

Well Delivery Process

A Proven Method to Improve Value and Performance While Reducing Costs.

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To day I will cover the following

- Purpose of a WDP
- Stage Gate Processes
- Distinction of type of operations
- Overview of WDP
- Key tools for WDP
- Lessons learned from application
- Success factors

Well Delivery traditionally called a process

- Process is a series of actions directed to some end (ref. flowchart)
 - the completion of a well for data acquisition or hydrocarbon production.
- But it is a system

Characteristics of a System

- Defn: Set of detailed methods, procedures and routines established or formulated to carry out a specific activity
- Structure
 - defined by parts and their composition;
- Behavior
 - which involves inputs, processing and outputs of information, energy and material;
- Interconnectivity
 - the various parts of a system have working as well as structural relationships between each other.

The purpose of the WDP is to:

- Maximize the value of a well
- Minimize the risk in constructing and operating the well
- Align goals through the value chain
- Gain multidisciplinary input
 - internal and external to the organization
- Optimize the front end workload
- Deliver reduced & predictable costs

The WDP is managed through stage gates

- Define the stages
 - Usually matched to Capital Value or Opportunity Realization process
- Balance the stages
 - Sufficient for the decision or action
- Define the gates
 - Deliverables
 - Approvals

Typical WDP Stages

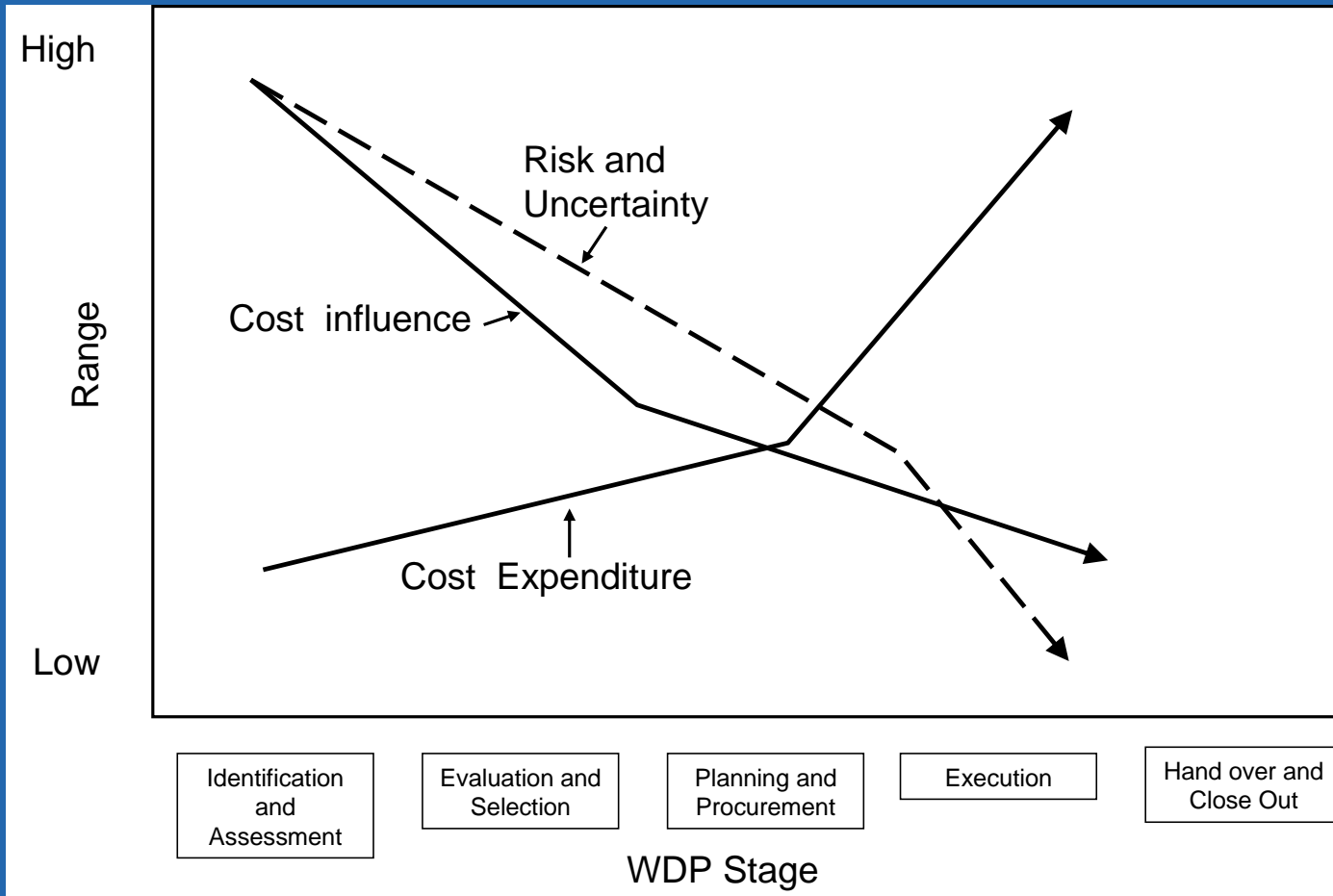
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Definition of the stage gates is critical

