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Commissioning of the Mercedes-Benz Stadium: The Best or Nothing

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Course Description

Commissioning of the Mercedes-Benz Stadium Massive Project - Details Matter

The Mercedes-Benz Stadium in Atlanta is essentially a small city, with a myriad of space uses, systems and equipment to support them all. This presentation demonstrates how commissioning activities were incorporated as early as possible into the construction schedule, reveals how Cx data was tracked to resolution, and highlights Cx activities for the stadium's remarkable 1.2 million gallon rainwater retention and re-use system.

Learning Objectives

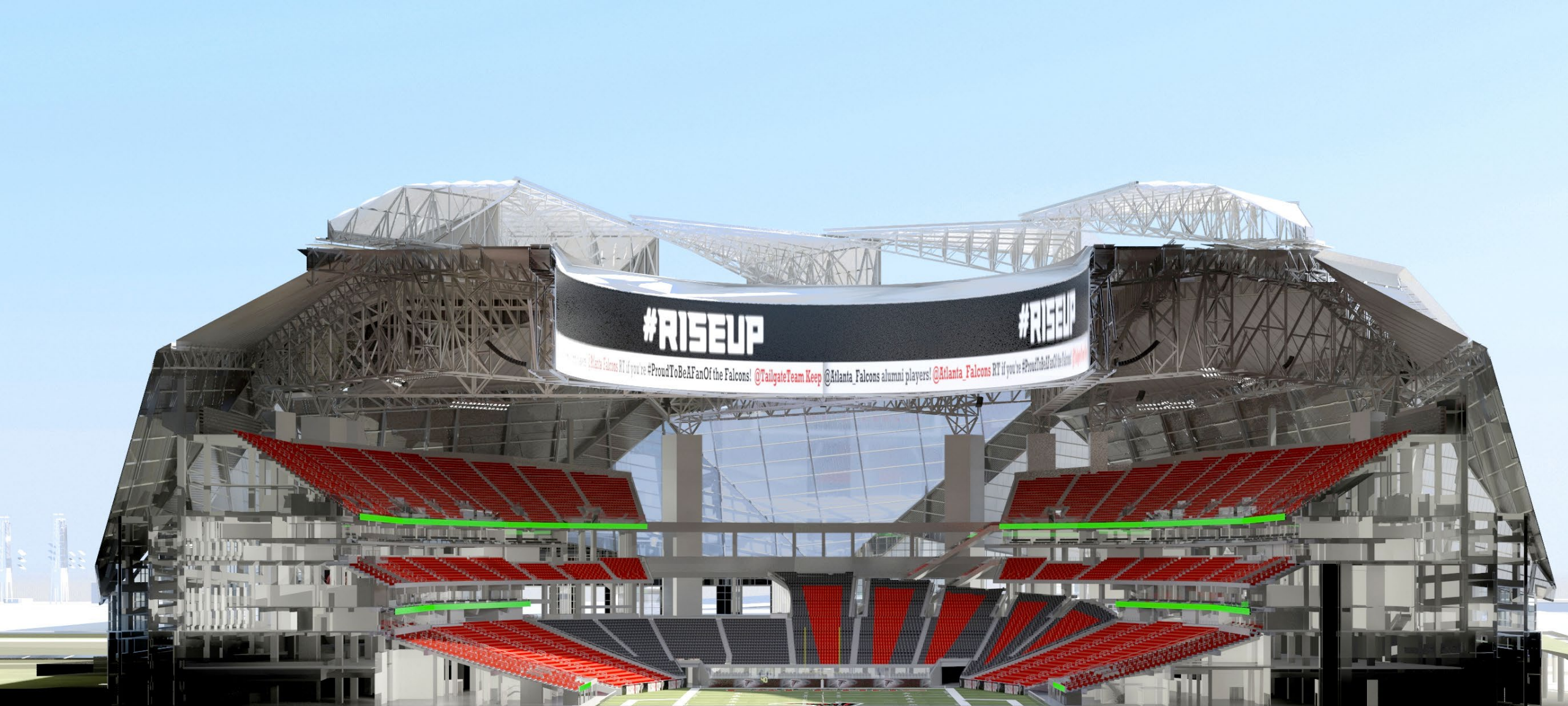
At the end of the this course, participants will be able to:

1. How to effectively deliver large and complex project management.
2. How to facilitate equipment maintenance during construction.
3. Understand lessons learned from commissioning a large water retention system.
4. How to orchestrate a global test on a scale such as the Mercedes Benz Stadium.



