



# 2019 LARGE FACILITIES WORKSHOP

APRIL 2-4 | TEXAS ADVANCED COMPUTING CENTER

## Information Section

<b>Topic:</b>	Defining Science Requirements, Managing Scope, and Ensuring Delivery
<b>Speaker(s) Name, Title:</b>	Tom Gulbransen, Project Manager for the construction and operations of cyberinfrastructure (CI) and ecological data products of NEONscience.org
<b>Session Description:</b>	Presents project management practices at NEON project that are effective when juggling competing needs of customers, fieldwork, EPO, and cyberinfrastructure.
<b>Session Time Slot:</b>	Thursday, April 4, 2019, 8am – 9am
<b>Purpose and Desired Outcome:</b>	Sharing good project management practices

## Notetaking Section

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### Notes and Key Points:

- Adopting agile management for 2-week to 4-week task duration progress task allows flexibility that required for the software development tasks in the project.
- The conversion of agile progress to %-complete in Earned Value Management (EVM) reporting is based on the story points. It requires conversion from task to stories, to features, to epics.
- Each team has layered of roles. The team needs time to adjust to such layered structure to function efficiently.
- Could reduce layering, by linking customer and product owner

### Best Practices:

- Adopting agile approach give flexibility in management
- Establish good conversion from agile progress to EVM %-complete
- Use integrated product team and layering of roles are very helpful
- Allow time for team adjustment

### Actionable Recommendations (Action Owner Name & Organization):

- Slide 15 shows actionable items for NSF

## Session Summary

This session discussed the benefit of incorporating the agile management practice for 2 weeks- 4 weeks duration of task period while maintaining the Earned Value reporting for each month. It also discussed the organization of team for such management, and the method in converting the agile progress into %-complete EV reporting.