Deliverables, forward plan, decision criteria

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Overview



It is very important to distinguish types of operations

- Projects

- Non repetitive with unique goal

- Ongoing business

- Repeated processes to deliver products and services
- Multiple types

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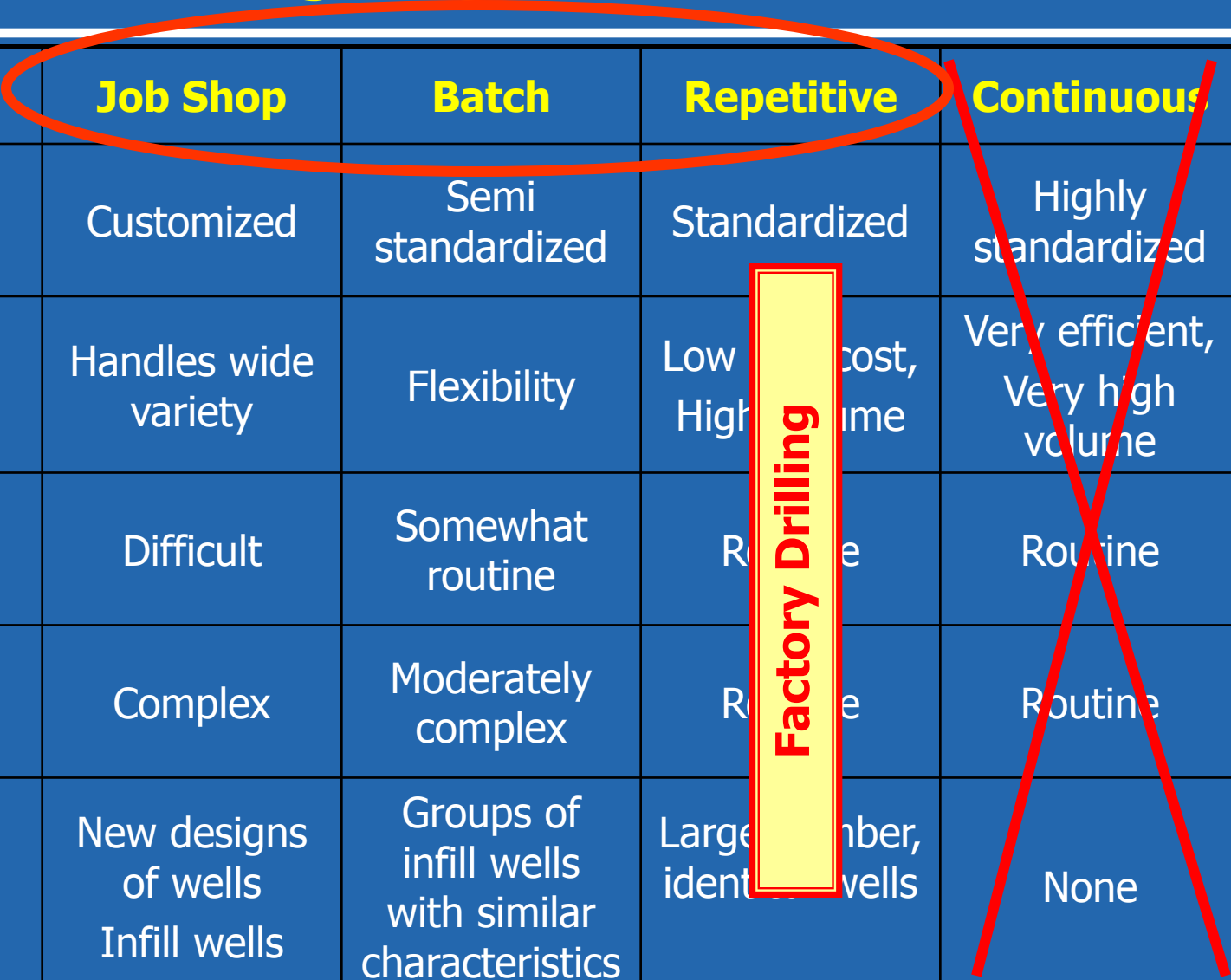
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Revised well design, increased uncertainty sub surface