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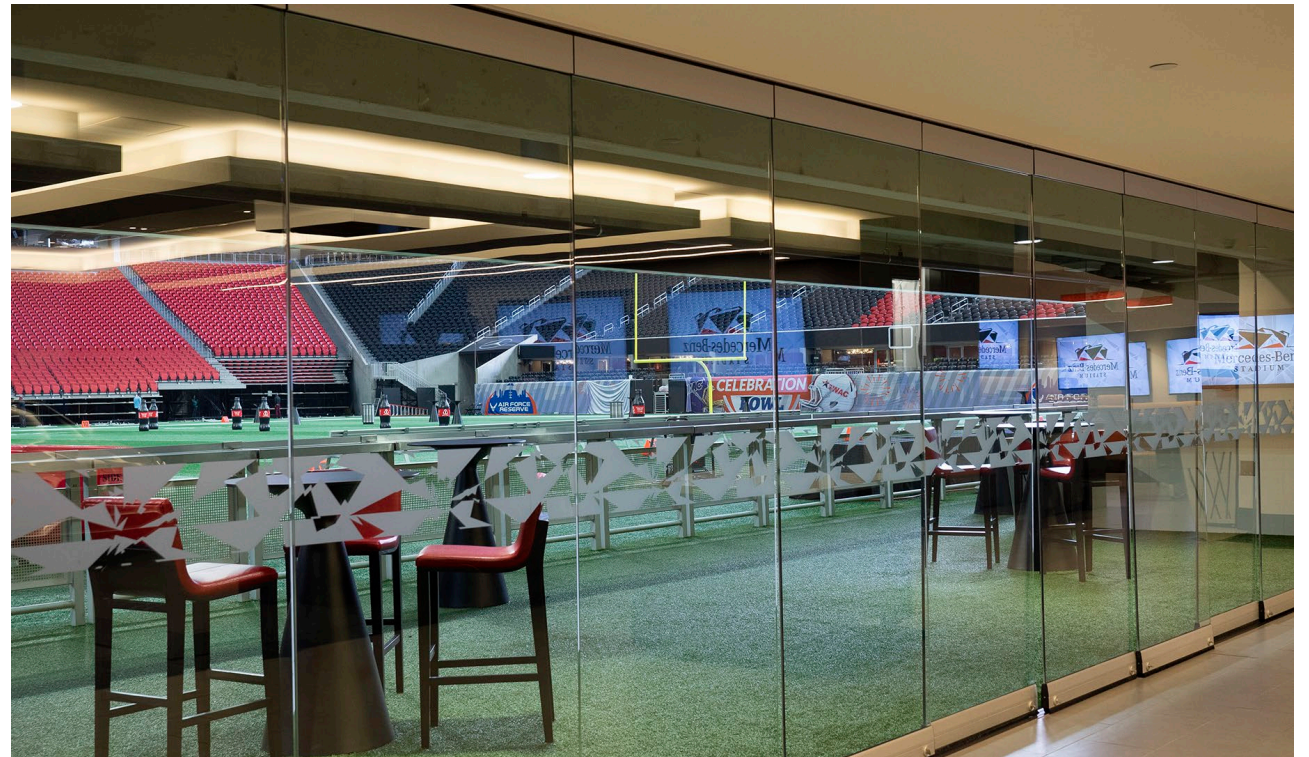


A City Inside A City

- 173 M cubic feet within the bowl area.
- 1.2 M CFM of conditioned air for arena via 12 100K CFM fan array AHUs @ 18 Fans ea.
- Plus additional 820K CFM via 52 AHUs serving the rest of the areas.
- ETFE (Ethylene tetrafluoroethylene) Clear/fritted building skin
- 8,400 Nominal Tons of cooling capacity
- 400+ pages BAS Sequence Document outlining the various systems and operational metrics.
- Both air-side and hydronic economization provisions/systems
- Computational Fluid Dynamic Models utilized to optimize heating and cooling as well as ensuring HVAC systems do not impact game play.
- Waterless urinals and rainwater harvesting utilization in CT make-up and irrigation.
- 32 separate Kitchens + 86 individual atmosphere monitored beverage areas



Mercedes-AMG

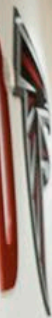








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Vision and Approach

UNITE & CONQUER

- Each part of the city was handled differently
- A bunch of small projects
- Divide, Unite & Conquer
- United within the team, process and CxAlloy

