

# Lean Construction & Integrated Project Delivery (IPD) Overview

Introducing Lean and the Lean Construction Institute to NWCCC

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# Topics

Why consider lean?

Origin of Lean Construction Institute & key Lean concepts

Why isn't everybody doing this?

Engaging with the Lean Construction Institute & Cascadia Community of Practice



# What is Frustrating About Projects?

- Could you identify your 3 biggest frustrations?

## So what do **owners want?**

**Predictable cost** and confident ability to affect cost: make decisions on the spot

Predictable, **on time delivery**

**Fair cost** for delivered product

**High compliance** to program, quality, and lifecycle cost



**Safe environment** before, during and after construction

**No fighting, finger pointing or delays**

**Flexibility to change** as needs change

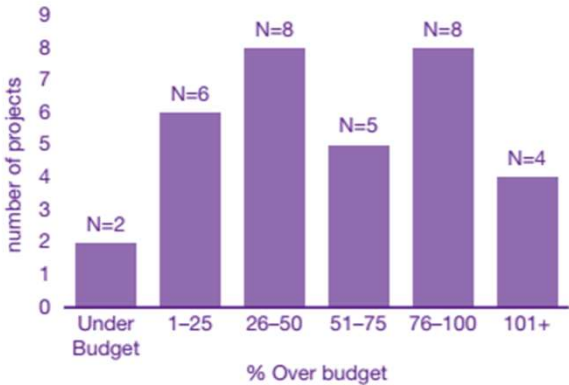
Stable, predictable, reliable,  
**long-term relationships**

# Disappointing project outcomes are too common

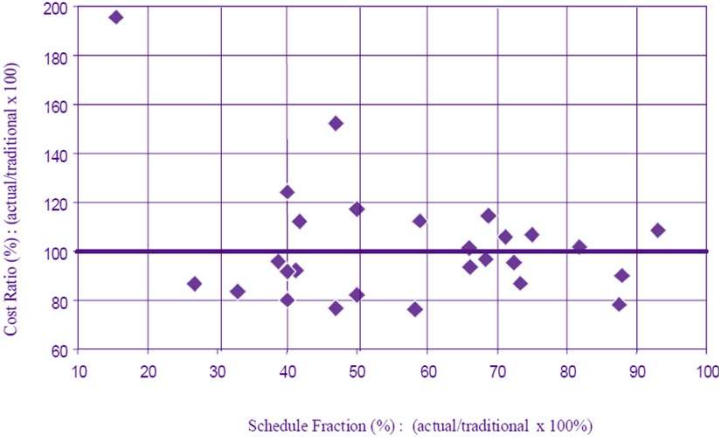
Countless studies and research reports from Construction Industry Institute and other organizations

**Figure 1: Projects under budget are the exception, not the rule**

Number of projects within cost overrun categories



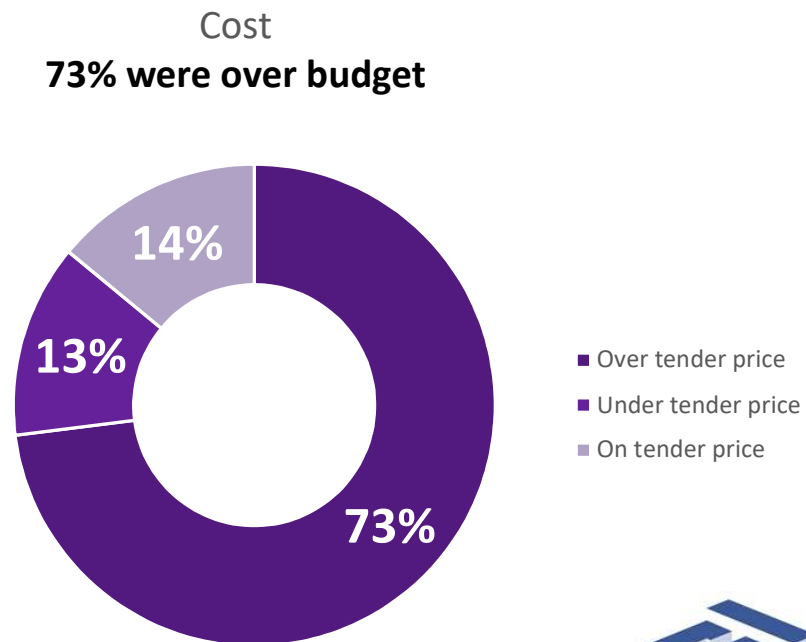
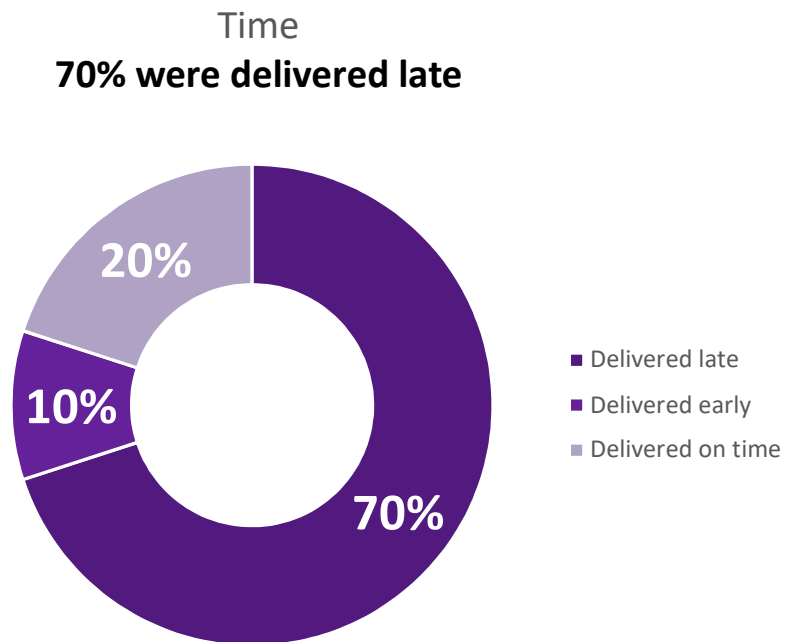
Source: PwC analysis, based on industry research



