

Re: Resource View ??? Help Please?

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On Oct 30, 3:18 pm, "Rod Gill" <rod AT project-systems DOT co DOT nz> wrote:

You have more hours of work than available working hours, so the only way the schedule can show completion on time is by entering overtime hours, which are hours over and above what is in the calendar. Or you need to set a Saturday or two to working to increase available hours for Noddy.

Either of these work, but do not reflect the reality that if Noddy gets tired from long hours of work, more mistakes will be made and productivity will drop, so increasing the time needed to complete.

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If you create a plan for example and you put say 100 tasks in this plan each task taking 5 hours each, therefore the entire plans baseline work is 500 hours. These tasks are on random dates ahead of today.

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You have 1 resource (lets call him Noddy) that can do these tasks and he is working 7.6 hours a day thus taking him around 66 working days to complete.

However, the finish date for the project is in 50 days, showing a peak in the resource graph.

Realistically, there is nothing Noddy can do about this. Noddy's company is not going to employ anyone else and they are not going to budge on the finish date.

So, Noddy commences work at project start date and is working to schedule.. At the end of week one Noddy has done 38 hours of work and completed everything he was meant to have completed so he now has an SPI of 1.

Rather than waiting until the following monday to start work, Noddy comes in on the weekend and knocks off a few of the jobs that werent meant to have happened until later in the project. (these jobs were the jobs causing the peak in his resource graph)

On Monday, Noddy comes back into the office and commences his work as usual.

Now, Little Noddy, he is on schedule, he has completed the work that was Planned to be done by today, all his jobs that were planned are 100% complete so he has an SPI of 1. On top of this he has also completed some work that is scheduled ahead of time.. So his SPI is probably a bit more than 1 indicating he is actually ahead of schedule. All pretty simple stuff really. If only we all had good resources like Noddy....

However, there is no resource view in MSP showing that Noddy is the only resource required to finish the work and that we dont need any extra resources for those future jobs that were causing the peaks.

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Hi Rod

Thanks for your quick reply. Am happy with setting up calendars to reflect overtime work etc... What i am trying to see is a resource view showing the "updated resources required" to do the job since a job that was completed ahead of schedule has been completed...

Take the standard resource graph – peak view. Is there no way for that to show that seen a job that was causing a peak is now 100% complete that peak doesnt really have to exist. Im not saying to use this view but is there something similar to this.

MSP needs to provide a living a breathing resource view showing an update resource graph based on current status of the plan. Another example. If you have incomplete work, MSP needs a resource view to show how many resources it will take to get back on schedule. I am very hesitant about rescheduling as my team will take advantage of this and think 'well if we dont do the work, we just reschedule the plan'. This happens on alot of projects. I create a plan and if behind, I like to see how many resource i need to get back on schedule.

I dont know, maybe there is one but im not aware of this. I believe Primavera can do this...

Anyone??.

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