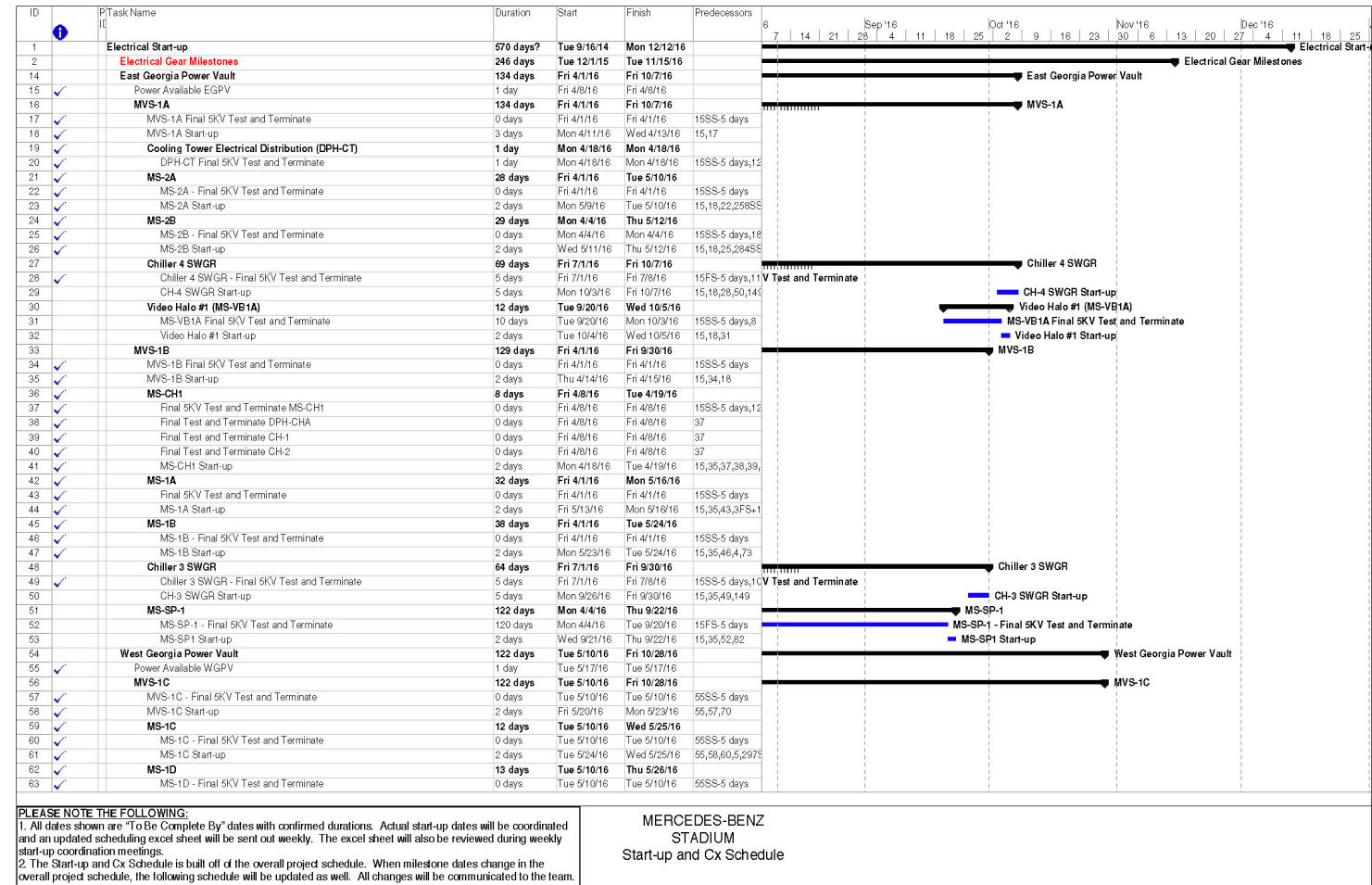


Large Scale Approach

- Break the systems down into components:
 - Mechanical – Chilled Water, Heating Hot Water, Air
 - Plumbing – Natural Gas, Sanitary/Waste & Vent, Reclaimed Water
 - Electrical – Distribution, Branch, Normal and Stand-by
- Further break the systems down into functional areas:
 - Kitchen
 - Support
 - Office use
 - Locker
 - AV production
 - Data Center
 - Event Area

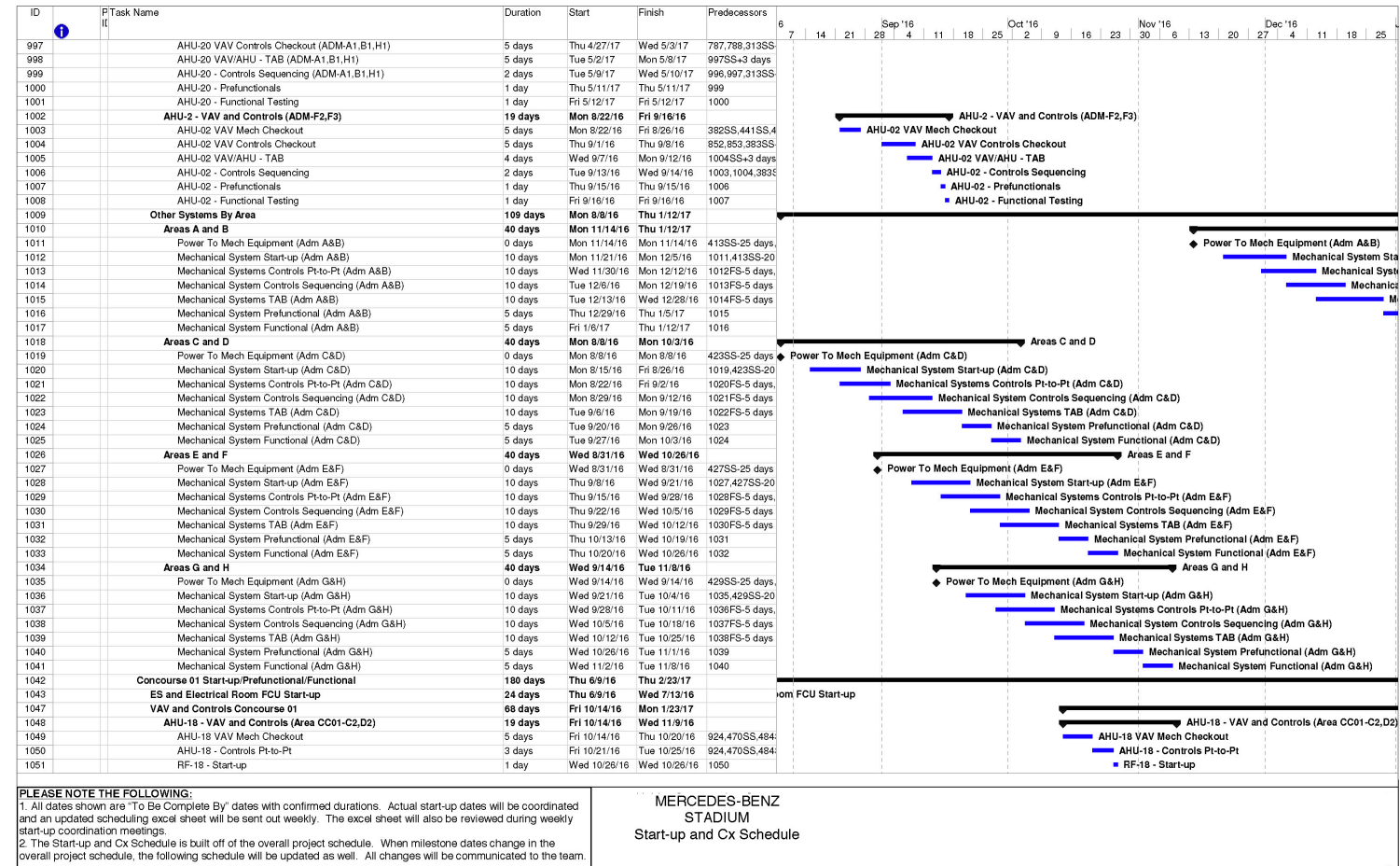
Complex Project Management

- How were commissioning services incorporated into the construction schedule?
- Why put off till tomorrow that which you can do today?
- We DROVE the commissioning process into the construction schedule....like a linebacker.