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Desired transition

Increased stages of WDP, more detail of WDP, longer planning duration

**There is an industry trend that
enables transition to repetitive
operations**

**Reducing uncertainty sub
surface**

Key WDP Tools

- Risk and Uncertainty management
 - Qualitative – identification and ranking
 - Quantitative - modeling
 - SPE 97269

Risk ID	Project sub group	Project phase	Description of event	Description of cause	Risk or Uncertainty	Impact type	Impact rating	Probability rating	Risk rating
1		Proj Specification	NAPIMS approval later than scheduled	Delays beyond expected duration	Risk	Schedule	25	3	75
2			Poorly understood process requirement	Uncertainty of process rate and stream conditions is interpreted as changes in design parameter	Uncertainty	Functionality	10	4	40
3			Work not completed according to schedule	Resources assigned late, insufficient resources assigned	Risk	Schedule	25	4	100
4	Subsurface	Proj Specification	Gas volumes are larger than base case used in FEED	Oron production	Uncertainty	Functionality	5	1	5
5	Subsurface	Proj Specification	Gas volumes are larger than base case used in FEED	Additional upside production	Uncertainty	Functionality	5	2	10
6	Facilities	Proj Specification	Current structures unable to take additional loads of risers, etc	Structures inadequate for additional use	Risk	Capital cost	10	2	20
7	Facilities	Proj Specification	Loss of oil production	Shut down required for interfacing the CPU 2 to current production	Risk	Production	10	3	30
8	Facilities	Proj Specification	Insufficient reserves to meet sales contract	Non associated gas less than expected					0
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- Risk identifier
- Project phase
- Risk event
- Risk cause
- Estimate of risk probability (from the matrix)
- Estimate of risk impact

- Identification of type of impact
 - (safety, cost (opex / capex), schedule, functionality)
- Risk ownership
- Mitigation actions
 - Plan it out, develop contingency
- Cost / benefit of mitigation
- Timing of mitigation

