



# ALTERNATIVE PROJECT DELIVERY METHODS FOR INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

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# Agenda

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1. City of Phoenix Use of APDM for Infrastructure Projects
2. ASU Research on APDM Use for Transportation Projects
3. National Industry Trends
4. Summary and Q&A



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# CITY OF PHOENIX USE OF ALTERNATIVE PROJECT DELIVERY METHODS



# Typical Uses of APDM

METHOD	PROJECT TYPE
Design-Bid-Build <b>DBB</b>	Typical streets improvements, storm drains, waterlines
Design-Build <b>DB</b>	Fast tracked projects, speed premium
Construction Manager at Risk <b>CMAR</b>	Buildings, water/wastewater & aviation facilities; complex horizontal jobs
Job Order Contracts <b>JOC</b>	Renovation, remodel, small new construction < \$2M

**GOAL: Use the right tool for the job.**



# Delivery Method Experience

METHOD	Projects		Amount	
	Number	%	Total	%
Design-Build	76	1%	\$762M	10%
Const. Mgr @ Risk	336	4%	\$3,726M	50%
Design-Bid-Build	3,474	38%	\$2,191M	30%
Job Order Contracts	5,372	58%	\$754M	10%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9,258</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$7,433M</b>	<b>100%</b>

NOTE: Completed from Jan 2001 through Oct 2013. Construction value shown.



# Delivery Method Experience by Project Type

METHOD	Total Projects	Infrastructure		Transportation	
		No.	%	No.	%
Design-Build	76	16	21%	1	1%
Const. Mgr @ Risk	336	177	53%	13	4%
TOTAL	412	193	47%	14	3%

## NOTES:

1. Major projects completed using DB and CMAR since Jan 2001.
2. Transportation projects included within Infrastructure project total.



# City of Phoenix – APDM Transportation Projects

## CONSTRUCTION MANAGER AT RISK:

1. Downtown Traffic Management System
2. Camelback Road Underpass
3. Sonoran Boulevard
4. Avenida Rio Salado
5. Historic Street Lights
6. 19<sup>th</sup> Ave Bridge over CAP
7. Arcadia Area Drainage Project, Phase 1
8. Lower Buckeye: 43<sup>rd</sup> to 35<sup>th</sup>
9. Regional ITS FOB Phase A
10. South Phoenix Village Sidewalks
11. Greenway Parkway Bridge
12. Pinnacle Peak: 55<sup>th</sup> to 45 Avenue
13. 64<sup>th</sup> Street: Mayo Blvd to L101

## DESIGN-BUILD:

1. Centennial Way

## JOB ORDER CONTRACTING:

- Approximately 400 projects



# APDM for Infrastructure Projects

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- City of Phoenix, vast majority of APDM projects were vertical
  - Vast majority of APDM research done on vertical projects
  - Therefore, need exists for more research related to horizontal use of APDM
- Evan Bingham, PhD Candidate, at ASU proposed research to fill void, address use of APDM on transportation projects
- Research successful, degree awarded
  - Present very small portion of research results



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# UNIVERSITY RESEARCH ON USE OF ALTERNATIVE PROJECT DELIVERY METHODS



# Research Objectives

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- Provide better decision basis for project delivery method selection
- Identify tested best management practices for delivery methods
- Increase agency understanding and knowledge of APDM
- Develop guide for pre-construction services and CMAR use



# Literature Findings

## Delivery Time

- DB: 14% – 33% faster than DBB
- CMAR: 13% faster than DBB
- DB: 23% faster than CMAR

## Unit Cost

- DB: 3% –13% less than DBB in eight studies
- CMAR: 4.5% less than DBB in one study

## Schedule Growth

- DB: 15% higher to 12% lower growth
- CMAR: no growth measures found

## Cost Growth

- DB: less cost growth than DBB in 12 studies
- CMAR: more cost effective than DBB in one study



