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ArcGIS Workflow Manager An Introduction

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Objectives of Workshop

- Present ArcGIS Workflow Manager framework
- Understand how to solve business challenges using ArcGIS Workflow Manager
- Demonstrations
- Questions

Session Topics

- Introduction to ArcGIS Workflow Manager
- Defining and executing workflows
- Integrating workflows with ArcGIS
- Tracking and reporting progress

Introduction



What is ArcGIS Workflow Manager

- Enterprise workflow management application
 - Manages organization-wide projects
 - Integrates GIS and non-GIS workflows

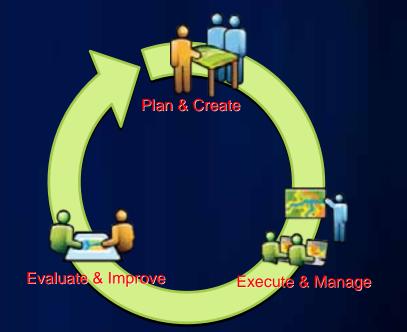


What is ArcGIS Workflow Manager

Provides a framework for continuous process improvement

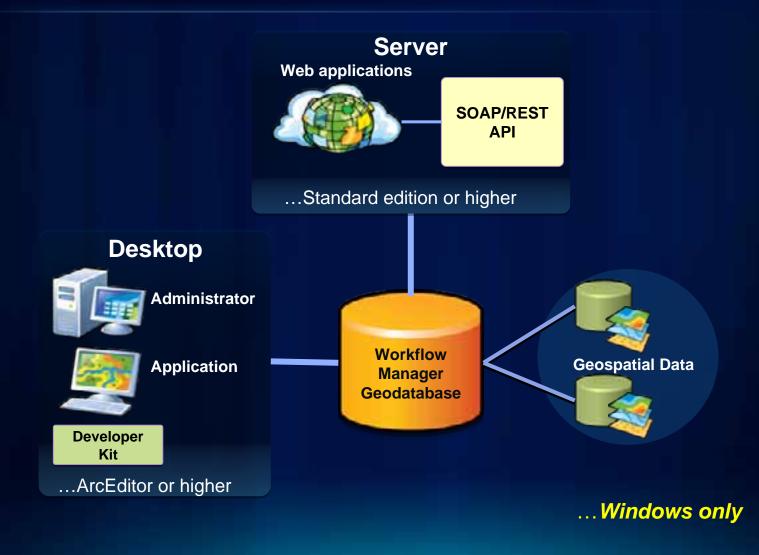
Allows users to:

- Plan & Create
 workflows quickly
- Execute & Manage standardized workflows efficiently



Evaluate & Improve
 performance continuously

Workflow Manager System Framework



Why ArcGIS Workflow Manager Server?

Customers	GIS Department	Business Systems
Non-GIS Users Customers Admin staff 	GIS Users GIS analyst QA Data stewards 	Applications Maximo, SAP In-house apps SOA

Defining your Business Processes

Defining Workflows

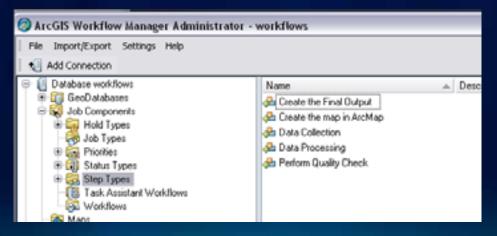
How do I "model" my business processes?

Using 3 steps

- Outline steps to represent your activities
- Connect steps with paths to define the flow
- Update step and path properties to improve efficiency

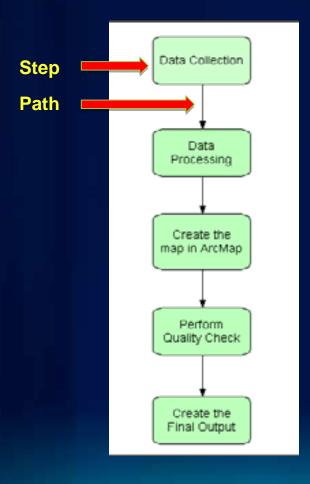
Outline Steps

- Break down your process into activities (for e.g.)
 - Data collection
 - Data processing
 - Create map product in ArcMap
 - Review quality of map content
 - Create final output
- Translate these into step types



Connect Steps

• Steps are connected by defining their paths.