Construction Industry Institute RT-124: December, 2000

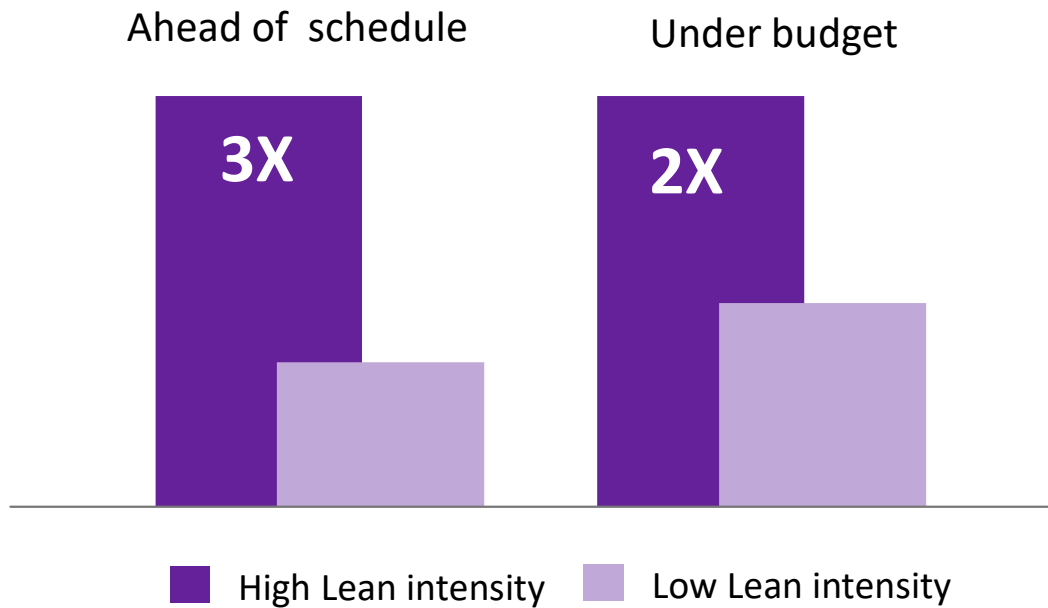
Figure 3.1 Cost Ratio vs. Schedule Fraction, Total Project

# What's the problem with traditional approach?



# Why use Lean/IPD Approach ?

Correlation of lean intensity to outcomes (% likelihood on best projects)



**DODGE** DATA & ANALYTICS

 **Lean Construction Institute**  
Transforming the Built Environment

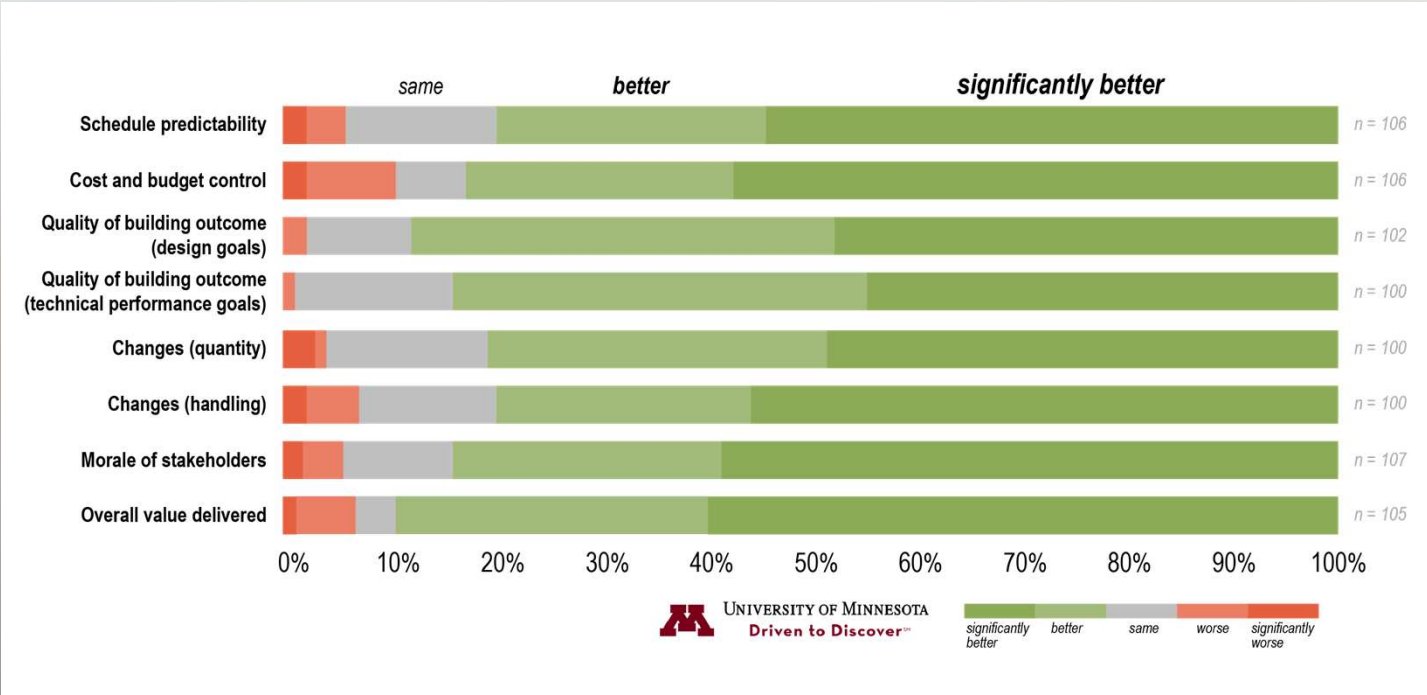
# Lean IPD success Independent Research Study

