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INTERMEDIATE INTRODUCTION

Course Description

This course covers the concepts and functionality you need to know in order to use the InEight Estimate software successfully. As a result, you will be able to build cost estimates and bid proposals with precision and efficiency.

Course Objectives

As a result of this course, you will be able to use the InEight Estimate software to:

- · Review and report on project information
- Integrate with MS Excel and scheduling software (MS Project or Oracle Primavera)
- Manage quotes and use additional time-saving tools

How to Use this Manual

This training manual serves as the working guide during the *E101 Essentials of Project Modeling and Estimating* instructor-led course. The first seven lessons of this document follow a natural progression of putting an estimate together, from set up of a project to finalization of a bid. The remaining lessons cover additional functionality that will help you build and review your project estimate more effectively.

Lessons

The following lessons are covered in this course:

| | Course Lessons |
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| Lesson | Topic |
| Lesson 9 | Reporting |
| Lesson 10 | Data Reproduction |

| | Course Lessons |
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| Lesson 11 | Excel Integration |
| Lesson 12 | Schedule Integration |
| Lesson 13 | Cash Flow |
| Lesson 14 | InEight Estimate Calculators |
| Lesson 15 | Cost Item Assemblies |

Lesson Format

This manual is designed to be a "hands on" learning guide. As such, each lesson is organized into sections:

| Section | Description |
|------------------|---|
| Objectives | Specify what you will learn in each lesson. |
| Topics | Organize the subject matter, with explanations of key concepts and terms. |
| Step by Steps | Walk you through the "mechanics" of how to perform specific functions in the software. For each step by step, you will use the Training Job that comes preloaded in the InEight Estimate Estimating software. |
| Exercises | Allow you to practice and reinforce what you learn. For each exercise, you will use the Training Job that comes pre-loaded in the InEight Estimate Estimating software. |
| Review | Asks you questions to check what you have learned within each lesson. |

Call-Outs

Throughout the document, you will also find important call-out banners.

Tips are for important notes and information you want to remember.

Notes are for critical information you need to know.

Ongoing Use

This manual is also designed to be a comprehensive reference guide you can use outside of the classroom and revisit as needed. Each lesson is compartmentalized so that you can refer back to each lesson as needed.

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LESSON 1 - REPORTING

Lesson Duration: 30 Minutes

Lesson Objectives

After completing this lesson, you will be able to:

- Run reports from the Reports menu
- Create and run reports from register forms

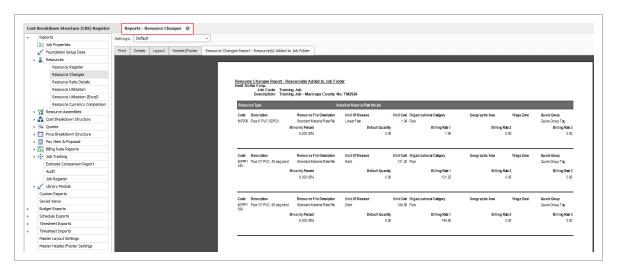
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1.1 REPORTS MENU

In Eight Estimate provides many out of the box reports, referred to as *Canned* or *System* reports, that can help you review and analyze your estimate.

1.1.1 Non-Modal reports tab

The Reports tab is docked along with the other forms and registers. This lets you continue to work with your estimate and other registers without being forced to close the Reports tab.



If the report is undocked, the job code shows in the reports dialog box header.

1.1.2 Adjustable Reports

Most of the reports in Estimate can be adjusted to output the specific data and reporting format you need. Each report has its own set of output settings for configuring and formatting the report.

All Estimate adjustable reports are accessed from the Reports menu. You may even run the same report multiple times and choose different output settings based on what you want to see or who the intended audience is.

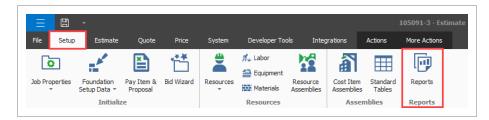
For example, you may choose to run the CBS Details Report several times to satisfy different needs or for different audiences, and include or exclude specific data depending on what you or the report recipients want to see.

- For a group of *estimators*, you may want to run a CBS Details Report that shows all cost and productivity data for a job
- For *field personnel*, you may want to run a CBS Details Report that shows no cost data, but all production and resource data
- Finally, for *executive management*, you may want to run a CBS Details Report that shows summary level information only

The following steps take you through a brief overview of the Reports menu and how you can access it.

Navigating to the Reports menu

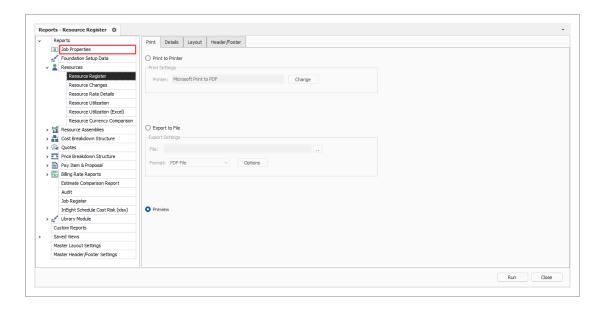
- 1. Open job, and then select the **Setup** tab.
- 2. Click the **Reports** icon.



The Reports tab opens. On the left bar, a Report tree shows of all Estimate adjustable reports.

You can access the Reports menu from the Setup, Estimate, Quote, Price, and Execution tabs.

3. Select the report of your choice. For this example, select the **Job Properties** report.

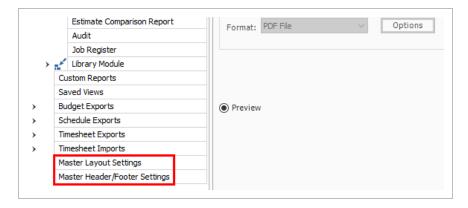


- A split page shows with the reports available on the left side bar.
- When you select a report from the left side bar, the Output Settings show on the right side of the page where the report settings can be adjusted and the report can then be run.
- Each report has the following tabs specific to the report:
 - Print
 - Layout
 - Header /Footer



 There are also Master Layout Settings and Master Header/Footer Settings located at the bottom of the left-hand side bar tree. You can define settings that apply to all

reports.



1.1.3 Output Settings

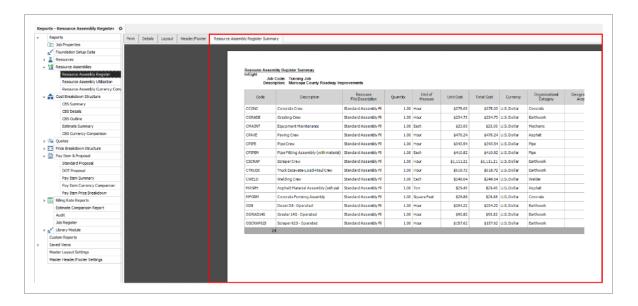
This section provides a more detailed explanation of the output setting tabs.

1.1.3.1 Report Printing Options

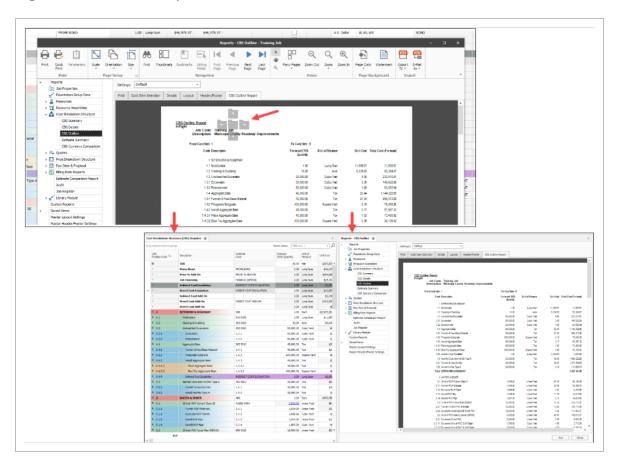
The Print tab includes three options for printing output: Print to Printer, Export to File, and Preview. Export file outputs include PDF, Excel, text, and more.

Print Preview

The Reports print previews opens in its own tab in the Report Dialog. This lets you keep the report open while continuing to use other parts of the application.

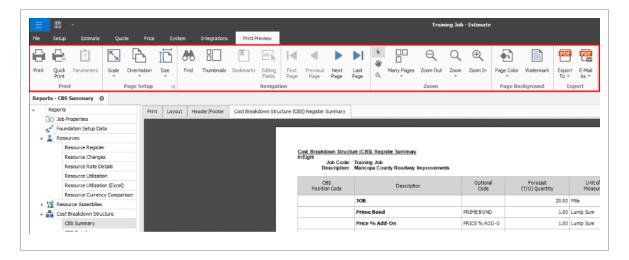


You can also undock and float a report on a different form, or you can tile it side by side with another register to view and compare them.



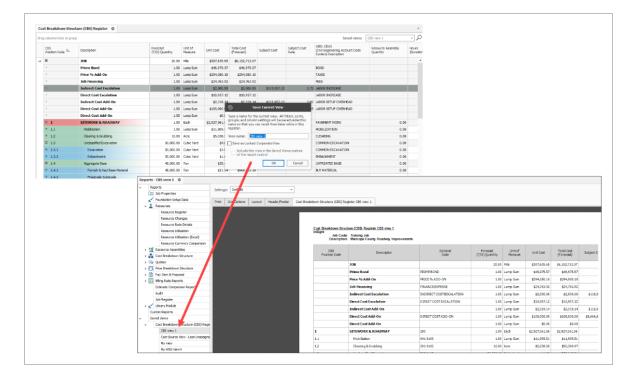
Print Preview Ribbon

The Print Preview menu is displayed on its own ribbon. Menu commands are shown in the ribbon as a contextual Print Preview menu when navigating to Reports > Print > Preview > **Run**.

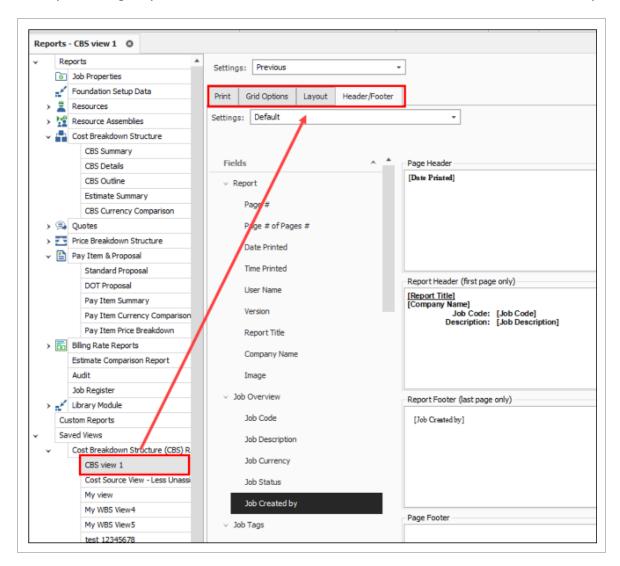


1.1.3.2 Apply custom Layouts and Headers/Footers to register reports

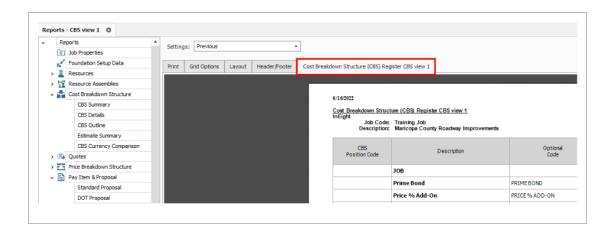
You can apply custom Layouts and header/footers to register based reports. Upon saving a view in any register, select the option to save it as a corporate view and include the view in the reports dialog box.



When selecting a Saved View from the Reports register you can use the Print tab to customize the printing preferences, use the Grid Options tab to change the font type/size, use the Layout tab to modify the design style, and use the Header/Footer tab to insert a header and footer to your report.

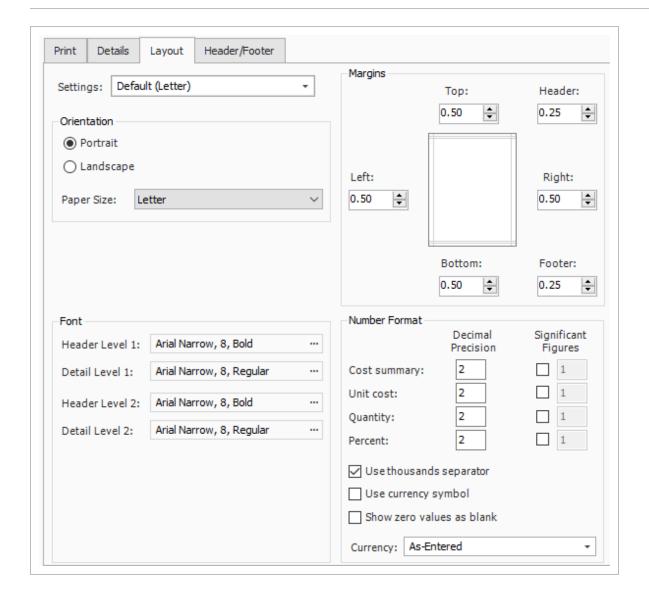


When you click on the Run button it will create a new register-style report. You can modify the layout or header/footer directly in this register. You can also toggle between any of the four other tabs to make modifications and see the changes on the saved view report.



1.1.3.3 Report Layout Settings

Many of the InEight Estimate adjustable reports include formatting options for the general layout of the report, located under the Layout tab of the report's output settings. Settings for the report include: Orientation, Margins, Font, and Number Format.

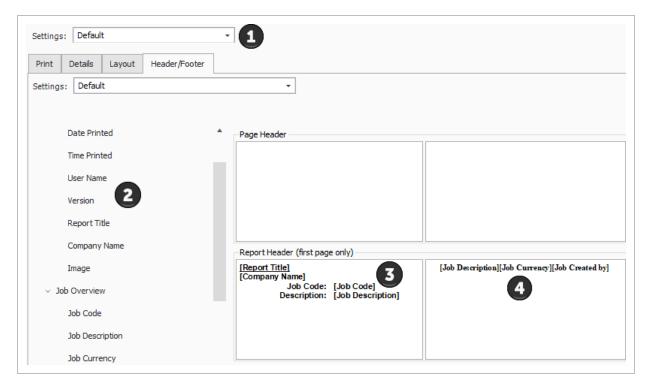


1.1.3.4 Report Header/Footer Settings

Many of the InEight Estimate adjustable reports include the option to define and insert headers and footers into the report. You can add information to the left, middle, or right of the header and footer sections of the report.

- 1. Once you define headers and footers, you can save them for use on other reports.
- 2. You can add page, time, and date stamps as needed, as well as images (e.g., company logo).
- 3. You can also use brackets to have it "stamp" the report with the Job Code and Job Description.

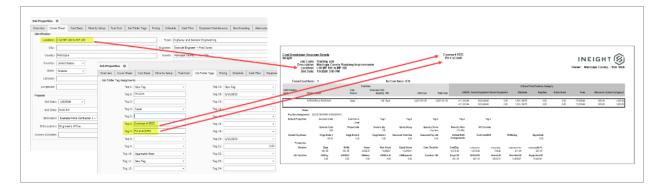
4. You can enter your own information as desired.



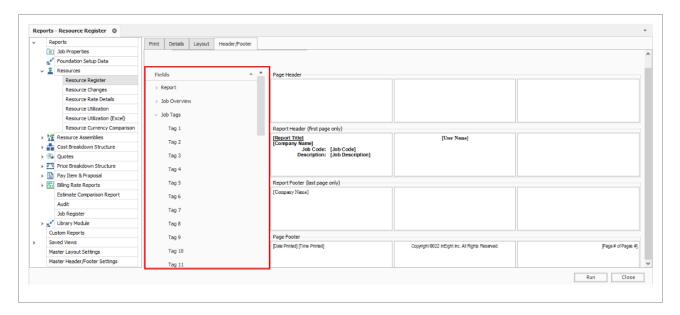
Cover Sheet fields and Job folder tags

In addition to the existing job code and job description tags in Job Properties, you can use the Cover Sheet fields and Job Folder tags for your headers and footers in all standard reports.

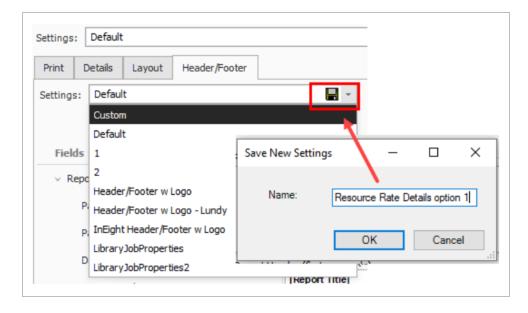
Additional tag values such as contract numbers, work order numbers, PO numbers, company logos, or any other tag fields can also be included. These additions help you customize headers and footers to give the recipients more transparency in the reports.



A Header and Footer field menu exists to the left of the Page Header and Page Footer grid, for all standard reports. This lets you choose which fields from Job Folder Tags and the Cover sheet to include in your report.

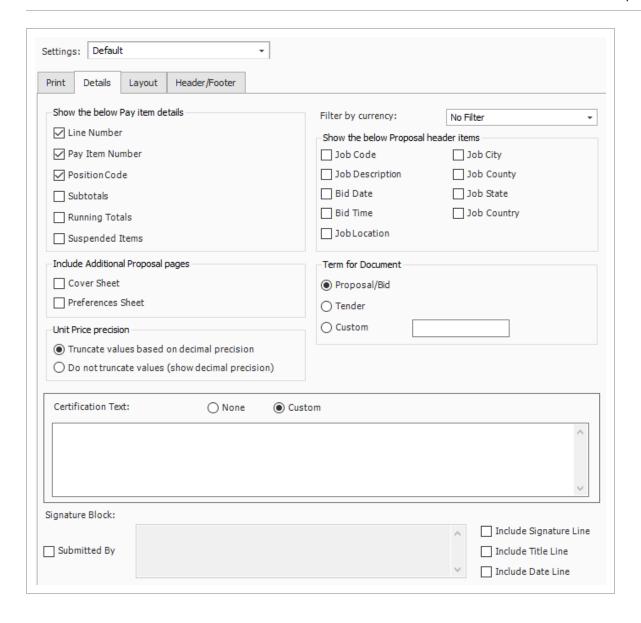


You can customize your header and footer layout settings, save them, and re-use them in other reports.



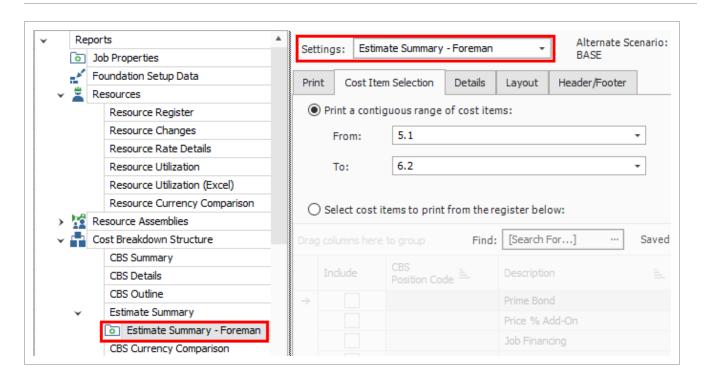
1.1.3.5 Report Detail Settings

Most reports have a Details tab with various options to configure what information is included on the report.



1.1.3.6 Save Output Settings

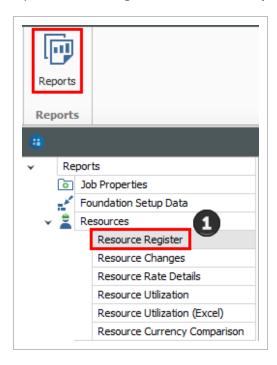
Once you've configured your settings for the report, you can save them as a custom version of that report.



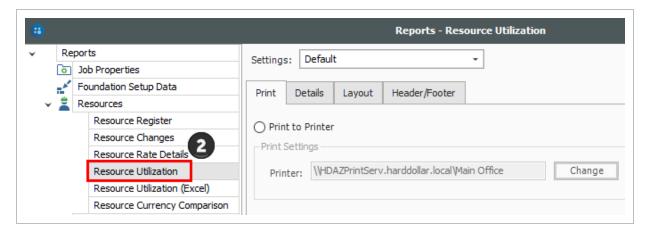
The following steps walk you through configuring the settings and formatting for two different reports.

Step by Step - Configure Report Output Settings (Report 1)

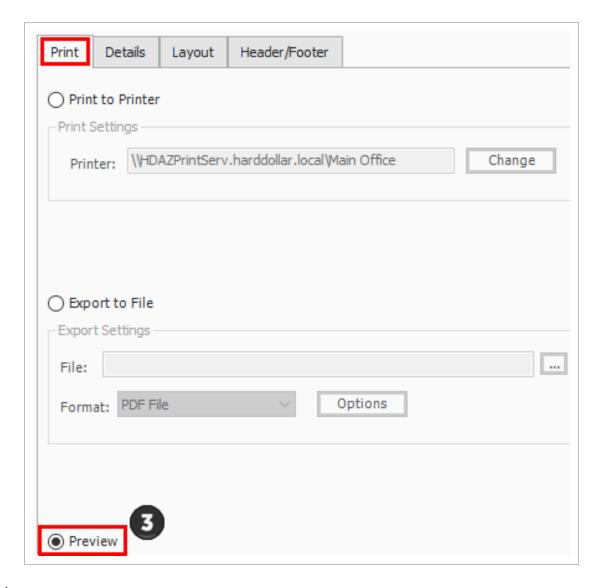
Open the Training Job and select Setup >Report>Resources.



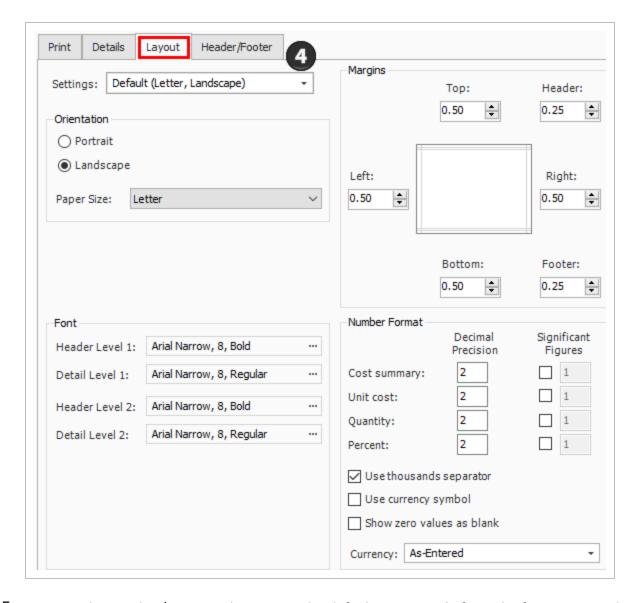
2. Under Resources on the left side bar, select **Resource Utilization**.



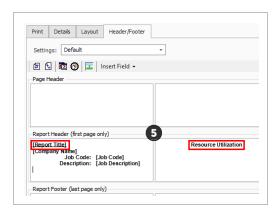
3. On the Print tab there are three options. A best practice is to always set to **Preview** so you can review before printing.



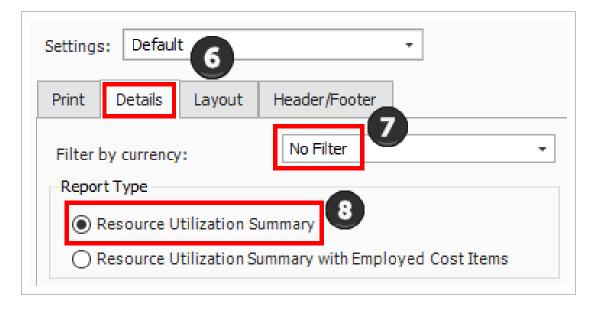
4. On the Layout tab you can make adjustments based on your preferences.



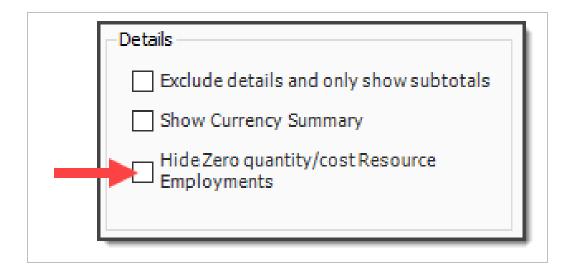
5. Move to the Header / Footer tab. Remove the default **Report Title** from the first page Header only and enter **Resource Utilization** in the center Report Header box as a title that will appear on the first page only.



- 6. Go to the **Details** tab, and you can see the details and options you can select to customize and adjust the report.
- 7. For this navigation, you will not Filter by currency; leave the selection as **No Filter**.
- 8. Under Report Type, choose the first option, Resource Utilization Summary.



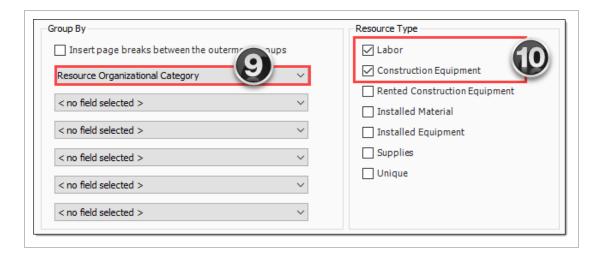
 You can choose to select the Hide Zero quantity/cost Resources Employments Details box if you prefer to have your printed report not show any resources that have a dollar value of zero



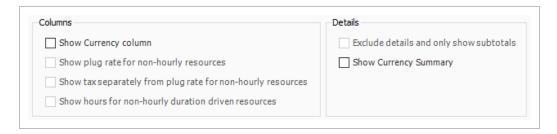
- You can choose if you want the report at a summary level, or if you want it to reference your cost items when you are looking at a resource
- If you choose Resource Utilization Summary with Employed Cost Items, it adds CBS position to the structure of the report
- You would select this if you wanted to see cost items and resources by the cost item

The Details settings are "sticky" features, meaning they default to what was selected the last time.

- 9. You can use grouping to group by different tags and user-defined fields. Most of them are related to the Resource Rate Register, for example: Geographic Area, Organizational Category, Wage Zone, etc. For this example, group by **Resource Organizational Category**.
- 10. Next, you can choose the resources you want to see. For this example, select the **Labor** and **Construction Equipment** Resource Types.



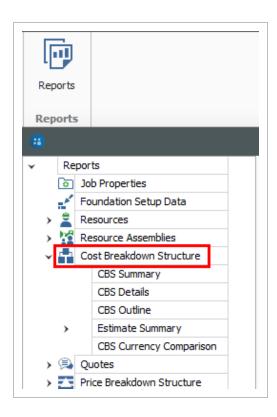
For this example, you will not make any selections under Columns or Details



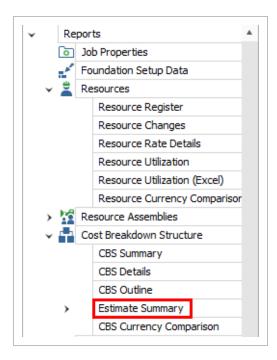
- This is just one of many ways to organize and adjust your report.
- 11. Click **Run** to run the report.
 - This report can be helpful for seeing your utilization hours, broken down by regular time and overtime hours
- 12. Click the red **X** to close this page and open the Construction Equipment page.
- 13. Click the red **X** to close the Construction Equipment report.

Step by Step – Configure Report Output Settings (Report 2)

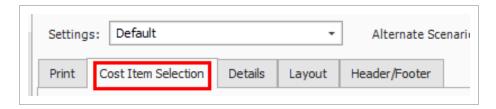
 Open the Training Job and select Setup >Reports, then expand the Cost Breakdown Structure node.



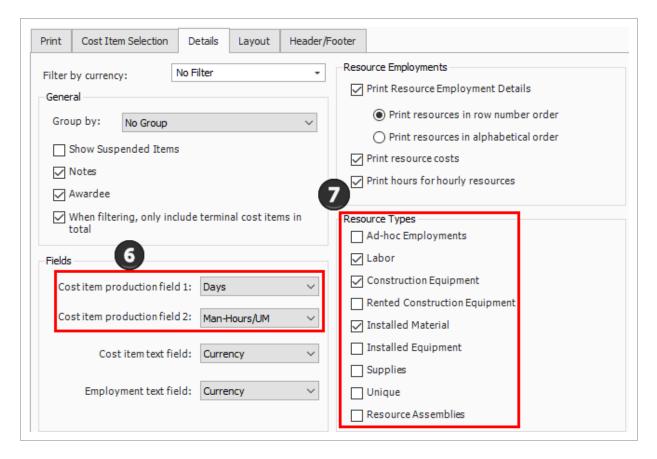
2. Under Cost Breakdown Structure on the left side bar, select **Estimate Summary**.



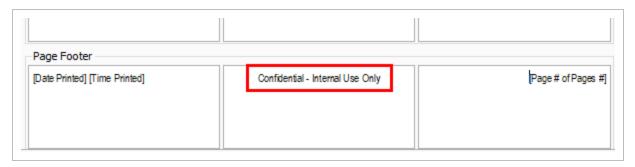
3. Along with the Print, Details, Layout, and Header / Footer tabs, there is an additional tab called **Cost Item Selection**. Select this tab.



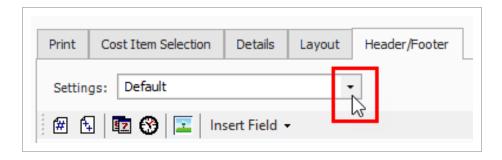
- 4. The Cost Item Selection tab allows you to report on a selection of cost items:
 - Print a contiguous range of cost items: Allows you to print a series of cost items in a row. In this case, print just items: select 4.1 in the From field and 4.3.2 in the To field.
 - Select cost items to print from the register below: Allows you to use column filters to select the cost items to include in the report; leave this button unselected.
- 5. You can roll up your cost items to a certain CBS level for the report as well, depending on the level of detail you need.
- 6. On the **Details** tab, select **Days** for Cost item production field 1, and **Man-Hours / UM** for Cost item production field 2 (this report allows you to report on two production values).
- 7. Under Resource Types, uncheck all of the boxes except Labor, ConstructionEquipment, and Installed Material.



- 8. Leave the rest of the settings at their defaults, then select the **Header / Footer** tab.
- 9. In the center **Page Footer** field delete the existing text, then type **Confidential –Internal Use Only**.



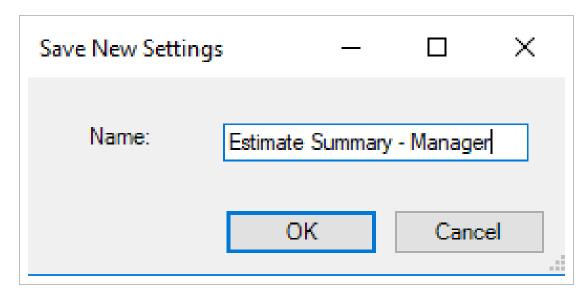
10. To save the settings you've configured, click on the **Settings** drop-down arrow above the output setting tabs.



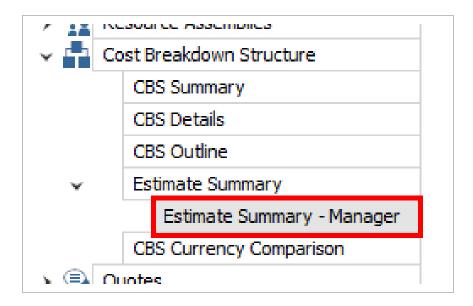
11. Select the **Save disk** icon to save the new settings.



- 12. Type Estimate Summary Manager.
- 13. Click **OK**.