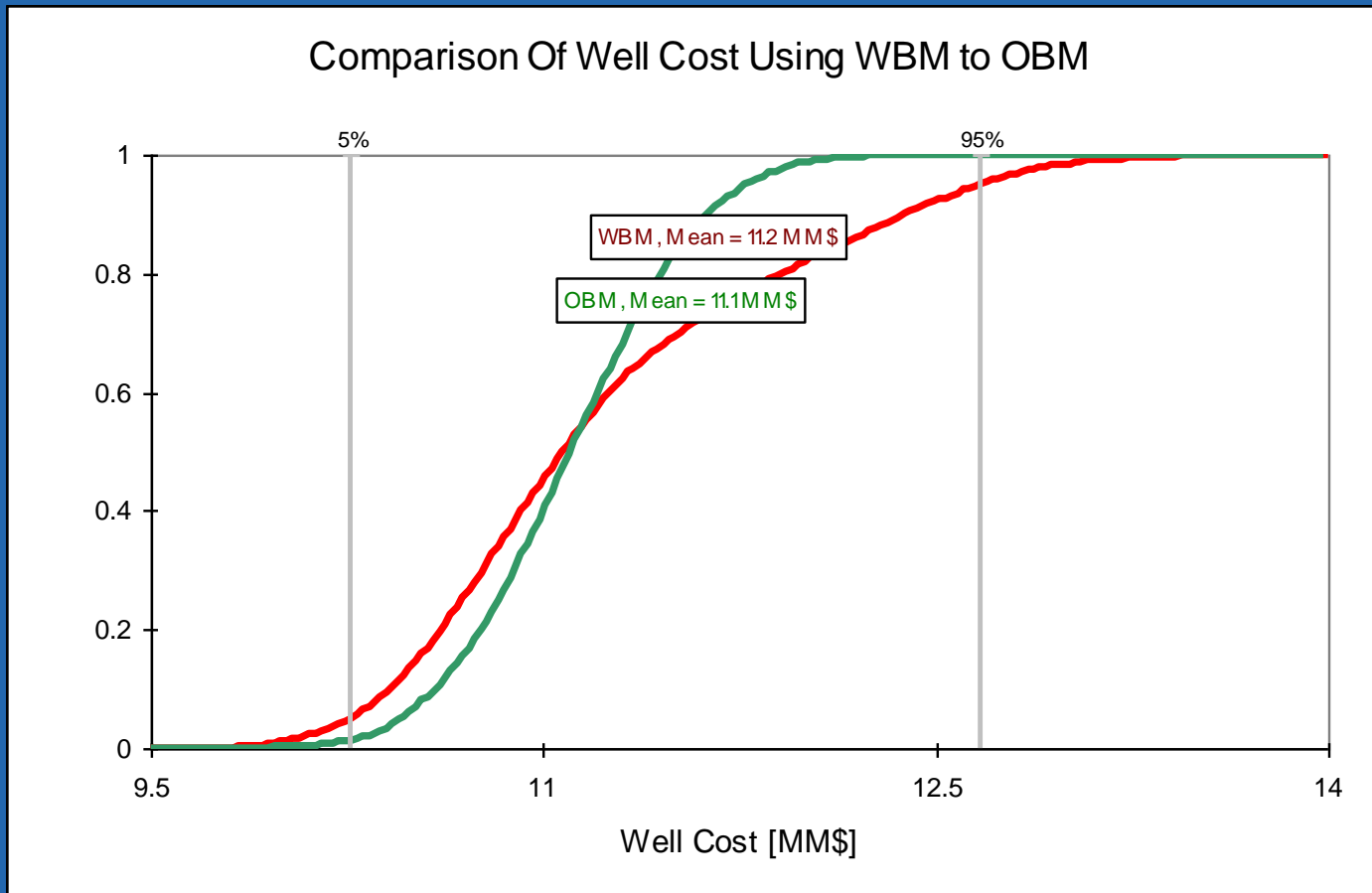
Key WDP Tools

- Detailed scheduling
 - Planning and preparation activities
 - Linked schedules with lead times
 - Detailed – 1000 vs. 40 activities
 - Daily update, auto look ahead
- Technical Limit Process
 - Addresses Invisible Lost Time (+NPT)
 - Early stretch goals (BHAG's)
 - Schedule, functionality and cost