# +80%

Better or significantly better rating

In every category for project performance, **+80%** rated the Lean IPD Model as 'Better' or 'Significantly Better' than a traditional delivery approach

- University of Minnesota



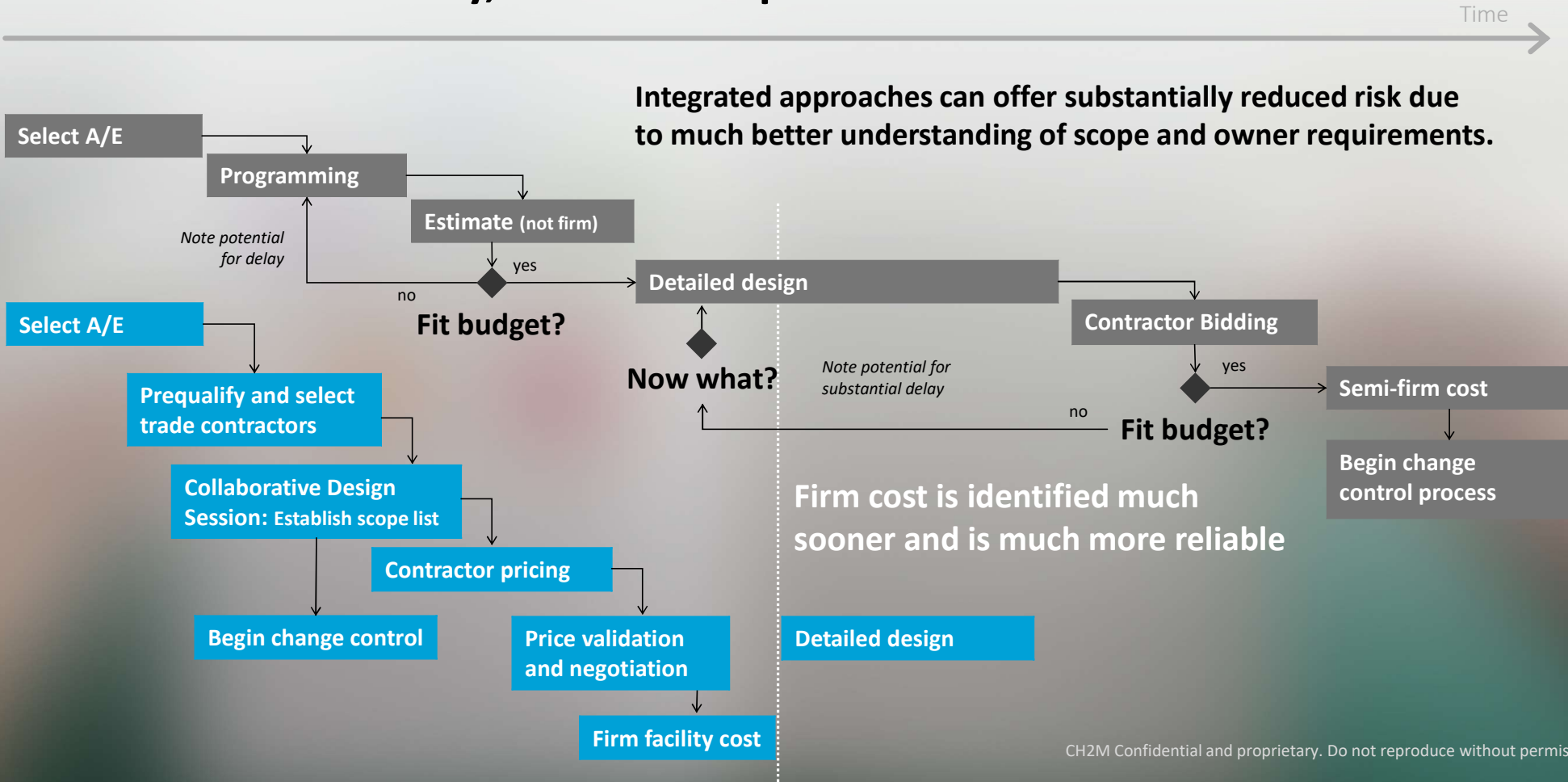




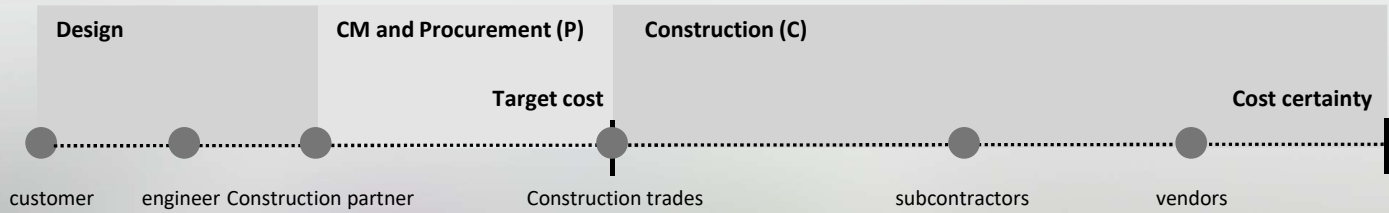
**Go after the root cause of the problem**