 Notice that a custom version of the report now displays under Estimate Summary on the Reports tree on the left



1.1.4 Helpful Reports

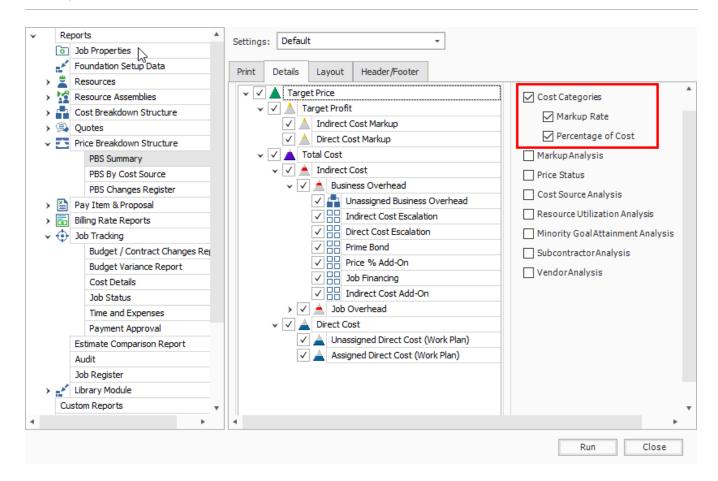
1.1.4.7 PBS Summary

Under the Price Breakdown Structure Report node, the PBS Summary Report gives a good overview of how your price breaks down by cost category. This provides a high-level overview that is cost category driven, providing information based on the total value of the project.

When selecting your settings on the Details tab, a best practice is to select and include:

- · Cost Categories
- Markup Rate
- Percentage of Cost

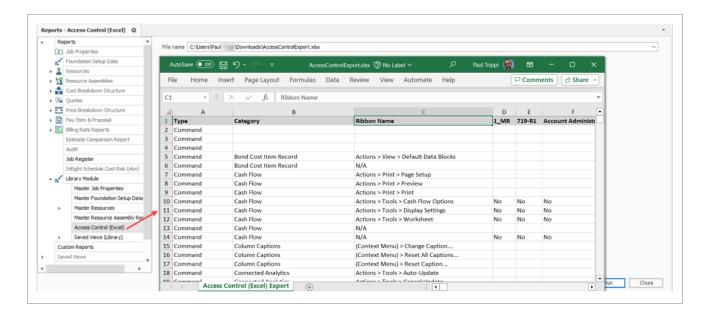
This allows you to see your costs and markup broken out by cost category.



You can also select to show markup rate and what percentage the markup is of your cost.

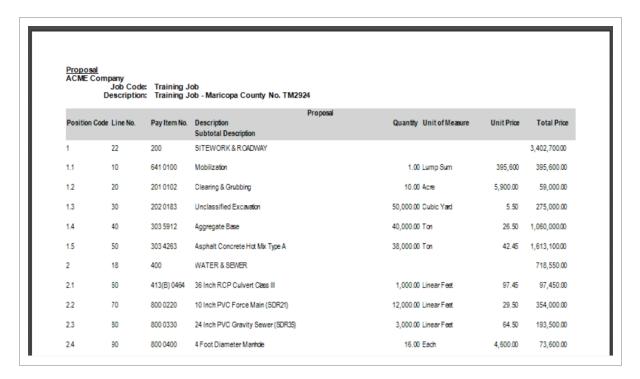
1.1.5 Access Control

You can use the Access Control report to audit user permissions, command access, and various restrictions without having to search through the Access Control register for this information.



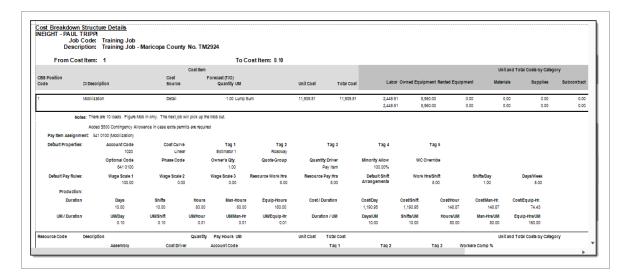
1.1.6 Standard Proposal

Located under the Pay Item & Proposal report node, the Standard Proposal report can be used for contractors required to submit a pricing proposal to a client. It lists all the pay items with the client provided quantities and your final pricing. You can include subtotals (defined on the Pay Item & Proposal Register), cover sheet information, and a signature block.



1.1.7 CBS Details

Under the Cost Breakdown Structure report node, the CBS Details report can be a helpful report for bid review. On the Details tab you can include or not include any of the information contained in the CBS Register, including cost items with production, costs by category, shift arrangements, resources, and notes.



1.1.8 Audit

Under the Job Tracking node, the Audit Report is a very important report to run during estimate review to make sure you didn't leave anything out of the estimate. It checks for a number of potential errors in the estimate, including:

- · Zero Price Pay Items
- · Zero-value cost items
- Pay items without Cost Items assigned
- · Resources with a quantity of zero

Exercise 1.1 – Run a System Report

You can adjust InEight Estimate system reports to report on the particular information you need. Complete the following steps to configure and run the Pay Item Summary report, using the Training Job:

- From the Reports window, expand the Pay Item & Proposal report node.
- 2. On the Reports tree, select **Pay Item Summary**.
- 3. On the Details tab, select a Pay Item Range from 303 4263 800 0220.
- 4. Choose to Include Assigned Cost Items.
- 5. Show Costs As: Unit.
- 6. Include Profit Analysis columns and Include Pay Item Price columns
- 7. Run the report.

You should end up with the following results

ABC Contractors

Job Code: Training Job
Description: Training Job - Maricopa County No. TM2924

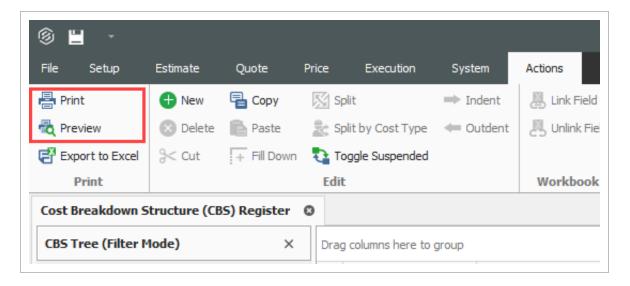
| | From Item: 303 4263 | To Item: 800 0220 | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|---|-----------------------|-------------------------|------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------|----------|-------------|-----------|-----------|--|
| | Pay/Coat Item | | Unit Cost by Category | | | | | | | | | |
| Code | Description | Quantity UM | Assigned Direct Cost | Labor | Owned Equipment | Rented Equipment | Materials | Supplies | Subcontract | Fees | Allowance | |
| 303 4263 | Asphalt Concrete Hot Mix Type A | 38,000.00 Ton | 42.62 | 3.11 | 6.43 | 0.00 | 31.50 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.58 | 0.00 | |
| | 5 Asphalt Concrete Hot Mix Type A | 38,000.00 Ton | 1,619,430.35 | 3.11 | 6.43 | 0.00 | 31.50 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.58 | 0.00 | |
| | 5.1 Furnish & Haul Hot Mix | 38,000.00 Ton | 1,492,382.18 | 1.43 | 4.77 | 0.00 | 31.50 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.58 | 0.00 | |
| | 5.2 Install Hot Mix Type A | 38,000.00 Ton | 127,048.17 | 1.68 | 1.66 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | |
| 413(B) 0464 | 36 Inch RCP Culvert Class III | 1,000.00 LinearFeet | 66.42 | 19.60 | 13.48 | 0.93 | 30.82 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.59 | 0.00 | |
| | 6 36 Inch RCP Culvert Class III | 1,000.00 Linear Feet | 66,416.79 | 19.60 | 13.48 | 0.93 | 30.82 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.59 | 0.00 | |
| | 6.1 Furnish RCP Materials | 1,000.00 LinearFeet | 32,361.33 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 30.82 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.54 | 0.00 | |
| | 6.2 Excavate RCP Trench | 1,815.00 Cubic Yard | 8,183.20 | 4.85 | 3.34 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | |
| | 6.3 Install RCP Pipe | 1,000.00 Linear Feet | 11,735.94 | 6.45 | 5.29 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | |
| | 6.4 Backfill RCP Pipe | 1,550.00 Cubic Yard | 14,136.32 | 8.31 | 4.86 | 0.93 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.05 | 0.00 | |
| | SUBTOTAL: SITEWORK & ROADWAY | | 1,685,847.14 | 137,894.00 | 257,768.56 | 926.90 | 1,227,820.31 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 61,437.36 | 0.00 | |
| 800 0220 | 10 Inch PVC Force Main (SDR21) | 12,000.00 LinearFeet | 22.51 | 4.56 | 4.72 | 0.00 | 12.60 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.63 | 0.00 | |
| | 7 10 Inch PVC Force Main (SDR21) | 12,000.00 Linear Feet | 270,163.37 | 4.56 | 4.72 | 0.00 | 12.60 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.63 | 0.00 | |
| | 7.1 Furnish 10 Inch PVC Materials | 12,000.00 Linear Feet | 158,760.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 12.60 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.63 | 0.00 | |
| | 7.2 Excavate-install-Backfill 10 Inch PVC | 12,000.00 Linear Feet | 111,403.37 | 4.56 | 4.72 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | |
| | Extended Totals By Category | | 1,956,010.51 | 192,599.77 | 314,466.16 | 926.90 | 1,379,020.31 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 68,997.36 | 0.00 | |

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Congratulations, you have completed this exercise!

1.2 REGISTER REPORTS

At any time, you can print a report of the data in the currently displayed register using the Print or Preview option available from the Actions tab for the register you are in.



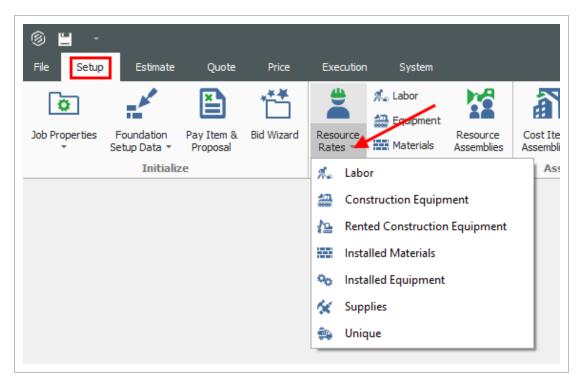
The data that prints is the data currently displayed on the register form. The report will print whatever columns are displayed on the register; if you have customized the display in the register, the report prints that data. In other words, register reports are entirely customizable.

By creating Saved Views, you can report the data on a register form in several different variations.

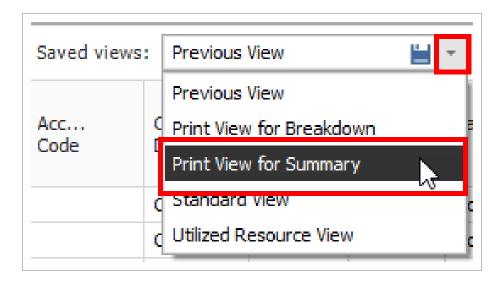
The following step by step example will walk you through creating a custom register report on resource utilization and saving it as a Saved View.

Step by Step – Create a Register Report

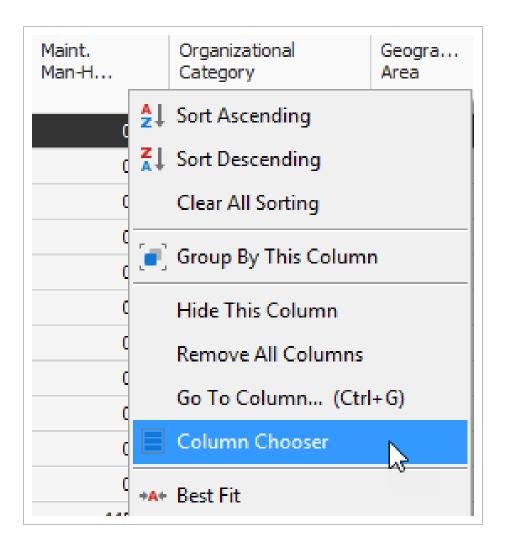
1. Open the Training Job and select Setup tab, then select the Resource Rates drop-down list.



- 2. From the drop-down list, select **Labor**.
- 3. From your Saved Views drop down menu on the Resource Rate Register, select the **Print View for Summary** view.



- 4. Notice this view includes utilization hours
- 5. Right-click on a column header and select **Column Chooser**.



- 6. From the Customization window, drag-and-drop the **Minority Percent, Unique Sales Tax, (Scale 2)**, and **Maint. Man-Hour Factor** columns into the register.
- 7. Close the Customize window.
- 8. Sort the **Utilization Count** column by clicking on the column header twice so that you see the bars descending.

• This sorts your items so the most utilized resources are at the top

| Resource Code | Utilization Count | = | Maint. Man-H | Organizational Category |
|------------------|----------------------|----------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| + LL2 | | 8,946.59 | 0.00 | Laborer |
| + LO2 | | 4,734.02 | 0.00 | Operator |
| + LT1 | | 3,611.05 | 0.00 | Truck Driver - Team |
| + LO1 | | 1,640.00 | 0.00 | Operator |
| + LO4 | | 1,484.63 | 0.00 | Operator |
| + LC2 | | 1,188.73 | 0.00 | Carpenter |
| + LO3 | | 889.33 | 0.00 | Operator |
| + LSSUPT | | 800.00 | 0.00 | Supervision |
| + LSSEC | | 800.00 | 0.00 | Supervision |
| + LSPE | | 800.00 | 0.00 | Supervision |
| + LL3 | | 721.33 | 0.00 | Laborer |
| + LIW1 | | 594.37 | 0.00 | Iron Worker |

- 9. Click on the **Saved Views** drop-down menu and select the **Save disc** icon to save the view.
- 10. Name the view Labor Utilization View, and then click OK to save the customized view.
- 11. From the **Actions** menu, select **Preview** to review the report before printing.

| Labor Register NEIGHT - PAUL TRIPPI E101 - Training Job KLSample Training Job | | | | | | | | | |
|---|------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Resource Code | Description | Utilization Count | Unit of Measure | Unique Sales Tax | Minority Percent | Maint. Man-Hour Factor | | | |
| L01 | Operator Class 1 | 680.00 | Hour | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | | | |
| LL2 | Laborer | 590.00 | Hour | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | | | |
| LSSUPT | Project Superintendent | 560.00 | Hour | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | | | |
| LSSEC | Secretary | 560.00 | Hour | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | | | |
| L03 | Operator Class 3 | 220.00 | Hour | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | | | |
| LL3 | Labor Foreman | 200.00 | Hour | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | | | |
| L04 | Operator Foreman | 110.00 | Hour | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0. | | | |
| LT1 | Teamster | 100.00 | Hour | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 | | | |

1.2.1 Register Report Output Settings

Within the Preview for a register report, there are several options to choose from to configure the output of your report.

1.2.1.1 Page Setup

While in the Preview mode, selecting File > Page Setup provides setup options for the page format:

- Page Size (legal, letter, etc.)
- Paper Width & Height
- Orientation (portrait or landscape)
- Page Margins (left, right, top, bottom)

1.2.1.2 Exporting to Document

Using the Export function allows you to identify a Print range, Image quality, Password Security, and more. Selecting **File > Export Document** prints an Adobe Acrobat (*.pdf) report.

Exercise 1.2 - Create a Custom Register Report

You can configure the columns in your registers for reporting and run your own custom reports. Complete the following steps to configure and run a report from the CBS Register, using the Training Job:

- 1. Select Estimate > Cost Breakdown Structure (CBS).
- 2. Under Saved Views, Select CBS Standard View.
- 3. Add the Man-Hours (Total) and Man-Hours / UM columns.
- 4. Now add back in the Labor Total Cost, Owned Equipment Total Cost, and Materials Total Cost categories for reviewing the estimate.
- 5. Name the view (create your own name for the view).
- 6. Include this view in the **Saved Views** section of the report control.
- 7. Select **Preview** to view the report.

Your report should be similar to the following:

| | Cost Breakdown Structure (CBS) Register ABC Contracting Inc Training JobTraining Job - Maricopa County No. TM2924 | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------|---|----------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|----------------------|-------------|
| CBS Position Code | Description | Forecast (T/O) Quantity | Unit of Measure | Man-Hours (Total) | Unit Cost | Labor Total Cost | Total Cost (Forecast) | Man-Hours otal incl. Maintenan | ed Equipment Total | Man-Hours/ UM | Materials Total Cost | Currency |
| | JOB | 20.00 | Mile | 27,993.15 | \$306,883.14 | \$907,442.76 | \$6,137,662.81 | 28,438.44 | \$1,062,750.40 | | \$3,393,700.70 | U.S. Dollar |
| | Prime Bond | 1.00 | Lump Sum | | \$48,686.14 | \$0.00 | \$48,686.14 | | \$0.00 | | \$0.00 | U.S. Dollar |
| | Price % Add-On | 1.00 | Lump Sum | | \$309,475.27 | \$0.00 | \$309,475.27 | | \$0.00 | | \$0.00 | U.S. Dollar |
| | Job Financing | 1.00 | Lump Sum | | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | | \$0.00 | | \$0.00 | U.S. Dollar |
| | Indirect Cost Escalation | 1.00 | Lump Sum | | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | | \$0.00 | | \$0.00 | U.S. Dollar |
| | Direct Cost Escalation | 1.00 | Lump Sum | | \$11,026.79 | \$12,026.79 | \$11,026.79 | | \$0.00 | | (\$1,000.00) | U.S. Dollar |
| | Indirect Cost Add-On | 1.00 | Lump Sum | | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | | \$0.00 | | \$0.00 | U.S. Dollar |
| | Job Management & Equipment | 1.00 | Lump Sum | 2,400.00 | \$157,096.28 | \$91,176.28 | \$157,096.28 | 2,400.00 | \$65,920.00 | 2,400.00 | \$0.00 | U.S. Dollar |
| | General Expense | 1.00 | Lump Sum | 0.00 | \$4,200.00 | \$0.00 | \$4,200.00 | 0.00 | \$0.00 | 0.00 | \$0.00 | U.S. Dollar |
| | Direct Cost Add-On | 1.00 | Lump Sum | | \$109,544.08 | \$15,676.56 | \$109,544.08 | | \$19,450.89 | | \$66,546.70 | U.S. Dollar |
| 1 | Mobilization | 1.00 | Lump Sum | 0.00 | \$75,000.00 | \$50,000.00 | \$75,000.00 | 0.00 | \$0.00 | 0.00 | \$25,000.00 | U.S. Dollar |
| 2 | Clearing & Grubbing | 10.00 | Acre | 0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | 0.00 | \$0.00 | 0.00 | \$0.00 | U.S. Dollar |
| 3 | Unclassified Excavation | 50,000.00 | Cubic Yard | 3,964.29 | \$9.95 | \$110,467.00 | \$497,466.56 | 4,115.48 | \$302,999.56 | 0.08 | \$0.00 | U.S. Dollar |
| 3.1 | Excavation, scrapers | 50,000.00 | Cubic Yard | 1,250.00 | \$3.00 | \$33,170.48 | \$149,922.88 | 1,325.00 | \$116,752.40 | 0.03 | \$0.00 | U.S. Dollar |

Congratulations, you have completed this exercise.

Lesson 1 Review

| 1. | The _ | Report gives a good overview of how your price breakdowns by cost ory. |
|----|-------|--|
| | a. | Estimate Summary |
| | b. | PBS Summary |
| | C. | Audit |
| 2. | _ | Report is a very important report to run during bid review to make sure lidn't leave anything out of the estimate. |
| | a. | CBS Details |
| | b. | Audit |
| | C. | Pay Item Summary |
| 3. | | et practice is to always set your Print output setting to Preview so you can review e printing. |
| | a. | True |

Lesson 1 Summary

b. False

As a result of this lesson, you can:

- Run reports from the Report menu
- Create and run reports from register forms

LESSON 2 – DATA REPRODUCTION

Lesson Duration: 20 Minutes

Lesson Objectives

After completing this lesson, you will be able to:

- Create a job from an existing job or template
- · Create a template
- · Reproduce estimate data using the Bid Wizard
- Reproduce estimate data using copy/paste
- Add cost items to a job using the CBS Bid Wizard
- Utilize the Snapshot function

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2.1 COPY AN EXISTING JOB

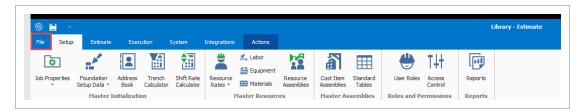
As you build an estimate, you may want to reuse pay items, cost items, or resources from a previous estimate. When you plan to reuse the majority of content within a job, you can simply make a copy of the existing job.

Using the **Create a new Job from... Existing Job** option on the Backstage View creates an exact replica of the existing job, including the job's properties, pay items, cost items, and resources.

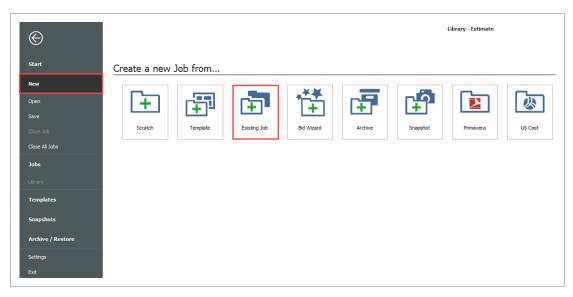
The following Step by Step walks you through how to make a copy of an existing job.

Step by Step - Copy an Existing Job

1. Click the File tab on the Estimate landing page.

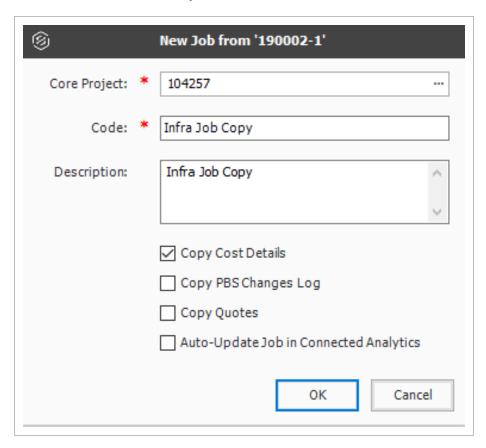


2. From the left side panel, select **New**, then select **Existing Job**.



3. The Job Register displays a list of your existing projects; select the Training Job and click **OK**.

- 4. On the New Job dialog, click the **ellipses** and select a Core Project.
- 5. In the Code field, type **Infra Job Copy** with your initials.
- 6. To copy the cost details from the existing job to the new job, verify that the **Copy Cost Details** checkbox is selected
 - If you wanted to copy just the cost item structure without cost details, you would uncheck the box.
- 7. Uncheck the check for copying the PBS Changes Log, Copy Quotes and Auto-Update Job in Connected Analytics.
- 8. Click **OK** to create the new job.



The new job opens with the Job Properties form active, so you can begin to modify the new job as needed. If you look through the tabs on the Job Properties form, you will find that it looks exactly like the job from which it was copied. Other forms, such as the Pay Item & Proposal Register and the CBS Register, also look the same in both jobs until you make modifications in one job or the other.

This is a very easy method for creating a new job, and it is a good choice if you want to copy an entire job. However, if you want to pick and choose which parts of a job to duplicate, the Bid Wizard is a better choice.

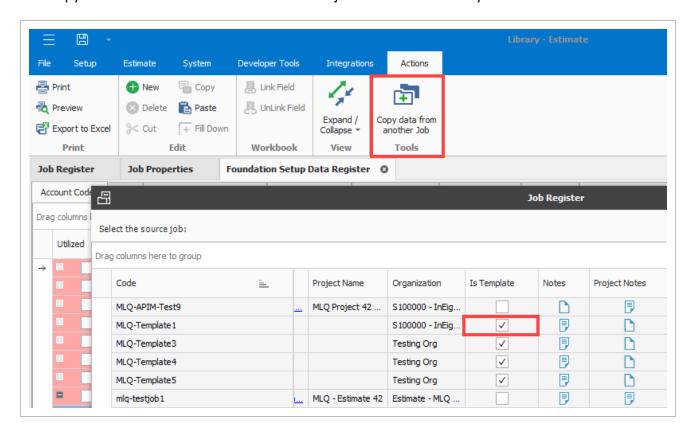
2.2 TEMPLATES

Job Templates provide you the ability to maintain a list of template jobs that can be used to create new jobs. As your company grows and increases the number of projects, the need to standardize the estimating process increases to ensure consistency and reduce the chance of information being overlooked.

In InEight Estimate you can create job folders and store them in a separate register as templates. This allows you to store cost items in master templates separate from the jobs in your Job Register.

You can copy the template's foundation setup data, such as account codes, tags, work breakdown structures, and work group tags to your estimate. In Setup > Foundation Setup Data > Copy data from another Job, select a template job to copy its foundation data.

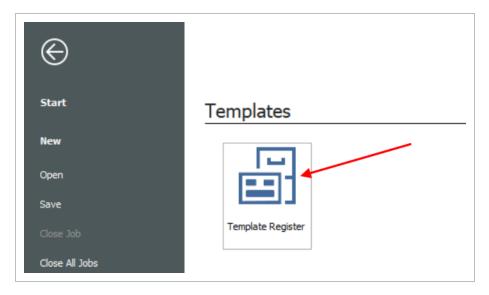
The Copy data from another Job action includes jobs marked as *Is Template*.



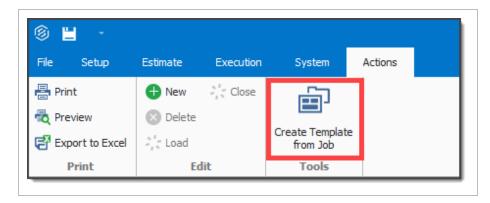
You can create templates from scratch or from existing job folders. The following steps walk you through how to create a new template from an existing job folder.

Create a template

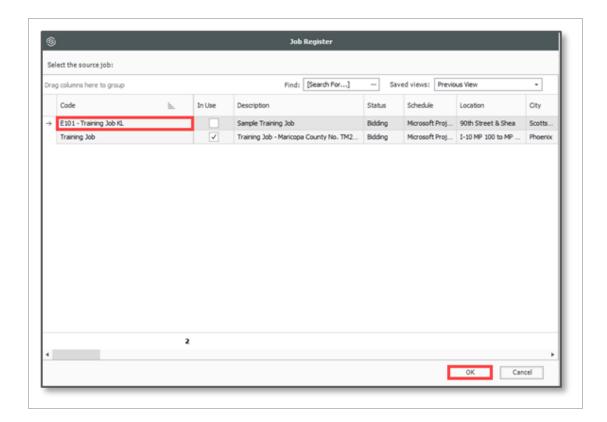
- 1. Click the **File** tab on the Estimate landing page.
- 2. From the left side panel, select **Templates**.
- 3. Under Templates, select the **Template Register**.



4. From the Actions tab, select Create Template from Job.

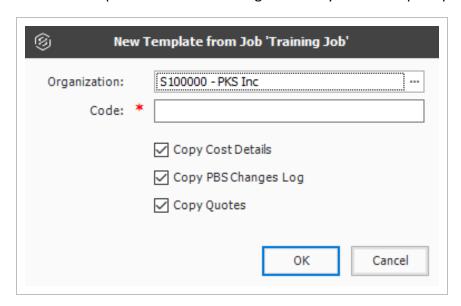


- The Job Register opens for you to select the source job for the template
- For example, you can make a template from your E101 Training Job
- 5. Select the **E101 Training Job with your initials**, and then click **OK**.

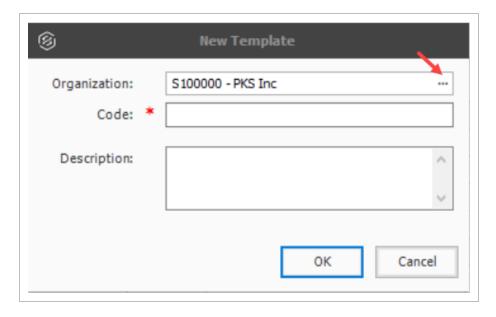


You cannot create templates from jobs that are published to Job Tracking.

• The New Template From Job 'Training Job' with your initials prompt appears.



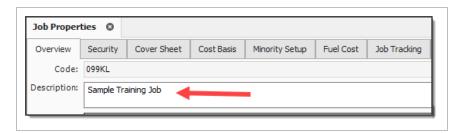
6. Click the ellipsis to the right of the Organization field.



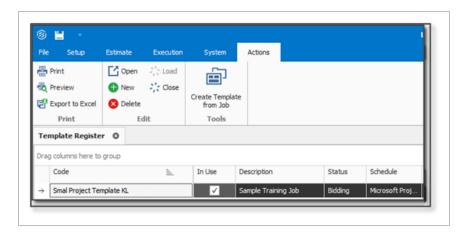
The Organization Register Library opens.

- 7. In the Organization Register Library, select an **organization** and then click **OK**.
- 8. In the Code field, type **Small Project Template[your initials]**.
 - Leave Copy Cost Details and Copy PBS Changes Log checked
- 9. Click OK.

- The new template is created and opens to the Job Properties form
- You can add the description in addition to the code for any new job you are creating from a template. This description is later added to the Overview tab of the new job on the Job Properties form



• Back in the Templates Register, you can see the new template created



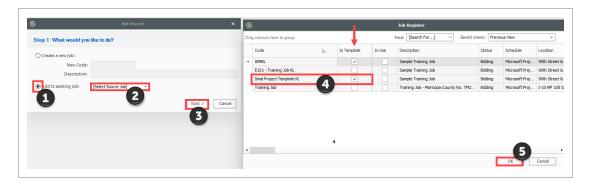
 Similar to copying an existing job, you can create a new job from a template from the New menu in the Backstage View.



 You can also create a new job from a template from the New menu in the Bid Wizard.

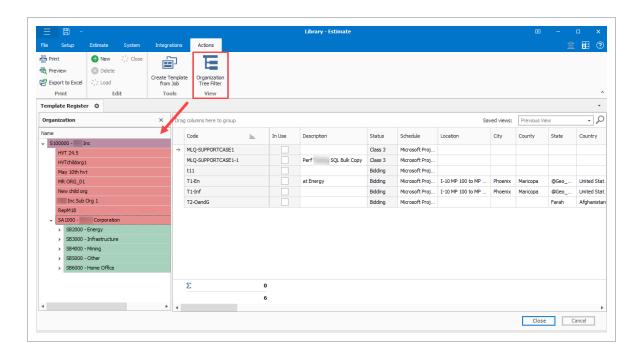


- 10. Select Add to existing job
- 11. From Select Source Job, click the **dropdown** arrow
- 12. Click Next
- 13. Select a job that is shown as having a Template
- 14. Click OK

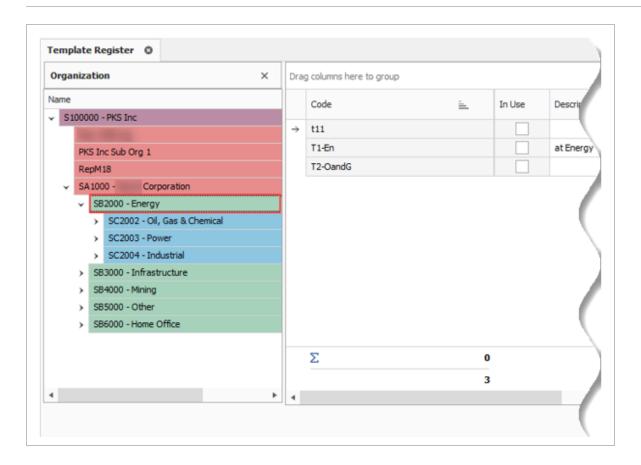


2.2.1 OBS filter tree

The Template register's organization tree filter shows the templates assigned to a selected organization.



Just like the job register, the list of templates is filtered based on the selected organization. The primary difference between the OBS tree filter in the job and template registers is that estimates are associated with projects in the job register, and projects belong to an organization. In the template register, templates belong to an organization.



2.2.2 Archive and restore templates

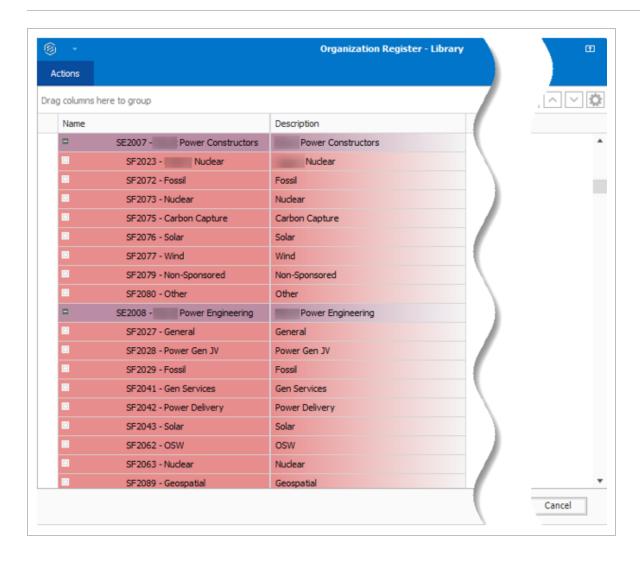
The templates feature gives you the ability to archive and restore templates, enabling templates to become portable. You can move templates between different environments. You can also backup the templates similarly to the Jobs Archive and Restore function.