Complex Project Management

- We completed incremental portions of the testing ie. Safeties, Devices, Sequences, Graphics, Alarms
- DID not wait until “ready” we identified levels of ready and monitored directly in the field.
- Removed the constraints of testing.



Commissioning Highlights

- **Critical integrated testing** – 80+ individuals weeks in the planning phase. Identified multiple issues, but nothing critical failed due to previously Cx'd systems
- **MegaFlush Test** – 300+ individuals simulating full house (70,000+) event restroom break (AKA halftime) ~3,500 GPM @ 90 PSI.

All Issues by Discipline

Design Issues Construction Issues

Overall 1231 Issues



Name	Count	Percentage
Architectural	5	0.4%
Controls	268	21.77%
Electrical	75	6.09%
Fire Alarm	25	2.03%
Fire Protection	23	1.86%
Mechanical	688	55.88%
Plumbing	147	11.94%

STATUS ASSIGNMENT **PRIORITY**

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Moderate 651 Issues



High 368 Issues



Low 212 Issues



Commissioning Highlights

- **Programmed building “Modes”** – Condensation mitigation due to ETFE, Pre-event, High occupancy event, Low Occupancy event, Post event (moisture removal), Occupied Non-Event
- **Implementation of energy conservation measures** – Time weighted average ventilation requirements: If event occupancy < 45,000 = Demand control ventilation, If event occupancy > 45,000 = Time weighted average and begin ventilation ~12 hours prior to event.

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Tracking

- System/ Construction Team specific Cx members with intra-disciplinary knowledge
- Managed multi trade, multi-disciplinary dissemination effortlessly. **Tied to payments**
- Proctored incrementally more frequent site meeting to discuss priority and completion of deficiencies found.
- Utilization of collaborative FM and Cx software – CxAlloy.
- Had to track PM due to project duration – FM
- Needed Facilities maintenance program output at end – FM

The screenshot displays the 'Checklists' section of the CxAlloy software. At the top, a blue header bar contains the title 'Checklists' and a sub-header '1413 Checklists sorted by type'. To the right of the header are buttons for 'Batch Add', 'Add New', 'Export', 'Email', 'PDF', and a settings icon. Below the header, there are controls for 'Select All', 'Deselect All', and pagination ('« Previous', 'Page 1 of 3', 'Next »'). A status bar indicates 'Showing 500 results per page.' and a progress bar for 'PRE-FUNCTIONAL' items, showing '4 ISSUES' and '500 of 855'.

Checklist ID	Category	Status	Issues
CHK-3299	Pre-functional	AHU-20 - Controls (CX ACKNOWLEDGED)	0 ISSUES
CHK-2547	Pre-functional	AHU-01 - Controls (CX ACKNOWLEDGED)	0 ISSUES
CHK-2349	Pre-functional	AHU-01 - Mechanical (CX ACKNOWLEDGED)	0 ISSUES





Equipment Maintenance

- Due to project duration > 24 mos., equipment had to be maintained by construction forces. Tracked in CxAlloy FM
- Cx team recorded and populated FULL detailed equipment data for FM program via CxAlloy FM export.
- Given the size and specialty of many systems – WB generated many of the MOP's for the PM

CxAlloy FM

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Home

Switch Accounts

Profile

Help

Logout

Facility

Maintenance

Assets

Documents

Planning

Reports

SEARCH

Press Enter to Search

SORT BY

Sort

FILTER BY

Type

Status

Connected To

Priority

Discipline

Other

Assigned To

Procedure

Work Orders

+ Add New

PDF

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Status: Complete

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Showing: 1 to 100 of 755

#	Name	Asset	Status	Type	Priority	Assigned To	Due Date
<input type="checkbox"/>	771	Non Bowl AHU - Short Term Storage (< 6 months)	AHU-10 N Mechanical	Complete			09/05/2017
<input type="checkbox"/>	770	Non Bowl AHU - Short Term Storage (< 6 months)	AHU-05 N Mechanical	Complete	Preventative Maintenance	High Brad Smith	09/04/2017
<input type="checkbox"/>	769	Non Bowl AHU - Short Term Storage (< 6 months)	AHU-35 Fan Room	Complete			09/07/2017
<input type="checkbox"/>	768	Non Bowl AHU - Short Term Storage (< 6 months)	AHU-34 Fan Room	Complete			09/07/2017
<input type="checkbox"/>	767	Non Bowl AHU - Short Term Storage (< 6 months)	AHU-33 Mechanical	Complete			09/07/2017
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<input type="checkbox"/>	765	Non Bowl AHU - Short Term Storage (< 6 months)	AHU-31 Fan Room	Complete			09/07/2017
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<input type="checkbox"/>	761	Non Bowl AHU - Short Term Storage (< 6 months)	AHU-27 Admin Level NE Fan Room	Complete			09/06/2017

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Procedure Report Non Bowl AHU - Short Term Storage (< 6 months)

Mercedes-Benz Stadium -

CATEGORY	REQUIRES SHUTDOWN No
TYPE Preventative Maintenance	ESTIMATED DOWNTIME 0
DATE CREATED 01/05/2016 01:32:06 PM	DATE MODIFIED 01/05/2016 01:51:31 PM
CREATED BY Steve Kimberly	MODIFIED BY Steve Kimberly

Procedure

<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Rotate fans every 4 weeks. (Supply, Return, Exhaust)	ESTIMATED DOWNTIME 0
<input type="checkbox"/> 2 Note position (mark if required) of fan impeller and ensure the rotation is completed 180 degrees from previous months location to prevent belts from taking a set position.	REQUIRES SHUTDOWN No
TOOLS No tools specified.	

ESTIMATED MATERIALS

No materials specified.

ESTIMATED LABOR

No labor specified.

Documents

No documents.