# An integrated project delivery approach eliminates unnecessary, iterative loops

Traditional approach

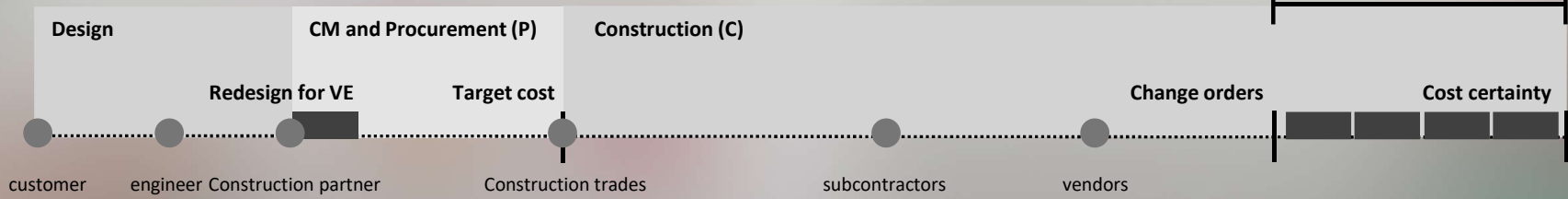


### What we think will happen with traditional delivery

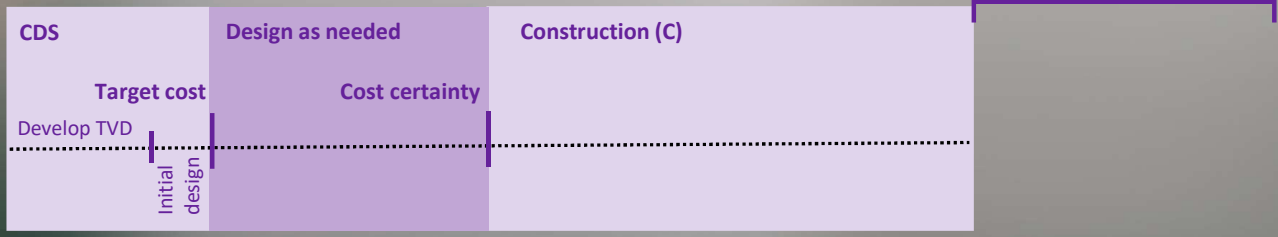


**Traditional delivery is linear and sequential.**

### What actually happens way too often



Select team



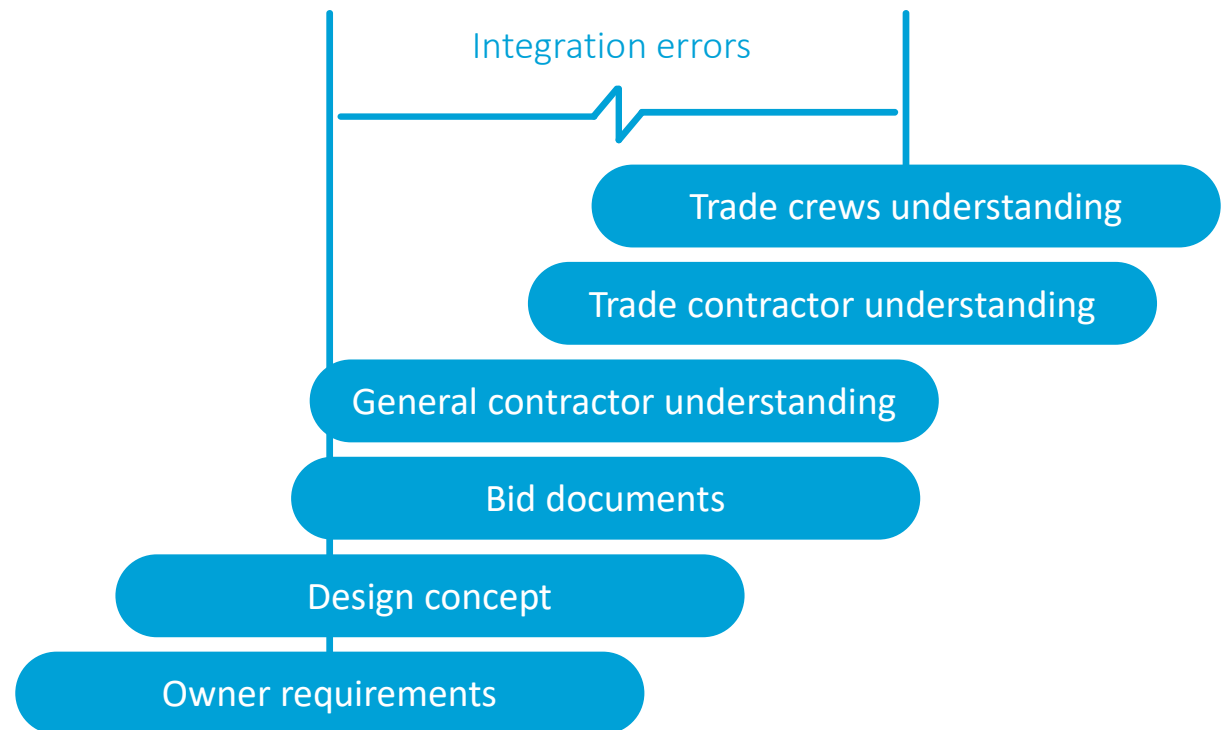
### Early Outcomes:

- Client CoS
- Detailed scope matrix to facilitate pricing
- Risk evaluation
- Value engineering
- Constructability preview
- Milestone schedule
- Cost certainty
- Faster construction start