Archive and restore a template

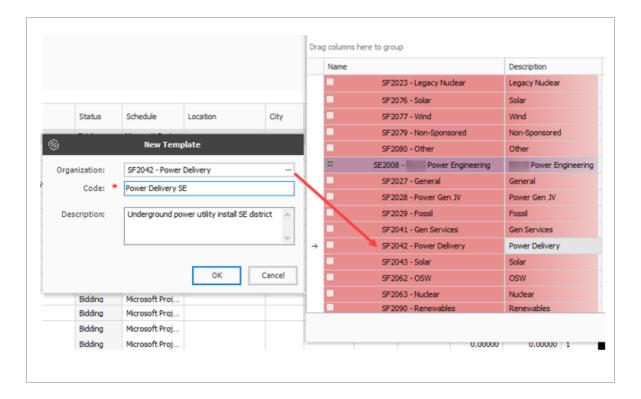
- 1. Click **File** to open the Backstage View.
- 2. Select Archive / Restore.
 - Several options appear for archiving and restoring your jobs, templates, and library
- 3. Select Archive Template.
 - The Template Register appears
- 4. Select the Small Project Template [your initials] template you previously made, then click OK.

- 5. When prompted to include attachments, click Yes.
 - The Save As window appears
- 6. Browse to where you want to save the job, then click **Save**.
- 7. Select **Restore Template** from the Archive / Restore page of the Backstage View to begin restoring the template.
- 8. Browse to the archived template and select it.
- 9. Click Open.
 - If the template already exists, a prompt will appear asking if you want to overwrite it
 - To overwrite it, select Yes
 - If you select No, you will be prompted to save it under a new Template Code

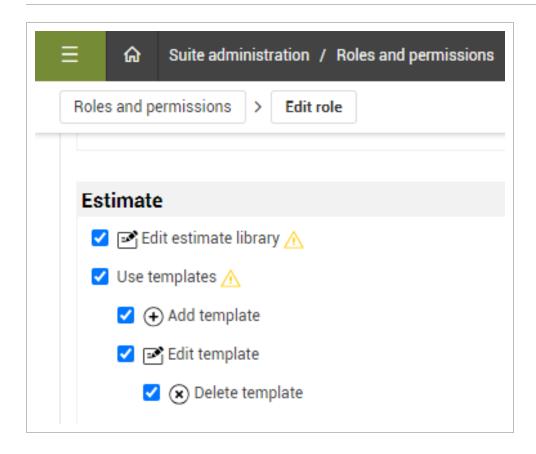
You can assign templates to specific organizational nodes in the OBS, grant permissions, and control user access for templates.



For example, you can assign a template to a specific node level in the OBS that is specific to Power Delivery. The OBS node structure assignment is useful for assigning estimators access to designated templates as determined by an Estimate administrator.

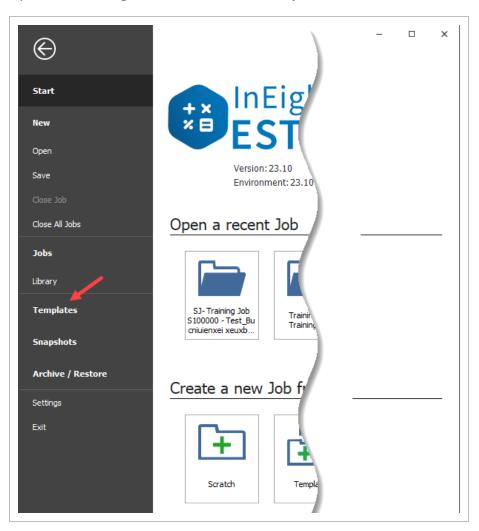


Estimators with the appropriate Estimate/template permissions in Suite Administration > Roles and Permissions > Master Data Libraries > **Estimate**, can use the templates in which they are assigned to in their designated OBS node.

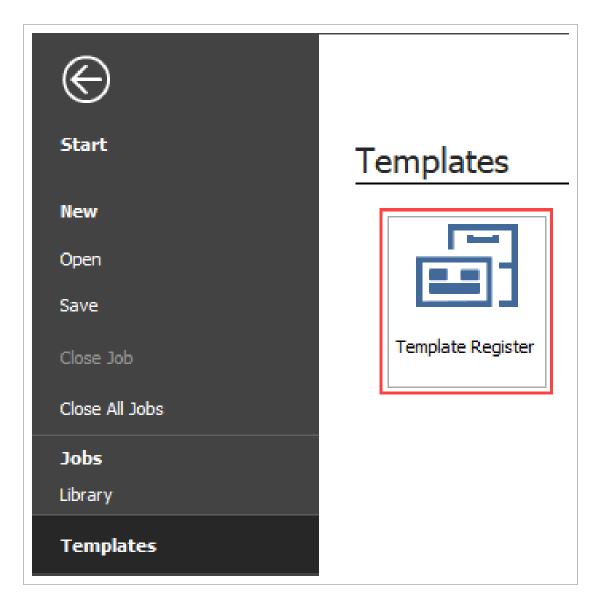


Step by Step – Assign Template to OBS

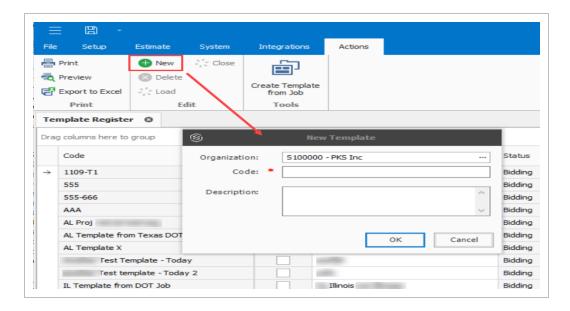
1. Open the **Training Job**, then select the **Templates**.



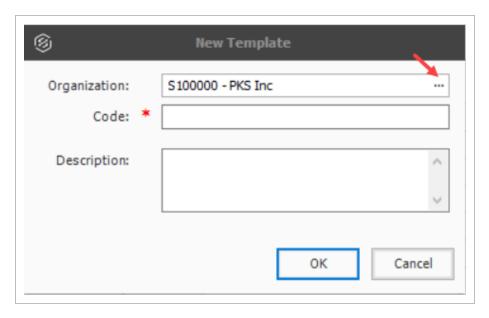
2. Select Template Register.



3. Select **New**.

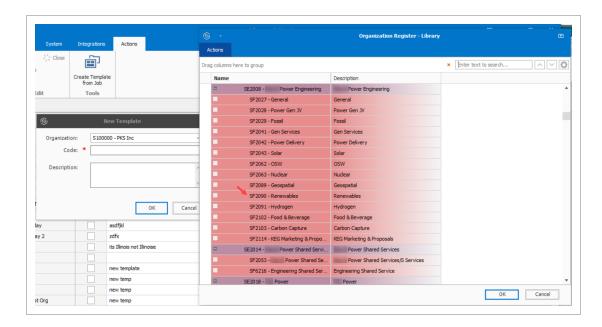


4. Click the **ellipsis** to the right of the Organization field.



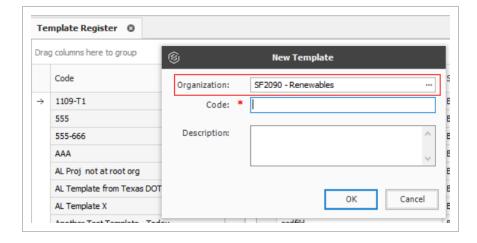
The Organization Register Library opens.

5. In the Organization Register Library, select **SF2090-Renewables**, and then click **OK**.



The new template will be set at the SF2090-Renewables node in the OBS. Users assigned to the SF2090-Renewables level or above in the OBS will be permitted to use this template when creating estimates.

6. The next step will be to create a new template code and a description to complete the new template creation process.



What's next: After the template is created you can start to create estimates using a template.

2.3 BID WIZARD

InEight Estimate's Bid Wizard is a powerful tool that can help automate the process of setting up estimates by copying information that already exists in other InEight Estimate job folders. The Bid Wizard can be used to create new projects, create a new job from an existing template, or to add to projects that are already underway.

Rather than copying every part of an existing job, the Bid Wizard gives you more flexibility and control over which parts of a job you want to duplicate, e.g., pay items or cost items or both.

In most cases you will be copying cost items, but if you have a project with pay items that are commonly used, you can copy them into a new project. If you select pay items, you will be able to select cost items as well.

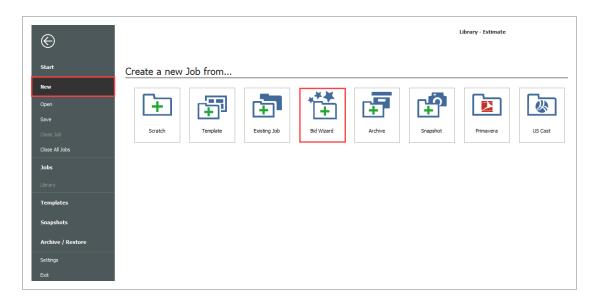
The following Step by Step walks you through how you can use the Bid Wizard to create a new job by importing pay items and their associated costs from an existing job.

Step by Step - Use the Bid Wizard

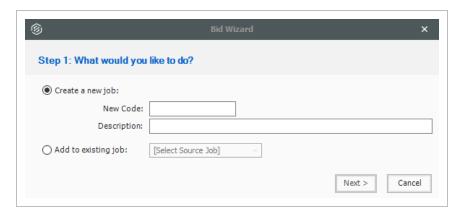
1. To open the Bid Wizard, click the **File** tab on the Estimate landing page.



2. From the left side panel, select New, then select Bid Wizard.



The Bid Wizard – Step 1 dialog displays

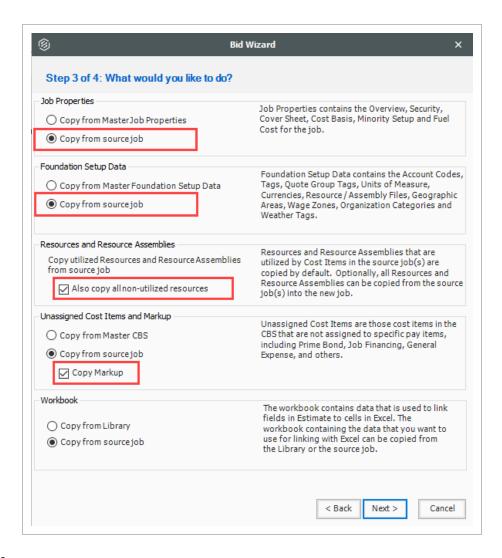


Notice that you can either create a new project or add to an existing project.

- 3. Type **E101 Bid Wizard** (with your initials) in the New Code field.
- 4. Type **Bid Wizard Example** in the Description field.
- 5. Click the **Next** button.
 - The Bid Wizard Step 2 dialog displays
- 6. Choose **Select cost items** and click **Next**.

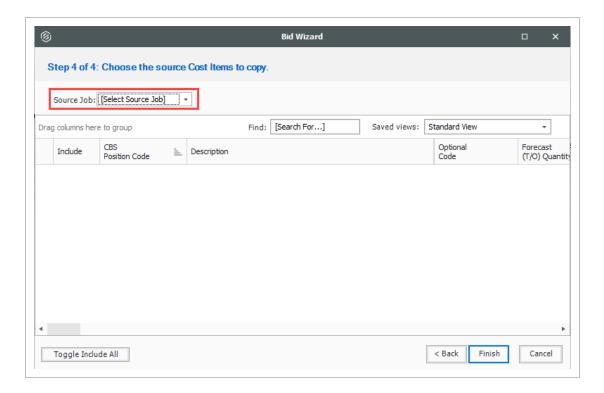


- The Bid Wizard Step 3 of 4 dialog displays
- You use this step to indicate which source you want to pull your setup data from (the library or your source job)
- 7. For all selections, select **Copy from source job**.
- 8. Check the Also copy all non-utilized resources checkbox.
- 9. Select **Copy from source job** under Unassigned Cost Items and Markup, and the **Copy Markup** box is automatically selected.

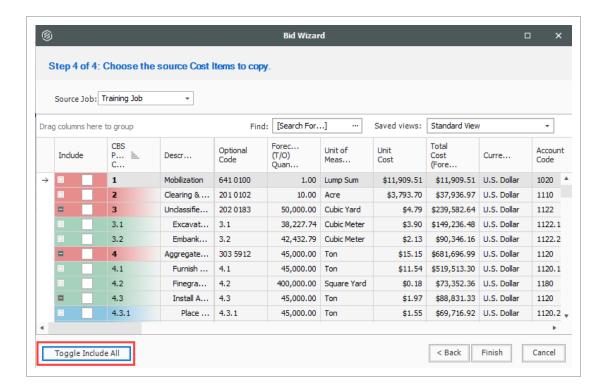


10. Click Next.

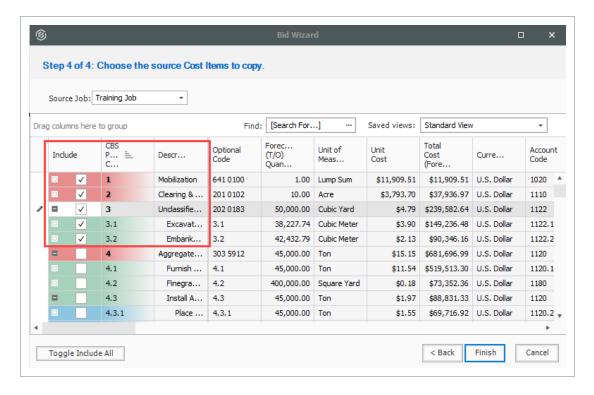
- The Bid Wizard Step 4 of 4 dialog displays
- 11. Click the **Source Job** drop-down arrow.



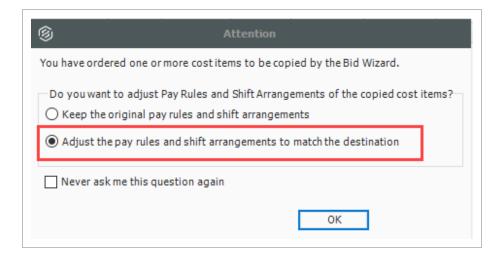
- The Job Register opens
- 12. Find and select **Training Job.**
- 13. Click **OK**.
 - This screen displays the cost items of the source job (Training Job). All items are automatically selected
- 14. Use the **Toggle Include All** button to exclude all selections.



- 15. Select the checkboxes to include **Mobilization**, **Clearing & Grubbing**, and **Unclassified Excavation**.
- Notice that when selecting Unclassified Excavation, that cost item's subordinates are automatically selected



- 17. Click **Finish** to add the new job.
 - An Attention prompt appears asking, "Do you want to adjust Pay Rules and Shift Arrangements of the copied cost items?"
 - Typically, you will want to use the shifts and payment rules of your new destination job.
- 18. Select Adjust the pay rules and shift arrangements to match the destination.

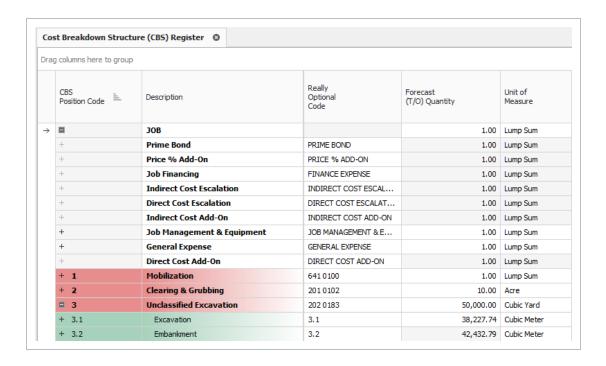


19. Click **OK**.

- A help bubble appears letting you know the job has been created, and that you can use the ribbon tabs on the Estimate landing page to open any form
- 20. Close the help bubble by selecting the **X** in the upper right corner.



21. Open the **Estimate > CBS** to see the three cost items that were brought in.



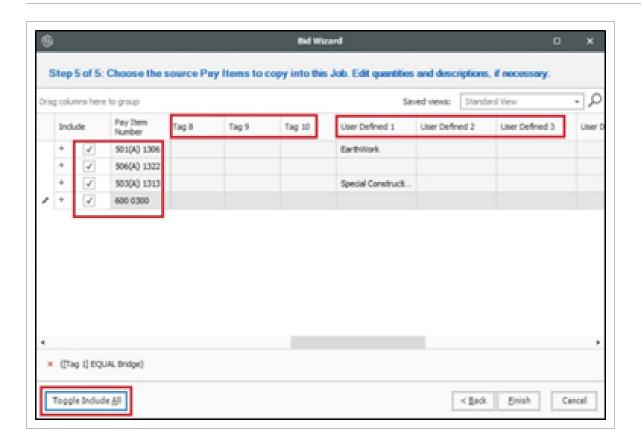
2.3.1 Bid Wizard Updates

While using the Bid Wizard, the Include option is left unchecked by default. A filter is applied to bring in pay items when using the Bid Wizard. The Toggle Include All button only selects the filtered list of items instead of all items.

When the filter criteria is modified, the selected items remain checked even if some of the items might not be visible in the view. When the view is changed, the selected items remain checked.

Tags and UDF fields are included in the **Bid Wizard Selection** register for the cost items and Pay Item & Proposal selection registers. This lets you filter the list of cost items based on a tag or UDF.

When you select the **Toggle Select All** button, only filtered items are included which allow you to include scopes of work relevant to your estimate without having to manually select all items needed.



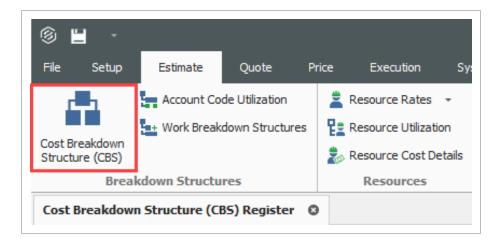
2.4 COPY ESTIMATE DATA USING EDIT COMMANDS

While the Bid Wizard is an efficient way to copy cost history into new projects, you may prefer to use edit commands such as copy and paste to bring cost history into your estimate.

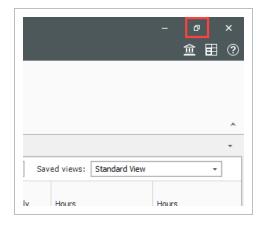
To copy and paste cost history from one job to another, it is beneficial to see the jobs side by side. The following steps walk you through the process.

Step by Step – Copy Estimate Data Using Edit Commands

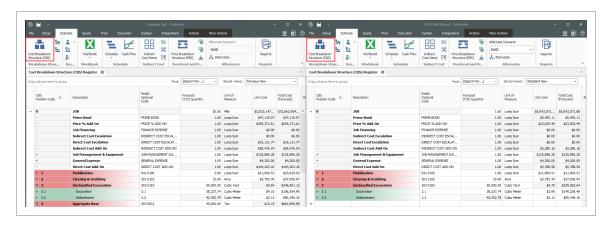
- Click the File tab from the Estimate landing page and open the E101 Bid Wizard job you just created.
- 2. Open the Training Job (if you do not still have it open).
- 3. Make sure the CBS is open for both jobs by going to the Estimate menu and selecting **Cost Breakdown Structure (CBS)**.



4. Since you have both jobs open and they are in their own application window, align them to be side by side by using the **minimize icons** of each job or utilizing Windows align functionality.



Note that the window caption identifies the CBS Register for each job

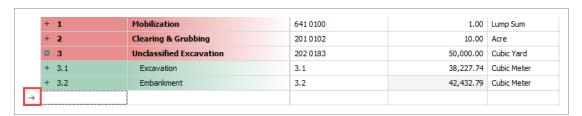


5. On the CBS of the Training Job, click the row header on cost item **4 – Aggregate Base** and press **Ctrl+C** to copy the cost item.

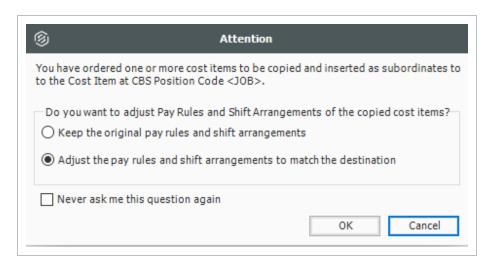


When you copy a superior cost item, all of its subordinates are automatically copied.

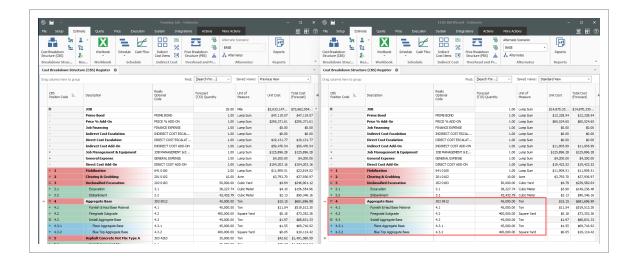
6. On the CBS of the E101 Bid Wizard job, click the row header on the first blank register row, and press **Ctrl+V** to paste the cost item.



7. On the Attention dialog, select **Adjust the pay rules and shift arrangements to match the destination** and click **OK**.



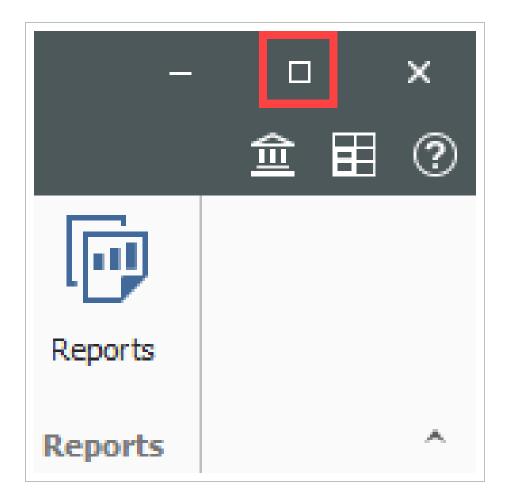
 You can see in the destination job's CBS that you've added the Aggregate Base cost item, along with its subordinate cost items and all cost and productivity detail



You can also drag and drop cost items from one CBS to another instead of copying and pasting.

Copied cost items are considered Job Overhead until they are assigned to a pay item

 $8. \ \ \text{To go back to your full screen view of the E101 Bid Wizard job, select the maximize icon.}$

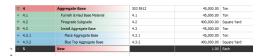


2.5 CBS BID WIZARD

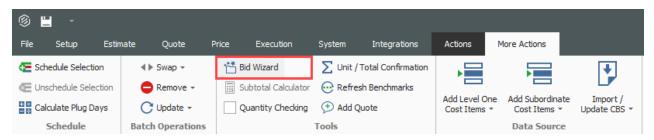
You can also use the Bid Wizard to add cost items while you are in the CBS Register. The following steps walk through using the CBS Bid Wizard.

Step by Step - Use the CBS Bid Wizard

- 1. Click the **File** tab from the Estimate landing page and open the **E101 Bid Wizard** job you created.
- 2. From the **Estimate** tab, select **Cost Breakdown Structure (CBS)**.
- 3. Create a new cost item by typing **New** in the Description column on the bottom row of the CBS
- 4. Highlight the **New** row.



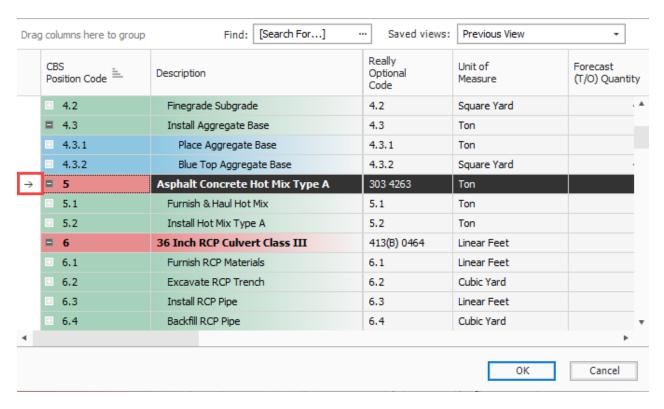
5. To open the CBS Bid Wizard, click the **Bid Wizard** icon on the **More Actions** tab.



- The Bid Wizard window opens
- 6. Click in the **Source Job** column on the New cost item row.



- 7. From the Source Job drop-down list, select **Training Job**.
- 8. Scroll to the right of the Source Job column and click in the **Source CBS Position Code** column on the New Cost item row.
 - A source CBS Register window appears
- 9. Select CBS position code **5 Asphalt Concrete Hot Mix Type A** from the register.



10. Click **OK**.

- 11. Click Finish on the Bid Wizard.
 - An Attention prompt displays, asking if you want to make adjustments
 - Keep the default options selected: Make Adjustments according to their quantity drivers and cost drivers and Adjust the pay rules and shift arrangements to match the destination

12. Click **OK**.



- You can see that cost item 5 and its subordinates are now imported into your existing job.
- You could choose a new name for the cost item, or name it Asphalt Concrete Hot Mix
 Type A to match the original cost item



2.6 SNAPSHOTS

A job snapshot is a copy of an estimate that you can create and provides read-only access to the job's data as it existed at a specific point in time.

You can use a job snapshot to do the following:

- Create an instance of your estimate at different instances for audit purposes, such as after takeoff is complete, after bid review is complete, or after final subcontractor/supplier prices have been entered.
- Provide users access to the job's data without giving them the ability to modify the data.
- Allow users to access a job, while eliminating the concern that someone may inadvertently change live data.
- Copy data from a snapshot of a job and paste it into the current job or any other project.
- Create a new job from a snapshot of a job.

In addition to the Code, Description, Last Saved, and Version column, the Snapshot register contains all fields that are in the Jobs register that provides you with an easier way to group, sort, filter, and find the jobs you need.

The job snapshot is also saved and maintained as an archive. When a snapshot is loaded, the archive is restored similar to a local copy. A snapshot can be modified, but changes cannot be saved.

2.6.1 Snapshot Register

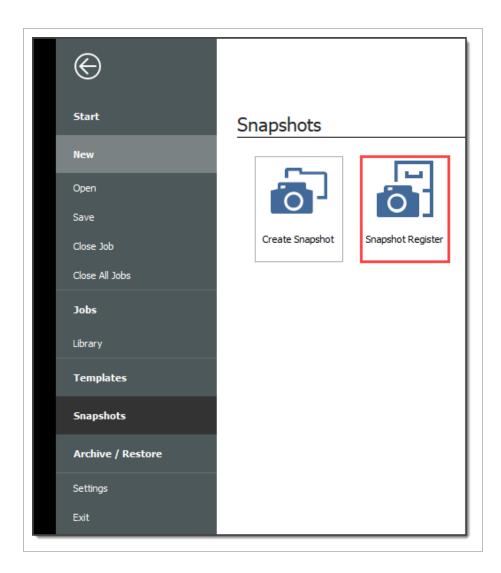
Snapshots are managed in the Snapshot Register. You can manage snapshots by:

- Viewing individual snapshots for specific jobs.
- Filtering the Snapshot register to jobs containing snapshots.
- Creating job snapshots from existing jobs.

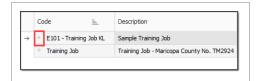
- Loading existing job snapshots. When you load a snapshot, it loads into Estimate similar to other Estimate jobs.
- Editing and deleting job snapshots.

Navigate to the Snapshot Register

- 1. Click the File tab to open the backstage view, and then select Snapshots.
- 2. From the Snapshots form, select the **Snapshot Register** icon. The Snapshot Register opens.

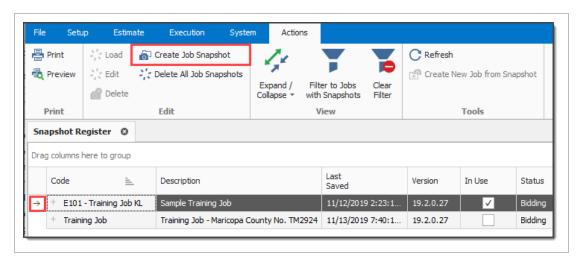


To view individual snapshots for specific jobs, click the **Expand** icon next to the job to show the list of snapshots.

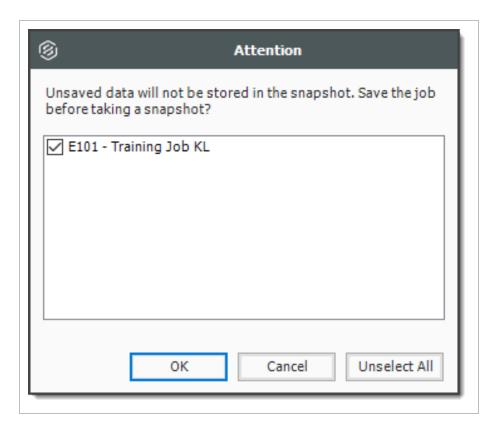


Create a job snapshot

1. From the Snapshots form, select the **Create Snapshot** button.

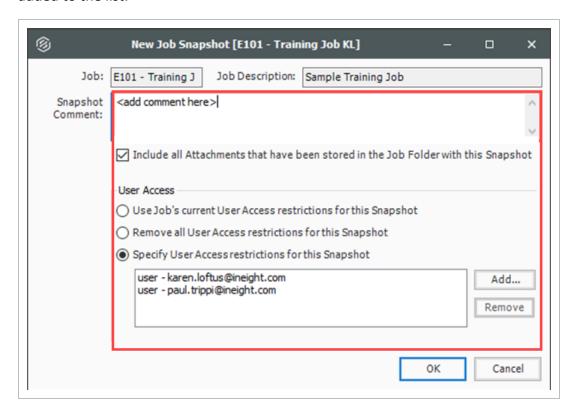


The job must be saved before creating a snapshot. If the job you are creating a snapshot from has unsaved data, an *Attention* dialog box shows that alerts you of the unsaved data. Click **OK** to save the job.

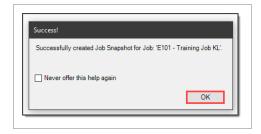


- 2. The New Job Snapshot [job code] dialog box opens. You can do the following:
 - Add a comment in the Snapshot Comment field.
 - Select the check box to include existing attachments.
 - Configure user access. Select one of the following options:
 - Select Use Job's current User Access restrictions... to use the job's current access restrictions.
 - Select Remove User Access restrictions... to allow read-only access to all users.
 - Select Specify User Access restrictions... to specify new user restrictions. This option is selected by default. You can then use the Add and Remove buttons to specify access using Active Directory. Users with current access to the job are automatically

added to the list.



3. Click **OK** to create the snapshot. A Success message shows to indicate that the snapshot has been created.

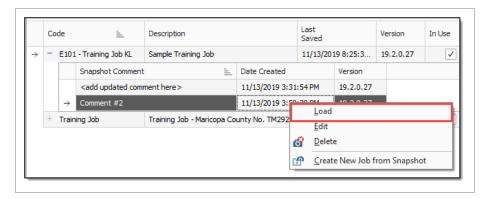


4. Click OK.

Load a snapshot

- 1. From the Snapshot Register, click the **Expand** icon next to the job to show the list of snapshots.
- 2. Right-click the individual snapshot you want to load, and then select **Load**.

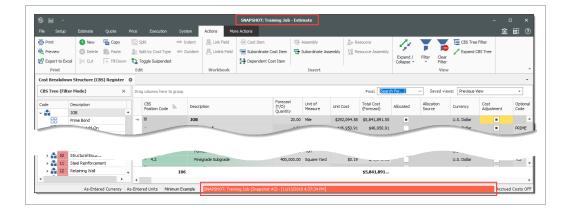
- 3. On the Snapshot Register, click the **Expand** icon next to the desired job to display the list of snapshots.
- 4. Right-click on the individual snapshot you want to load and select **Load**.