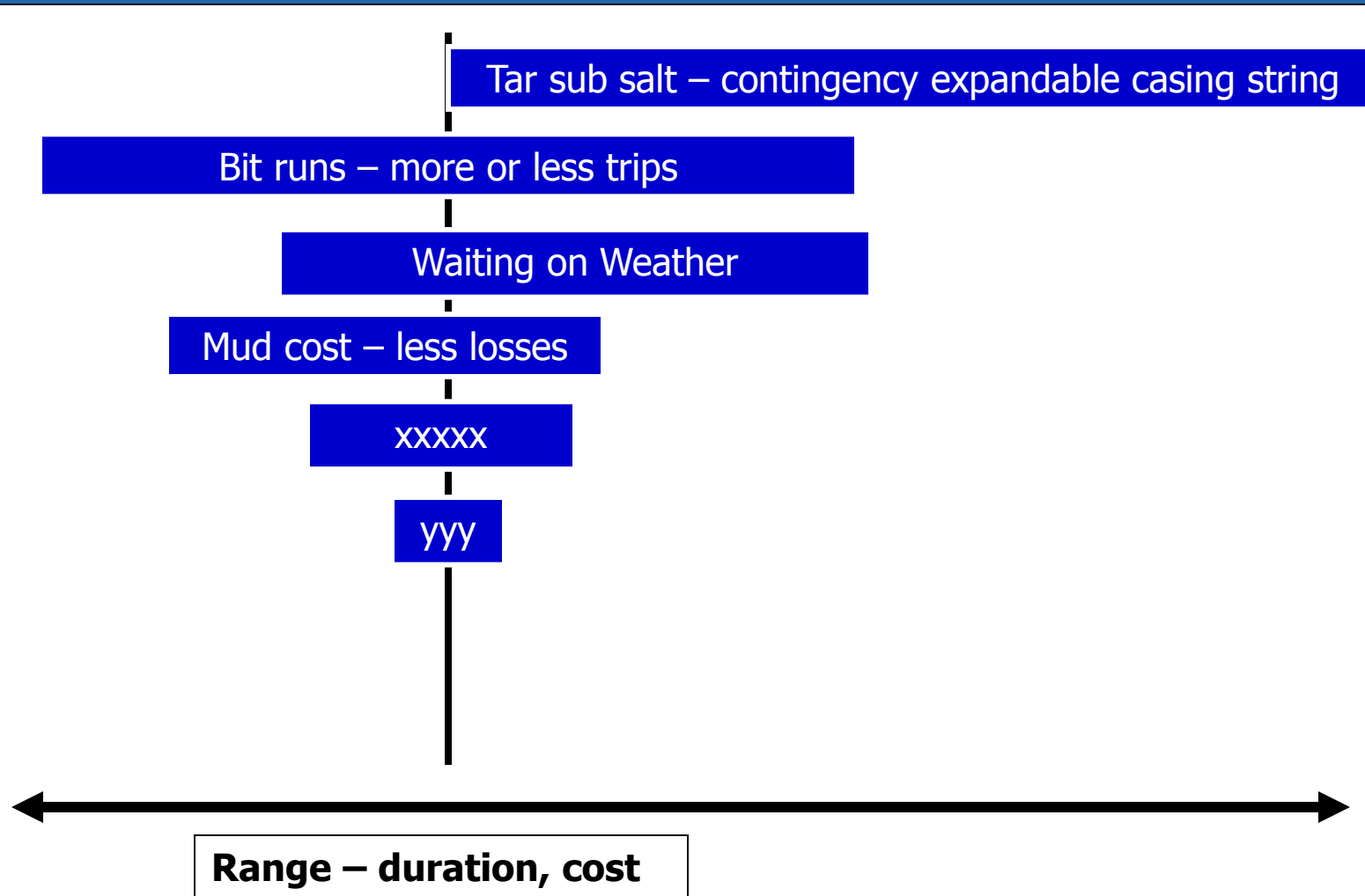
Key WDP Tools

- Probabilistic cost estimating
 - Risks / uncertainties in schedule & cost model
 - “S” curve – shows range of costs
 - Tornado diagram – ranking uncertainties

"S" curves enable visual comparison of mean cost / time vs. spread



Tornado diagrams rank the drivers of uncertainty in cost / schedule



Key WDP Tools

- Simulation / Table top exercises
 - DWOP / CWOP / TWOP /
 - Minimize critical path time
 - » Essentially rotary table
 - Optimize preparation
 - Minimize risks
 - » Full identification
 - » Manage, mitigate
 - Gain ownership in the plan
 - » Input from all sources

Some of the Lessons Learned

- Arbitrary 10% contingency is without foundation
- Inadequate and poor tools:
 - DWOP is just a 2 hr presentation
 - Over application distributions = central limit theory
 - Risk ranking illogical
- Poor application of tools
 - Risk log dormant
 - Skipped risk log because supervisor felt it was routine
- Failure to listen
 - Ignore the input from suppliers