## Alignment drifts and **integration errors**

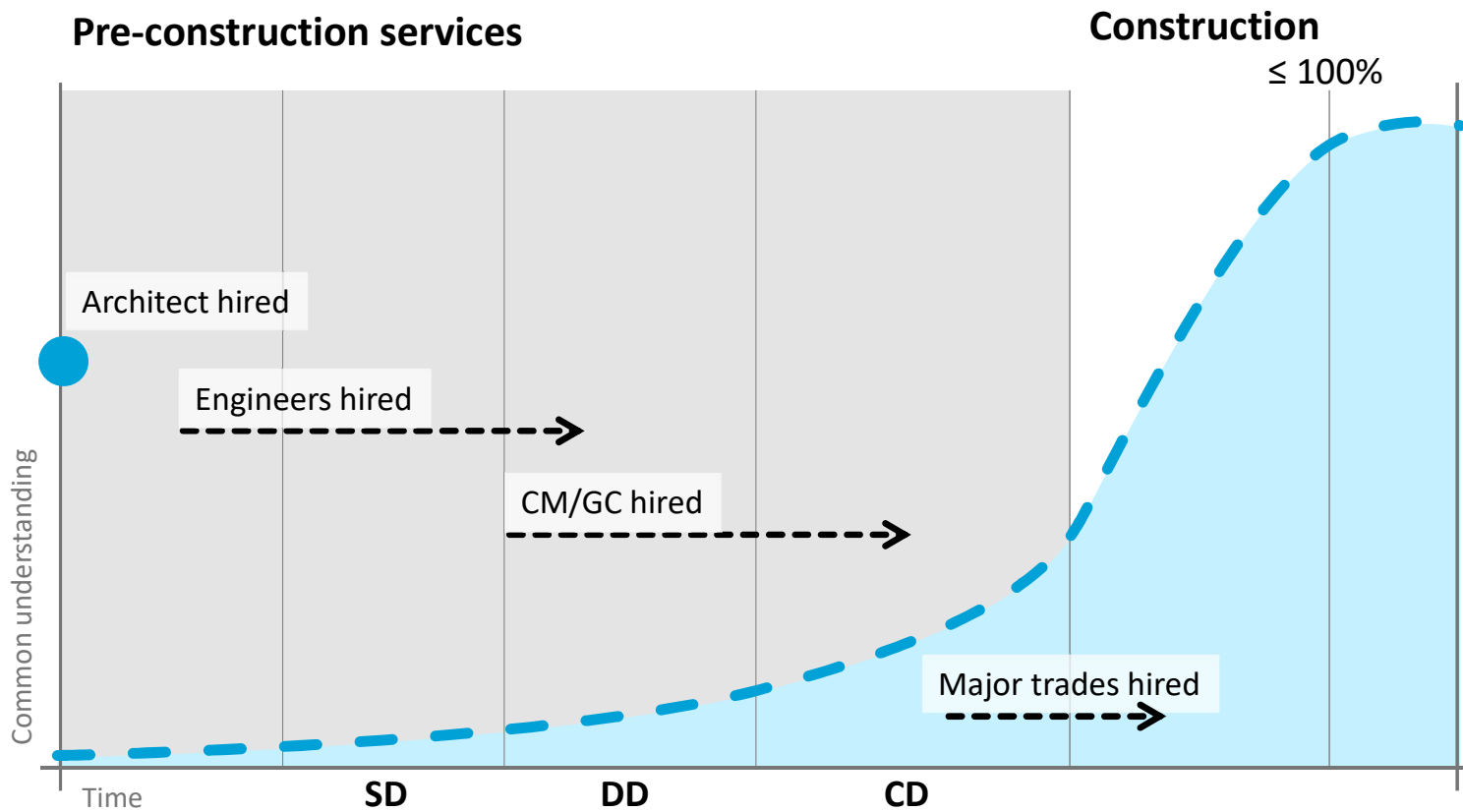
### Integration Errors

- Add risk and contingency
- Create rework that becomes more disruptive the longer it remains unrecognized
- Disrupt the flow of work
- Create misunderstanding & unnecessary conflict
- **Represent the root cause of many project issues**
  - And the best place to focus remedies