To identify a snapshot in Estimate as a read-only snapshot:

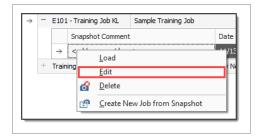
- The job name is preceded by the label SNAPSHOT centered on the top of the toolbar.
- A red banner shows the snapshot information at the bottom of the page.

A snapshot can be modified, but it cannot be saved because it is read-only.



Edit a snapshot

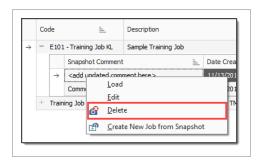
- 1. In the Snapshot Register, click the **Expand** icon next to the job to show the snapshots.
- 2. Right-click the individual snapshot you want to edit, and then select **Edit**.



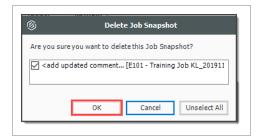
- 3. The Edit Job Snapshot dialog box opens. You can do the following:
 - · Add a comment in the Snapshot Comment field.
 - Select the check box to include existing attachments.
 - Configure user access. Select one of the following options:
 - Select Use Job's current User Access restrictions... to use the job's current access restrictions.
 - Select Remove User Access restrictions... to allow read-only access to all users.
 - Select Specify User Access restrictions... to specify new user restrictions. This option
 is selected by default. You can then use the Add and Remove buttons to specify
 access using Active Directory. Users with current access to the job are automatically
 added to the list.
- 4. Click **OK** to update the snapshot.

Delete a snapshot

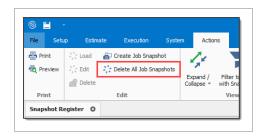
- 1. From the Snapshot Register, click the **Expand** icon next to the job to show the snapshots.
- 2. Right-click on the individual snapshot you want to delete snapshots from and select **Delete**.



3. In the Delete Job Snapshot dialog box, click **OK**.



You can also click **Delete All Job Snapshots** in the Actions tab to remove all snapshots.



Exercise 2.1 – Data Reproduction

Now that you have learned how to utilize the Bid Wizard, complete the following steps using the Bid Wizard and Copy & Paste features.

| 1. | Open the Bid Wizard by clicking the Bid Wizard icon from the More Actions tab. | | | | |
|-----|---|--|--|--|--|
| 2. | Choose the Create a new job radio button. | | | | |
| 3. | Type BW Exercise (with your initials) in the New Code field and type Exercise in the Description field. | | | | |
| 4. | Choose Select cost items. | | | | |
| 5. | For all selections, choose Copy from source job . | | | | |
| 6. | Select the Also copy all non-utilized resources checkbox. | | | | |
| 7. | Select Copy from source job under Unassigned Cost Items and Markup, and the Copy Markup box is automatically selected. | | | | |
| 8. | Find and select Training Job and click OK . | | | | |
| 9. | Use the Toggle Include All button to exclude all selections. | | | | |
| 10. | Select the checkboxes to include Cost Items 4-7 . | | | | |
| 11. | Click Finish to add the new job. | | | | |
| 12. | Select Adjust the pay rules and shift arrangements to match the destination. | | | | |
| 13. | Open the CBS to see the cost items that were brought in. | | | | |

- 14. Open the **Infra Job Copy** with your initials that you created earlier in this lesson.
- 15. Copy **Cost items 8 and 9** and paste them into the BW Exercise job.

You should end up with the following results

| CBS Position Code | Description | Optional Code | Forecast (T/O) Quantity | Unit of Measure |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| + | Indirect Cost Escalation | INDIRECT COST ESCAL | 1.00 | Lump Sum |
| + | Direct Cost Escalation | DIRECT COST ESCALAT | 1.00 | Lump Sum |
| + | Indirect Cost Add-On | INDIRECT COST ADD-ON | 1.00 | Lump Sum |
| + | Job Management & Equipment | JOB MANAGEMENT & E | 1.00 | Lump Sum |
| + | General Expense | GENERAL EXPENSE | 1.00 | Lump Sum |
| - | Direct Cost Add-On | DIRECT COST ADD-ON | 1.00 | Lump Sum |
| 1 | Aggregate Base | 303 5912 | 45,000.00 | Ton |
| - 1.1 | Furnish & Haul Base Material | 4.1 | 45,000.00 | Ton |
| - 1.2 | Finegrade Subgrade | 4.2 | 400,000.00 | Square Yard |
| 1.3 | Install Aggregate Base | 4.3 | 45,000.00 | Ton |
| - 1.3.1 | Place Aggregate Base | 4.3.1 | 45,000.00 | Ton |
| 1.3.2 | Blue Top Aggregate Base | 4.3.2 | 400,000.00 | Square Yard |
| 2 | Asphalt Concrete Hot Mix Type A | 303 4263 | 35,000.00 | Ton |
| 2.1 | Furnish & Haul Hot Mix | 5.1 | 35,000.00 | Ton |
| 2.2 | Install Hot Mix Type A | 5.2 | 35,000.00 | Ton |
| 3 | 36 Inch RCP Culvert Class III | 413(B) 0464 | 1,024.00 | Linear Feet |
| 3.1 | Furnish RCP Materials | 6.1 | 1,024.00 | Linear Feet |
| 3.2 | Excavate RCP Trench | 6.2 | 1,858.56 | Cubic Yard |
| 3.3 | Install RCP Pipe | 6.3 | 1,024.00 | Linear Feet |
| 3.4 | Backfill RCP Pipe | 6.4 | 1,587.20 | Cubic Yard |
| 4 | 10 Inch PVC Force Main (SDR21) | 800 0220 | 12,000.00 | Linear Feet |
| 4.1 | Furnish 10 Inch PVC Materials | 7.1 | 12,000.00 | Linear Feet |
| 4.2 | Excavate-Install-Backfill 10 Inch PVC | 7.2 | 12,000.00 | Linear Feet |
| 5 | 24 Inch PVC Gravity Sewer (SDR35) | 800 0330 | 3,000.00 | Linear Feet |
| 5.1 | Excavate 24 Inch PVC | 8.1 | 3,000.00 | Linear Feet |
| - 5.1.1 | Excavate 24 Inch PVC 0-6 ft Depth | 8.1.1 | 1,390.00 | Cubic Yard |
| - 5.1.2 | Excavate 24 Inch PVC 6-10 ft Depth | 8.1.2 | 3,610.00 | Cubic Yard |
| - 5.2 | Furnish & Install 24 Inch PVC | 8.2 | 3,000.00 | Linear Feet |
| 5.3 | Backfill 24 Inch PVC | 8.3 | 4,520.00 | Cubic Yard |
| 6 | 4 Foot Diameter Manhole | 800 0400 | 16.00 | Each |
| ⊦ 6.1 | Furnish 4 ft Manhole Materials | 9.1 | 16.00 | Each |
| + 6.2 | Excavate-Install-Backfill Manhole | 9.2 | 16.00 | Each |

Congratulations, you have completed this exercise!

Lesson 2 Review

- 1. From the New option on the Backstage View, which of the following options are available for creating a new job? (Select all that apply)
 - a. Scratch
 - b. Template
 - C. Import
 - d. Existing Job
 - e. Historic
 - f. Bid Wizard
- 2. Which of the following job reproduction options lets you pick and choose which cost items you want to import into your new job?
 - a. Template
 - b. Bid Wizard
 - C. Existing Job
 - d. Archive
- 3. Which of the following options allows you to add cost items from another project when working in the CBS Register?
 - a. Bid Wizard
 - b. CBS Bid Wizard
 - c. Template
 - d. Existing Job

Lesson 2 Summary

As a result of this lesson, you can:

- Create a job from an existing job or template
- Create a template

- Reproduce estimate data using the Bid Wizard
- Reproduce estimate data using copy/paste
- Add cost items to a job using the CBS Bid Wizard
- Utilize the Snapshot function

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CHAPTER 3 - SPREADSHEET INTEGRATION

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3.1 EXPORT TO EXCEL

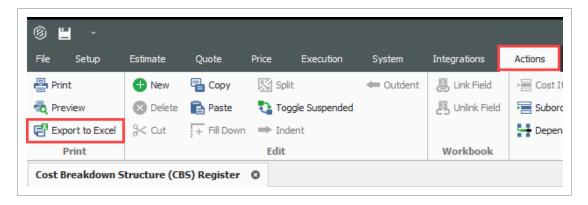
InEight Estimate's integration with Microsoft Excel includes a two-way integration that allows you to update register fields in InEight Estimate with data contained in an Excel workbook, and update Excel cells with data contained in a register column in InEight Estimate.

InEight Estimate includes a workbook export that makes it easy to transfer data out of InEight Estimate register forms to Microsoft Excel spreadsheets. This feature makes it faster and easier to send data from an InEight Estimate register to a spreadsheet, analyze it, modify it, and customize it for any other uses.

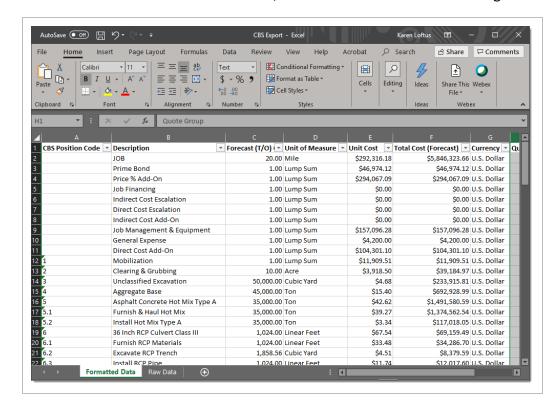
The Export to Excel feature is available on all register forms in the system and allows you to export the data currently displayed on a register form to an Excel worksheet.

Step by Step – Export Data to an Excel Workbook

- Open the Training Job and from the Estimate tab, open the CBS Register.
- 2. From the Actions tab, select **Export to Excel**.



- 3. On the Export spreadsheet to... dialog, browse to the location (folder) in your system where you want to save the workbook, enter **CBS Export** in the File name field, and click **Save**.
 - The workbook is saved to that location with the specified file name, and Excel automatically launches and displays the workbook



Notice that the columns are formatted, with column headers and filtering turned on

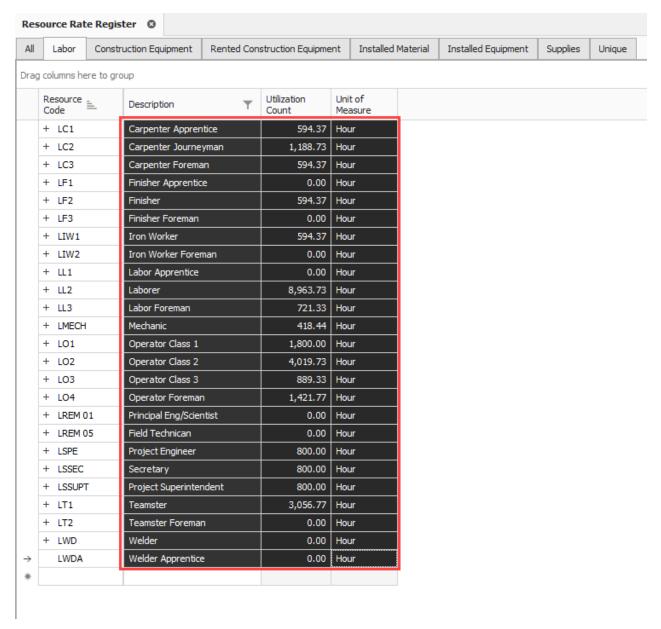
3.1.1 Cell Select

To copy and paste data in InEight Estimate or to Excel, you can use a feature called Cell Select. Walk through the following steps to learn how to copy specific fields in InEight Estimate to an Excel Spreadsheet.

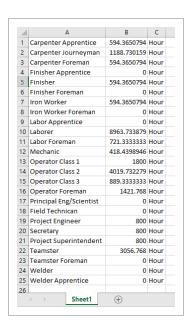
Step by Step - Cell Select

- 1. Open the **Training** Job and from the Setup tab, open the **Resource Rate Register**.
- 2. Select the Labor tab.
- 3. Select **Print View for Summary** from your Saved Views drop-down menu.
- 4. From the top-right corner, select the **Cell Select** icon, (next to the Help icon). This puts you in *Cell Select* mode, so you can select cells to copy in the same way you would in Excel.

5. With the Cell Select icon active, highlight all information in the **Description**, **Utilization Count** and **Unit of Measurecolumns** for all Labor resources.



- 6. Right click on the selection and select Copy.
- 7. Open an Excel spreadsheet, right click in the **A1** field and select **Paste Special**, choosing **CSV** as the Source.
- 8. Click **OK**. The fields you copied from InEight Estimate paste into the spreadsheet.



To turn off the Cell Select, simply click the Cell Select Icon again and it deselects

3.2 LINKING TO THE INEIGHT ESTIMATE JOB WORKBOOK

In every Estimate job there is an embedded workbook for doing side calculations and take-offs. You can link calculations in the job's workbook to fields in your Estimate job to automatically update your estimate. When you create a new job from scratch, the Library master workbook is copied to create a new embedded workbook for the job.

3.2.1 Estimate workbook elements

The workbook, which is a spreadsheet document, is where you can create a new document, load an existing file, or retrieve data from other data sources (for example, lists or data tables). You can also export your document to PDF and HTML supported formats. The workbook includes the following basic elements:

| Element | Description |
|-----------------------|---|
| Worksheet | A single page within a workbook. You can create, rename, move, copy, hide, or delete worksheets. |
| Rows and columns | Insert, copy, hide, freeze, resize, or remove rows and columns. |
| Cells and cell ranges | All worksheet data is stored in cells. Cells can contain different values: numbers, dates, text, logical values, and formulas. |
| Defined names | Define names for cells and formulas to make them easier to understand and maintain. A Name Box and Name Manager are included to allow you to create, view, edit and delete names. |
| Shapes and pictures | Add shapes and pictures to worksheets. All shape types are supported, from simple lines and rectangles to 3D shapes with advanced effects. |

| Element | Description |
|-------------------|---|
| Charts | Create charts to visualize data in your spreadsheets. You can choose from a wide range of chart options, from commonly used column and line charts to more sophisticated charts such as waterfall, histogram, sunburst, and funnel. |
| Tables | Convert a cell range into a table. You can then sort and filter the table data, use table names in formulas, create a calculated column, and display the table's total row. |
| Pivot tables | Create pivot tables to summarize and analyze large amounts of data in your document. |
| Threaded comments | Use comments to attach additional information to worksheet cells. |
| Hyperlinks | Insert hyperlinks into worksheet cells to navigate to a web page or a specific location within the workbook. |

3.2.2 Data management

Within each spreadsheet of the workbook, you can sort, filter, and group rows and columns, and calculate subtotals for related rows.

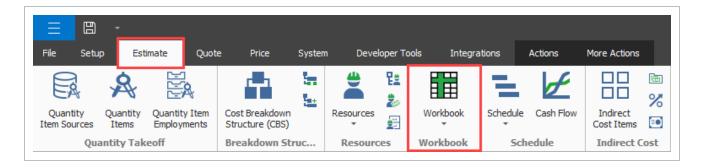
You can also protect the workbook or worksheets in the workbook to prevent unauthorized access.

3.2.3 Formulas

The workbook has a Formula Bar that allows you to create, view, and edit formulas of any complexity. The spreadsheet includes more than 400 built-in functions designed to address a broad range of use cases, from basic mathematical functions to complex statistics, engineering, and financial formulas. The workbook also supports user-defined (custom) formulas.

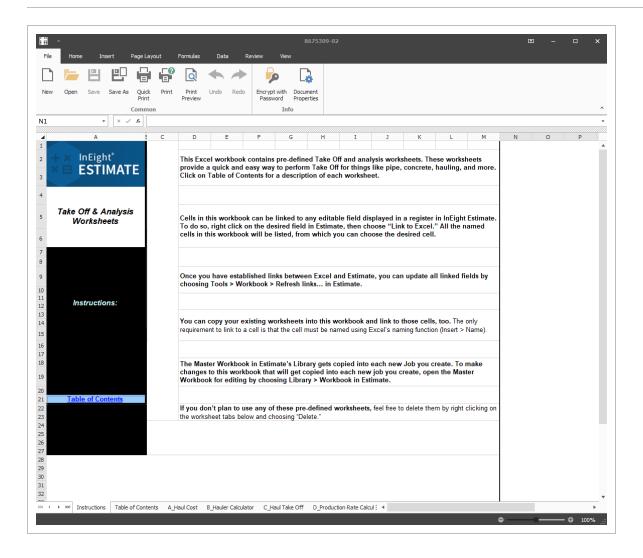
3.2.4 Opening the workbook

To open your job's workbook, select the **Estimate** tab, and then click the **Workbook** icon in the Workbook section.



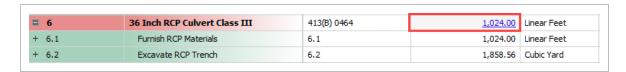
The embedded job workbook opens.

The job workbook has pre-defined take-off and analysis worksheets. You can also create your own predefined take-off and analysis worksheets. Open the applicable job worksheet, plug in your values, and the worksheet calculates your results.



3.2.5 Linking to and from the workbook

Estimate's linking capabilities with the job workbook is done in one of two ways: a field in Estimate can be populated with a value from the job workbook, or a cell in the worksheet can be populated with the data from an Estimate field. This two-way linking functionality lets you quickly perform workbook-based take-off or formula-driven analysis.



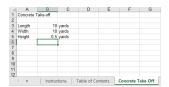
The following example describes how to link a calculation into InEight Estimate from the job workbook.

Link Estimate to the job's workbook

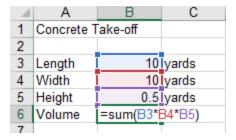
- Open the register you want to link to. For example, if you want to link a take-off calculation, open the CBS Register.
- 2. Create a new item at the bottom of the register. Continuing the example from the previous step, you would create a new cost item in the blank row at the bottom of the CBS register and name it **Concrete Foundation**.



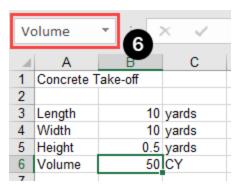
- 3. Click the **Workbook** icon in the Estimate tab to open the job's workbook.
- 4. In the job's embedded workbook, create a new worksheet, and then enter basic data. The image below shows a worksheet named *Concrete Take-off* and the applicable information:



5. Create a new row for calculations (for example, to calculate the total cubic yards by factoring the length, width, and height quantities).

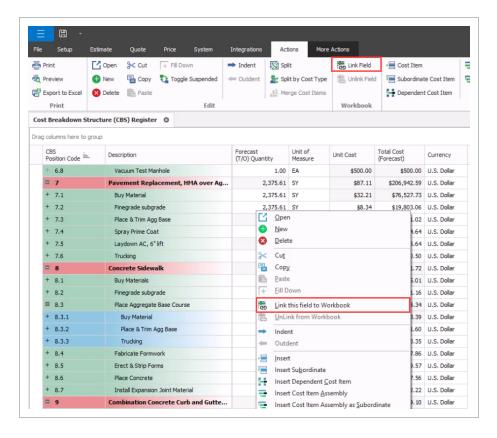


6. Estimate only links to named fields in the worksheet. Click in the field you want to name, as shown in the image below, and then click in the Field Name field and enter the name.

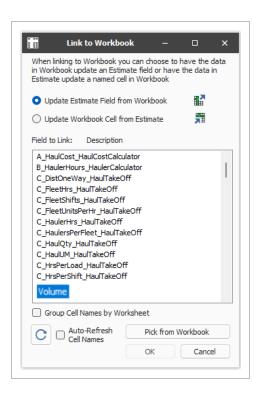


7. Go back to the register, and then right-click the field you want to link to. For this example, right-click the Concrete Foundation cost item Forecast (T/O) Quantity field, and then select **Link this field to Workbook**.

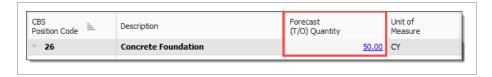
You can also link the field by selecting the field and then selecting **Link Field** from the Actions tab.



- 8. In the Link to Workbook dialog box, select the **Update Estimate Field from Workbook** button.
- 9. In the Field to link window, select the new field. (you might need to click the **Refresh** button for the field name to show).

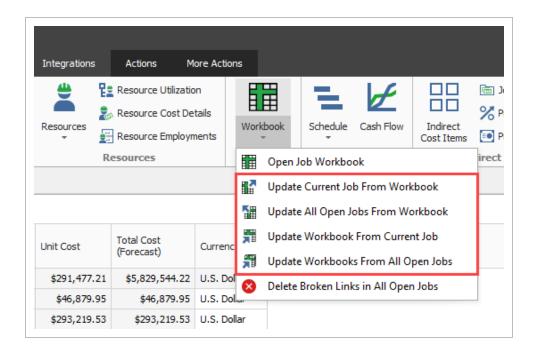


10. Click **OK**. The Forecast Quantity field for Concrete now is linked to the Volume field in the worksheet and populates with the take-off quantity (50)



3.2.6 Update links

When data in Estimate or the job workbook changes, you can quickly update all links, in just the currently active job or in all open jobs. Expand the Workbook drop-down list on the Estimate tab, and then select one of the options.



Lesson 3 Review

- 1. The Export to Excel feature is available on all register forms in the system and allows you to export the data currently displayed on a register form to an Excel worksheet.
 - a. True
 - b. False
- 2. In order to link an Excel field to InEight Estimate, the Excel field must be:
 - a. Named
 - b. Highlighted
 - C. Tagged
 - d. Selected

Lesson 3 Summary

As a result of this lesson, you can:

- Export data from InEight Estimate to Excel
- Link a field in InEight Estimate to Excel
- · Update a linked InEight Estimate field with Excel data

LESSON 4 - SCHEDULE INTEGRATION

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Lesson 4 Review

- 1. Under the Job Properties > Schedule tab, which setting can be enabled to account for plugged costs (e.g., for subcontractors)?
 - a. Resource price/unit
 - b. Expense Costs
 - c. Schedule ID
 - d. Actuals
- 2. For InEight Estimate schedule integration with Primavera, which of the following can be sent from your estimate to the schedule? (Select all that apply)
 - a. Activity data
 - b. Cash Flow graphs
 - C. Resource data
 - d. Cost data
 - e. Price data
- 3. The Schedule Plug Days option allows you to define the duration in the schedule separate from the duration defined for your cost items on the Production tab.
 - a. True
 - b. False

Lesson 4 Summary

As a result of this lesson, you can:

- · Set up scheduling options
- Update Schedule from InEight Estimate
- Update InEight Estimate from Schedule
- Manage changes between estimate and schedule

LESSON 5 - CASH FLOW

Lesson Duration: 25 Minutes

Lesson Objectives

After completing this lesson, you will be able to:

- Interpret cash flow and resource utilization on the Cash Flow graph
- Select Cash Flow Options
- Change Cash Flow Display Settings

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5.1 CASH FLOW OVERVIEW

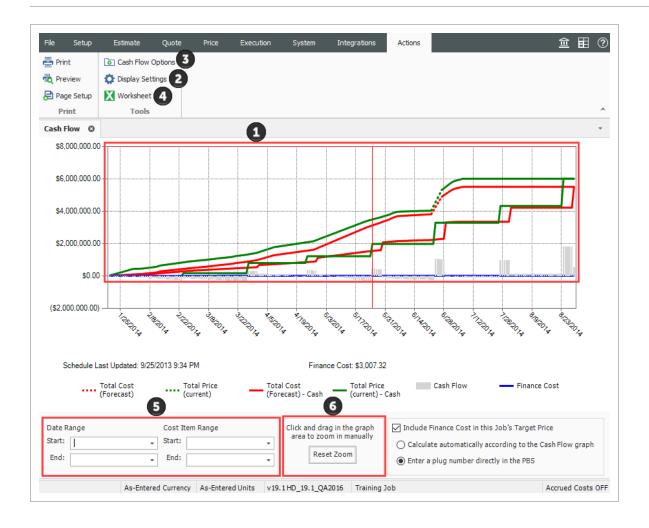
The Cash Flow form provides a graphical representation of the cash flow and resource utilization of your project, so you can quickly assess financing and resource needs.

You can open the Cash Flow form by selecting the **Estimate** tab from the Estimate landing page, then selecting **Cash Flow** from the Schedule section.

To generate a cash flow curve, the estimate must be populated with schedule dates either manually or directly from InEight Schedule or other compatible application that integrates with Estimate. For more information bout InEight Schedule, see InEight Schedule Integration.

The table and image below show an overview of the Cash flow form.

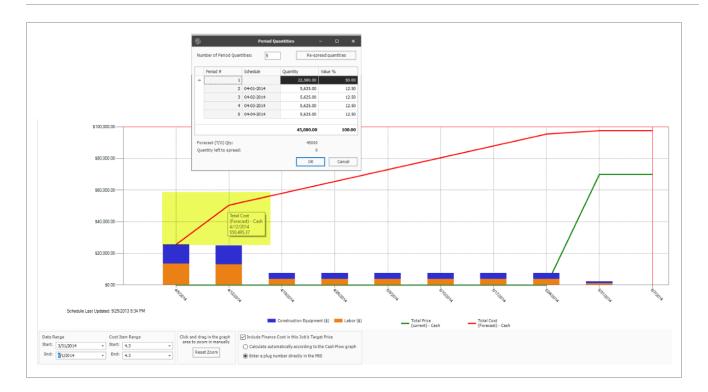
| Section | Description |
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| 1 | The graph displays the projected cash flow of your project, along with job financing expense, individual cost category costs and resource utilization. The x-axis measures time The left y-axis measures amounts The right y-axis measures quantities (when resource utilization is displayed) All graphs depicted on the Cash Flow form can be displayed based on Pay Quantity or Forecast (T/O) Quantity |
| 2 | Click on the Display Settings icon to indicate what to display on the graph. You can display total costs and price or specific cost categories You can also set the display settings to report on Resource Utilization |
| 3 | Click on the Cash Flow Options icon to specify revenue timing, cost timing, and cost of money. |
| 4 | Click the Excel icon to export the numerical data represented on the graph into an Excel spreadsheet where you can run additional analysis. |
| 5 | You can filter the Cash Flow graph by date range or by a range of cost items. |
| 6 | Click and drag over the graph to zoom in on a particular section. Click the Reset Zoom button to restore the graph to its original state. |



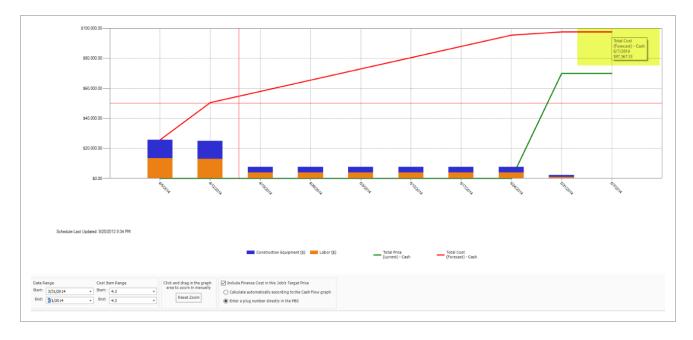
5.1.1 Cash flow example

Using the Period Quantities cost curve type as an example, on the Cash Flow graph, you can see that 50% of the total cost for this cost item, represented by the red line, is incurred in the first period of the project. Half of the project's cost is incurred during the first period of the project's lifespan as determined by what is entered in the cost item's period quantities.

A reason half of the project's cost is being used during the first period could be that resources available to perform the project happen to be mostly available during the front end of the project.



After the first period, the project incurs the remaining balance of the total project cost of \$95,000. This is spread equally with quantities of \$5,625 amongst the last three periods. This information helps you to better understand when the owner provides payment, in addition to deciding if more project funding or financing is needed.



Most costs on this one item will be incurred at the end of the activity, such as a subcontractor billing for most of his work as it nears completion. If its determined costs are incurred towards the end of the activity, you can attribute most of the cost items quantity in the last period. You can add any number of additional periods to a custom cost curve or to a cost curve defined by period quantities curve and the costs will be proportionally spread across the actual number of periods defined by the Cost Items start and finish dates and cash flow settings. Be aware, reducing the number of periods in a front or back end loaded curve may show a steeper total cost in some periods.



Using period quantities as the cost curve helps you determine how much of a cost item's cost is going to be spread in different durations of time.

5.2 CASH FLOW OPTIONS

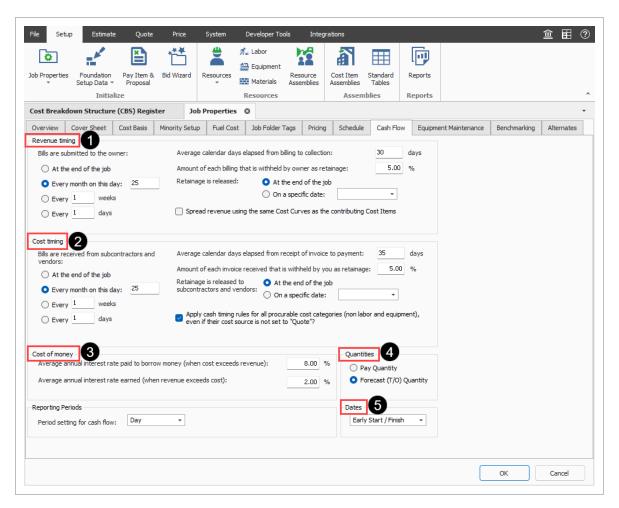
The Cash Flow options are used to define the cash flow rules needed to calculate the finance expense and cash flow for your project. To open the Cash Flow options, click on the **Cash Flow Options** icon in the Tools section of the Actions tab.

You can also access Cash Flow Options from the Setup > Job Properties > Cash Flow tab.

Cash flow rules describe how cash flow occurs between a contractor and a client, and between contractors or owners and vendors/subcontractors. Cash flow is then calculated based on both the earning and payment terms you specify, and the job's schedule and pay item prices.

To include any of your costs in your cash flow (including indirect costs), they need to be scheduled

The image and table below shows an overview of the cash flow rules.



| | Cash flow rule | Description |
|---|-------------------|--|
| 1 | Revenue timing | Represents the financing cost to fund the project. This section contains fields to specify interest rates you pay for the money you borrow, and interest rates you earn for money invested, to determine a total Finance Cost. |
| 2 | Cost timing | Cost is the amount of money expended to complete the scope of the |

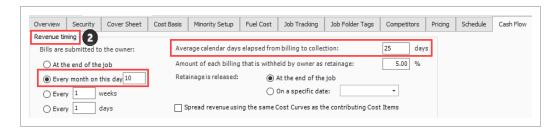
| | Cash flow rule | Description |
|---|-------------------|---|
| | | project. This section contains options to specify when and how often you pay contractors, subcontractors and vendors. |
| 3 | Cost of money | Represents the financing cost to fund the project. This section contains fields to specify interest rates you pay for the money you borrow, and interest rates you earn for money invested, to determine a total Finance Cost. |
| 4 | Quantities | Allows you to calculate cash flow based on pay quantities or forecast (T/O) quantities. |
| 5 | Dates | By default, the scheduled Early Start and Early Finish dates of each cost item (and its resource employments) as listed in the CBS Register, provide the timing of the expenses, revenue, and costs that show up on the Cash Flow graph. You have the option to base cash flow timing on Start/Finish dates or Late Start/Finish dates. |

Cash flow options configuration

1. On your job, from the Estimate tab, select **Setup >Job Properties >Cash Flow**.

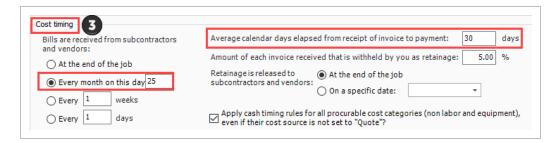


- The default options show automatically. You can adjust the default option.
- 2. You can change your Revenue timing. For example, you can change to **Every month on the 10th**.
 - The average calendar days from billing to collection should be set to 25 days

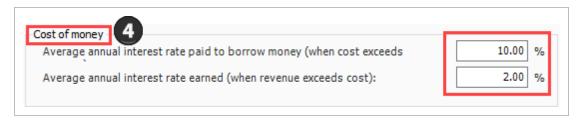


3. For Cost timing, bills are received from subcontractors and vendors Every month on the 25th.

Average calendar days elapsed from receipt of invoice to payment should be set to 30 days



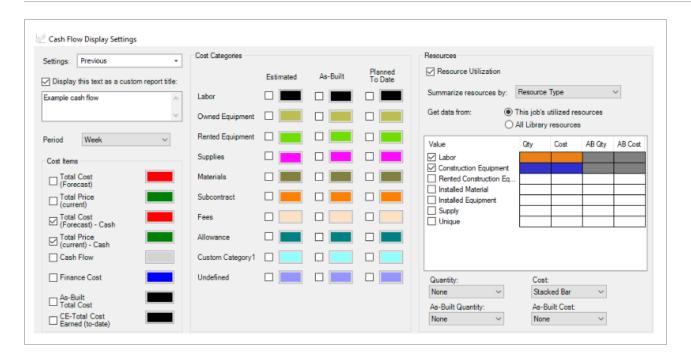
4. You can update the Cost of money values. For example, you can enter **10**% for the Average annual interest rate paid to borrow money (when cost exceeds revenue) and **2**% for Average annual interest rate earned (when revenue exceeds cost).