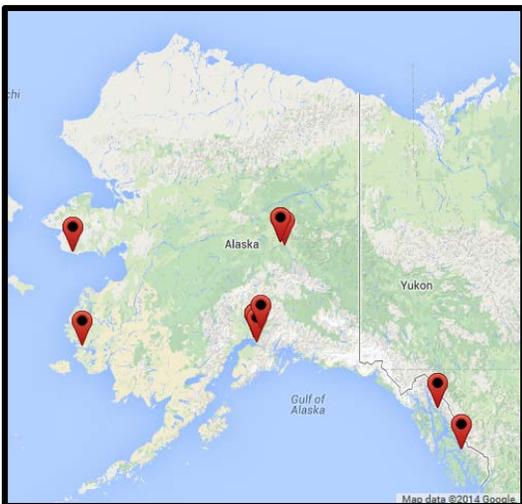
# Gaps in APDM literature

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- Large transportation study
- Best management practices
- Pre-construction services
- CMAR application and processes



# Project Locations

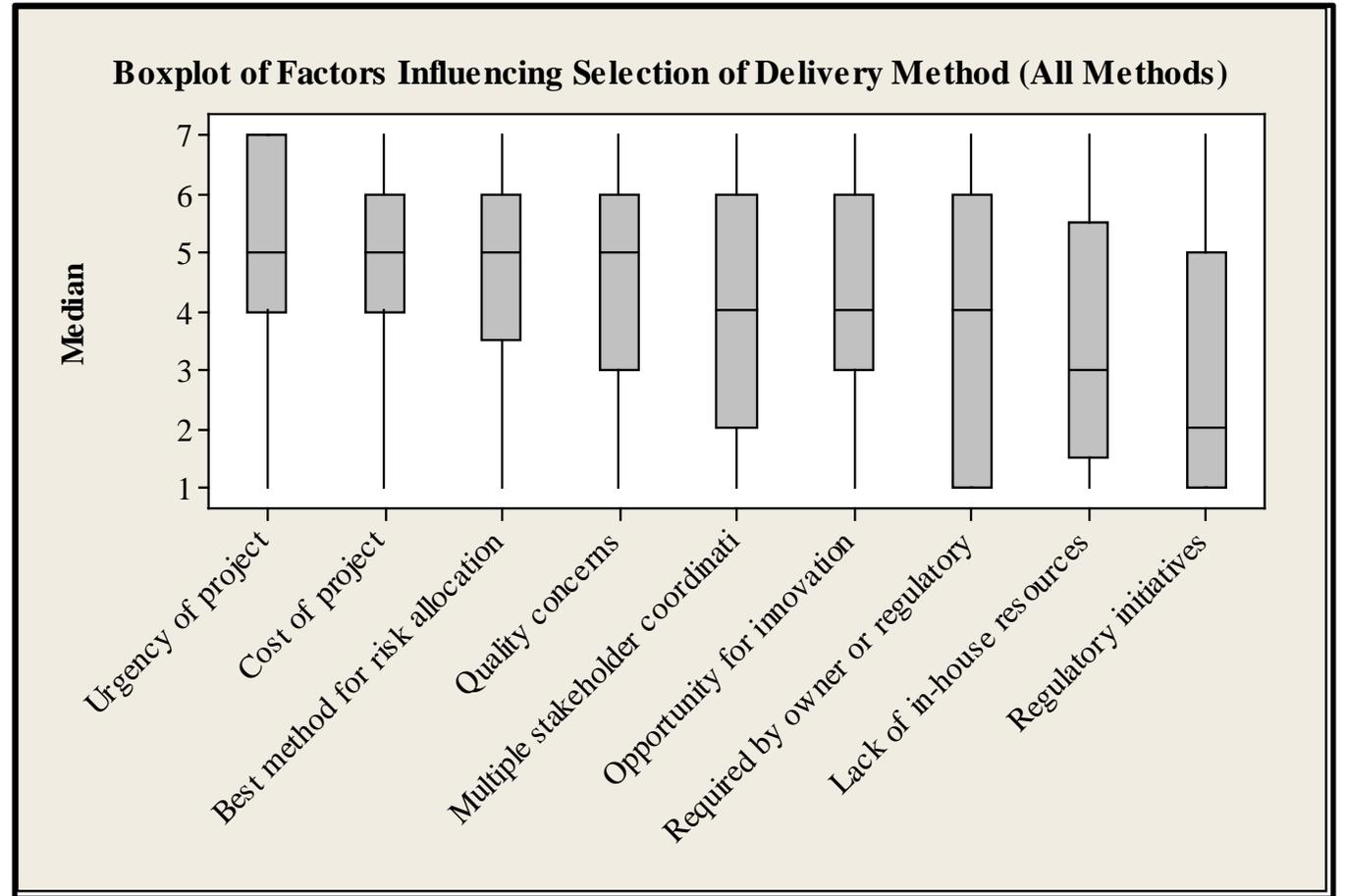
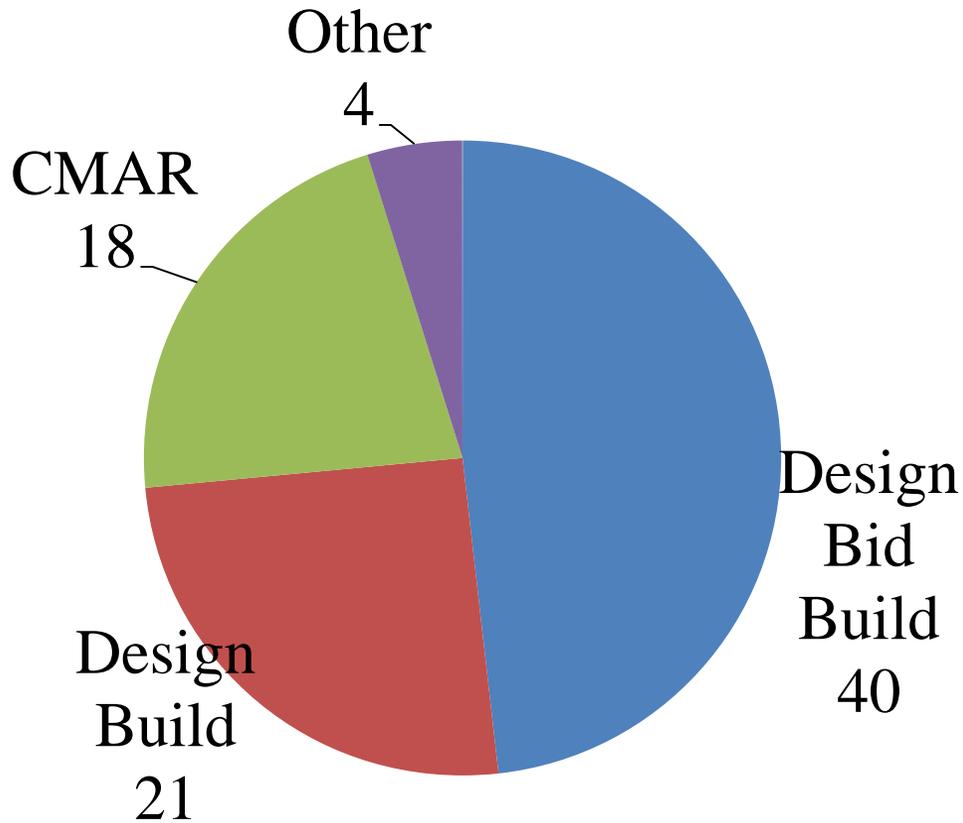