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Procedure Report Filter Change

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CATEGORY	REQUIRES SHUTDOWN Yes
TYPE Preventative Maintenance	ESTIMATED DOWNTIME 0
DATE CREATED 11/11/2015 08:50:04 AM	DATE MODIFIED 11/11/2015 10:15:23 AM
CREATED BY Steve Kimberly	MODIFIED BY John McFarland

Procedure

<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Follow all applicable safety procedures, wear all required PPE.	ESTIMATED DOWNTIME 0
<input type="checkbox"/> 2 Insure shutdown request has been approved	REQUIRES SHUTDOWN Yes
<input type="checkbox"/> 3 Shutdown air handler at the JCI workstation.	TOOLS No tools specified.
<input type="checkbox"/> 4 Lockout air handler electrical disconnect.	
<input type="checkbox"/> 5 Open door to air handler filter section, inspect Minihelic hoses, make any required repairs.	
<input type="checkbox"/> 6 Remove plate over filters.	
<input type="checkbox"/> 7 Remove old filters from air handler, clean any debris from air handler filter section.	
<input type="checkbox"/> 8 Install new air filters into air handler, load filters in the opposite order of the final filters.	
<input type="checkbox"/> 9 Write the change date on the last filters loaded into the air handler so that date is visible on the filter ends.	
<input type="checkbox"/> 10 Reinstall filter plate.	
<input type="checkbox"/> 11 Restart air handler, allow air handler to return to stable operation.	
<input type="checkbox"/> 12 Record Minihelic reading.	

ESTIMATED MATERIALS

20x24x4 Filter: 1 for 0.00 each	Cost: 0.00
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ESTIMATED LABOR

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Work Order Report Non Bowl AHU - Short Term Storage (< 6 months)

Mercedes-Benz Stadium

WORK ORDER NUMBER 768	STATUS Complete
PROJECT NUMBER	PRIORITY
PROJECT PHASE	ASSET AHU-34
TYPE	ERROR CODE
DUE DATE 09/07/2017	ASSIGNED TO
DIVISION	
DESCRIPTION	
DATE CREATED 08/31/2017 03:05:03 AM	DATE MODIFIED 08/31/2017 05:19:26 PM
CREATED BY	MODIFIED BY Brad Smith

Procedure

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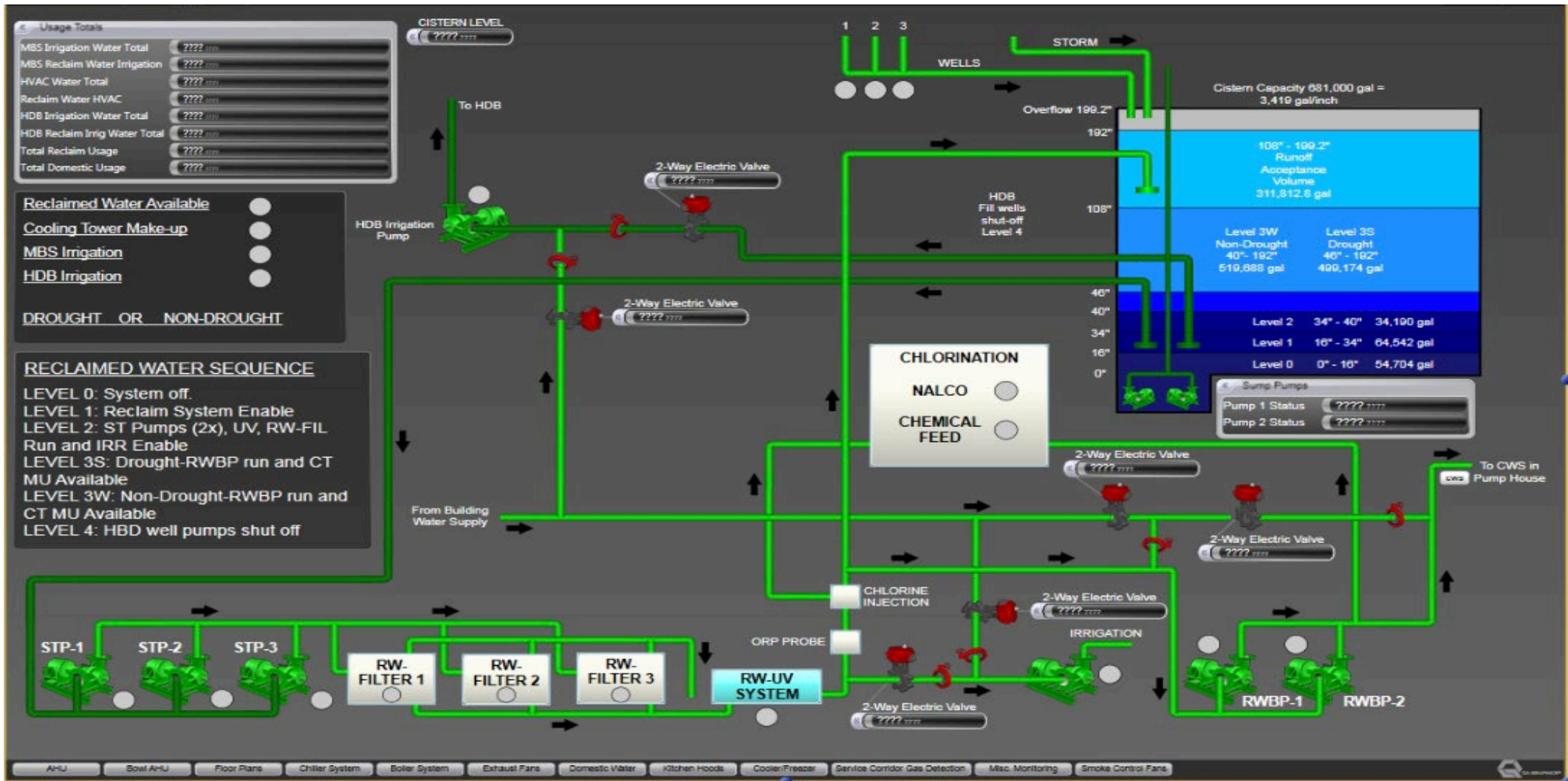
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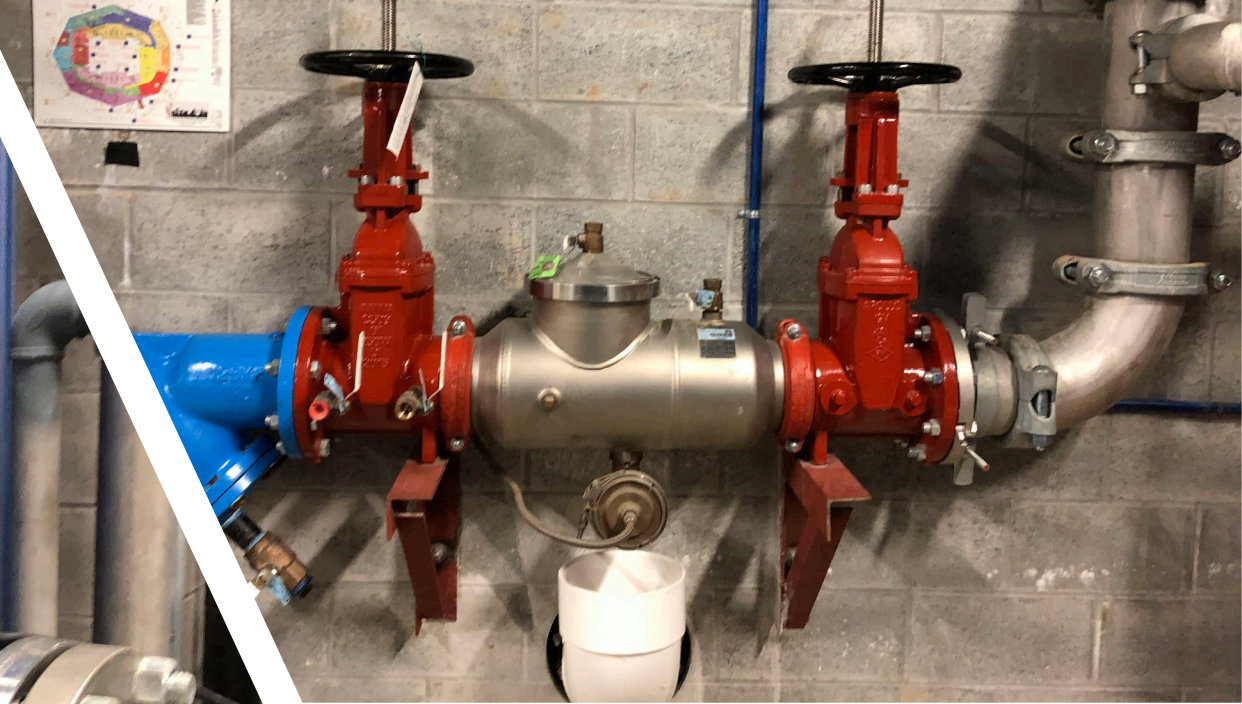
Large Water Retention Systems