5. You have the option of updating all other values or leave the default values. .

5.3 CASH FLOW DISPLAY SETTINGS

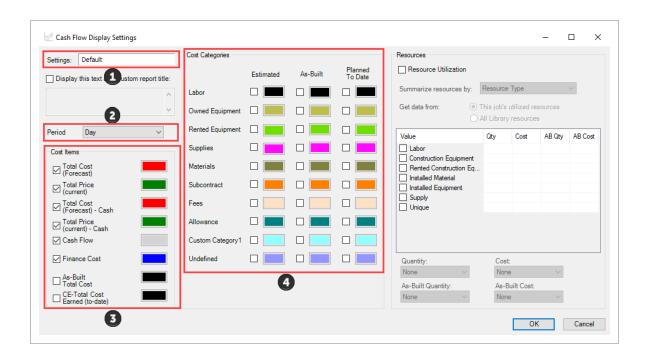
The Cash Flow Display Settings allow you to control what information displays on the Cash Flow graph. In the Cash Flow tab, you can open the cash flow display settings in the Actions main tab. Click the **Display Settings** icon in the Tools section.



| Section | Description |
|---------|---|
| 1 | You can save your display settings for future use. |
| 2 | Select how the graph measures the timing of your cash flow. Options include: Day, Week, Month, Quarter, and Year. |
| 3 | Under the Cost Items section, you can select: Total Cost (Forecast): The total cost of your scheduled cost items, based on when your costs are accrued (when your cost items are scheduled). This is displayed as a dashed line on the graph Total Price (current): The total revenue of your pay items, based on when the revenue is earned (when your cost items are scheduled). This is displayed as a dashed line on the graph Total Cost (Forecast) - Cash: The total cost of your scheduled cost items, reflecting the cost timing you specify in the Cash Flow Options. This is displayed as a solid line on the graph Total Price (current) - Cash: The total revenue of the pay items, reflecting the revenue timing you specify in the Cash Flow Options. This is displayed as a solid line on the graph Cash Flow: Displays the difference between your Total Cost - Cash and Total Price - Cash values, so you can see if you are making or losing money |

| Section | Description |
|---------|---|
| | Finance Cost: Displays the Cost of Money amount calculated from the settings you specify in the Cash Flow Options |

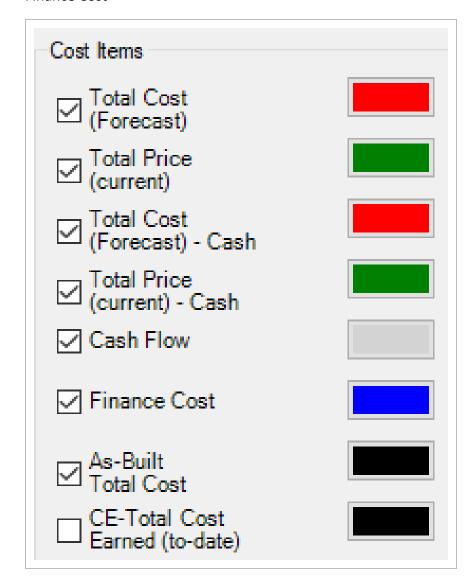
- 4 You can check the Estimated box for any specific cost categories you need to display.
 - The other check boxes are used for InEight Estimate Performance



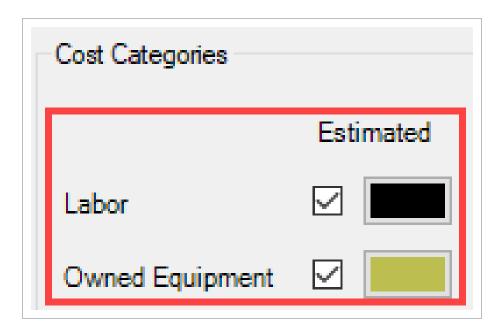
Cash flow display settings configuration

- 1. In the **E101 Training Job**, from the Estimate tab, select **Cash Flow** from the Schedule section.
- 2. On the Actions tab, select Display Settings of to open the Display Settings window.
- 3. From the Period drop-down list, select Week.
- 4. Under the Cost Items section, make sure the following are selected:
 - Total Cost (Forecast)
 - Total Price (Forecast)
 - Total Cost (Forecast) Cash

- Total Price (Forecast) Cash
- · Cash Flow
- Finance Cost

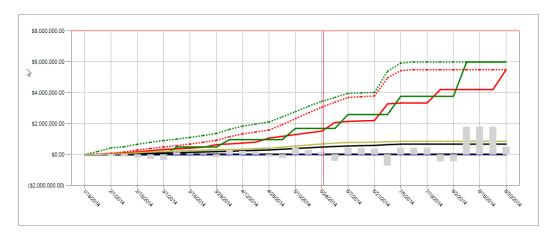


5. Under the **Cost Categories** section, check the **Estimated** checkbox for the Labor and Owned Equipment categories.

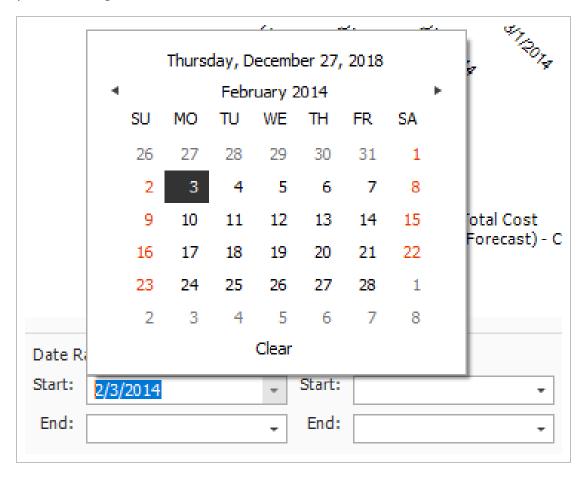


- 6. Click **OK** to close the Display Settings window.
 - Your Total Cost (Forecast) displays as a dashed red line, indicating your accrued costs based on when your cost items are scheduled and the assigned cost curves for each cost item.
 - Your Total Price (current) displays as a dashed green line, indicating the revenue you've earned, based on the timing of your pay items
 - Your Total Cost (Forecast) Cash displays as a solid red line, indicating your costs, based
 on when your cost items are scheduled and the cost timing defined in Cash Flow Options
 - Your Total Price (current) Cash displays as a solid green line, indicating your revenue, based on the timing of your pay items and the revenue timing defined in Cash Flow Options
 - · Your Cash Flow displays grey bars indicating when your cash flow is negative or positive

• Your Finance Cost displays as a blue line on the graph



7. To filter your graph by date range, click on the **Start** drop-down arrow - and select a start date of your date range filter.



8. Click on the **End** drop-down arrow - and select an end date of your date range filter.

- Your graph now only includes your cost items that fall within the specified date range
- 9. To remove the filter, click in the **Start** field and press the **Backspace** key.
- 10. Do the same for the End field.

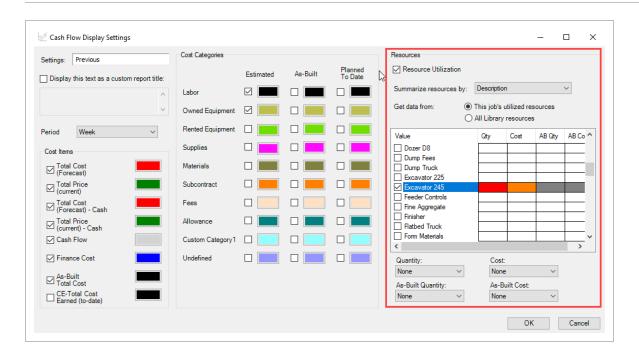
5.3.1 Resource utilization

You can also use the Cash Flow graph to report on resource utilization. For example, you may want to run a report that displays a work hours curve for a particular labor trade or to see the peak usage times for a particular piece of heavy equipment.

You can run resource utilization graphs based off of any of the following:

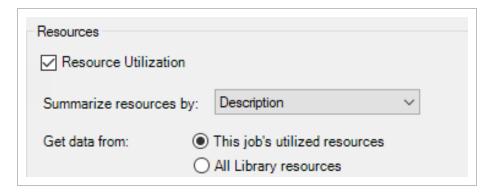
- Resource Type
- Resource Code
- Description
- Organizational Category
- Tag 1, 2, and 3
- Quote Group
- Account Code and Cost Item Account Code
- Fuel Type

You set up your resource utilization settings from the same Display Settings window you use for setting up Cash Flow, **Display Settings** • in the Tools section of the Actions menu.



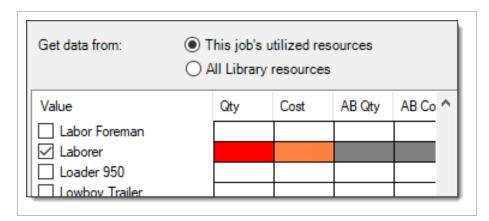
Resource utilization display configuration

- 1. In the **E101 Training Job**, from the Estimate tab, select **CashFlow** from the Schedule section.
- 2. On the Actions tab, select **Display Settings** to open the Display Settings window.
- 3. Make sure the all checkboxes are unchecked under the Cost Items and Cost Categories sections.
- 4. Under the Resources section, check the **Resource Utilization** checkbox.
- 5. From the Summarize resources by drop-down list, select **Description**.

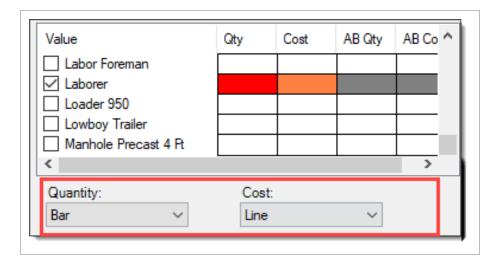


- 6. From the resulting list of Values, select Laborer.
- 7. Click in the **Qty** field for the selected value and select a color of your choice.

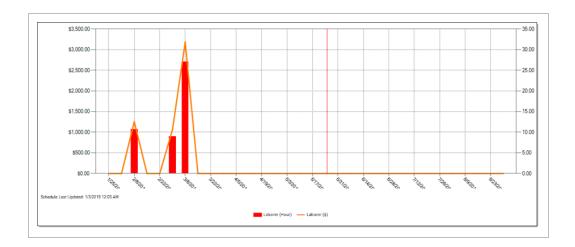
- In this case the Qty represents the work hours for your Laborer resource
- 8. Click in the **Cost** field for the selected value and select a different color of your choice.



9. From the **Quantity and Cost** drop down lists, you can select how your quantities and costs will display on the graph. In this case select the Quantity to show as a **Bar** and Cost to display as a **Line**.



- 10. Click **OK** to close the Display Settings window.
 - The graph now shows the utilization of your Laborer resource, showing the work hours and costs used over time



The graphs shown on the Cash Flow form are based on the estimated cost of each cost item and its resource employments (in the case of resource utilization).

Lesson 5 Review

- 1. Under what cash flow form can you set up your revenue and cost timing?
 - a. Cash Flow Options
 - b. Display Settings
 - c. Worksheet
 - d. Page Setup
- 2. By default, the red dashed line on the Cash Flow graph represents the:
 - a. Total Cost (Forecast)
 - b. Total Price (current)
 - c. Total Cost (Forecast) Cash
 - d. Total Price (current) Cash
- 3. In the Cash Flow Display Settings, Resource Utilization allows you to view a graphical summarization of your resources by which of the following? (Select all that apply)
 - a. Resource File Description
 - b. Resource Type
 - C. Resource Code
 - d. Description
 - e. Wage Zone
 - f. Organizational Category

Lesson 5 Summary

As a result of this lesson, you can:

- Interpret cash flow and resource utilization on the Cash Flow graph
- Select Cash Flow Options
- Change Cash Flow Display Settings

LESSON 6 – INEIGHT ESTIMATE CALCULATORS

Lesson Duration: 20 Minutes

Lesson Objectives

After completing this lesson, you will be able to:

- Use the Haul Calculator
- Use the Trench Calculator
- Use the In-Field Calculator

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6.1 HAUL CALCULATOR

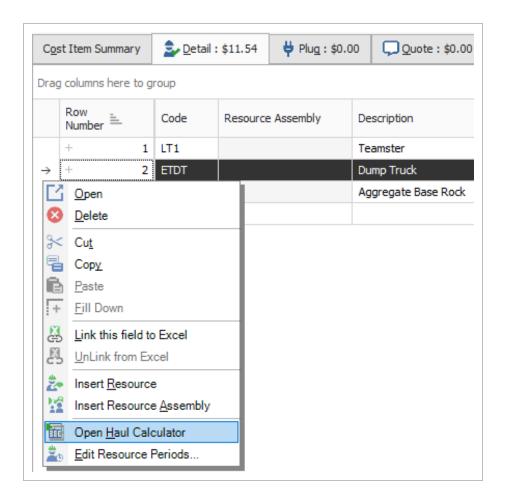
The **Haul Calculator** allows you to enter the specifics of up to three haul routes (distance, travel speed, etc.). Once entered, you can either:

- Calculate the number of trucks required to complete the haul in a set amount of time, or
- Calculate how long it will take to complete the haul with a set number of trucks

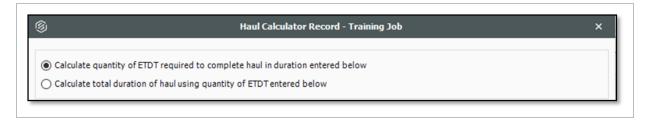
The following activity walks step by step through using the Haul Calculator to calculate the number of trucks needed for a cost item.

Step by Step - Haul Calculator - Calculate Quantity of Trucks

- 1. Open the **Training Job** and from the Estimate tab, select **Cost Breakdown Structure**.
- 2. Open cost item **4.1 Furnish & Haul Base Material**.
- 3. On the Cost Item Record, click the **Detail tab**.
- 4. Right click on the ETDT Dump Truck row header and select Open Haul Calculator.



5. On the Haul Calculator, select the **Calculate quantity of ETDT required to complete haul in duration entered below** radio button. (ETDT is the resource code for the Dump Truck you selected.)



- 6. For the **Haul Distance**, type **5**.
- 7. Enter an Average Payload (Ton) of 30.
- 8. For Load Time (Minutes), type 3.
- 9. Enter a **Travel Speed Full** of **35** Mile/Hour.
- 10. For **Dump Time (Minutes)**, type **2**.

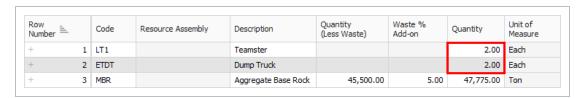
- 11. Enter a Travel Speed Empty of 45 Mile/Hour. Notice this calculates a cycle time of 20.24.
- 12. Enter a Work Efficiency of 90 percent.



• The calculator shows a result of 1.56 concurrent haulers

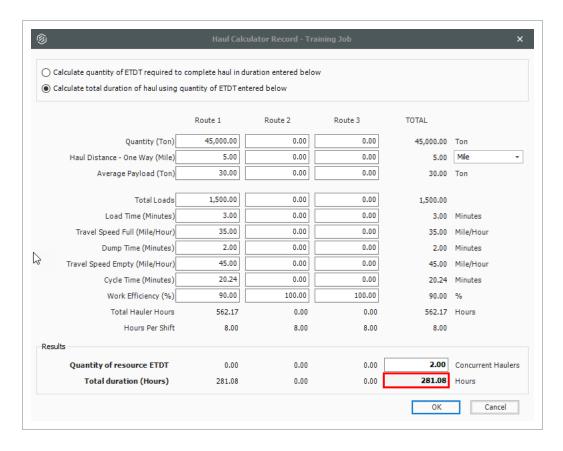


- 13. Click **OK**.
- 14. Your cost item now shows a quantity of 1.56. Round up the Quantity to **2**. Also, adjust the Teamster Quantity to **2** (if needed).



Step by Step – Haul Calculator - Calculate Total Duration

- Open the Training Job and from the Estimate tab, select Cost Breakdown Structure.
- 2. Open cost item **4.1 Furnish & Haul Base Material**.
- 3. On the Cost Item Record, click the **Detail** tab.
- 4. Change your Teamster and Dump Truck quantities back to 2 each.
- 5. Right click on the ETDT Dump Truck row header and select Open Haul Calculator.
- 6. On the Haul Calculator, select the Calculate total duration of haul using quantity of ETDT entered below radio button.
 - With the previous information you entered still there, the calculator calculates a total duration of 281.08 hours



7. Click OK.

- The Hours field on the Production tab updated to 281.08
- Your ETDT Dump Truck quantity remains at 2

6.2 TRENCH CALCULATOR

The **Trench Calculator** allows you to quickly calculate trench, pipe, and bedding values. You can perform pipe-related take-off by defining the details of the trench (e.g., length, depth, width, hinge elevation, backslope, and swell factor), the pipe (diameter, elevation, and waste factor), and up to four beddings.

With this information, the Trench Calculator can automatically calculate:

- Total excavation volume (neat-line)
- Total excavation volume (including swell/shrinkage)
- Total pipe to purchase

- Lift Volume (for up to four beddings)
- Lift Weight (for up to four beddings)

You can use these calculations to define certain cost item setup data:

- You can use the Total Excavation Volume that is calculated as the quantity of the cost item
- You can use the Total pipe to purchase calculation as the quantity of a resource (e.g., pipe) that has been employed to the cost item
- You can use the Lift Volume or Lift Weight that is calculated as the quantity of a resource employed to the cost item in either cubic yards or tons
- You can click the Toggle English / Metric button at the bottom of the dialog to switch between the English and Metric systems for entering data

You can access the Trench Calculator from the Actions tab of a Cost Item Record

When copying cost items in a job or from job to job, the Trench Calculator variable data is included with the data being copied. When a cost item is copied to the clipboard, Trench Calculator variable data is also included.

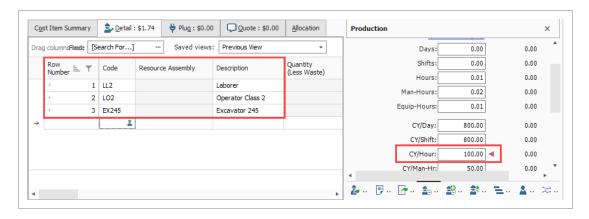
6.2.1 Trench Calculator - Trench Tab

The following steps walk through using the Trench Calculator to take-off excavation volume.

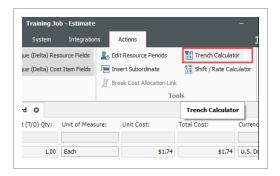
Step by Step – Trench Calculator - Trench

- Open the Training Job and from the Estimate tab, select Cost Breakdown Structure.
- 2. Create a new cost item from the bottom row of your CBS and call it **24" Pipe**.
- 3. Add the following three subordinates and update their Units of Measure:
 - Excavate Trench: CY
 - Install Pipe: LF
 - Backfill Trench: CY
- 4. Open the Excavate Trench Cost Item Record. Add the following resources:

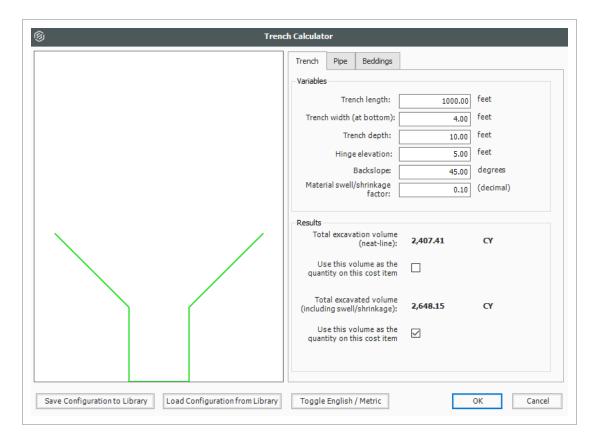
- LL2 Laborer 1
- LO2 Operator Class 2 1
- EX245 Excavator 245 1
- 5. Adjust the Production to: **100 CY/Hour**.



6. On the Cost Item Record's Actions tab, select **Trench Calculator**.



- 7. For **Trench Length**, type **1000.00** feet.
- 8. For **Trench Width** (at the bottom) type **4.00** feet.
- 9. Enter a Trench Depth of 10.00 feet.
- 10. Enter a Hinge Elevation of 5.00 feet.
- 11. Enter a **Backslope** of **45** degrees.
- 12. Define the Material Swell/Shrinkage Factor (fraction expressed as a decimal) at .10.
 - You can select either a "neat-line" total volume or include swell/shrinkage
- 13. Select the "Total excavated volume (including swell/shrinkage)" checkbox.



- 14. Click **Save Configuration to Library** and save the Trench calculator as **Trench Example** with your initials.
- 15. Click **OK**.

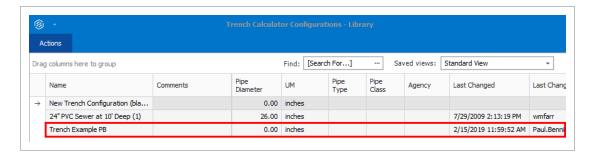
6.2.2 Trench Calculator - Pipe Tab

You can also use the Trench Calculator to take off how much piping and bedding you need for the trench.

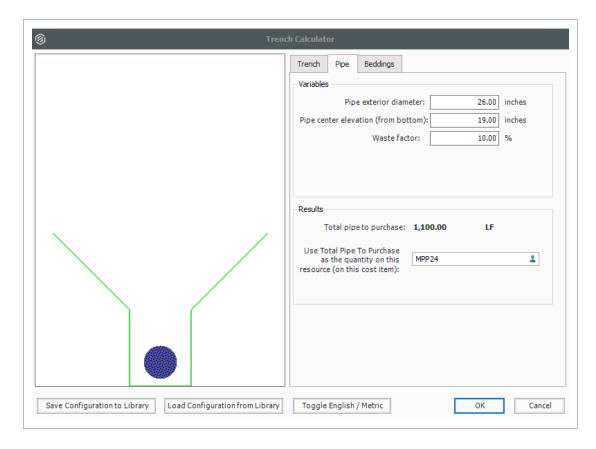
Step by Step - Trench Calculator - Pipe

- 1. On the CBS Register, adjust the Forecast T/O Quantity for the Install Pipe cost item to 1000 LF.
 - Assume this quantity is based off manual take-off calculations you already did
- 2. Open the Install Pipe Cost Item Record.

- 3. Add the Resource Assembly of CPIPE Pipe Crew and adjust the production to 300 LF / Day.
- 4. On the Cost Item Record's Actions tab, select **Trench Calculator**.
- 5. Select Load Configuration from Library.
- 6. Select Trench Example (with your initials).



- 7. Click OK.
- 8. On the Trench Calculator, select the **Pipe** tab.
- 9. Enter the following for the size and position of the pipe:
 - Pipe exterior diameter: 26.00 inches
 - Pipe center elevation (from bottom): 19.00 inches
 - Waste factor: 10%
- 10. Click on the resource icon to pull up the Resource Rate Register.
- 11. Select the Installed Material tab.
- 12. Select MPP24 Pipe 24" PVC SDR35, then click OK.
 - The Pipe variables you entered should match the following image:



- Click Save Configuration to Library and save the Trench calculator as Trench Example with your initials.
- 14. When prompted to overwrite the existing saved file, click Yes.
- 15. Click **OK** to close the Trench Calculator.

6.2.3 Trench Calculator - Beddings Tab

The following steps walk you using the Trench Calculator to calculate bedding take-offs.

Step by Step - Trench Calculator - Beddings

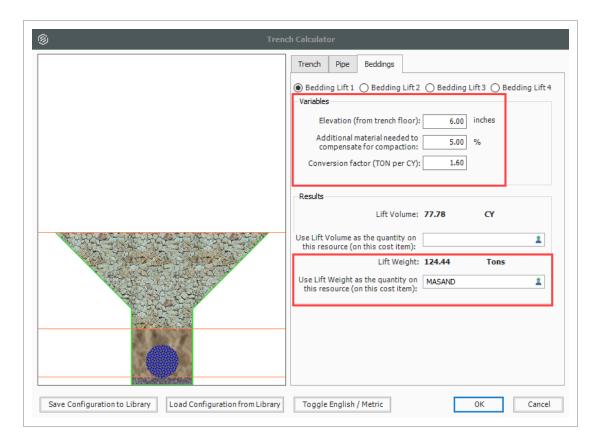
- 1. Back on the CBS Register, adjust the Forecast T/O Quantity for **Backfill Trench** to **2300** CY, based on manual calculations.
- 2. Open the Backfill Trench Cost Item Record.

- 3. Add the following resources:
 - LL2 Laborer 3
 - LO2 Operator Class 2 1
 - RPC Plate Compactor 1
 - EL950 Loader 950 1
- 4. Adjust the Production to 160 CY/Day.
- 5. From the Cost Item Record's Actions tab, select **Trench Calculator**.
- 6. Select Load Configuration from Library
- 7. Select **Trench Example** (with your initials), then click **OK**.
- 8. On the Trench Calculator, select the **Beddings** tab.
- 9. On the Beddings tab, you can define up to four beddings to backfill the trench
 - The variables you enter will determine how much bedding you need
- 10. Enter the following variables for each bedding:

| | Bedding Lift 1 | Bedding Lift 2 | Bedding Lift 3 |
|-------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Elevation (from trench floor) | 6.00 | 38.00 | 76.00 |
| Additional material needed | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 |
| Conversion factor | 1.60 | 1.70 | 1.60 |

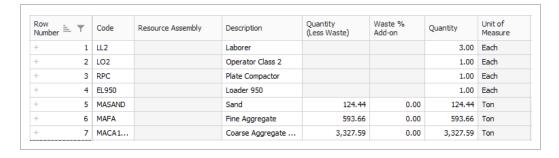
- Under Results, you can match each of the Bedding Lifts with a material resource, by selecting the **resource** icon and selecting the resource you want to employ from the Material tab
- 11. Selecting the resource from the Tons selection field, select the following materials for each bedding:

| | Resource Code | Resource Description |
|----------------|---------------|----------------------|
| Bedding Lift 1 | MASAND | Sand |
| Bedding Lift 2 | MAFA | Fine Aggregate |
| Bedding Lift 3 | MACA1-1/2 | Coarse Aggregate |



12. Click **OK**.

• Note that the pipe and bedding materials are added to the cost item with their quantities



Exercise 6.1 - Trench Calculator

In this exercise, you will practice using the Trench Calculator to take-off piping and bedding materials. Complete the following steps:

- 1. In the **Training Job**, create a new cost item called **Underground Pipe**.
- 2. Give the cost item a quantity and unit of measure of **1640 Linear Feet**.
- 3. Open the new cost item and open the **Trench Calculator**.
- 4. On the **Trench tab**, enter the variables for the trench:

| Trench length | 1000 feet |
|---------------------------------|----------------|
| Trench width (at bottom) | 4 feet |
| Trench depth | 10 feet |
| Hinge elevation | 5 feet |
| Backslope | 45 degrees |
| Material swell/shrinkage factor | 0.10 (decimal) |

- Do NOT check the box to bring in volume shrinkage.
- 5. Select the MPR36 material resource from the drop-down Results list.
- 6. On the **Beddings** tab, enter bedding variables.

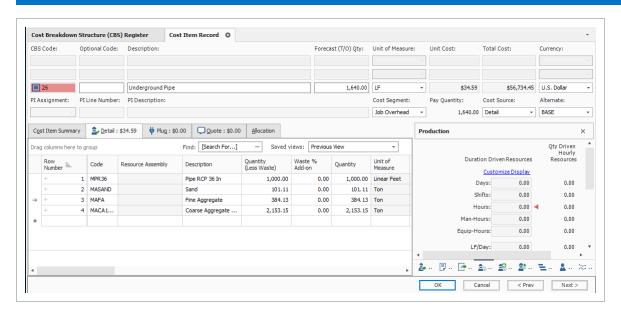
| Bedding lift 1 | | |
|---|----------|--|
| Elevation (from trench floor) | 6 inches | |
| Additional material needed to compensate for compaction | 5.00% | |
| Conversions factor (Ton per CY) | 1.3 | |
| Bedding material resource (Tons) | MASAND | |

| Bedding lift 2 | |
|---|-----------|
| Elevation (from trench floor) | 38 inches |
| Additional material needed to compensate for compaction | 5.00% |
| Conversions factor (Ton per CY) | 1.1 |
| Bedding material resource (Tons) | MAFA |

| Bedding lift 3 | |
|---|-----------|
| Elevation (from trench floor) | 76 inches |
| Additional material needed to compensate for compaction | 5.00% |
| Conversions factor (Ton per CY) | 1.1 |
| Bedding material resource (Tons) | MACA1-1/2 |

7. Select **OK** and confirm that the pipe material and bedding materials populated the cost item.

You should end up with the following results



Congratulations, you have completed this exercise!

6.3 IN-FIELD CALCULATOR

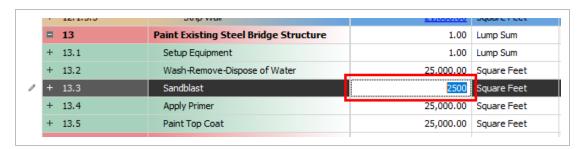
You can use the In-field Calculator to do simple mathematical calculations in any numeric field on records, registers, and tree lists. You use this calculator much like an Excel workbook field, by inserting the cursor in the field where you want to perform a calculation, then pressing the "=" key, followed by a valid arithmetic expression. To display the calculated result, you press the tab key. The resulting value is stored without the arithmetic expression used to calculate the value.

The following steps walk through using the In-field Calculator to calculate the area of how much sandblasting is needed for painting the steel bridge structure specified in the Training Job.

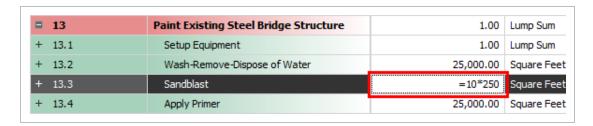
The resulting field value is stored without the arithmetic expression used to calculate the value.

Step by Step - In-Field Calculator

- 1. Open the **Training Job** and from the Estimate tab, select **Cost Breakdown Structure**.
- 2. Scroll to find cost item 13.3 Sandblast.
- 3. Click in the Forecast (T/O) Quantity field.



4. Press the = key, then type **10*250**.



5. Press the **Tab** key and it calculates the result.

Lesson 6 Review

- 1. The Haul calculator allows you to:
 - a. Calculate the number of trucks required to complete the haul in a set amount of time
 - b. Calculate how long it will take to complete the haul with a set number of trucks
 - c. Neither
 - d. Both
- 2. The Trench Calculator allows you to quickly calculate _____ values.
 - a. Trench
 - b. Pipe
 - C. Bedding
 - d. All of the above
- 3. For the in-field calculator, what symbol needs to be at the beginning of the math equation for it to calculate?
 - a. +
 - b. -
 - C. =
 - d. (

Lesson 6 Summary

As a result of this lesson, you can:

- Use the Haul Calculator
- Use the Trench Calculator
- · Use the In-Field Calculator

LESSON 7 - ADVANCED PRICING

Lesson Duration: 40 Minutes

Lesson Objectives

After completing this lesson, you will be able to:

- Use advanced pricing options including: alarm limits, subtotals, rounding precision, and Fixed Final Price
- Create and compare alternates for cost items and pay items
- Use Billing Rates

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7.1 ALARM LIMITS

The Alarm Limits lets you establish limits to specific pay items to make sure the pricing is within certain limits, i.e. percentage or unit price. The Alarm Limits do not do any calculations. It informs you if either of the limit types are outside the range. If outside the limits, the row is then colored red.