83 National  
Transportation  
Projects

State/Federal District	Number of Projects
Alaska	11
Arizona	13
California	3
Colorado	1
Delaware	2
Florida	7
Georgia	9
Idaho	6
Louisiana	2
Maryland	8
Michigan	1
Minnesota	1
Montana	1
Tennessee	4
Utah	9
Washington, DC	1
Wyoming	4



# Delivery Methods Used



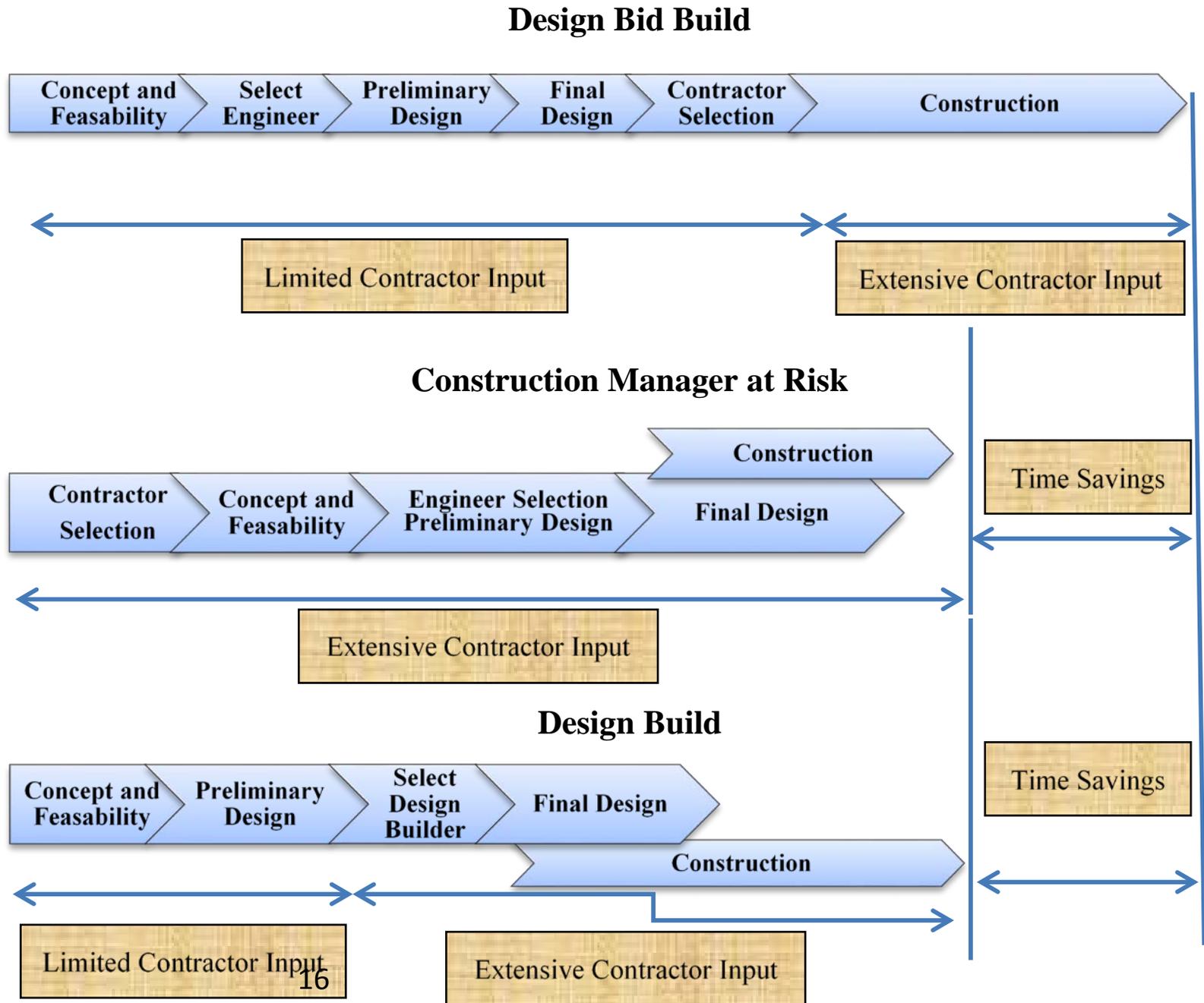


# Delivery Method Satisfaction

Delivery Method	Number Projects	Yes, best fit	No, not best fit	Selected Alternative
Design-Bid-Build	33	91%	9%	CMAR 67%, DB 33%
Design-Build	17	88%	12%	DBB 100%
Constr. Mgr @ Risk	15	100%	0%	N/A



# Schedule Comparison





# Challenges for Successful Project Completion

CMAR	
Public Involvement	2
Cumulative Impact of Change Orders	1
Decision Complexity	1
Environmental Impacts	1
Owner Changes/Approvals	1
Project Funding	1
Project Schedule	1

(N = 8)

DBB	
Environmental Impacts	6
Existing Conditions	3
Project Schedule	3
Public Involvement	3
Constructability Procedure	2
Differing Site Conditions	2
Schedule Acceleration	2
Decision Complexity	1
Long Lead Items/Procurement	1
Owner Changes/Approvals	1
Project Schedule	1
Right of Way	1
Safety Hazards	1
Unclear Project Purpose	1