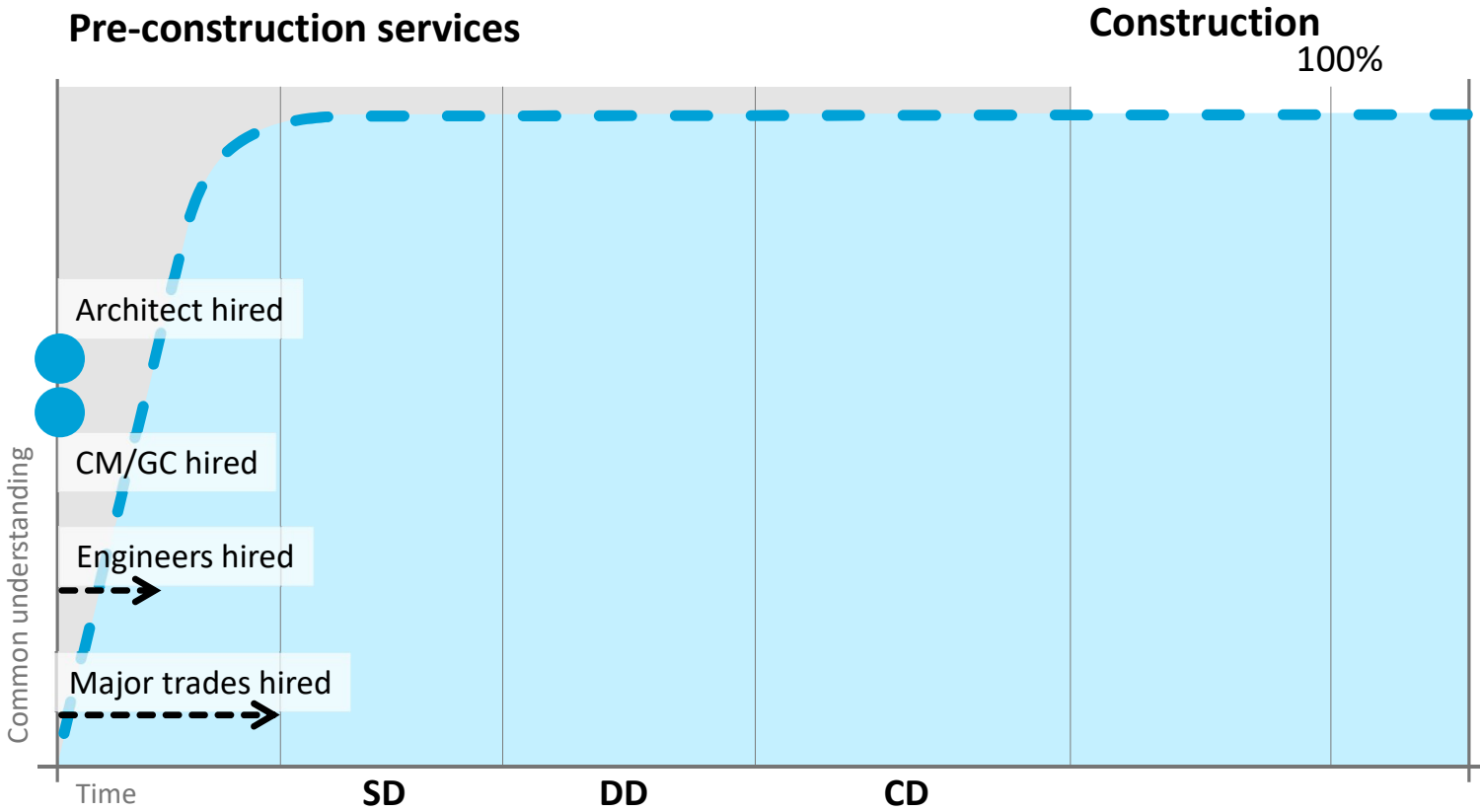
# Level of common understanding

Source: McDonough, Holland & Allen PC, Attorneys at Law



# Integrated project delivery **common understanding**

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## Origins of Lean Construction Institute – A *few* Key Events

- Early – mid 1990s: Initial research
  - Howell, Ballard, Tommelein, Zobell, Macomber et. Al.
  - International Group for Lean Construction
- 1997: Lean Construction Institute Founded in Portland, Oregon
  - ~ 20 people showed up for first “Introduction to Lean” -
  - Introduced Last Planner System
- 2001: Task Force Meeting in Las Vegas, NV to discuss the effect of contracts
  - Sutter Health joined the conversation
  - Will Lichtig began drafting Integrated Form of Agreement

## Research findings from the early 1990's



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# Six tenets of Lean Construction

1. Respect for people
2. Optimize the whole
3. Generate value
4. Eliminate waste
5. Focus on flow
6. Continuous improvement





# Owner Satisfaction Study Dodge Data & Analytics

## JOURNEY TO TRANSFORM



### LCI VISION

Transform the Built Environment through Lean Implementation

### GOAL

Increase stakeholder satisfaction and project delivery value

### OBJECTIVES

DEMAND	Create demand for Lean
CAPACITY	Create your capacity for learning and sharing better practices
VALUE	Establish standard metrics for Value and Satisfaction
KNOWLEDGE	Develop and deliver standard building blocks for Lean

### STRATEGIES

- 1 Create a collegial owner group (demand)
- 2 Increase industry awareness by growing and enhancing Congress (knowledge)
- 3 Broadly communicate the business value of Lean (value)
- 4 Partner with other industry associations (value)
- 5 Leverage strengths of LCI Communities of Practice (capacity)
- 6 Significantly increase the rate of content development and distribution (capacity)



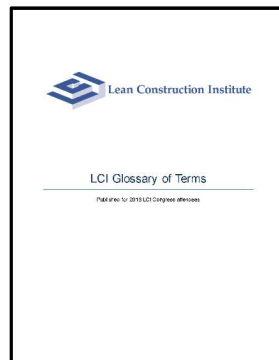
## Goal #1: Increase project delivery value and stakeholder satisfaction



### Owner Satisfaction Study Dodge Data & Analytics

- Industry Satisfaction Survey (81 owner respondents)
- Owners' Forum

- **Goal # 2: Deliver standard building blocks for Lean**
  - Updates of LCI glossary of Lean Construction terms
  - *Target Value Design: Introduction, Framework & Current Benchmark*
  - *Target Value Delivery: Transforming Design & Construction II (2016)*



- **Goal #3: Create industry demand for Lean**
  - Board focus on owner outreach
    - Presentations at association conferences:
      - Outreach to individual owners
      - Support for Large Owners Group program
  - Owner-focus events: Congress, Webinars, CoPs

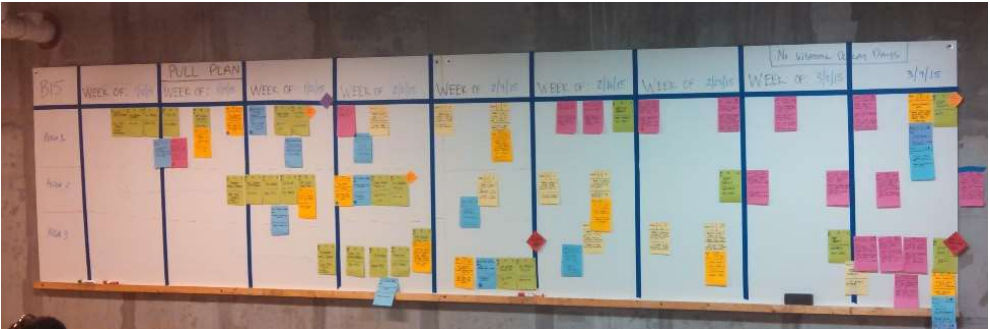


# Last Planner® System

Phase pull planning



Look ahead planning



Daily huddle

Weekly work planning



# What is **Integrated Project Delivery**?

**Integrated Project Delivery IPD** is an alternative delivery method that leverages early collaboration and alignment by bringing together all project partners, including design, construction, trades, and vendors vs. traditional contracting methods that happen sequentially, often in a vacuum, requiring additional time and rework.



