Branch Receptacles

**Start Date** 11/22/17

**End Date** 11/22/17

**Duration** 1

**Assigned To** Elio Albavera

**% Complete** 100%

**Status** Ready For Review

**Approved By Manager?** Submitted

**Ready For Issuance**

**Notes** per mark-ups 02. PRECONSTRUCTION PLANNING/02. Building Permit Issuance/02. Redlines/10. Branch Power redline/Branch Power per MJW 20171120.pdf

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## Closing Thoughts...

- Your path to design is not reliant on the software or tools available to you. It is, however, dependent upon the skillsets of the people you bring to the party.
- Foster the “**WE**” and not the “**ME**” in your process



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# Open Discussion/Questions