Large Water Retention Systems

Challenges associated with massive rain harvesting:

- Size – Compact site footprint needed....Tucked under MLK Blvd
- Management of volume – State funds for portions of construction required insurance of vegetation, so most of the volume is dedicated to irrigation, then process.
- Who manages the water when volume is needed by many customers? Prioritization based on volume
- How do you keep a body of water at appropriate sanitization levels given the exposure to public and not impact vegetation?
 - Filtration, UV, Chlorine

Global Testing

- Joint venture teams require joint-venture testing plans
- Overall break-down into systems – Electrical (Power), Mechanical, AV, Food Service, FA, Smoke Control, Vertical Transportation....etc.
- Each team has scripted test stemming from power outage.

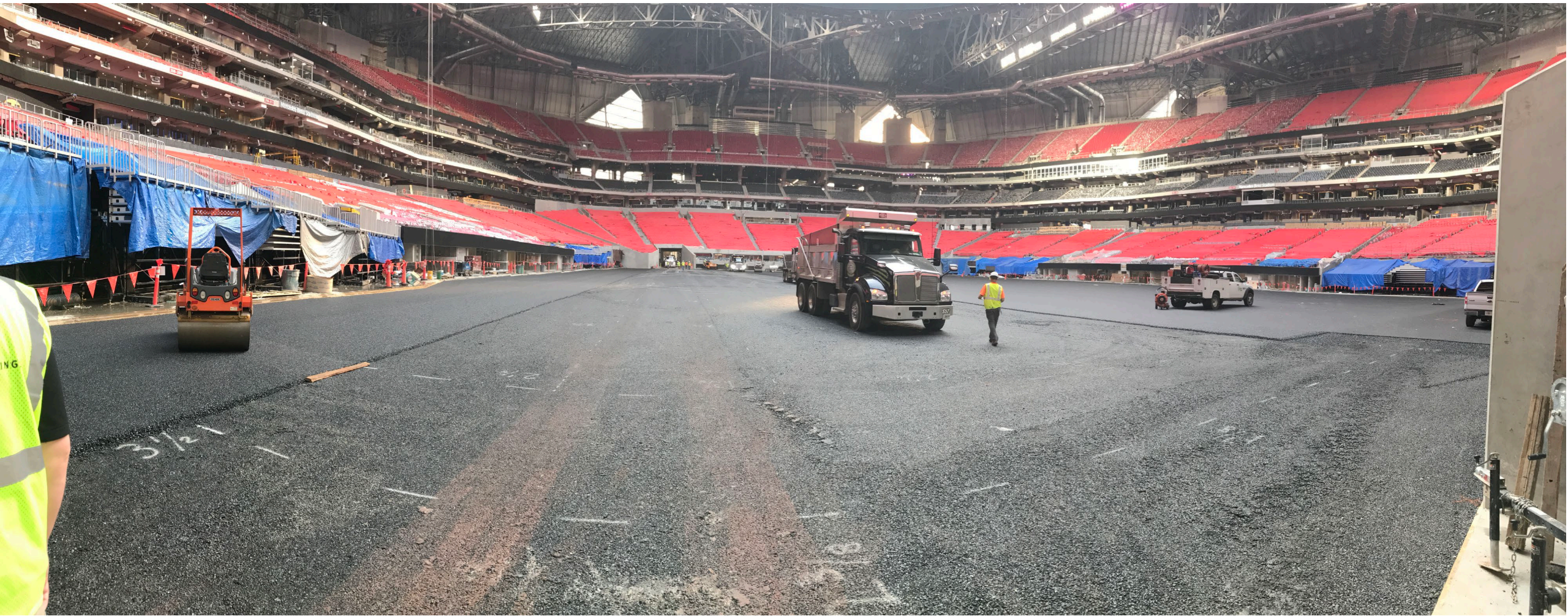
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TST-435 1 Attempt Integrated Test			
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TST-436 1 Attempt Integrated Test			
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TST-433 3 Attempts Integrated Test Kevin Tolleson			
<input type="checkbox"/> Integrated Test - Integrated Roof Test	PASSED	<div><div></div></div>	0 ISSUES
TST-432 1 Attempt Integrated Test			