## What does IPD do?

- **Allows us to engage deeply** with the client to establish the target-value
- Supports **early collaboration, innovation, and value engineering**
- **Increases alignment and reduces overall cost and schedule** by concurrently designing the product and process
- Helps us to **identify, eliminate, and mitigate project risk**
- **Leverages entire team's expertise** through collaborative design sessions (CDS) to leverage entire team's expertise

## **IPD benefits**

Increased innovation  
Increased value engineering  
Cost reduction  
Staff leveling  
Schedule efficiencies

A project is **a promise**

A project is a **very big promise**  
delivered by people in an ever  
changing network of promises



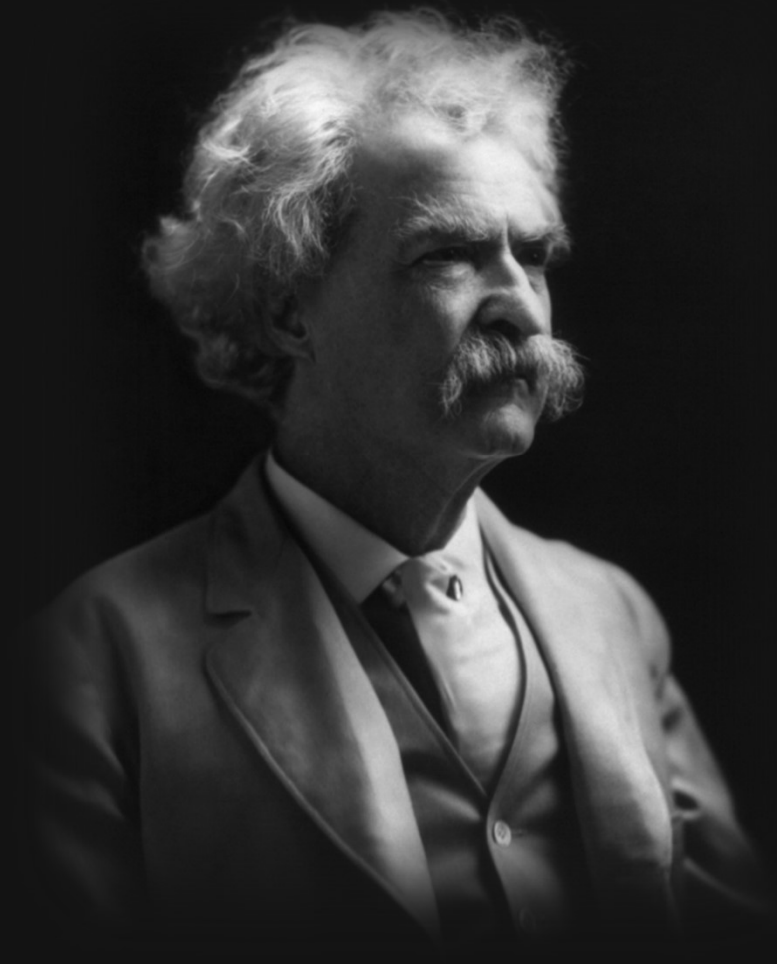


## Distinct cost advantages of Lean/IPD delivery

- Cost effective solutions that would otherwise never be considered
  - “If that’s what you’re trying to do, why don’t you...”
  - The Scope of an IPD project will ~~nearly~~ always be:
    - simpler
    - better integrated
    - more constructible
- Project can start much sooner and avoid schedule compression
  - Collaborative project delivery is ~~almost~~ always faster
- Less time and money spent designing (and estimating) what won’t fit the budget
- Less risk for all participants
- Integration Errors eliminated much earlier and at much lower cost
  - Countless RFIs answered before they need to be written
- Attractiveness to bidders
  - More attractive projects generate more competitive response
- Team motivated to minimize problems rather than exploit them

**IPD enables flow. Flow is money.**

So **why isn't everybody** working this way?



“It ain't what you don't know  
that gets you into trouble. It's  
what you know for sure that  
just ain't so.”

— Mark Twain

## Conventional wisdom?



**“Who the hell wants to hear actors talk?”**

— *H.M. Warner, Warner Brothers, 1927*



**“We don't like their sound, and guitar music is on the way out.”**

— *Decca Recording Co. rejecting the Beatles, 1962*



**“I think there is a world market for maybe five computers.”**

— *Thomas Watson, chairman of IBM, 1943*

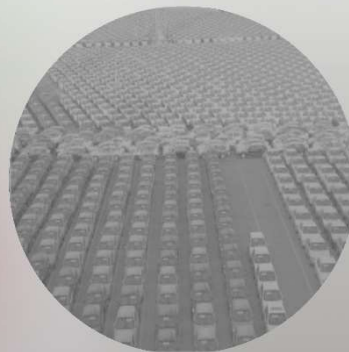
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**Historical** conventional wisdom

## Maybe it's time to rethink our paradigm about competitive bids providing lowest cost



A professional commander organizes his troops in straight, orderly lines in the middle of an open field and has them wear bright, red coats.



Trying to build a car with zero defects simply isn't cost effective



Construction is a dangerous business. Accidents and injuries are just part of the game.

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## Project delivery **paradigms**

“Win-win is an illusion.  
What counts is that I win!”

“Social science  
isn't real science.”

**“Trust is for suckers”**



“You manage the project  
by managing contracts.”

“Collaboration sounds  
great, but you have to  
give up competition. ”

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## Competing paradigms

“Periods of revolutionary change begin with anomalies that the established paradigm is unable to explain, leading eventually to the development of a competing and ultimately victorious new paradigm.”

Thomas Kuhn

*The structure of Scientific Revolution (1982)*

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## Where **do we fit in?**

What paradigms do we challenge?

How do we become the anomalies that lead others to recognize faulty paradigms?

Is challenging a set of institutional paradigms a call to action for an institution?

Is this a good “Chapter Challenge”?