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DB	
Construction Site Access	3
Differing Site Conditions	2
Environmental Impacts	2
Project Schedule	2
Constructability Procedure	1
Cumulative Impact of Change Orders	1
Decision Complexity	1
Equipment Complications/Availability	1
Owner-Mandated Subcontract	1
Public Involvement	1
Right of Way	1
Schedule Acceleration	1
Team Member Coordination	1

(N = 18)



# Practices to Improve Project Outcomes

PRACTICE	FREQUENCY
Front end planning	12
Project risk assessment	7
Alignment of project participants	6
Disputes prevention and resolution	5
Constructability	4
Partnering	4
Team building	4
Change management process	3
Use of lessons learned system	3
Materials management	3
Planning for startup	2
Quality management techniques	2
Other from the previous question	2
Benchmarking of other projects	1
Value engineering	1
Life cycle costing	1
Zero accidents techniques	0
Sustainable design and construction	0



# Improvements to Avoid Changes

CMAR	
Agency coordination and estimating	1
Cost estimating	1
Design management	1
Multiple bid package planning	1
Risk identification and assessment	1
Site logistics planning	1
Value analysis/engineering	1

(N = 7)

DBB	
Constructability/bidability analysis	4
Design management	2
Identification of project objectives	2
Risk mitigation	2
Agency coordination and estimating	1
Construction phase sequencing	1
Disruption avoidance planning	1
Real-time cost feedback	1
Risk identification and assessment	1
Site logistics planning	1
Stakeholder management	1
Value analysis/engineering	1

(N = 18)

DB	
Risk identification and assessment	5
Constructability/bidability analysis	3
Design management	2
Agency coordination and estimating	1
Schedule development	1
Stakeholder management	1

(N = 13)



# Most Beneficial Aspect to Team Alignment

ASPECT	FREQ'CY
Established expectations	12
Established team trust, honesty, and shared values	10
Communicated effectively with stakeholders	8
Developed individual and group roles and responsibilities	8
Conducted productive team meetings	4
Resolved conflicts appropriately	4
Defined project leadership and accountability	3
Defined project success	3
Established project priorities such as costs, schedule, public relations, etc.	3
Evaluated risk	3
Involved all project stakeholders appropriately	2
Addressed concerns	1
Effectively used planning tools	1
Measured team alignment	1
Conducted adequate pre-construction or front end planning practices	0
Documented project details, including shortcomings and successes	0
Instituted effective team building programs	0