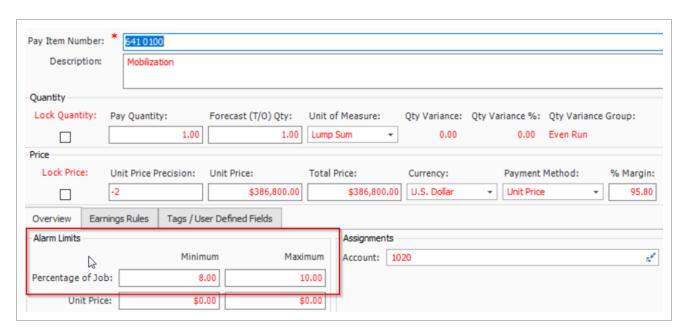
For example, when pricing Mobilization, there can be limits as to the amount that can be entered and how soon to receive payment. In the screen shot below, you can enter up to 10% of the contract price and receive that amount when 5 or 10% of the work is completed.

Pay Item and Proposal register:

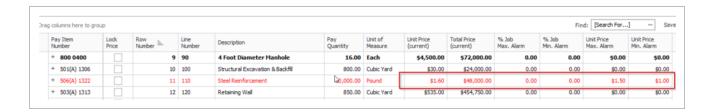


In this case, the limits are between 8 and 10%. The row is colored red to indicate that the Unit Price is not within the percentage limits.

The screen shot below is the record view for Mobilization.

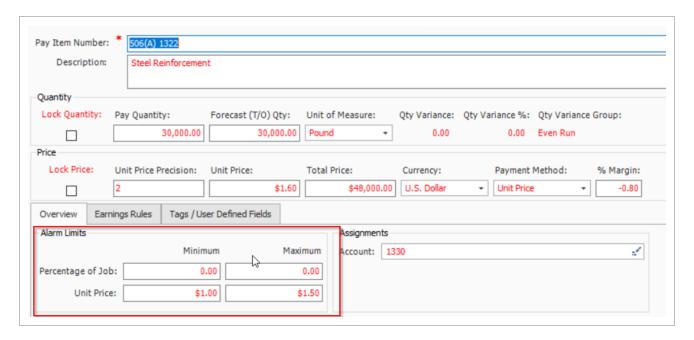


The following is an example for Steel Reinforcement as a Unit Price range.



Based on the screen shots, the Unit Price is not within the \$1.00 to \$1.50 range. It is \$1.60.

The record view is now shown.



7.2 SUBTOTALS

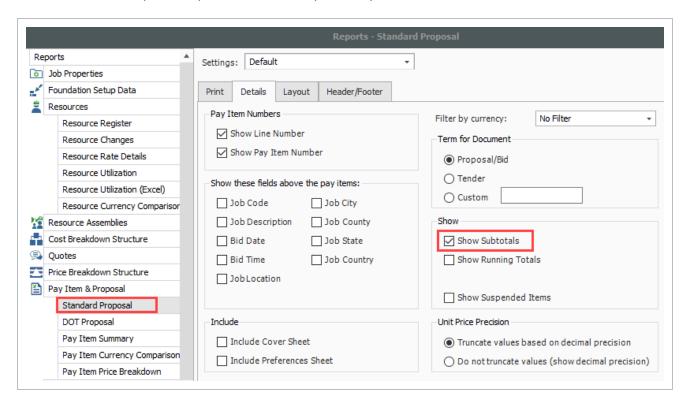
The subtotal feature is for situations where the Owner wanted subtotals on the proposal form of pay item groups.

The following screen shot is using the supplied Subtotal register view:



From the Subtotal column, the last item in the subtotal group is where the box is checked. Once the box is checked, then a description may be entered. After the box is checked, the **Subtotal Amount** and **Running Subtotal Amounts** are then displayed in a bold font.

In our standard Proposal Report, there is an option to printout the subtotals.



Exercise 7.1 – Subtotal View

Go to the Pay Item & Proposal Subtotal view to view subtotals.

- 1. In the Training Job, add an additional subtotal on the pricing page of your estimate to appear after Unclassified Excavation.
- 2. Add the subtotal with the description "SUBTOTAL: EARTHWORK" in the Pay Item & Proposal register.
- 3. Run the Standard Proposal report with subtotals showing.

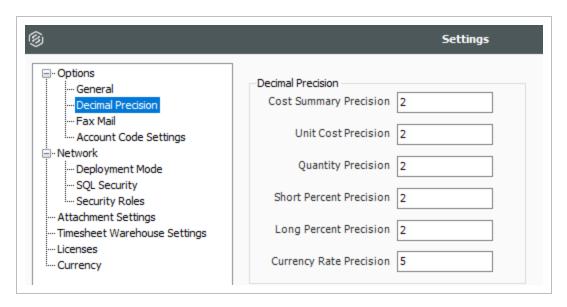
Congratulations, you have completed this exercise!

7.3 ROUNDING PRECISION

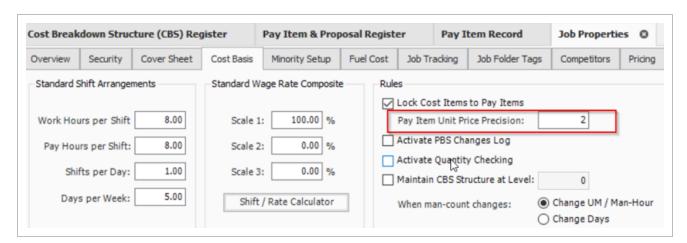
Rounding Precision lets you change the decimal position of the Unit Prices instead of manually entering the values.

You can preset the Unit Price decimals, then using this feature, round up or down the decimals. The job's default Unit Price decimal is set to 2.

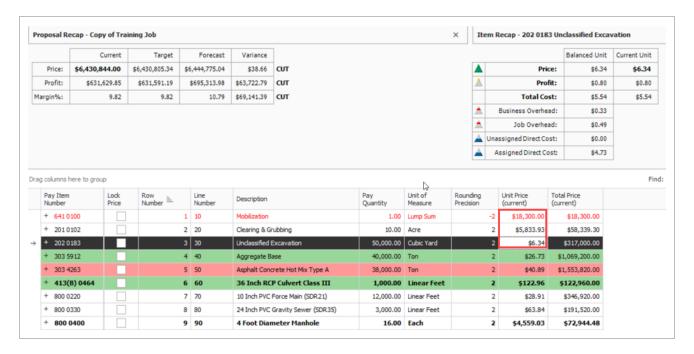
There are two decimal selections to understand. In the **Settings** form from the Backstage View, Decimal Precision lets you to calculate how many decimals to display.



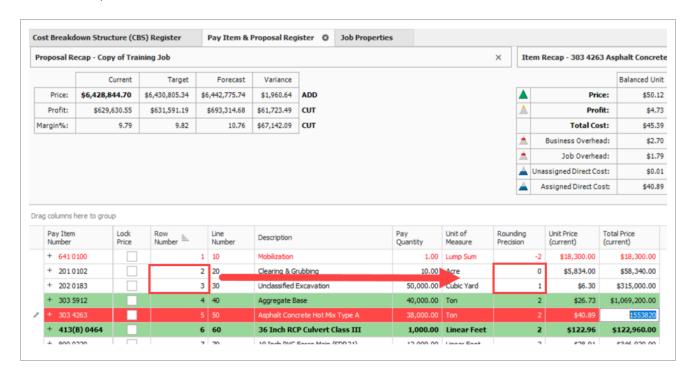
In the **Cost Basis** form from Job Properties, use the Unit Price decimal to calculate the Total Price.



In the following screen shot, the Rounding Precision column is set to 2 for each pay item with the exception of Mobilization, which was changed to -2. The -2 means to the nearest \$100.



Change the 2 and 3 pay item row's Rounding Precision to 0 and 1. The Unit Price changed accordingly. In doing so, you are moving the decimal to show tenth, zero, ten dollars, or in the Mobilizations case to the nearest \$100.



Exercise 7.2 – Advanced Pricing

SCENARIO: Using the Training Job, do the following to get ready for your bid closeout meeting with your manger:

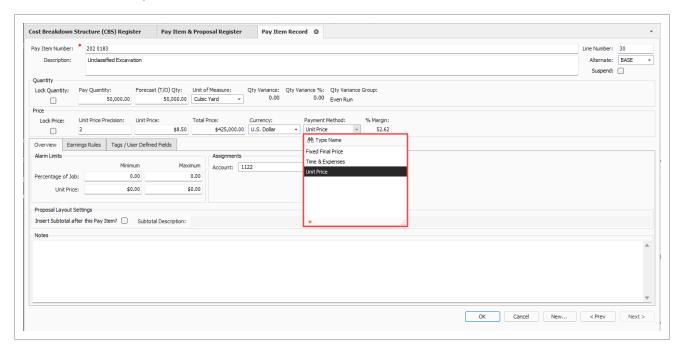
- 1. Set up rounding precision so all prices round to whole numbers (no decimals).
- 2. Add subtotals based on the owner's specifications.
- 3. Add an indicator to show if your unit price for Unclassified Excavation goes over \$18/cubic yard.

Congratulations, you have completed this exercise!

7.4 PAYMENT METHODS

There are three types of payment methods to choose from:

- Unit Price
- · Fixed Final Pay
- Time and Expense



7.4.1 Unit price

Unit Price is the default payment method. This option multiplies the unit price with the pay quantity to calculate the total price.

7.4.2 Fixed final price

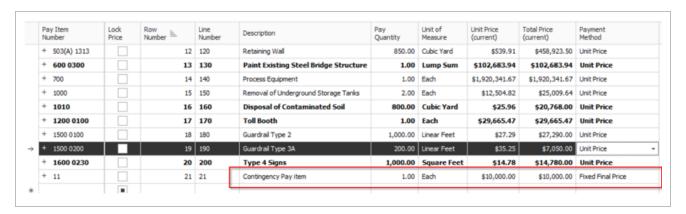
Fixed Final Price has two applications:

- Include a price for Allowance type pay items.
- Accurately calculate the over/under run pay items that are paid as if they were lump sum items.

7.4.2.1 Allowance type pay items

Allowance type pay items, sometimes referred to as contingency items, is where the owner provides a pay item and includes their own price for the item to be used by the contractor when completing the bid form. The pay item value becomes part of the proposal where the price for this item is included in the total bid amount and is frequently used by the owner as an allowance for scopes of work that might or might not be used, enabling owners to include in the total value of those items in their budget/contract amount for the project.

To identify a pay item as an allowance item, select **Fixed Final Pay**, and then enter the allowance amount of the pay item, for example \$10,000.



You can then lock the \$10,000 pay item so its value does not change when auto-pricing the proposal. Note that the issue now is having a pay item with \$10,000 of price and no assigned costs. Assuming you did not want to add any overhead and profit dollars to the \$10,000 pay item, in the CBS create and assign a cost item to this pay item and then enter a plug cost of \$10,000. The cost category used should be a category that will not be used in a direct or indirect cost markup item, so the markup can be calculated on the other costs in the job. The price of \$10,000 is included in the proposal but is offset by the \$10,000 of cost in a cost category that will not be used in any markup for overhead or profit.

7.4.2.2 Calculation of over/under run pay items using Fixed Final Pay method

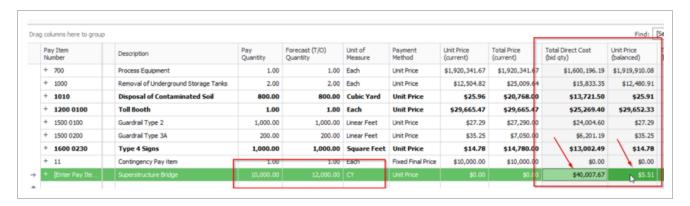
The Fixed Final Pay method is used to accurately calculate the over/under run pay items that are paid as if they were lump sum items. An issue occurs where a pay item is provided with a quantity (i.e., Superstructure Bridge of 10,000 CY) and you must enter a unit price against the 10,000 CY.

However, if the specifications states that this pay item will not be measured for payment and must be paid as if it were a lump sum item, but your quantity takeoff reveals that you will actually install more

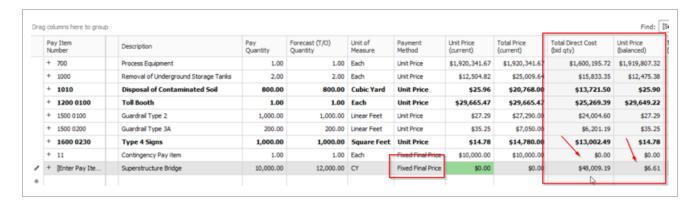
or less than the 10,000 CY. For example, your takeoff came to 12,000 CY and you entered the Forecast (TO) Quantity with the 12,000 CY.

In the CBS, the cost of this work is calculated based on the 12,000 CY. Typically, in a quantity underrun/overrun situation, Estimate can help you decide how best to price out these items. In this case, you cannot take advantage of the overrun situation. Using the Fixed Final Pay method with a quantity variance, Estimate can prorate the unit price of the item that will be paid for 10,000 CY, while still accounting for the cost to install all 12,000 CY

The following example shows where you have an overrun normally. It shows that you have the CBS direct cost as \$4.00 times 12000 CY for \$48,000. Notice the direct costs of \$40,000 and the balanced unit of \$5.51. This is the normal calculation if this was a true overrun pay item.



When you change the payment method to **Fixed Final Price**, the CBS cost of \$48,000 now shows. Then when you price out the pay item, you get a \$48,000 return.



7.4.3 Time and expense

The Time and Expense payment method is used to designate pay items that should be Cost plus pay items when the estimate is published to InEight Control. When the estimate is published to Control,

the Time and Expense payment items become Cost plus pay items in Control.

7.4.3.3 Critical Thinking - Fixed Final Price

SCENARIO: You are estimating a reinforced concrete bridge job. For the "Superstructure Concrete" pay item, the owner provides a quantity of 1000 cubic yards, but in the fine print you read "This pay item will be paid as if it were a lump sum item; there will be no measurement of the cubic yards."

You have already done the takeoff and measured 1200 cubic yards for the Superstructure Concrete and estimated the unit cost, but you know, based on the owner's fine print, you will only get paid based on the 1000 cubic yards the owner specified, leaving 200 cubic yards on the table that you won't get paid for.

If this were a unit price item, normally you would get paid based on your pay item price, by taking the unit cost from the CBS, adding overhead and profit, then multiplying that unit price by the quantity. But since this is being treated like a lump sum, you will only get paid based on the 1000 cubic yards instead of the 1200 you measured.

How can you still get paid based on the total cost you developed for this item in the CBS?

- A. Add more profit to the pay item to cover the loss in cost.
- B. Come up with the pay item's total price, based on the total cost you determined from 1200 cubic yards, then divide it by the pay quantity (1000 cubic yards) to come up with the unit price.
- C. Come up with the pay item's unit price, then multiply it by the forecast quantity (1200 cubic yards) to come up with the total price.

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7.4.3.4 Critical Thinking - Fixed Final Price

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How can you still get paid based on the total cost you developed for this item in the CBS?

- A. Add more profit to the pay item to cover the loss in cost.
 - You could do this, but it would make less profit available for other items.
- **B.** Come up with the pay item's total price, based on the total cost you determined from 1200 cubic yards, then divide it by the pay quantity (1000 cubic yards) to come up with the unit price.
 - This is a great approach. This ensures you account for all the cost you came up with in the CBS. When you divide it by the pay quantity, you will have a higher unit price that covers the overruning quantity you measured.
- **C.** Come up with the pay item's unit price, then multiply it by the forecast quantity (1200 cubic yards) to come up with the total price.
 - This is exactly what would occur if this were a normal unit price item and the owner had agreed to pay you based on the measured quantity. Since the owner is treating this like a lump sun, you will only get paid based on 1000 cubic yards and miss out on 200 cubic yards' worth of cost.

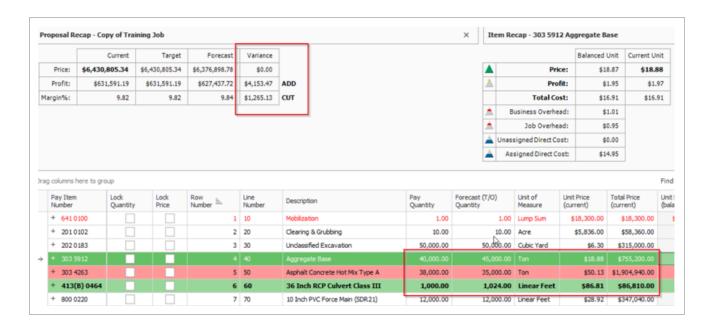
7.5 UNBALANCED PRICING

The pay items are provided along with the Pay Quantities. If the pay items are to be measured and paid on the final measured quantity, then we can provide information to price the pay items to maximize the return. Some specifications are written that if an over or under pay item runs a certain percentage, then the unit price is negotiated. With this understanding, you can forecast the final revenue result.

- Even run When the pay quantity and forecast quantity match,
- Over run When the forecast quantity is greater than pay quantity.
- **Under run** When the forecast quantity is less than the pay quantity.

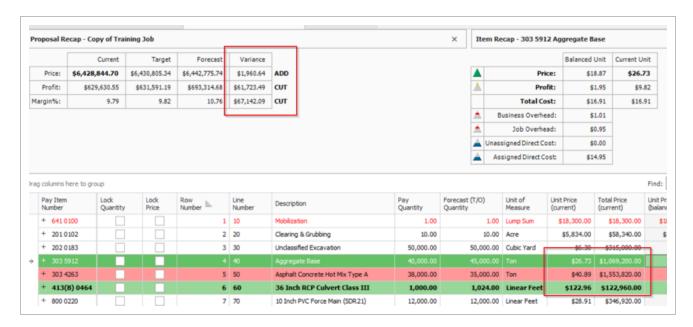


The following image shows a typical over run and under run example. The overrun quantities are shown in green and the underrun quantities are shown in red. The job is balanced priced where all pay items are using their balanced unit price. In the Variance column, the Profit row variance shows the **ADD** amount of \$4153.47.



This means that if the Forecast Quantities become the final measure amount, the amount of \$4153.47 is lost. This is the difference between the Target Profit and the Forecast Profit. The issue is that the underrun quantity is priced using Balanced Price, meaning there are 3,000 tons that we will not be paid for if I'm expecting a total of 35,000 tons.

Now, we will use the system's Unbalanced feature to price all the pay items as shown in the following image.



The Unbalanced Autoprice option priced out the underrun with its Direct Cost only. The overhead and profit share of the underrun was spread proportionately to the overrun items. The underrun was priced lower than normal, and the overrun items were priced higher than normal.

The Variance column of the Profit row variance shows the **CUT** amount of \$61,723.49, meaning if my forecast quantities end up being the final measured quantities, we will have an additional \$61,723 dollars in profit.

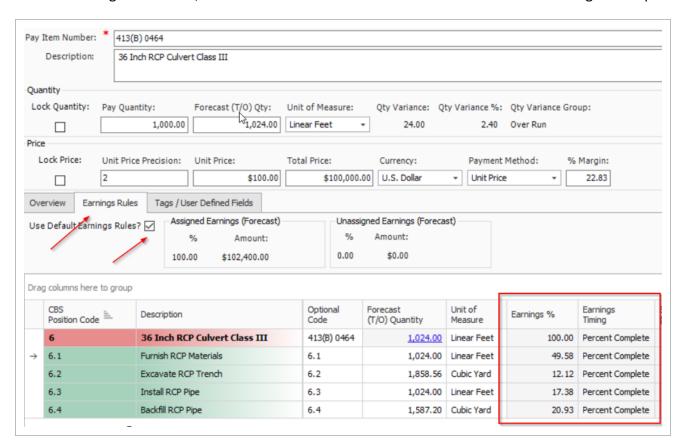
The cut simply allows you to decide if you want to keep the final Proposal price as shown, or to cut the \$61,000 or any portion of it from the final proposal amount for the job to keep your Forecast Quantities in the final measured quantities. You can also enter any preferred unit price.

7.6 EARNINGS RULES

The Earnings Rules let you decide how much can be paid where certain work is completed. The cost items assigned to the pay items are where you can decide when to ask for payment.

The application is used in the Job Tracking form. The Earnings Rules also determine how the Cash Flow curve is generated.

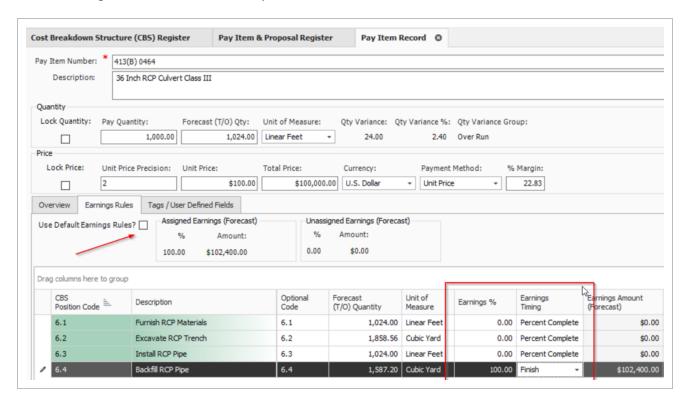
In the following screen shot, the record for 36 inch RCP Culvert Class III from the Training Job is open.



By default, the cost items in the Earnings % column are calculated based on the cost distribution. In this case where all the Materials are furnished and completed the Excavatzion, you have earned \$49.58 and \$12.12 for a total of 61.7% revenue.

There may be times when you can only receive revenue when you have only completed the Backfill of the Pipe. In that case I can uncheck the **Use Default Earnings Rules** box, as seen in the previous screen shot, and enter 100%. You can then decide when to account for the revenue by changing the **Earnings Timing**.

The following screen shot show this option.



Another example is when you can get full payment for material on hand, such as Precast Girders. Then you can choose the start for the Earnings Timing. This way, the Cash Flow shows costs and revenue occurring at the start of the item.

7.7 ALTERNATE SCENARIOS

The Alternate scenarios feature allows a contractor to effectively evaluate multiple approaches to an estimate, and quickly identify the most cost efficient way of performing the proposed work. Both owners and contractors need more visibility to see the impact of changes made to the assumption made on the cost model.

For example, a contractor might want to estimate the cost of hauling excavation material using a scraper hauling machine(s). Alternatively, a contractor may want to compare the cost of loading and hauling that same excavation material with a loader truck(s). You should be able to estimate both approaches quickly and switch between various scenarios.

Owners are increasingly requiring contractors to provide alternative items within the bid proposal. Contractors should consider the cost impact of alternative estimate approaches, while also contemplating how to effectively price their work.

The primary purpose for using Alternate Scenarios is to create 'What If' type of scenarios to gain a better view of estimating 'like' situations. By defining Alternates, you have the ability to compare multiple scenarios within an estimate, in which you can suspend or unsuspend various records.

Manually suspending and unsuspending items can be time consuming and error prone, and can require maintenance of several versions of the estimate. Creating Alternate Scenarios is a solution to this problem.

7.7.1 Base Alternate

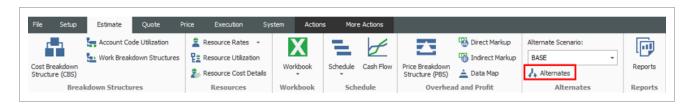
Base Alternate refers to your base or anchor estimate and is part of the estimate's cost.



7.7.2 Alternates Records

Alternate records are used to define alternate scenarios so that you can assess the impact of those scenarios.

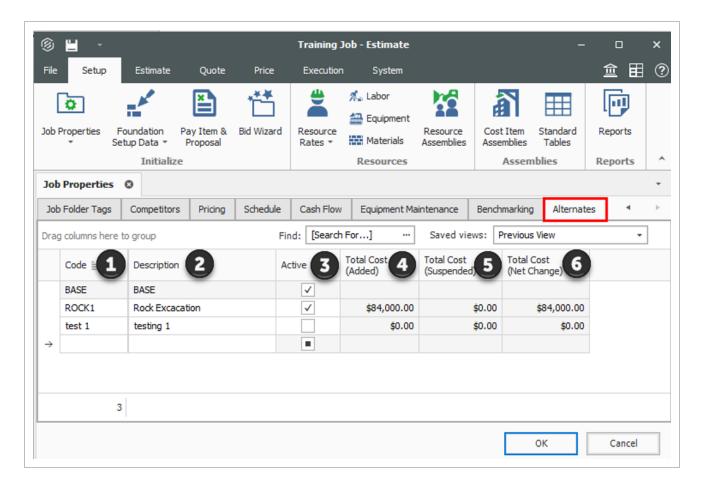
To access the Alternates form select the Estimate tab. Under the Alternates section, select Alternates.



This action opens up the **Alternate Record Details** form.

| Names | Description |
|--------------------------|--|
| 1. Code | Code of Alternate Scenario. |
| 2. Description | Description of Alternate Scenario. |
| 3. Active | Determines if Alternate Scenario is active within CBS or not. |
| 4. Total Cost (Added) | When Alternate is set to active, it will not be suspended, and its CBS Total Cost will be added to the estimate's Total Cost Forecast. |

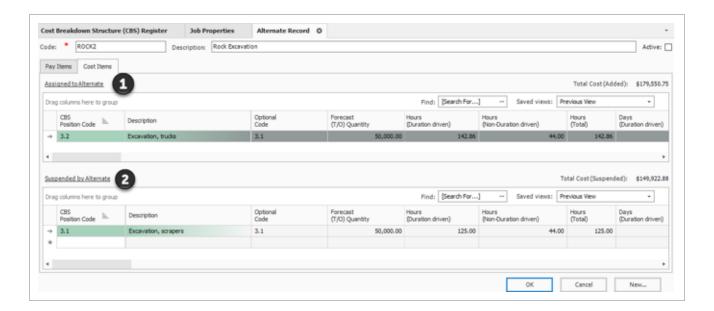
| Names | Description |
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| | Below example shows the full \$84,000 will be included in the estimate. |
| 5. Total Cost (Suspended) | When Alternate is set to active, Total Cost Suspended will be \$0 because alternate is active part of bid. |
| 6. Total Cost (Net Change) | Difference between Total Cost Added and Total Cost Suspended. |



7.7.3 Alternates Record Details

Drill down into an Alternate Record to view and edit its attributes. The Alternate Record details form provides you with a way to setup rules for auto suspending and unsuspending groups of cost items.

| Names | Description |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1. Assigned to Alternate | Code of Alternate Scenario. |
| 2. Suspended by Alternate | Description of Alternate Scenario. |

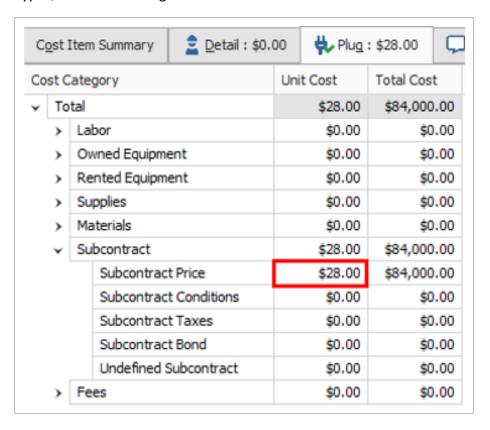


Step by Step - Create Alternate Scenario in CBS

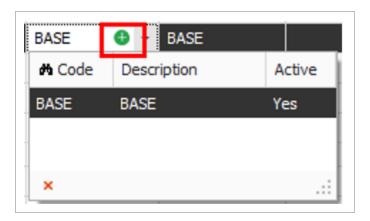
- 1. From the Ribbon, select the **Estimate** tab.
- 2. Select **Cost Breakdown Structure (CBS)**. The Cost Breakdown Structure (CBS) Register opens.
- 3. Using the Unclassified Excavation cost item, type in **Rock Excavation** as a new subordinate.
- 4. Then type in **3000** in the Forecast T/O Quantity column.
- 5. Under the Unit of Measure column, select **Cubic Yard**.



- 6. Double click the Rock Excavation cost item to open the cost item's record.
- 7. Select the **Plug** tab. Under the Subcontract section click into the Unit Cost field for the Subcontract Price.
- 8. Type \$28.00 in the Plug Unit Cost column for the Subcontract Price. Once done, click OK.



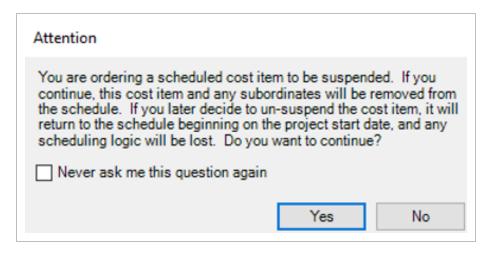
- 9. On the CBS Register, change your Saved Views to Alternates View.
- 10. Select the Rock Excavation cost item. Under the Alternate column, select the drop down arrow, and then select the **Add** icon. This will open up a new form to create a new Alternate record.



11. Type **ROCK1** in the Code field, and type **Rock Excavation** in the Description field. Once done, click **OK**.



12. An Attention message will appear alerting you the item will be suspended once you move off the field.

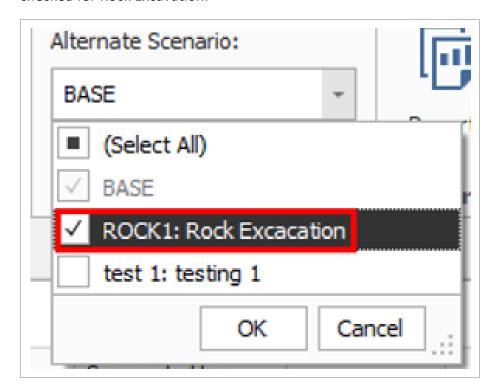


13. Select **Yes**. You see the Rock Excavation item is now in suspended status.



Suspended status is the default status for alternate items.

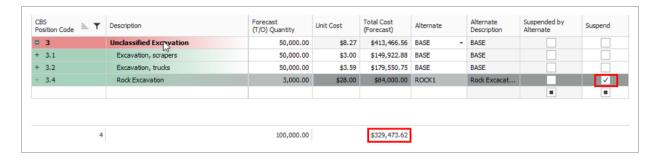
- 14. In order to activate this alternate item, select the **Estimate** tab in the Ribbon and go the **Alternate Scenario** drop down in the Alternates section.
- 15. Then select the **ROCK1** scenario. Once done, click **OK**. The Suspend check box fields is no longer checked for Rock Excavation.



Alternate Scenario's BASE and ROCK1 are now both included in the Total Cost Forecast in your estimate. This is also known as additive type of alternate, meaning that when it's active it will be added to the estimate. When Alternate Scenario Base + ROCK1 are both checked, the cost item assigned to the ROCK1 alternate is included in the Total Cost (Forecast).



16. When only the Base Alternate Scenario is checked, the cost item assigned to the ROCK1 alternate is NOT included in the Total Cost (Forecast). Only base alternates are including the estimate's cost.



When a cost item is assigned to an alternate, it's then considered an alternate item in the estimate and does not contribute to the job's cost until the alternate is 'activated'.

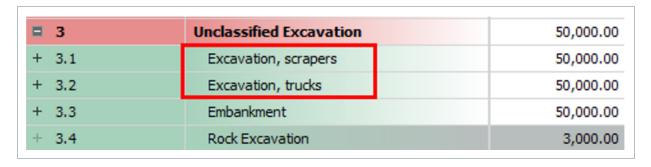
7.7.4 Assigning multiple cost items to one alternate

Any number of cost items can be assigned to a single alternate item. The alternate feature can be used to quickly suspend and unsuspend groups of items. Another manner in which alternates can be used would be to consider two different approaches to completing the same scope of work. In this case the activation of an alternate would replace the preselected cost items.

Imagine you are a contractor and want to assign an Alternate Scenario to your 3.2 Excavation Trucks cost item, and at the same time automatically suspend your 3.1 Excavation Scrapers cost item. You need an Alternate Scenario view showing what would happen when you suspend Excavation Scrapers, but want to keep your Excavation Trucks active. You'd like to evaluate this pricing scenario, especially your Total Cost Forecast.