Global Testing

- Equally as important as emergency/stand-by operation is RECOVERY
- Provided critical time allowances and resumption expectations with integrated testing.
- Emergency operation plans developed post Integrated testing outcomes.

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Multi-Discipline Coordination



Global Test – Day Of Meeting



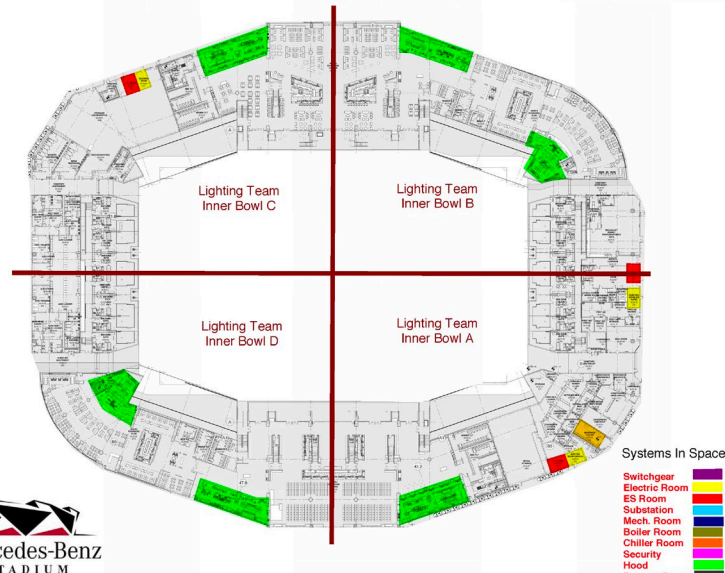
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Integrated Testing Schedule
07/14/17

- A. 6:00pm – Team Arrives Pre-Test Huddle – D1 Trailer
 - a. Run Through Testing Plan and Staffing
- B. 6:30pm – Inspect All Equipment To Confirm In Normal Operating Mode
- C. 8:00pm – Team Reconvenes By Security Room
 - a. Support Staff Mobilizes To Equipment / System Locations
- D. 9:00pm – First Outage – East and West Vault – 2 Hour Duration
 - a. Emergency Power Sources – **MOP (WB)**
 - b. Emergency Lighting – **Light Meters?**
 - i. **Pre-test (330p-530p 4 Days 30min per quad – ICU to provide sche)**
 - ii. **Provide cert that lights operate per contract documents**
 - c. Exit Signs – **Pre-Test**
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 - d. Fire Management System – **Verify e-Power Source and batteries**
 - i. **Test with emergency lighting – Either at front end of each panel**
 - e. Ribbon Board – **Message (e-power)**
 - i. **Talk to Dak to Pre-Test**
 - f. Public Address System – **Announcement (e-power)**
 - i. **Talk to Baker to Pre-Test**
 - g. Smoke Control System
 - h. Network and Security Systems **(ES Room UPS Work)**
 - i. Retractable Roof Power Source – **(How Do we Check)**
 - i. **MS-RR – Open main and see PLC transfer**
 - j. ETFE Inflation System Power Source – **(How Do we Check)**
 - i. **Emergency Sports / House light tied to same circuit – Confirm that light stay on**
 - k. Mechanical Systems **(ATS Power Test)**
 - i. **Confirm when Nixon will be out here next week. Pre-test next**
 - l. Commissary Coolers and Freezers **(Confirm e-power source and monitoring point)**
 - m. Dial Out Phone Security Room – **Where is Phone – Phones come from Falcons....**
- E. 11:00am – Second Outage – East Vault Outage – 30 Minutes – **Can do without Ga Pwr?**