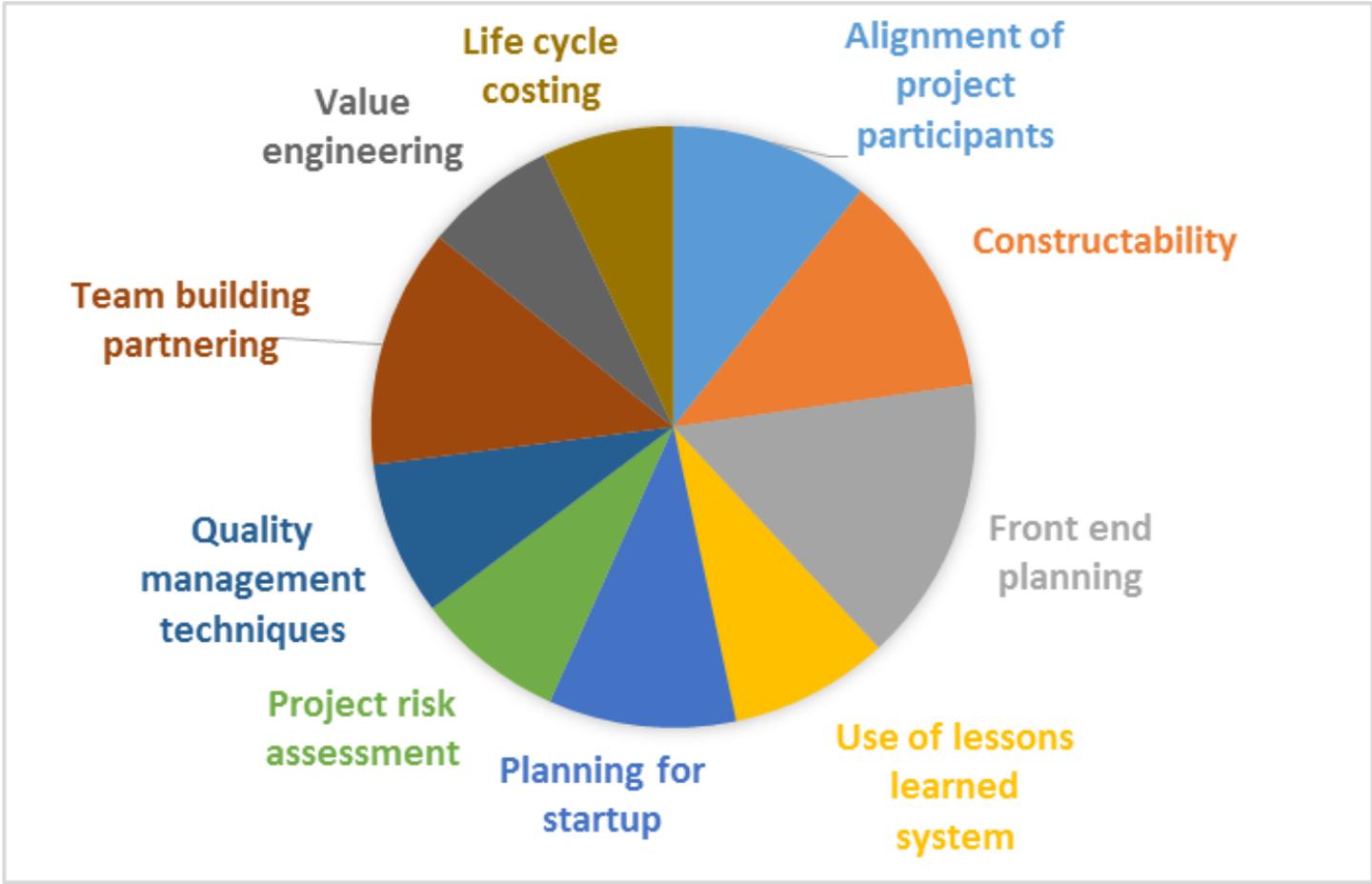


# Best Practices

- Alignment and Partnering
- Benchmarking & Metrics
- Change Management
- Constructability
- Disputes Prevention & Resolution
- Front End Planning
- Lessons Learned
- Materials Management
- Planning for Startup
- Project Risk Assessment
- Quality Management
- Zero Accidents Techniques
- Sustainable Construction
- Value Engineering
- Life Cycle Costing



# Best Overall Practice





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# NATIONAL TRENDS ON USE OF ALTERNATIVE PROJECT DELIVERY METHODS



# Industry Trends

# ENR THE TOP 100

Overview [pg 2](#) // Design-Build Revenue [pg 2](#) // CM-at-Risk Revenue [pg 3](#) // 2014 Design-Build State Laws [pg 4](#)  
 Design-Build Total Revenue 2011-2013 [pg 4](#) // CM-at-Risk Total Revenue 2011-2013 [pg 4](#) // The ENR Top 100 Design-Build Firms List [pg 5](#) // The ENR Top 100 Construction Management-at-Risk Firms List [pg 6](#)



**SPECIAL DELIVERY**  
 CDM Smith and PC Construction are the design-build team on the \$210-million Blue Plains advanced water treatment plant, including a new biosolids-processing main process train, for the District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority.

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Project Delivery Firms

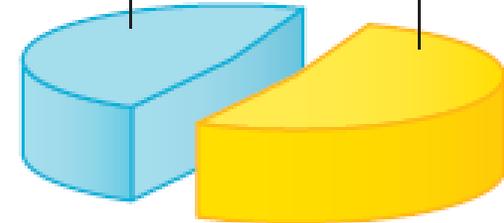
## Market Shifts From Hard-Bid

Firms offering alternative project delivery are finding relief in an expanding market with owners turning away from design-bid-build [By Gary J. Tulacz](#)