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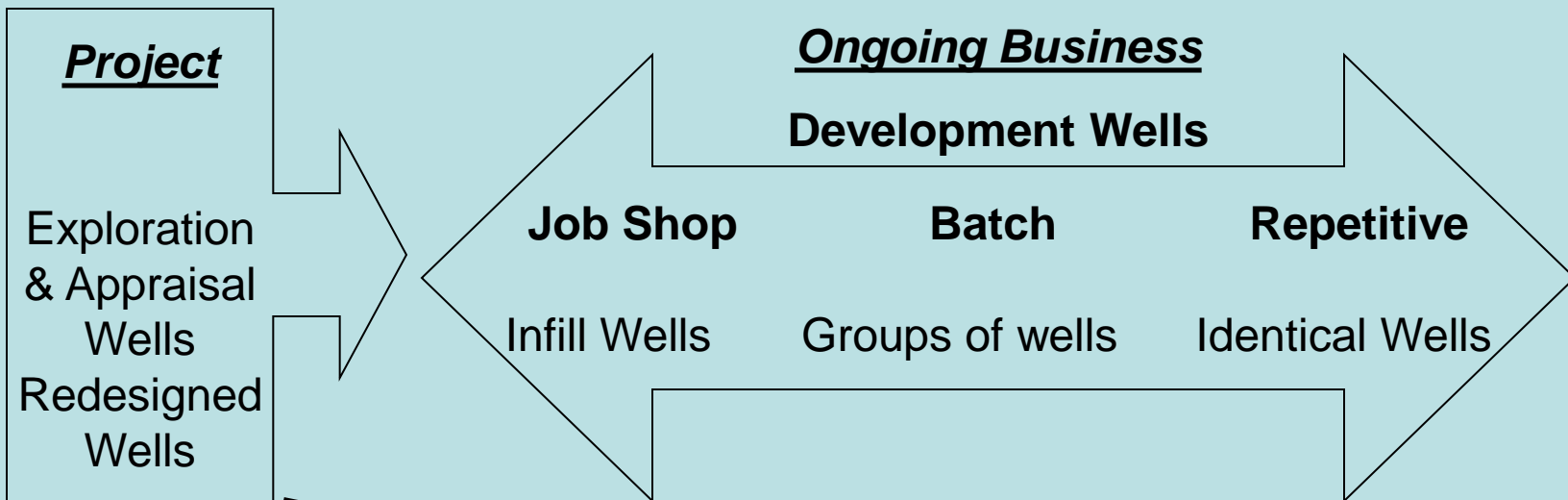
- Inadequate time to plan
 - Compressed drilling sequence led to operational failure
- Failure to maintain WDP integrity
 - Take short cuts
 - Failure to audit application
- Lack of management commitment
 - Unable to invest in planning time and effort
- Check lists are 'tick the box'
- Failure to correlate to type of operation

Application benefits (detriment)

- West Africa- marginal fields / complex wells:
 - Best in Class industry benchmark
 - NPT from 33% to 7%
- Two cases poor application:
 - Performance vs. benchmark dropped (2x)

WDP success factors

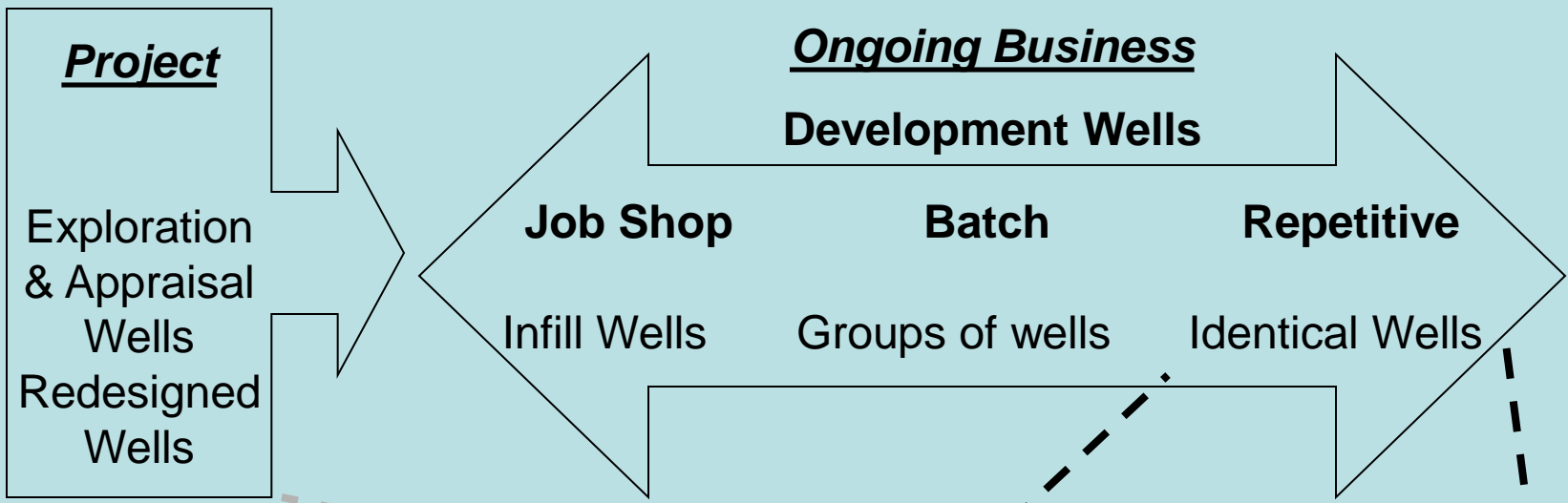
- Well defined and relevant to end user
 - Built in house rather than copied from outside
- Leadership drives implementation
 - Discipline to manage the gates
- Process tools are carefully selected & applied
- Scalable application (adjusts to operation)
 - Large effort for Project type wells
 - Lower effort for Repetitive type wells
 - Scale the use of tools
 - » New risks vs. routine risks
 - Maintain rigor
- Benchmark performance
 - Ascertain and monitor results