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## Call to **action**

'Create' anomalies that compel confrontation with paradigms

Test widely held presuppositions that may be false

Apply competitive pressure in the market

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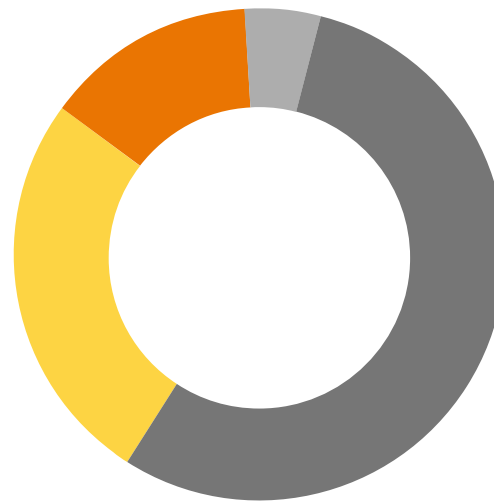
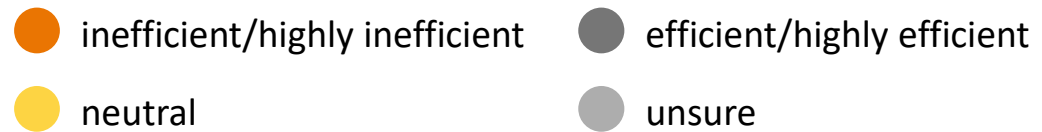




## Current industry situation – **waste is hidden**

### Seeing the waste

Lean Practitioners understand that currently only 19% of the time in the construction industry is spent being 'Efficient or Highly Efficient' ... while Non-Lean Practitioners either misjudge or don't recognize the waste



Non-lean practitioners



Lean practitioners

## Lean/IPD, **safety and quality**

Respect for individuals

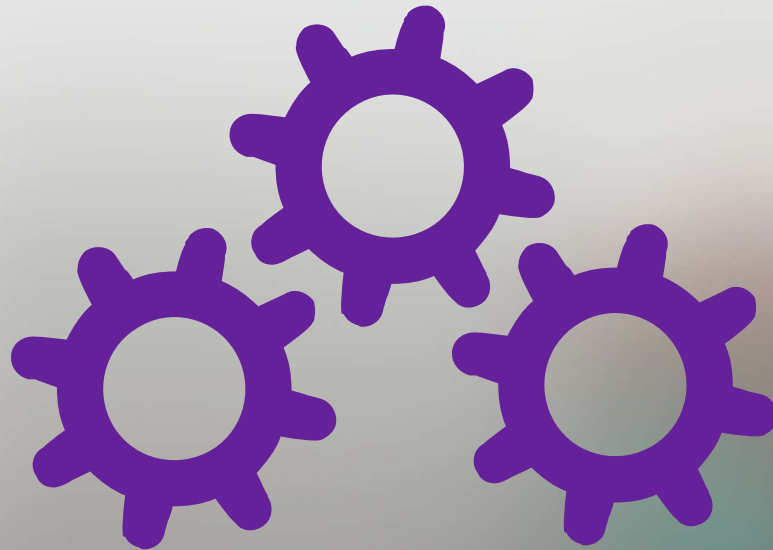
Effective and transparent communication

Focus on effective process

Continuous learning and improvement

Recognizing that you don't need to  
accept bad outcomes

*Total Quality Management/6 Sigma*



*Injury free environment*

*Lean project delivery*

## Further interest in LCI?

[Leanconstructioninstitute.org](http://Leanconstructioninstitute.org)

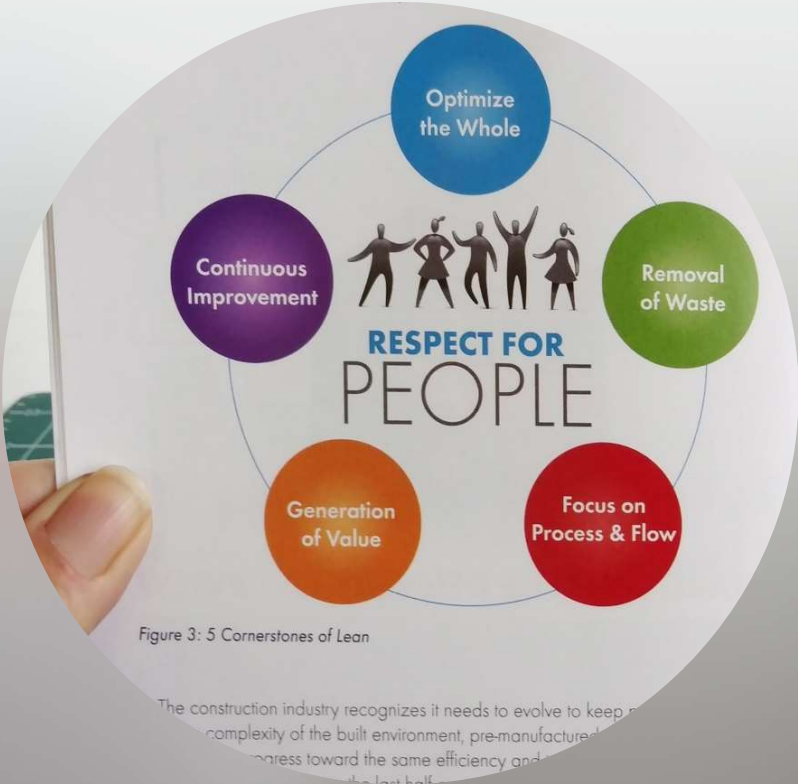
- LCI Congress, Anaheim, CA. October 17 – 20.
- Cascadia-Seattle LCI Community of Practice

# Questions?

Thank You!

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# Plus/Delta



## But how do I know **I'm getting the best price?**

- Lean IPD goes after the root cause of construction inefficiency
  - Lean/IPD can drastically reduce the integration errors that plague project delivery
- Owner benefits from a **team** enabled and motivated to help solve problems
  - Constructability and Safety are designed in from the start
  - Great solutions can be incorporated that otherwise would never be considered
  - Collaborative efforts represent comprehensive “rehearsals” that greatly enhance team effectiveness
- Competition and Collaboration are not mutually exclusive
  - Key pricing factors can be competitively negotiated without a full design
    - Focus the competition where it is most effective
  - Lean projects are very attractive – and therefore attract highly competitive responses from bidders

**Early evidence is strikingly clear –  
Lean/IPD works!**