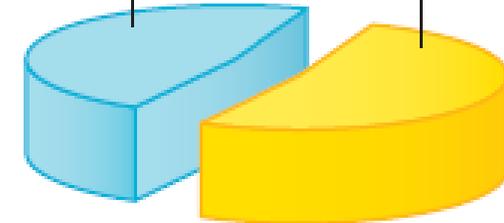
CM-at-Risk  
2011 \$83.4

Design-Build  
2011 \$92.1



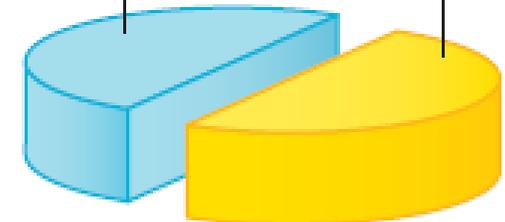
CM-at-Risk  
2012 \$91.5

Design-Build  
2012 \$103.9



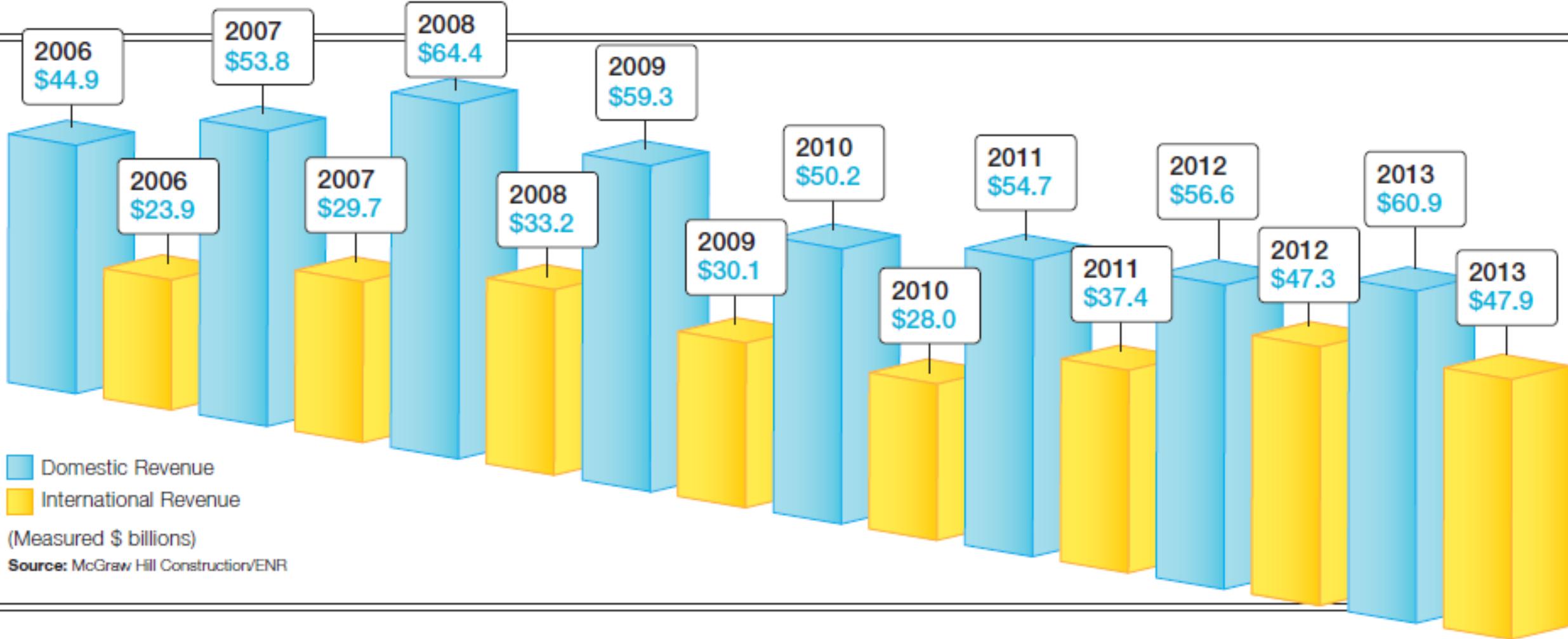
CM-at-Risk  
2013 \$96.8

Design-Build  
2013 \$108.8

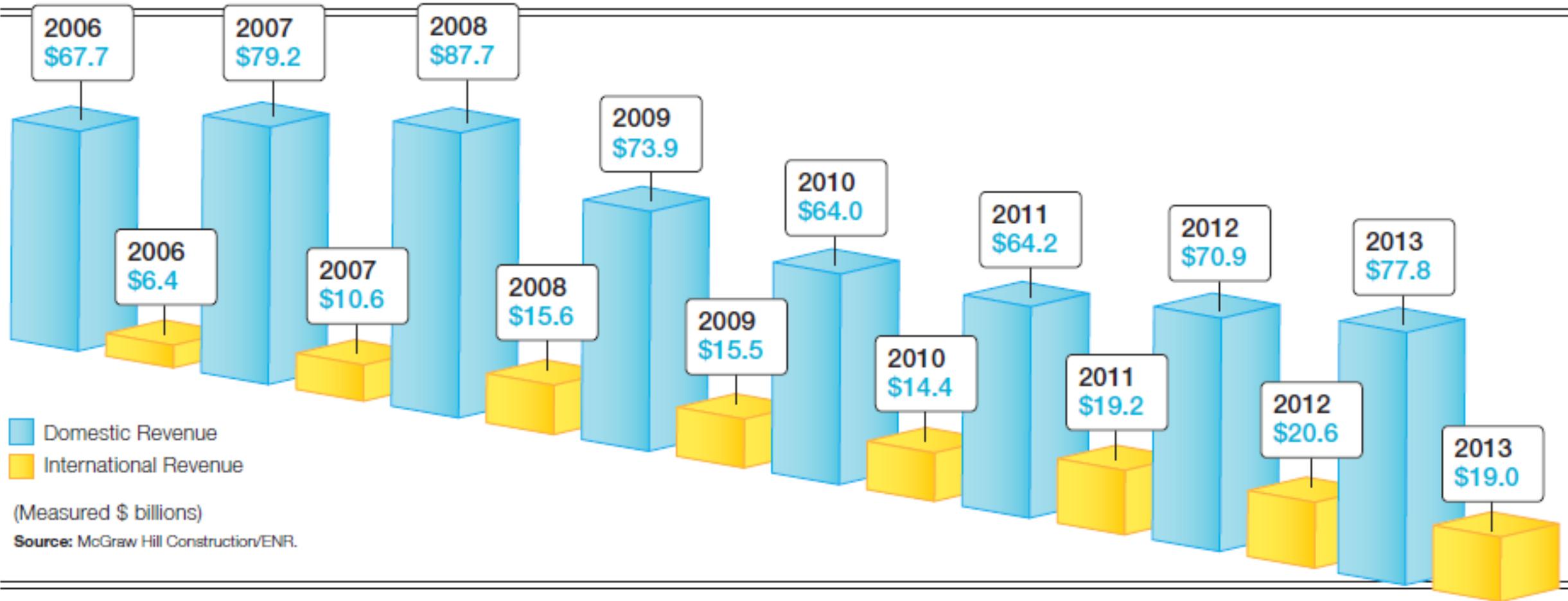


(Measured \$ billions)

# Design-Build Revenue Rises Yet Again



# Domestic CM-at-Risk Leads Gains





# Reasons for Recent Shift to APDM

Now, as the market is improving and absorbing some hard-won lessons, one is that disregarding the project delivery to seek savings with a bid-build approach often costs

“There were a lot of owners that thought they would save money on initial bids by going the design-bid-build route and some of them doubtless did save some up-front costs,” says Jim Whitaker, principal for Dallas-based architectural firm HKS and this year’s board chairman of the Design-Build Institute of America (DBIA), Washington, D.C. “Any savings were enough to buy plenty of aspirins for all the headaches many owners experienced from poor performance, change orders and schedule problems from using a less efficient project delivery system,” he says.

Source: ENR June 9, 2014.

# Voters Are Willing to Pay for Infrastructure. Is Congress?

Ballot initiatives in several states were approved last week to improve transportation systems.

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# Infrastructure Financing Challenges

- As industry shifts to APDM for infrastructure projects, the bigger issue looms:  
**Where's the money?? What will be the source of funding??**
- Transportation funding has traditionally been from gas taxes both at national and local level
  - This model is unsustainable, rates haven't increased since 1990s
- Must find new model to fund infrastructure, new and O&M
- Public-Private Partnerships one option; AZ needs TIF



# QUESTIONS?

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