Step by Step – Multiple Cost Items to an Alternate

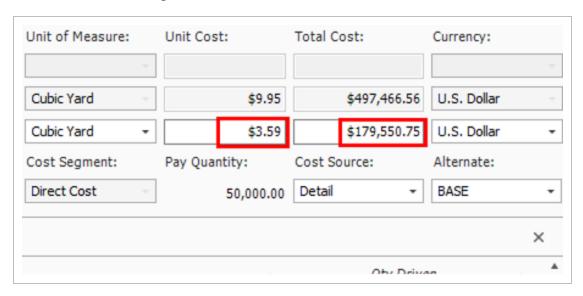
- 1. From the Ribbon, select the **Estimate** tab.
- 2. Select **Cost Breakdown Structure (CBS)**. The Cost Breakdown Structure (CBS) Register opens.
- 3. Create a copy of cost item Excavation and rename it Excavation, scrapers.
- 4. Rename the original Excavation cost item to Excavation, trucks.
- 5. Under the Unit of Measure column, select **Cubic Yard**.



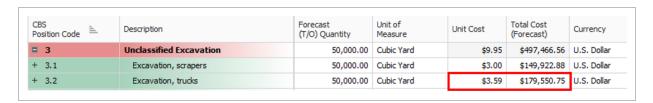
- 6. Double click to open the cost item **Excavation**, trucks.
- 7. Add a new Construction Equipment Resource: code ETDT Dump Truck, then select OK.
- 8. Add a new Construction Equipment Resource: code **EL950 Loader 950**, select **OK**.
- 9. Change the quantity of ETDT Dump Truck to 5.
- 10. Add a new Labor Resource: code LT1 Teamster, then select OK.
- 11. Change the quantity for LT1 Teamster to 5.
- 12. Remove resources ES621 Scraper 621, ES623 Scraper 623, L01 Operator Class 1.
- 13. Change the quantity for LO2 Operator Class to 5.
- 14. Change the Cubic Yard/Day to **2800** on the Production tab.
- 15. Your results should look like this:



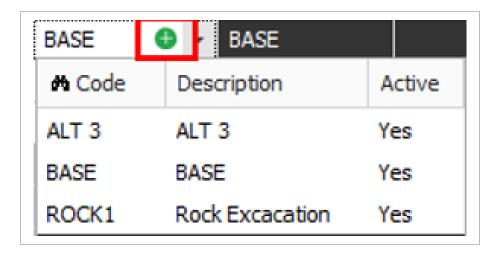
16. The Unit and Total Cost are now recalculated. Once you are done with all your changes, click **OK** to return to the CBS register.



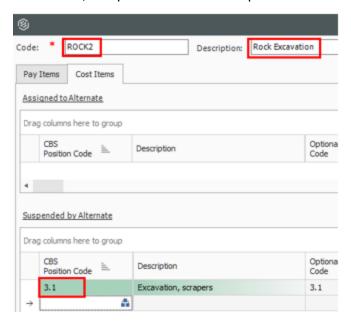
17. Your Excavation, truck cost item is now worth \$3.59 a Cubic Yard, while your Excavation, scraper cost item is worth \$3.00 a Cubic Yard.



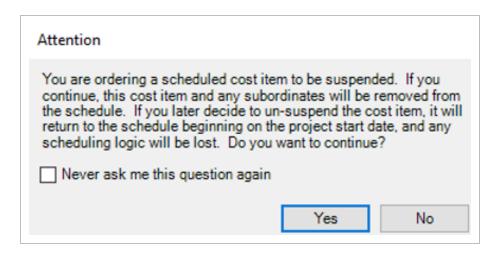
In order to make these two cost items mutually exclusive, meaning that you want one or the other in the bid, you can set this up via an alternate item. You can set this up so that one is automatically suspended, while the other is active 18. For **Excavation, truck**, add a new Alternate by click on the Alternate field and selecting the **new** icon.



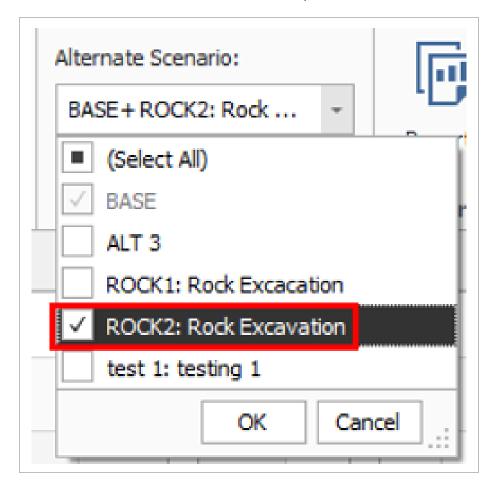
- 19. Type **ROCK2** in the Code.
- 20. Type in **Trucking Excavation** for the description.
- 21. Click on the Cost Items tab. In the CBS Position Code field, select the **Excavation**, **scrapers**. Excavation, scrapers will now be suspended when Alternate Excavation, trucks is active.



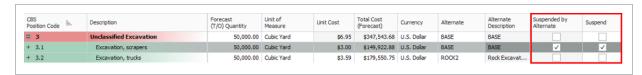
22. An Attention message will appear alerting you the item will be suspended once you move off the field. Select **Yes** to continue. On the CBS Register, you now see that **Excavation, trucks** is suspended while Excavation, scrapers is activated.



- 23. In order to activate this alternate item, select the **Estimate** tab in the Ribbon and go the **Alternate Scenario** drop down in the Alternates section.
- 24. Then select the **ROCK2** scenario. Once done, click **OK**.



25. The trucks cost item is now active and scrapers has automatically been suspended. Now the Suspended by Alternate column is checked for cost item **Excavation, trucks**.



7.7.4.1 Critical Thinking - Alternate Scenario (Owner)

SCENARIO: Carla, an estimator at Genco Power is developing an estimate for upcoming maintenance work at one of Genco's power plants. She wants to explore two different options for removing and replacing a feed water system.

In one approach, she assumes that crews will be able to increase access to the work area by cutting a large access way through the wall of the metal building. This would allow for easier access to the feed water system that needs replacing. Parts and materials could be staged nearby outdoors and hoisted into position as they're needed. Also, crews would be able to access the work area more readily, streamlining operations.

She also uses another approach, in which Engineering won't approve plans for increased access by cutting through the building's wall. In this case, the replacement of the feed water system will be more tedious, as workers will need to wind their way through existing plant infrastructure to access the area in which they will be working. This has a pronounced effect on the crews' productivity and their ability to transport and stage materials to the area where the work will be performed.

Which of the following would be the best way for Carla to estimate both options in InEight Estimate?

- A. Create cost items for both options and use the Suspend feature to toggle between them.
- B. Use the Snapshot feature to create a second version of the estimate with the second option estimated. You can compare the original estimate to the snapshot copy of the estimate containing the alternate option.
- C. Create the second option in the same estimate and assign different alternate scenario records to each option respectively. Control whether the pay item is included using the Alternate Scenario drop-down.

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7.7.4.2 Critical Thinking - Alternate Scenario (Owner)

Feedback

Which of the following would be the best way for Carla to estimate both options in InEight Estimate?

- A. Create cost items for both options and use the Suspend feature to toggle between them.

 Suspending cost items removes it from the estimate effectively, but this process is more cumbersome, since you have to suspend each item manually and re-price each time.
- **B.** Use the Snapshot feature to create a second version of the estimate with the second option estimated. You can compare the original estimate to the snapshot copy of the estimate containing the alternate option.
 - This gives you nice visibility of the two versions of the estimate side by side but is a bit laborious to develop and manage.
- **C.** Create the second option in the same estimate and assign different alternate scenario records to each option respectively. Control whether the pay item is included using the Alternate Scenario drop-down.
 - This is the most efficient approach. The Alternate Scenarios drop-down makes it easy to select and de-select alternates, with a few clicks.

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7.7.4.3 Critical Thinking - Alternate Scenario (Contractor)

SCENARIO: James, an estimator at ADOT, is about to send a project he estimated out for proposal when he receives word from the environmental technician that the site being developed includes contaminated soil. He decides to include "Removal of contaminated soil" as an alternate to see if he can get the cost covered by the contractor.

You are the contractor seeking to win the contract. Which of the following would be the best option for developing an alternate estimate for the contaminated soil?

- A. Add the "Removal of contaminated soil" pay item, then estimate the contaminated soil in the CBS and assign it to the pay item. Use the Suspend feature to toggle the pay item on and off, repricing the estimate each time.
- B. Use the Snapshot feature to create a second version of the estimate with the "Removal of contaminated soil" pay item and estimate included. You can compare the original estimate to the snapshot copy of the estimate containing the alternate.
- C. Add the "Removal of contaminated soil" pay item, then estimate the contaminated soil in the CBS and assign it to the pay item. Control whether the pay item is included using the Alternate Scenario drop-down.

View the following page for feedback.

7.7.4.4 Critical Thinking - Alternate Scenario (Contractor)

Feedback

Which of the following would be the best option for developing an alternate estimate for the contaminated soil?

- A. Add the "Removal of contaminated soil" pay item, then estimate the contaminated soil in the CBS and assign it to the pay item. Use the Suspend feature to toggle the pay item on and off, repricing the estimate each time.
 - Suspending the pay item removes it from the estimate effectively, but this process is more cumbersome, since you have to suspend each item manually and reprice each time.
- **B.** Use the Snapshot feature to create a second version of the estimate with the "Removal of contaminated soil" pay item and estimate included. You can compare the original estimate to the snapshot copy of the estimate containing the alternate.
 - This gives you nice visibility of the two versions of the estimate side by side but is a bit laborious to develop and manage.
- C. Add the "Removal of contaminated soil" pay item, then estimate the contaminated soil in the CBS and assign it to the pay item. Control whether the pay item is included using the Alternate Scenario drop-down.
 - This is the most efficient approach. The Alternate Scenarios drop-down makes it easy to select and deselect alternates, and the pricing updates automatically. This is the easiest way to toggle between scenarios with a few clicks.

Exercise 7.3 – Alternate Scenario

SCENARIO: You are a contractor estimating a job for the owner, DECK Corp. Along with the base items of the proposal, DECK Corp has decided to include a security guard toll booth as an alternate item in the award of the contract as well.

The request for the alternate, as indicated below, is more of a "would like to have", to give DECK Corp the option if it falls within their budget.

- Using the Training Job, create an alternate scenario for the Toll Both.
- Assign the alternate scenario to your Toll Booth cost items.
- Assign the alternate scenario to your Toll Booth pay item.
- Establish pricing for your Toll Both alternative scenarios.

Congratulations, you have completed this exercise!

7.8 PAY ITEM ALTERNATES

An Alternate Scenario is a set of active Alternates that can also be used with Pay Items. It's reasonable for the owner to include pay items as alternates within a job. The owner will most likely base the bid selection criteria primarily on the base bid items, but may also include alternate items in addition.

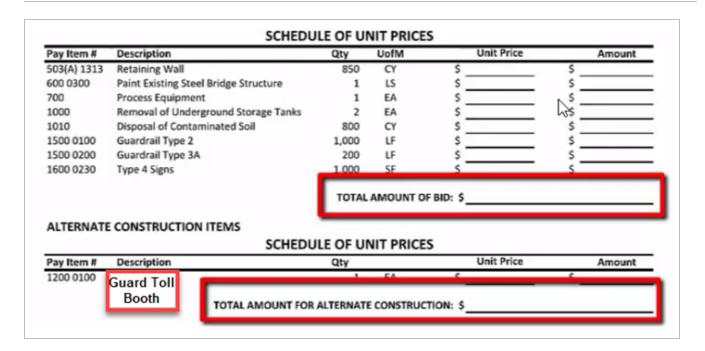
The contractor will want to understand the cost impact of an alternate if it is awarded. Contractors may not know ahead of time which combination of alternates an owner may choose to award. This feature will help the contactor understand how to spread markup to various bid item prices using different scenarios. This permits easy comparisons between different scenarios.

Imagine you are a contractor and bidding a job where the owner has included a security guard booth pay item as an alternate item in the job. The owner bases the base bid selection criteria on the base bid items, however, the owner elects to include alternate items in the award of the contract too. You as the contractor need to add the new security guard toll booth pay item to analyze the cost impact of adding this alternate, among other scenarios.

Suspending an item is the same as 'Deducting' an item.

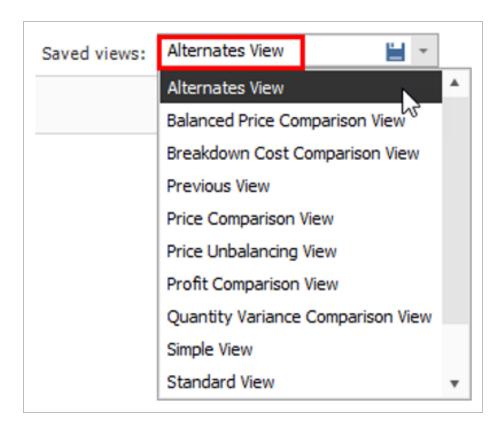
The owner's bid could look like this below, where the first eight pay items are base pay items. The last Toll Booth pay item is the owner's Alternate. All items the owner is requesting to see in the contractor's bid.

The one Alternate Construction item below represents a bid item the owner would like to have as part of the bid as well. However, this one alternate is more of a 'would like to have'. The Alternate item(s) help to give the owner the option to accept the Alternates if it still falls within the owner's budget.



Step by Step - Create Pay Item and Proposal Alternate Scenario

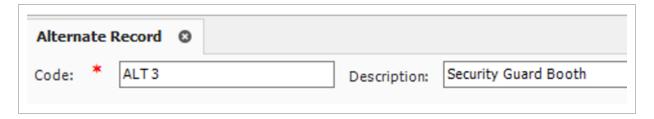
- 1. From the Ribbon, select the **Price** tab.
- 2. Under the Pay Items section, select **Pay Item & Proposal**. The Pay Item & Proposal Register opens.
- 3. Select the Saved Views drop down arrow and select **Alternates View**.



4. At the bottom of the register, create a new pay item labeled as **Security Guard Booth** in the Description field. Then in the Pay Item Number field, type in **SG1**.



- 5. Now create a new Alternate for the Security Guard Booth pay item using the same steps for your new cost item.
- 6. Click in the Alternates field for the Security Guard Booth Alternate. Select the **add** icon. An Alternate Record opens.
- 7. In the Code field, type in code **ALT3**.
- 8. In the Description field type in **Security Guard Booth Alternate**.



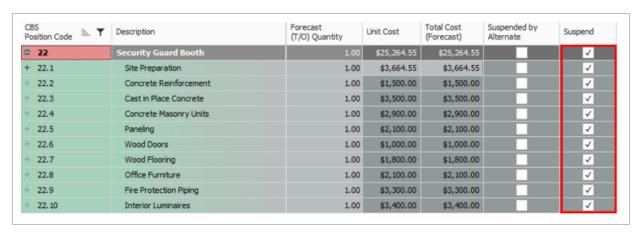
Go into the CBS and copy all of the subordinate cost items for the existing Toll Booth cost item. (We will assume the same Toll Booth resources are needed for a Security Guard Booth).



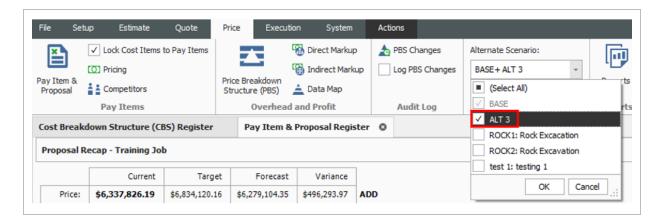
10. Paste the copied cost items into the new **Security Guard Booth** cost item you just created in the PIP.

| | 22 | | Security Guard Booth | 1.00 | Each | \$25,264.55 |
|---|-------|--|------------------------|------|----------|-------------|
| + | 22.1 | | Site Preparation | 1.00 | Lump Sum | \$3,664.55 |
| + | 22.2 | | Concrete Reinforcement | 1.00 | Lump Sum | \$1,500.00 |
| + | 22.3 | | Cast in Place Concrete | 1.00 | Lump Sum | \$3,500.00 |
| + | 22.4 | | Concrete Masonry Units | 1.00 | Lump Sum | \$2,900.00 |
| + | 22.5 | | Paneling | 1.00 | Lump Sum | \$2,100.00 |
| + | 22.6 | | Wood Doors | 1.00 | Lump Sum | \$1,000.00 |
| + | 22.7 | | Wood Flooring | 1.00 | Lump Sum | \$1,800.00 |
| + | 22.8 | | Office Furniture | 1.00 | Lump Sum | \$2,100.00 |
| + | 22.9 | | Fire Protection Piping | 1.00 | Lump Sum | \$3,300.00 |
| + | 22.10 | | Interior Luminaires | 1.00 | Lump Sum | \$3,400.00 |

11. The cost items have all been automatically suspended in the CBS. This is because the Security Guard Booth pay item is suspended as well



12. In the Pay Item & Proposal Register, activate alternate pay item Security Guard Booth by selecting **Alternate Scenario Base + ALT3** at that top of the form.



13. The **Security Guard Booth** is now activated. You can now see that all of the pay items have been priced including the Security Guard Booth Alternate pay item.

You may need to establish your pay item price first if a price does not yet exist

- 14. From the register, select the **Actions** tab. Then under the Auto Price section, select the **Balance Bid** drop down.
- 15. Select the option Hit Target Goal in order to auto price the job. Now all of the pay items have been priced, including the Security Guard Booth Alternate pay item.



7.8.1 Compare Alternate Scenarios

You can price and analyze the impact of each Alternate Scenario to the estimate's Total Price on the Pay Item & Proposal Register. This is after the Alternate Scenarios have been defined, assigned, and activated.

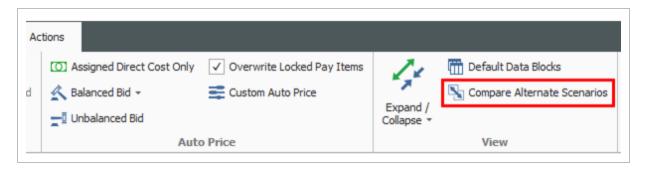
Each Alternate and combination of Alternates represents a different scenario, and prices need to be established for every scenario that you want to compare.

For example, if you have defined Alternate Scenarios 1, 2 and 3, you may wish to price each of them separately, and price any combination of them, and/or you may wish to price the combination of all three.

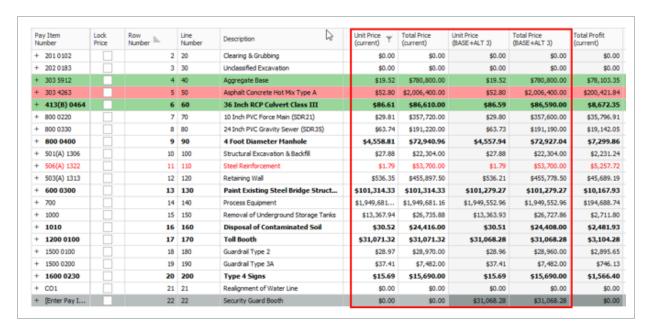
Be sure to establish bid prices for every alternate or combination of alternates.

Step by Step - Compare Alternate Scenarios

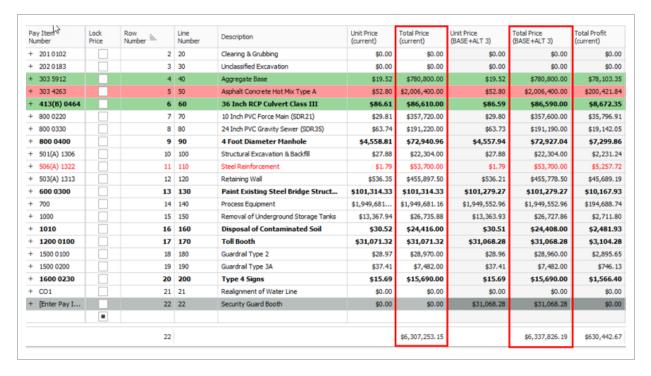
- 1. From the Ribbon, select the **Price** tab.
- 2. Under the Pay Items section, select **Pay Item & Proposal**. The Pay Item & Proposal Register opens.
- On the Pay Item & Proposal Register, select the Actions tab. Under the View section, select Compare Alternative Scenarios. This action performs a comparison among the various Alternative Scenarios you've priced so far.



4. After selecting Compare Alternative Scenarios, new columns appear on the pay item form. These columns show a comparison of the base bid, plus Alternate Scenarios that have been priced so far.



5. The current scenario base price Total Price is \$6,307,253.15, however the Alternate Price scenario for the additional Security Guard Booth is \$6,337,826.19



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7.9 BILLING RATES

In Estimate, revenue can be forecasted in multiple ways. It is common for contractors to use the Pay Item & Proposal register to assign estimated costs to pay items and submit a price by filling out the owners bid form. However, for projects that do not use pay items, such as a time and material contracts or cost reimbursable type projects, Billing Rates can be used to easily estimate the price of the work for the project owner.

A billing rate is defined as how much the Contractor is charging the client to utilize resources from the Resource Rate Register. The billing rate can also be viewed as how much money a client is expected to pay for utilizing one of the resources for a specified amount of time. It is important for you as a contractor to have a way to more quickly see your charge rate to compare against what you will ultimately bill your client, also known as your billing rate.

Contractors need a reliable method to price projects utilizing various markup strategies with clear visibility into various costs that drive the markup amounts. It is important for contractors to be able to:

- Apply various costs that drive markups.
- Apply billing rate gains (difference between contractor's cost versus billing rates/client cost).
- Have clear visibility into the true margin based on both cost and billing rates.
- Compare the cost and billing rates within the CBS.

As a result of appropriately pricing projects, contractors can now create and view a variety of Billing Rate reports such as:

- A summary of billing rates in lieu of the cost rates for a client (Estimate Summary reports).
- A cost item breakdown that shows associated cost categories, billing unit rates, and total billing amounts (Billing Rate Summary).
- An analysis of resources and their margins, utilization counts, and billing amounts, (Margin Analysis report).

Exercise 7.5 – Billing Rates

SCENARIO: You are an estimator working for Hexco Civil, and your company has started work on the excavation and grading portion of a project for Health Choice hospital campus.

During this phase, the crew runs into underground storage tanks that have contaminated the soil.

Robert, the Health Choice engineer, requests "rather than detail out an estimate, we'll just do a time and materials agreement for this portion."

You agree on a 20% markup on your going rates for labor and equipment.

In the Training Job:

| 1. | Mak | e a | copy | of | the | Trai | ning | Job |). |
|----|-----|-----|------|----|-----|------|------|-----|----|
|----|-----|-----|------|----|-----|------|------|-----|----|

- 2. In the new job, apply billing rates to the resources employed on the subordinates of the "Removal of Underground Storage Tanks" and "Disposal of Contaminated Soil" cost items.
- 3. In the PBS, select the Charge Rate and Billing rate Saved View to compare your rates.
- 4. In Job Properties > Pricing, change the setting to Calculate Balanced Pay Item Prices using Billing Amount.
- 5. In the Pay Item & Proposal Register, note that your Target Price is now based on billing rates.
- 6. Decide if you want to spread any addition overhead or profit to your "Removal of Underground Storage Tanks" and "Disposal of Contaminated Soil" pay items (or just leave them with their current billing rates.

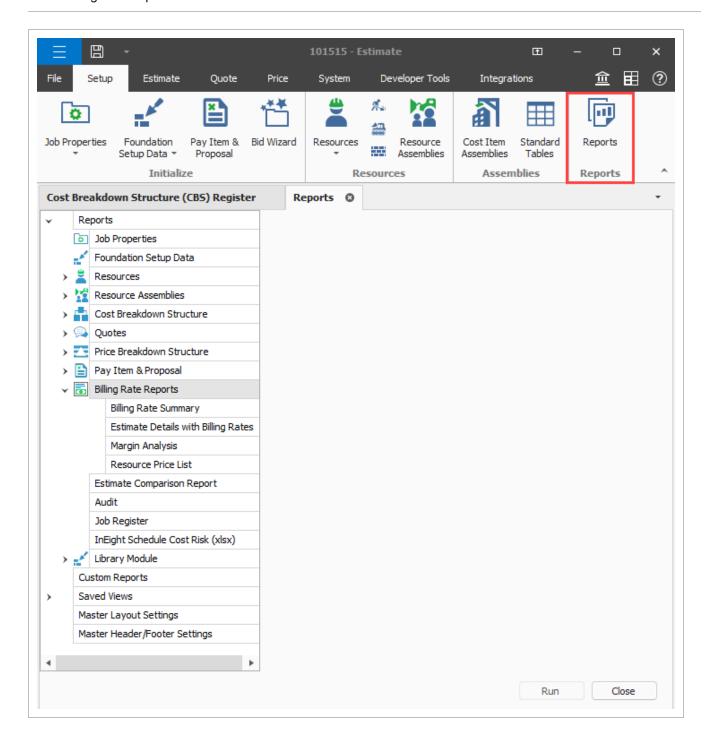
Congratulations, you have completed this exercise!

7.10 BILLING RATES REPORTS OVERVIEW

There are multiple reports you can run to view resource costs, billing rates, and mark-ups that you can choose to provide to your customer. You could also use these reports to view your markup margins prior to submitting to your customer.

To locate the project reports, select the **Setup** tab, and then select **Reports**.

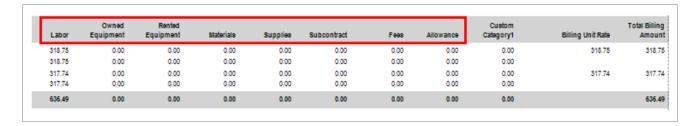
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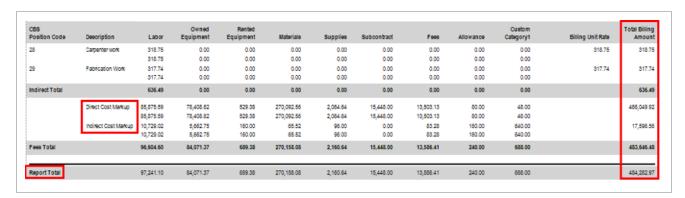
7.10.1 Billing Rate Summary report

The Billing Rate Summary report shows cost items and include cost category details.

From the Reports window, select **Billing Rate Reports**.



The end of the report shows a total of your Direct and Indirect cost markups and includes a **Total Billing Amount** at the bottom right.



7.10.2 Estimate Details with Billing Rates report

The Estimate Details with Billing Rate report shows a selection of resources with associated billing rates and utilization counts.

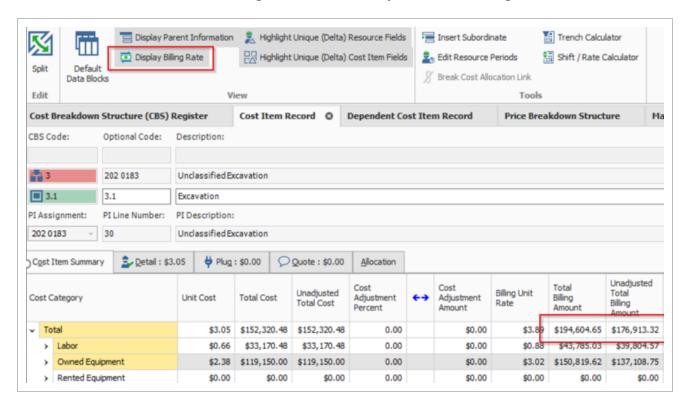


7.10.2.1 Cost Item Summary details

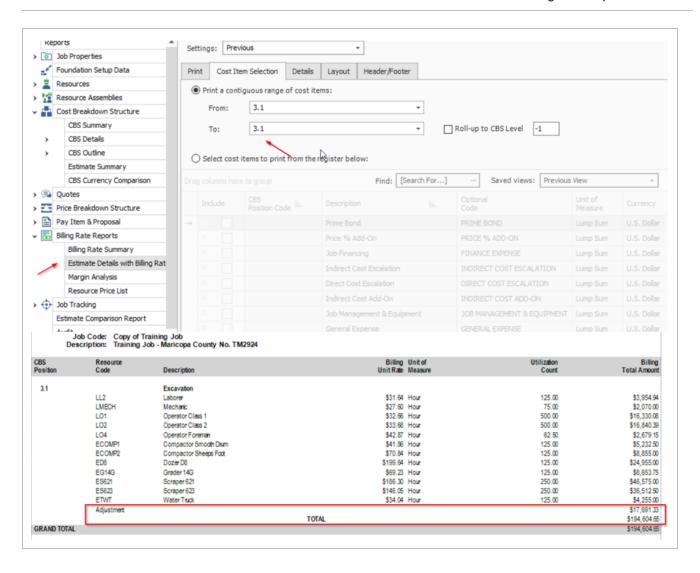
The Cost Item Summary tab in a Cost Item Record, allows the estimator to add additional costs to the Resource Billing rates by a percentage or amount. For example, there might have been extra work and a percentage of the work would apply that the owner approves. The Billing reports lists these details for the owner.

The following image shows cost item 3.1 with the adjustment. To see the adjustment, select the **Actions** tab, and then in the **View** section, set the **Display Billing Rate** toggle to show the Billing Rate columns.

Review the two columns, Total Billing Amount and Unadjusted Total Billing Amount.

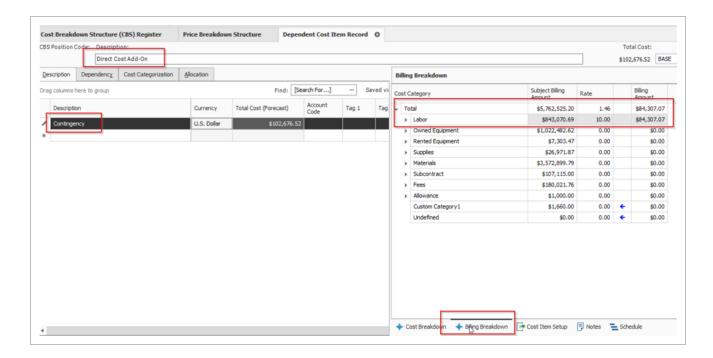


In the Billing Rates report shown at the bottom of the image, you can view the 3.1 cost item estimate details.

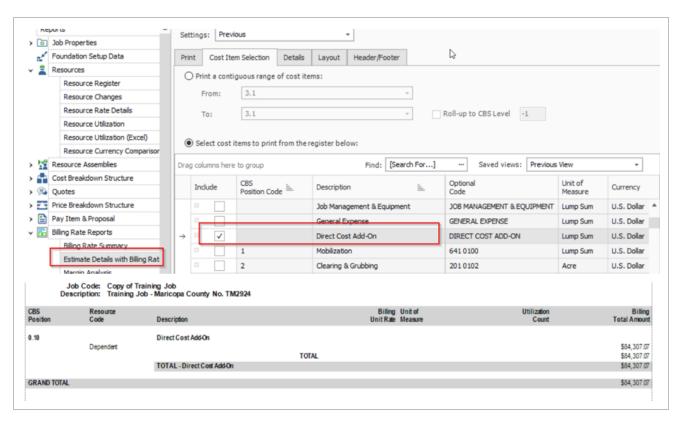


7.10.2.2 Dependent cost item billing work details

You can use dependent cost items with billing work. For example, the contractor might have an agreement with the owner to add additional overhead costs as a percentage of the work, or the owner allows a contingency for unknown work.

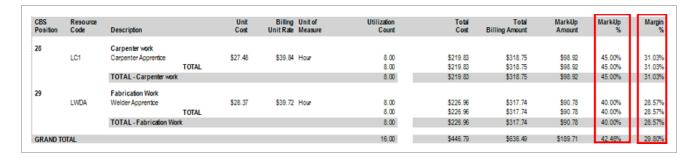


The Estimate Details with Billing Rates can include the dependent cost item with billing work.



7.10.3 Margin Analysis report

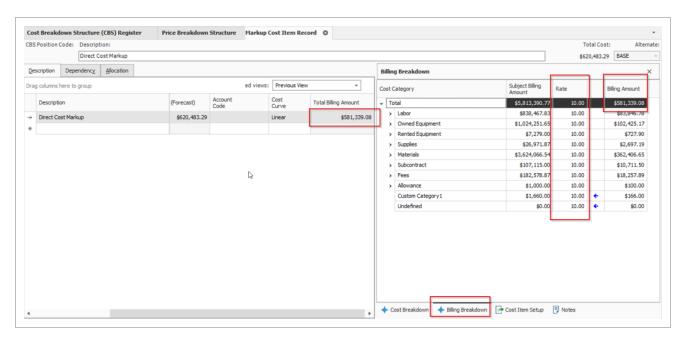
The Margin Analysis report is beneficial for showing both mark-up and margin values for selected resource rates.