Support Scope In Space:
Emergency Lights
Exit Lights

Lower Bowl

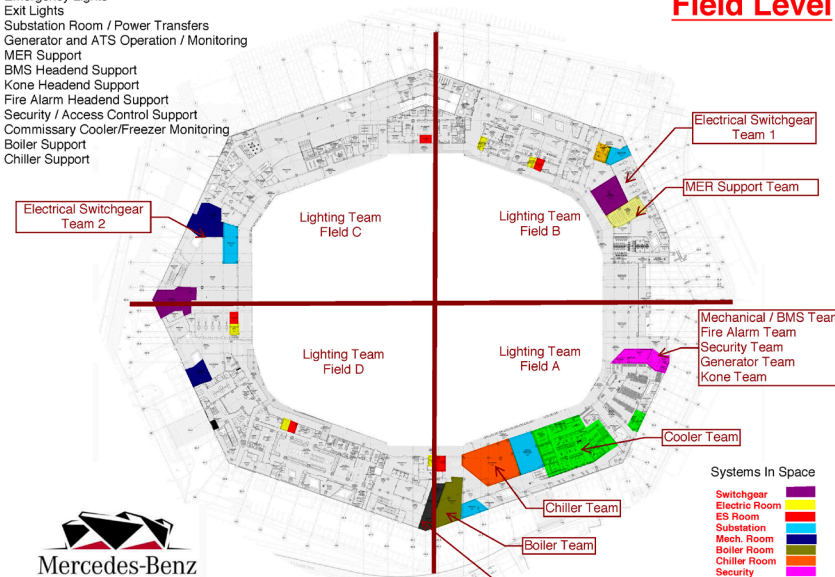
Support Scope In Space:
Emergency Lights
Exit Lights
Substation Room / Power Transfers
Generator and ATS Operation / Monitoring
MER Support
BMS Headend Support
Kone Headend Support
Fire Alarm Headend Support
Security / Access Control Support
Commissary Cooler/Freezer Monitoring
Boiler Support
Chiller Support



Support Scope In Space:
Emergency Lights
Exit Lights

Field Level

Support Scope In Space:
Emergency Lights
Exit Lights

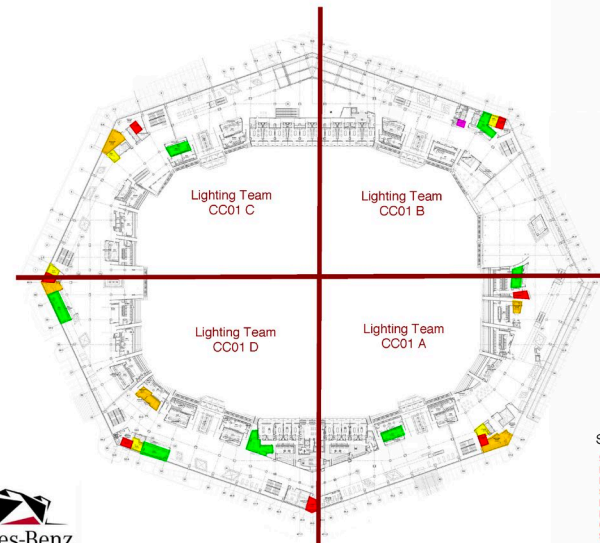


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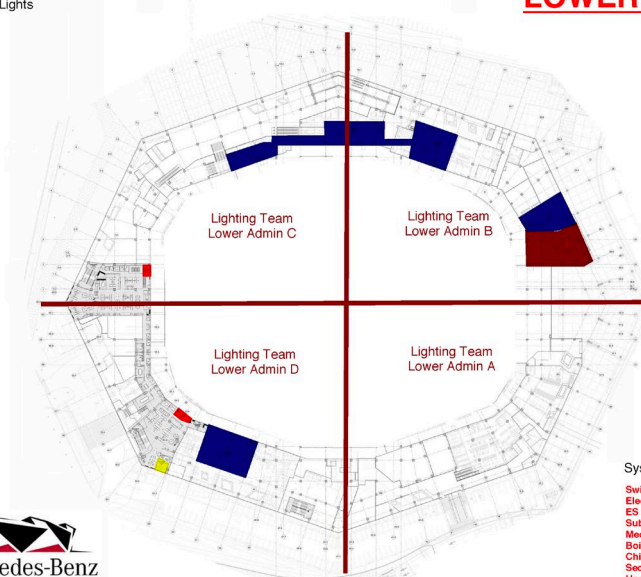
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Support Scope In Space:
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Exit Lights



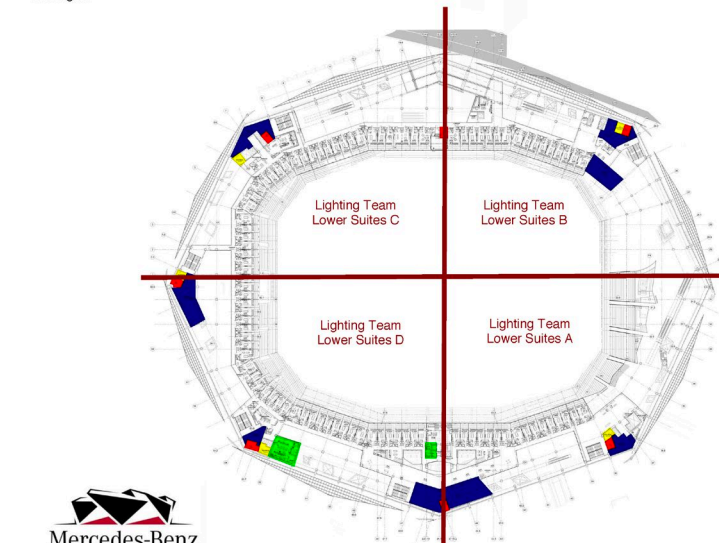
LOWER ADMIN



Systems In Space

- Switchgear
- Electric Room
- ES Room
- Substation
- Mech. Room
- Boiler Room
- Chiller Room
- Security
- Hood
- Booster Pumps

Lower Suite



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- Switchgear
- Electric Room
- ES Room
- Substation
- Mech. Room
- Boiler Room
- Chiller Room
- Security
- Hood
- Booster Pump
- Bev. Cooler

Global Testing









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