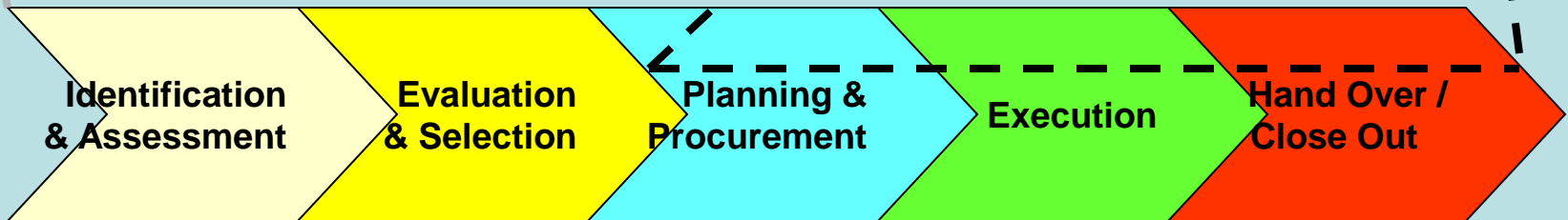
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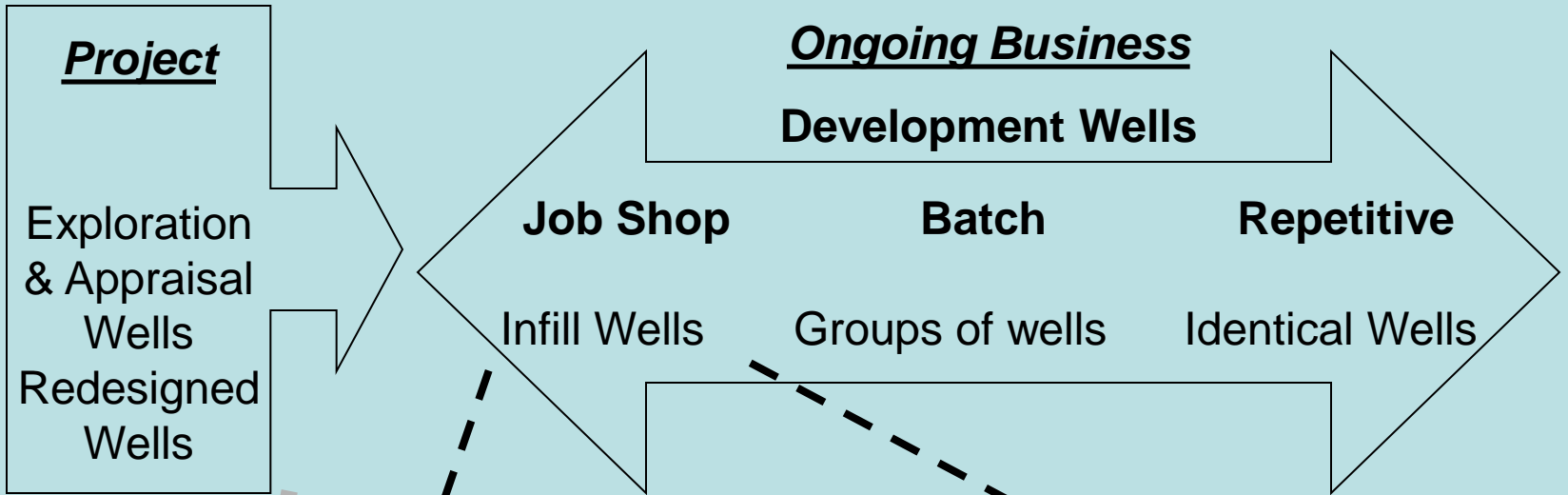
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