7.10.4 Additional Markup in the PBS form

Depending how the resource billing rates are determined to accommodate the owner, a fee can be applied using the PBS form.

Markup for Direct Costs shows in the PBS form.



The fee total of the additional markup shows in the Billing Rate Summary report.

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|----------------------|--|---|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|----------|-------------|-----------|-----------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| CBS Position Code | Description | Forecast Unit of (T/O) Quantity Measure | Labor | Owned Equipment | Rented Equipment | Materiale | Supplies | Subcontract | Fees | Allowance | Custom Category1 | Billing Unit Rate | Total Billi Amou |
| 3.1 | Excavation | 50,000.00 Cubic Yard | 0.88 43,785.03 | 3.02 150,819.62 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 3.89 | 194,604 |
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Lesson 7 Review

- 1. In what form do you apply sub totals, fixed final price, and rounding precision?
 - a. Pay Item & Proposal Register
 - b. Cost Breakdown Structure Register
 - C. Job Properties
 - d. Price Breakdown Structure
- 2. Where do you go to activate an Alternate scenario?
 - a. Customize section of the System tab
 - b. Initialize section of the Setup tab
 - C. Overhead and Profit section of the Estimate or Price tab
 - d. Alternates section of the Estimate or Price tab
- 3. Where do you go to set pay items to be based on billing rates?
 - a. Pay Item & Proposal Register
 - b. Cost Breakdown Structure Register
 - C. Job Properties
 - d. Foundation Setup Data

Lesson 7 Summary

As a result of this lesson, you can:

- Use advanced pricing options including: alarm limits, subtotals, rounding precision, and Fixed
 Final Price
- Create and compare alternates for cost items and pay items
- Use Billing Rates

LESSON 8 - BENCHMARKING

Lesson Duration: 40 Minutes

Lesson Objectives

After completing this lesson, you will be able to:

• Set up and use benchmarking to compare your job to past projects

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8.1 BENCHMARKING OVERVIEW

Benchmarking is used to validate an estimate's cost and productivity values by comparing them to relevant historical data, specifically as-built and as-estimated information captured from past jobs in Estimate. Unit cost and unit man-hour benchmark data points are displayed graphically in relation to the current estimate.

When using the Estimate in the Cloud benchmarking feature, it requires the installation of Connected Analytics.

8.1.1 Benchmarking Master Job Properties Form

The **Master Job Properties** - **Benchmarking** form is used to establish the historical data to be used for benchmarking the current job, and to define the default benchmark graph display and calculations.

The Master Job Properties - Benchmarking form includes:

- Historical Data Source Select As-Estimated and As-Built data from the Data Warehouse.
- Default Cost Item Matching Criteria, Default Account Code Matching Criteria and Default Jobs Filter - Define which cost items, account codes and jobs should be included.
- Benchmark Graph display Options Define the data to be represented on both the X-Axis and the Y-Axis of the graph.
- Calculate "Average" as- Define the calculation method as either Average or Weighted Avg (weighted by current Qty).
- Benchmark Select a benchmark value of Cost per Unit, Man-Hours / Unit, or Units / Man-Hour.
- Flag an item's variance relative to the benchmark data when Define the breakpoints for low, medium and high variance ranges.
- Don't benchmark items with fewer than <number> historical data points Designate the minimum number of data points needed to benchmark an item.

The data in the Master Job Properties - Benchmarking form is automatically copied to any newly created jobs. If all of the jobs that you create in Estimate will use the same rules, defining the

data in the Master Job Properties form will save time when you create new job folders in Estimate.

In addition to the primary Forecast (T/O) Quantity and Unit of Measure on each cost item, Secondary Quantity and Secondary Unit fields in the Cost Item Record can be used to capture a meaningful, alternative quantity and unit on which to analyze As-estimated data.

You can establish the historical data to be used for benchmarking the current job, define the default benchmark graph display, and define high, low and medium variance ranges on the **Job Properties** - **Benchmarking** form.

Step by Step - Benchmarking Master Job Properties Form

- 1. From the Backstage View, select **Library** from the left pane navigation.
- From the Ribbon, select the Setup tab. Under the section Master Initialization, select Job Properties. The Job Properties register opens.
- 3. On the Job Properties form, select the **Benchmarking** tab.
- 4. The **Historical Data Source** defaults to Data Warehouse. Select the historical data to use: **As-Estimated**, **As-Built**, or both.
- 5. To define **Default Cost Item Matching Criteria**, click the **Edit** button and define your criteria for matching cost items. You can select one or many fields and relate them using AND/OR logic.
- 6. To define **Default Account Code Matching Criteria**, click the **Edit** button and define your criteria for matching cost items. You can select one or many fields and relate them using AND/OR logic.

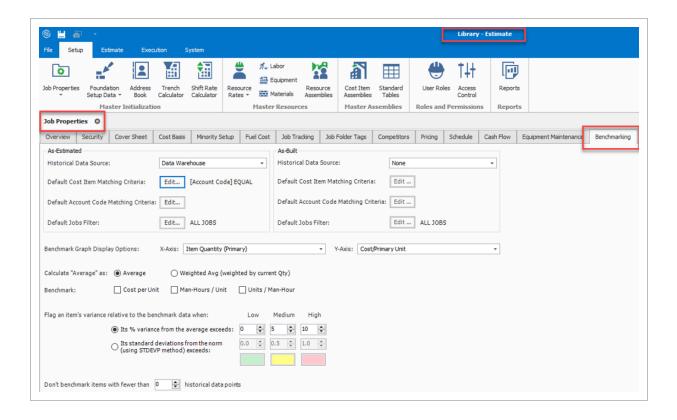
A matching benchmark data point will be excluded if its unit of measure type (e.g., area, length, etc.) is different than the unit of measure type of the matching item in the current estimate.

- 7. To filter the jobs to include, click the Edit button on the **Default Jobs Filter** and define your job filtering criteria.
- 8. Choose your Benchmark Graph Display Options:

- Select the data to be represented on the X-Axis:
 - Date
 - Item Quantity (Primary)
 - Item Quantity (Secondary)
 - Ratio (Primary / Secondary)
 - Ratio (Secondary / Primary)
- Select the data to be represented on the Y-Axis:
 - \$ / Primary Unit
 - Man-Hrs / Primary Unit
 - Primary Units / Man-hr
 - \$ / Secondary Unit
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 - Secondary Units / Man-hr
- Define your average calculation method as either Average or Weighted Avg (weighted by current Qty).
- 10. Define the **Benchmark** values that will be calculated from the historical data set by selecting **Cost per Unit**, **Man-Hours / Unit** and **Units / Man-Hour**.
- 11. Define the variance ranges to be used for flagging an item relative to the benchmark data:
 - To flag an item's variance from the average, select Its % variance from the average exceeds and choose the Low, Medium, and High percentages to flag (values are incremented by 1%).
 - To flag an item's standard deviations from the norm, select Its standard deviations from the norm (using SSTDEVP method) exceeds and choose the Low, Medium and High values to flag (values are incremented by .1).
- 12. To customize the display colors for the **Low**, **Medium** and **High** ranges, click on a color block and choose a different color.
- 13. To set a minimum number of benchmark data points required for an item to be benchmarked, select a number in the **Don't benchmark items with fewer than historical data points** field.

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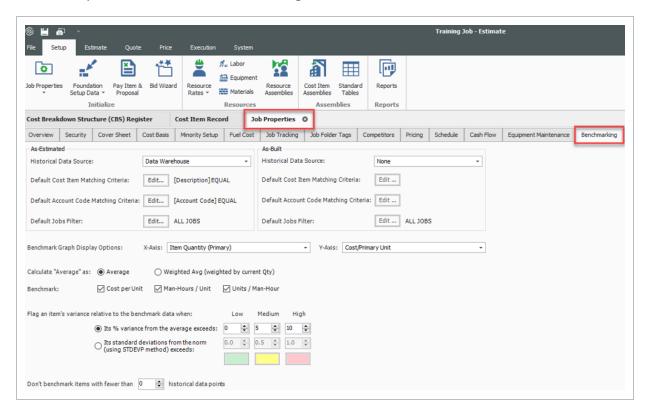
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Step by Step — Opening the Job Properties Form

- On the Ribbon, select the Setup tab.
- 2. Under the Initialize section, select the **Job Properties** drop down arrow.
- 3. On the drop down list, select **Benchmarking**.



8.1.3 Benchmarking Graph

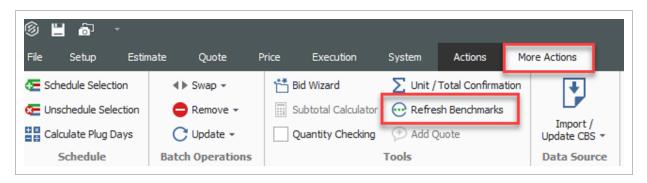
The defaults for the benchmarking graph are defined on the **Job Properties - Benchmarking** form, but on the Cost Item Record - Benchmarking form you have the ability to override the default criteria in

order to expand or contract the amount of historical data being used to calculate benchmark values for a specific cost item. This way, you can filter the historical data sources to only the past jobs that are relevant to that cost item.

Before starting this procedure, make sure to set up your default benchmarking options, as outlined in the Benchmarking Options topic.

Step by Step - Benchmarking Graph

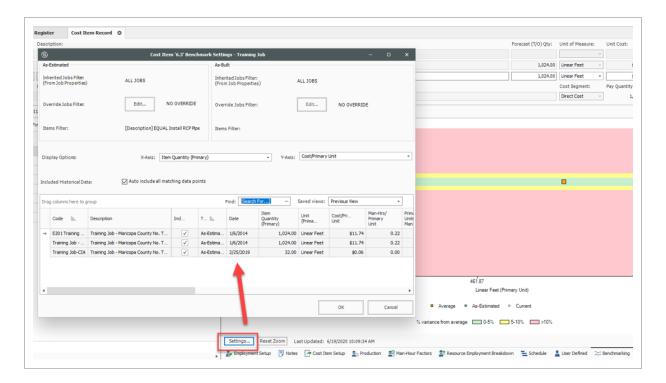
- 1. From the Ribbon, select the Estimate tab. Under Breakdown Structures, select **Cost Breakdown Structure (CBS)**.
- 2. On the Cost Breakdown Structure (CBS) Register, select the **More Actions** tab. Under the Tools section, select **Refresh Benchmarks**.



- 3. The Refresh Benchmarks dialog shows the Last refresh date and the number of Jobs matching filter criteria.
 - If the number of matching jobs is too large or too small, return to step 1 and expand or contract your filtering options.
 - If the number of matching jobs is acceptable, click Refresh Now to proceed.
- 4. Open the Cost Item Record of any preferred cost item.
- 5. Click on the **Benchmarking** default data block located in the lower right portion of the Cost Item Record.
- 6. The benchmarking graph shows the historical benchmark values for this cost item, along with the Current value, the Average value, and the variance ranges represented by each color. This information is calculated and displayed as specified on the Job Properties Benchmarking form.



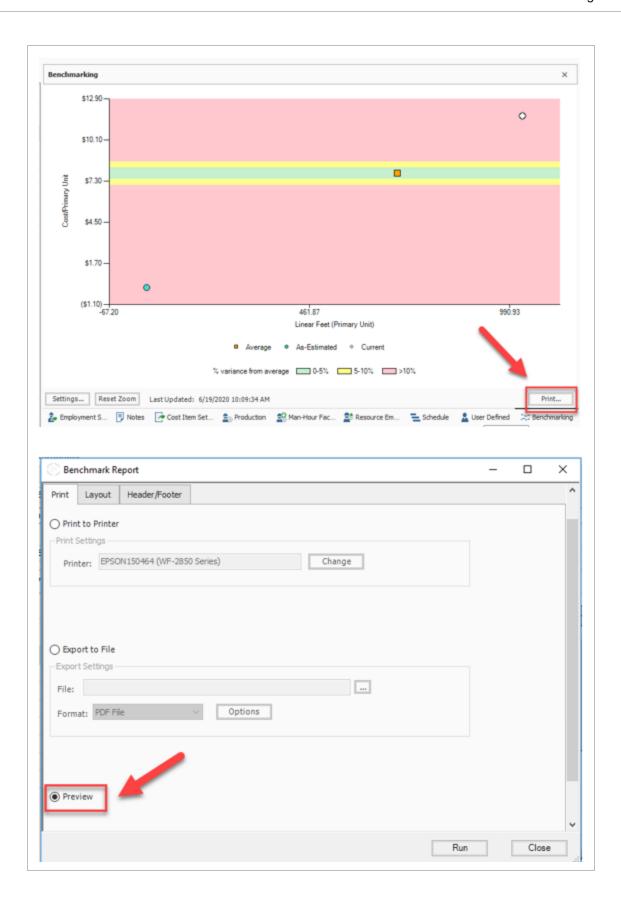
- 7. To refine the values that contribute to this cost item's graph, click the Settings button to display the Settings dialog:
 - To override the job filter for this cost item, click the Edit button in the Override Jobs Filter field and define the filter to use for benchmarking this cost item.
 - To override the Display Options for this cost item, select the desired values from the X-Axis and Y-Axis drop-down boxes.
 - To override the list of jobs that contribute to the Included Historical Data for this cost item, use the Auto include all matching data points toggle to include all or exclude all, and select the individual Include check boxes for the jobs you want to include.
 - When you have completed your customizations for this cost item's benchmarking, click OK to save your changes and return to the Cost Item Record - Benchmarking form.

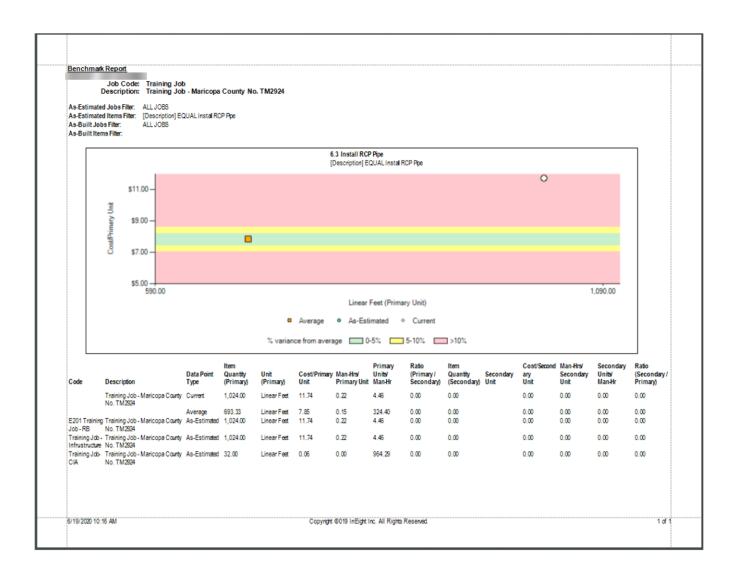


8. To zoom in on a portion of the graph, click and drag across the portion of the graph that you want to enlarge. To view the entire graph again, click Reset Zoom.



9. To print a Benchmark Report, click the Print button, change any options as necessary on the Benchmark Report dialog, and click Run.





8.1.4 Account Code Utilization Register

The Account Code Utilization Register is used to roll estimate line items into an account code hierarchy, with the ability to control which cost items contribute quantity to their parent, in order to benchmark against historical projects in a way that is consistent across projects.

The Account Code Utilization Register is similar to the **Cost Breakdown Structure (CBS)** and the **Master Cost Breakdown Structure (CBS)**, with the following exceptions:

 The rows in the Account Code Utilization Register represent Account Codes rather than individual Cost Items, so the tree structure reflects the Account Code hierarchy rather than the CBS hierarchy.

- The detail rows in the Account Code Utilization Register reflect a terminal Account Code's assigned Cost Items.
- The terminal rows in the Account Code Utilization Register represent each utilized Account Code in the CBS.
- If the Account Code's Auto-Quantity setting is set to Yes, then the Quantity of the terminal
 row is equal to the Quantity (Primary or Secondary) of all the cost items in the CBS with
 that assigned Account Code, and the cost items in the CBS employing resources with that
 assigned Account Code, provided that they have the same Unit of Measure type as the
 Account Code.
- Detail rows for each terminal row represent the cost items assigned to the terminal Account Code, including cost items employing resources that are assigned to the terminal Account Code.
- The Account Code Utilization Register can be filtered to display only terminal items by clicking the drop down arrow on the Is Terminal column and selecting Checked.
- When an Account Code is assigned to an employed resource, the resource's total Cost/Mhrs are removed from the Account Code associated with the cost item and placed, instead, in the Account Code assigned to the employed resource.

The parent-child hierarchy for Account Codes is based on the **Account Code Hierarchy Separator**, which is located from the Backstage View **Settings** under the **Options** drop down labeled as **Account Code Settings**. The Hierarchy Separator defines the parent-child relationship within the Account Code structure.

The Account Code Utilization Register is used primarily for analysis, and most of the columns are readonly. Most of these columns originate on the Account Codes tab in the **Foundation Setup Data Register** and the **Master Foundation Setup Data Register**. Modifying an editable column on this form has the same effect as modifying the same field on the Account Codes tab of the Foundation Setup Data Register or on the Account Record. For further information, see **Creating Account Codes**.

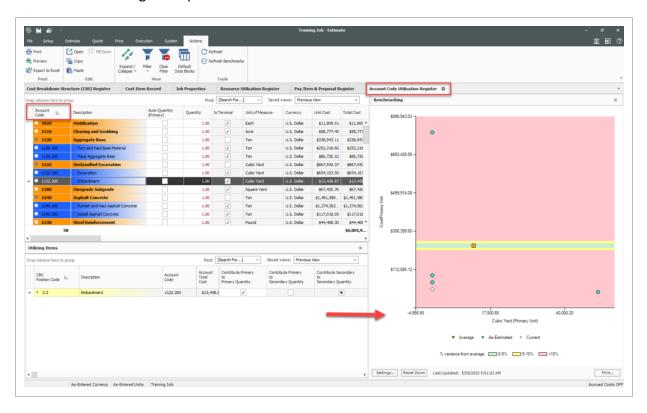
The Benchmarking portion of the form is similar to the **Benchmarking** data block on the Cost Item Record, with the following exceptions:

- The Item Matching criteria is always Account Code.
- Parent account codes will include all matching data points for their child account codes, based on the Hierarchy Separator.
- Account Code rows can be benchmarked at the terminal row level or at any superior row level in the Account Code Utilization Register, meaning that both current estimate values and benchmark values can be compared at any level since both include the values rolled up from their children.

8.1.4.1 Opening the Account Code Utilization Register

Step by Step - Opening the Account Code Utilization Register

- 1. From the Backstage View, select **Library** from the left pane navigation.
- 2. From the Ribbon, select the **Estimate** tab.
- 3. Under the section Master Breakdown Structures, select **Account Code Utilization**. The Account Code Utilization Register opens.



Exercise 8.1 – Benchmarking Setup

Your manager wants you to benchmark costs and man-hours against at least three past projects.

Help set up benchmarking accordingly. Be sure to:

- Use Default Account Code Matching Criteria
- Use Default Jobs Filter
- Benchmark Graph Display Options

Hints:

- The "Jobs matching filter criteria" indicates how many jobs it found a match for.
- A value of "0" means it didn't find a match and the learner would need to double check their benchmarking settings.

Congratulations, you have completed this exercise!

Lesson 8 Review

- 1. Where do you set up benchmarking matching criteria and display options?
 - a. Foundation Setup Data
 - b. Job Properties
 - c. Cost Breakdown Structure Register
 - d. Resource Rate Register
- 2. How do you make sure benchmarking data is up to date in the CBS Register?
 - a. Update settings in the Job Properties > Benchmarking tab
 - b. Select Update Graph on the Cost Item Record
 - c. Save the job
 - d. Select Refresh Benchmarks from the More Actions menu in the CBS
- 3. How can you view the benchmarking graph for a cost item?
 - a. Select the Benchmarking tab in Job Properties
 - b. Select the Benchmarking saved view in the CBS register
 - C. Select the Benchmarking tab on a cost item record
 - d. Select the Benchmarking report from the Reports menu

Lesson 8 Summary

As a result of this lesson, you can:

Set up and use benchmarking to compare your job to past projects

LESSON 9 - CONFORM THE ESTIMATE

Lesson Duration: 40 Minutes

Lesson Objectives

After completing this lesson, you will be able to:

- · Align Estimate data with Platform data in preparation for publishing the estimate
- · Conform the estimate to publish successfully
- Publish the estimate to a project in Platform
- Review to confirm successful publishing of the estimate

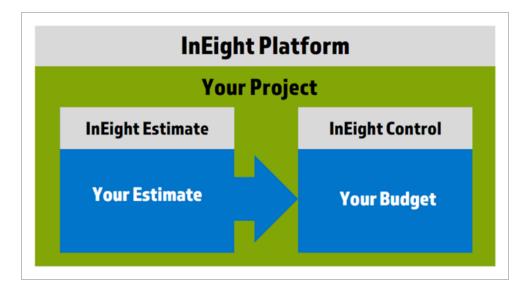
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9.1 CONFORM THE ESTIMATE

The project estimate is often used as a starting point for the project budget. The estimate needs to be conformed in preparation for project execution so there can be effective tracking, forecasting, and reporting.

When you create a job in InEight Estimate in the cloud, you connect it to a project in InEight Platform.

In Estimate, you can publish the conformed estimate to become the project budget in InEight Control.



To successfully publish the estimate for project execution, you must perform the following:

- Align the Estimate and Platform data.
- · Conform the estimate.
- Publish the estimate to a project in Platform.
- Review the project to confirm successful publishing of the estimate.

For more information, download the following documents from the Integrated Documents page:

- Estimate Integration to Cloud Platform and Control for more detailed information about Estimate integration to Platform.
- <u>Prepping Control Budget for Various Interfaces</u> for detailed information about the preparation
 of a project budget for implementation in Control.
- <u>Field mapping Estimate Control Platform</u> for field mappings for Platform to Estimate and Estimate to Control.

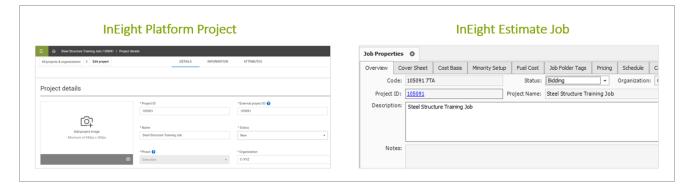
9.2 ALIGN ESTIMATE AND PLATFORM DATA

You can align the Estimate data with Platform data to prepare the job in Estimate for publishing. Alignment starts with creating a project in Platform, and then matching your estimate. For more information about creating a project in Platform, see Project initiation.

Create a Platform project

- In Platform > Main menu > All projects & organizations, click the Add project icon to create a new project.
- 2. Enter the Project ID and External Project ID.
- 3. Enter a project name in the Name field. The name does not have to match the ID, or the project name in Estimate.
- 4. In Status, select **New** to execute the Publish Estimate to a New Project status. The budget becomes initialized when the status is set to New.
- 5. In Phase, select Execution.
- Select an organization from the list.

Next, create the estimate (job) in Estimate. You must select the Platform project to associate the estimate to. Doing this updates the estimate with certain project details, such as notes, and location.



After you match the Platform project and the job in Estimate, you must check that the following data matches between the two applications:

• Currency must match the project base currency for the project in Platform. Make sure the currency symbol descriptions match in both Estimate and Control. For example, AUS dollars in

Estimate must be AUS dollars in Control.

- Units of Measure names must exist in both Estimate and Platform.
- Account Code structure must be finalized to match Platform. Account codes are optional.
- Tags and User-defined fields from Estimate need to be configured at the organization or project level in Platform.
- · Cost Categories.
- · Pay Item related fields.

The following are key considerations when conforming the estimate:

- Summarizing estimate details into logical work groupings, such as combining costs, quantities, and work hours for work activities and resources.
- Breaking estimate structure into more detail (e.g., to track by area).
- Aligning the estimate data with an Account Code Structure.
- Conforming major materials from resources to cost items for better tracking.
- Moving, splitting, and combining cost items.
- Converting dependent cost items and cost item assemblies into standard cost items and resources.
- Addressing suspended cost items. Suspended cost items do not go over to Control.
- Converting ad-hoc resources to a library resource or a plug value against a cost item.
- Addressing productivity factors by updating in Estimate to reflect the actual budgeted man-hours that are required for the cost item in Control.
- Adding man-hours by creating a labor resource in Estimate or importing man-hours directly to Control (when necessary).
- Establishing tag values imported from Estimate in Platform at the organization level.
- Configuring key pay item fields to match Control.

For more detailed information about Estimate integration to Platform, see **Estimate Integration to Cloud Platform and Control**.

9.2.1 Convert dependent cost item to plug cost item

You must convert a dependent cost item to plug cost item as part of conforming the estimate. You can do this in the CBS register of the estimate. For more information about dependent cost items, see

Dependent cost items.

Convert dependent cost item to plug cost item

- Create a new cost item at the bottom of the CBS, and then enter a description for the dependent cost item you're replacing.
- 2. Select a unit of measure.
- 3. Open both the dependent cost item and new cost item.
- 4. Change the new cost item's Cost Source to Plug.
- 5. Review the unit and total values in the dependent cost item's cost category fields.
- 6. Copy or enter those values into the same cost category fields of the new cost item's Plug tab.

Make sure contingency is represented on its own cost item. Contingency should not be directly included in cost items where cost performance is required against budgeted rates.

9.3 CONFORMING USING OTHER BREAKDOWN STRUCTURES

It is more efficient to track progress on your projects by organizing your budget in a more consolidated and potentially different breakdown structure than how the job was estimated. Using account codes, tag field values, or a work breakdown structure are common ways of viewing the estimate in an alternate way. Most often one of these alternate views corresponds to the best way to structure the budget to track the work.

9.3.1 Conforming by account codes

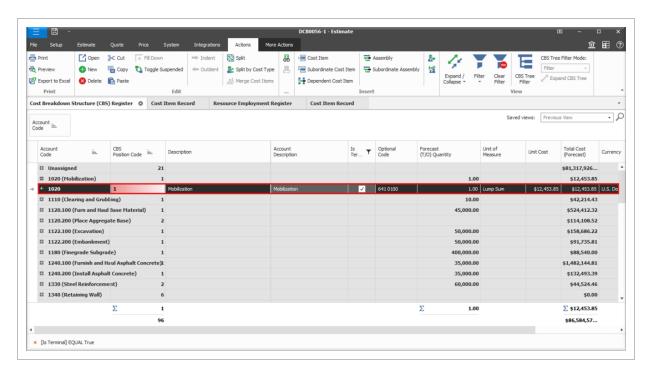
You can organize your budget by conforming your Estimate CBS structure to match a standard account code structure.

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9.3.2 Steps

Conform your estimate using an account code structure

- 1. Open a copy of the job in Estimate job that used for reference.
- 2. In the CBS register, group by Account Code.
- 3. Create a new job in Estimate, where items from the original estimate will be copied to.
 - Assure that all job properties and settings match the original estimate file.
 - Create any initial structure that is needed to organize your cost structure, such as General Conditions, Direct Labor, Material and Subcontracts.
- 4. In the job with the grouped account codes, expand the first account code.
 - When there is only one cost item, copy and paste it into the applicable location in the conformance project.
 - For account codes with multiple cost items, add a parent cost item to the conformance project, and then copy and paste the cost items from the original estimate as subordinates.

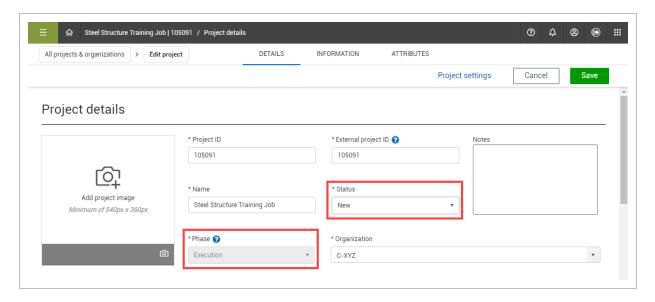


It's not required to have the account codes in Estimate, but using account codes in Estimate can help to ensure accurate benchmarking functionality.

9.4 PUBLISH TO PLATFORM PROJECT

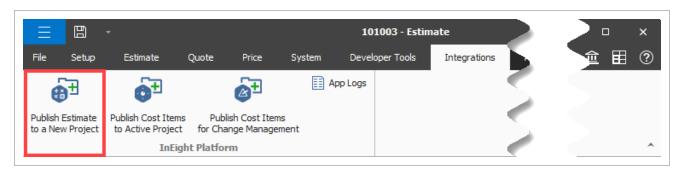
When you are ready to publish the estimate, confirm that the project in Platform has the following settings:

- Phase Execution
- Status New



9.4.1 Publish estimate to a new project

To initialize a new control budget, publish the job in Estimate to become the project budget in Control, click the **Publish Estimate to a New Project** option in the Integrations tab.



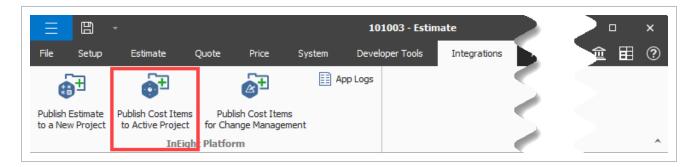
When you publish an estimate to a new project, all cost items, pay items, and change orders that may already exist in the project are removed.

When the integration process is successful, you receive an Import Success email.

9.4.2 Publish cost items to an active project

After an estimate has been published and progress is being tracked against a budget, it's not uncommon for new scope to be added to a project as the work progresses.

You can estimate the cost of this new scope using Estimate, and then publish the newly estimated costs to a project in execution by using the **Publish Cost Items to Active Project** option.



Prior to publishing the cost items, change the status of the Platform project to Active.

9.4.3 Unsuccessful imports

When there are errors during the import, the import is unsuccessful. An InEight Notification email is sent to you with a link to view the list of errors. Click the link shown under Summary to view the list of errors. You can also access the App Logs in Estimate > Integrations > **App Logs**.



Examples of failed import causes are:

- When a resource has more than 11 characters in front of the decimal. Cloud Platform only
 accepts 11 numeric character places before the decimal, and 11 numeric character places after
 the decimal.
- An account code assigned in Estimate that is not in the corporate list in project suite. The full import might fail because there is nothing to roll up into the account code.

To access the app logs, you must have the DevOps Admin role.

After resolving errors, you can republish the estimate. Republishing the estimate also removes all cost items, pay items, and change orders that were imported previously.

9.5 REVIEW PUBLISHED DATA IN CONTROL

After a successful import, you can review the published data in Control. To review the data, go to Control > Workspaces > Audit Log > **Import history**. You must manually refresh the import history to see the newly updated import history data.

Review published data in Control

- 1. In your project's homepage, navigate to Control > Workspaces > Audit Log tab.
- 2. Select **Import history** in the left pane.
- 3. Select the **Pending** status for the newly imported line item.
- 4. Select the cost items you want to keep in Control.

5. Select **Import**.

You can't add any cost items in the CBS or activate any syncs during the import process.

6. Go to the Import history to view the import in process.

An email is sent to you that informs you whether the import succeeds or fails .

Lesson 9 Review

- 1. Where would you go to review account codes and units of measure in InEight Estimate?
 - a. Pay Item & Proposal Register
 - b. Price Breakdown Structure
 - C. Job Properties
 - d. Foundation Setup Data
- 2. Which of the following needs to be converted when conforming the estimate?
 - a. Labor resources
 - b. Ad-hoc resources
 - C. Equipment resources
 - d. Supply resources
- 3. What phase does the project in InEight Platform need to be changed to prior to publishing the estimate?
 - a. Initiation
 - b. Construction
 - C. Pre-execution
 - d. Execution

Lesson 9 Summary

As a result of this lesson, you can:

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- · Conform the Estimate to publish successfully
- Publish the Estimate to a project in Platform
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