Update Step and Path Properties

Preset default behavior on steps and paths

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Defining Workflows

Workflow Tools Step Properties



Utilizing your Business Processes

Executing Workflows

- How do I make these processes operational?
 - Associate workflow to job type
 - Create a job (an instance of the workflow)
- Examples:
 - Evaluate a new development plan
 - Create a 1:50,000 scale map product for a specific area

Accessing Jobs

- Queries
- List / Map View
 - Filter results based on business specific rules





Components of a Job



Job Properties

- Standard
 - Name, due date, assignment, priority, etc.
- Extended
 - Custom, business specific
 - For e.g. Parcel Number, Department, Permit ID

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Notes and Attachments

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- Free form text
- Miscellaneous information
- Attachments
 - Files supporting a job

Job Notes

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Remember to schedule the 3.00pm map design appointment to derive an appropriate design convention for the new NIB project.

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Job Resource

- Automatically assign job at any point in workflow to either:
 - User
 - Group
- User can belong to any number of groups



Application Privileges

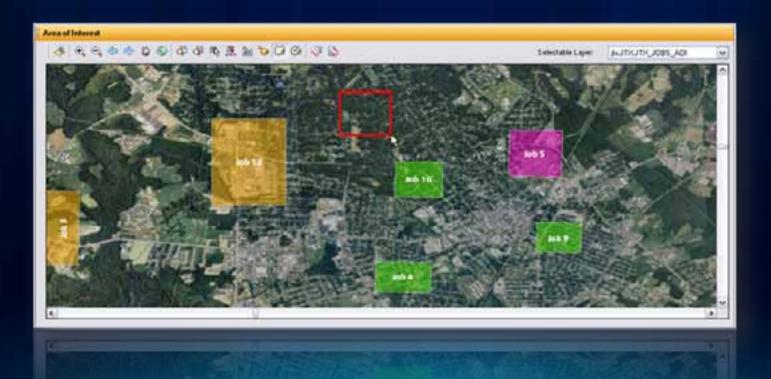
- Gate keepers of business process
- User group links privileges and user



... Who is allowed to do which action?

Area of Interest

- Spatial component of job
 - Defines work location for users
 - Restrict edits to within job AOI



Step Descriptions

Documentation about current task

- HTML-based
- Link to any URL or design your own

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Workflow Execution Tools

- Progression defined via Step Properties
 - Required
 - Automatically executed
 - Automatic reassignment of job





Holds and Dependencies

Holds

- Arbitrary suspension of job

Dependencies

- Restricts job execution based on other jobs
- Models relationships between jobs

Job Management

Job Creation Job Properties

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Integrating ArcGIS with your Business Processes

ArcGIS in your Business Processes

- Provide spatial orientation for your work
- Manage your geodatabase
 - Versioning
- Automate advanced GIS tasks
 - Batch execution
 - Create map templates

Version Management

- Versioning is required for multi-user data editing
- Automate version creation
- Associate version with task/job
- Automate clean up of unused versions

Data Management

- Access data from multiple geodatabases
- Control user access to database
- Associate editing version with job
- Simplify user experience when working with versions

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... access the right data at the right time

Map Document Management

- Associated and persisted with job
- Predefined layers and symbology
- Storage options
 - Central repository
 - File system



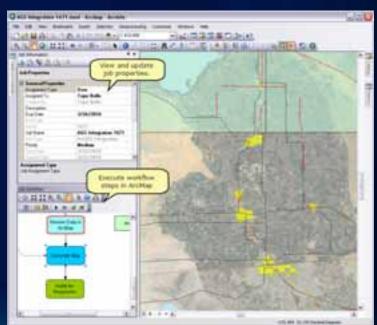
ArcMap Integration

- Step to launch ArcMap in preconfigured state
 - Load workflows within ArcMap using Task Assistant Manager
- Toolbar for ArcMap
 - Job information and properties



ArcMap integration

- Access to entire workflow within ArcMap
 - Manage steps
 - Set current job
- Use Job Information window to
 - Update properties
 - Add notes, attachments
 - Execute current steps
 - View history



Geodatabase Archiving

- Integrated with SDE geodatabase archiving
- Investigate edits that happened on jobs
- Revert changes to features

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Geoprocessing Tools

- Step to launch GP Tools
 - Increased productivity
- Workflow Manager Toolbox



ArcGIS Integration

Workflow Execution Geoprocessing ArcMap Tools



Tracking your Work Progress

Why Track Progress?