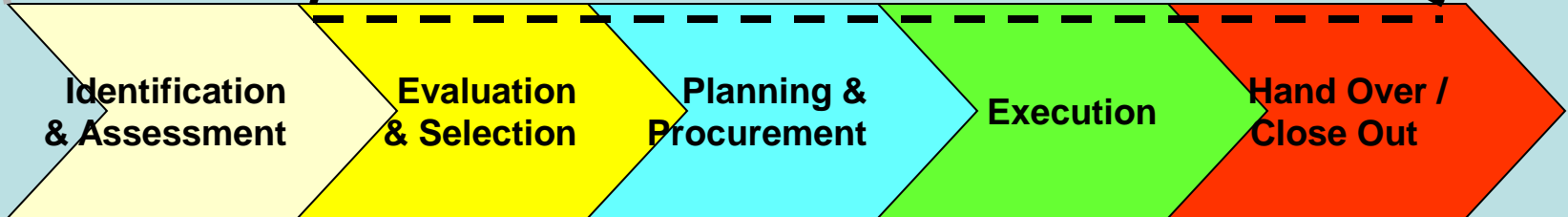
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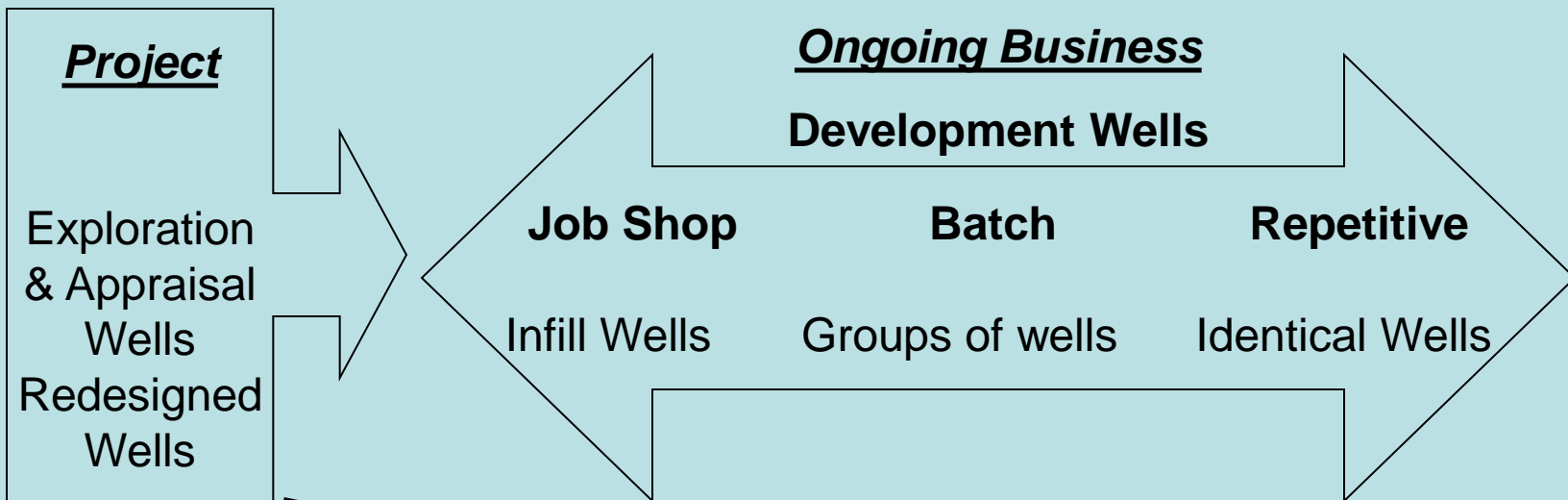
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