- Enhance communication
- Automatically route work to appropriate resource
- Provide real time status to stakeholders
- Automatically capture history

Notification

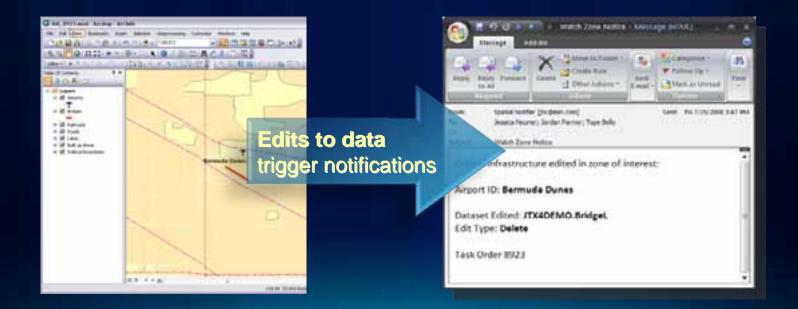
- Email notifications on
 - Job action
 - Workflow step
- Fully configurable





Spatial Notifications

- Be notified when feature edits made
- Create rules for changes to:
 Feature class, geographic area, or specific feature



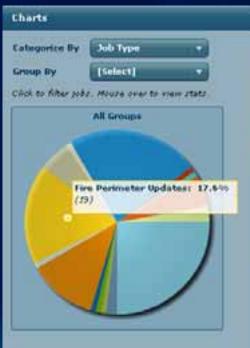
Job History

- What's happened on this job?
- Tagged with user and date
- Supplemented with user input

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Reporting Job Information

- Report on resource allocation, job status, etc.
- Information stored in central repository
- Present contents of repository using different methods
 - Built-in reports
 - Web charting
 - Crystal Reports



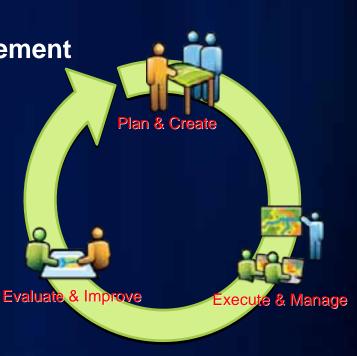
Tracking and Notification

Job History Job Notification Reports

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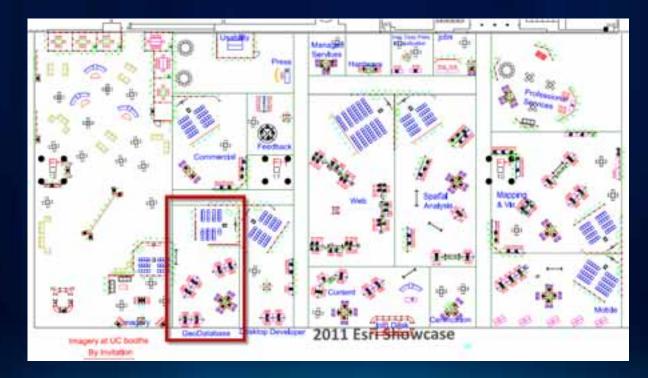
Summary

- Translate your business processes
 - Create and execute jobs
 - Manage and track jobs
- Evaluate for continual improvement
- This can be your process!



Where We Are

- Geodatabase Management Island
 - Today until 6:00 pm
 - Thursday 9:00 am 1:30 pm



Other Sessions

ArcGIS Workflow Manager - Version management and feature tracking

- Thur, July 14th from 3:40 - 4:00 PM in Room 23B

Road Ahead: ArcGIS Workflow Manager

- Thur, July 14th from 8:55 - 9:15 AM in Room 6A

•...and more

Resources

- ArcGIS Workflow Manager User Guide
 - http://resources.arcgis.com/content/web-based-help
- Forums
 - http://forums.arcgis.com/
- Resource Center
 - http://resources.arcgis.com/
- Product Page
 - http://esri.com/workflowmanager

