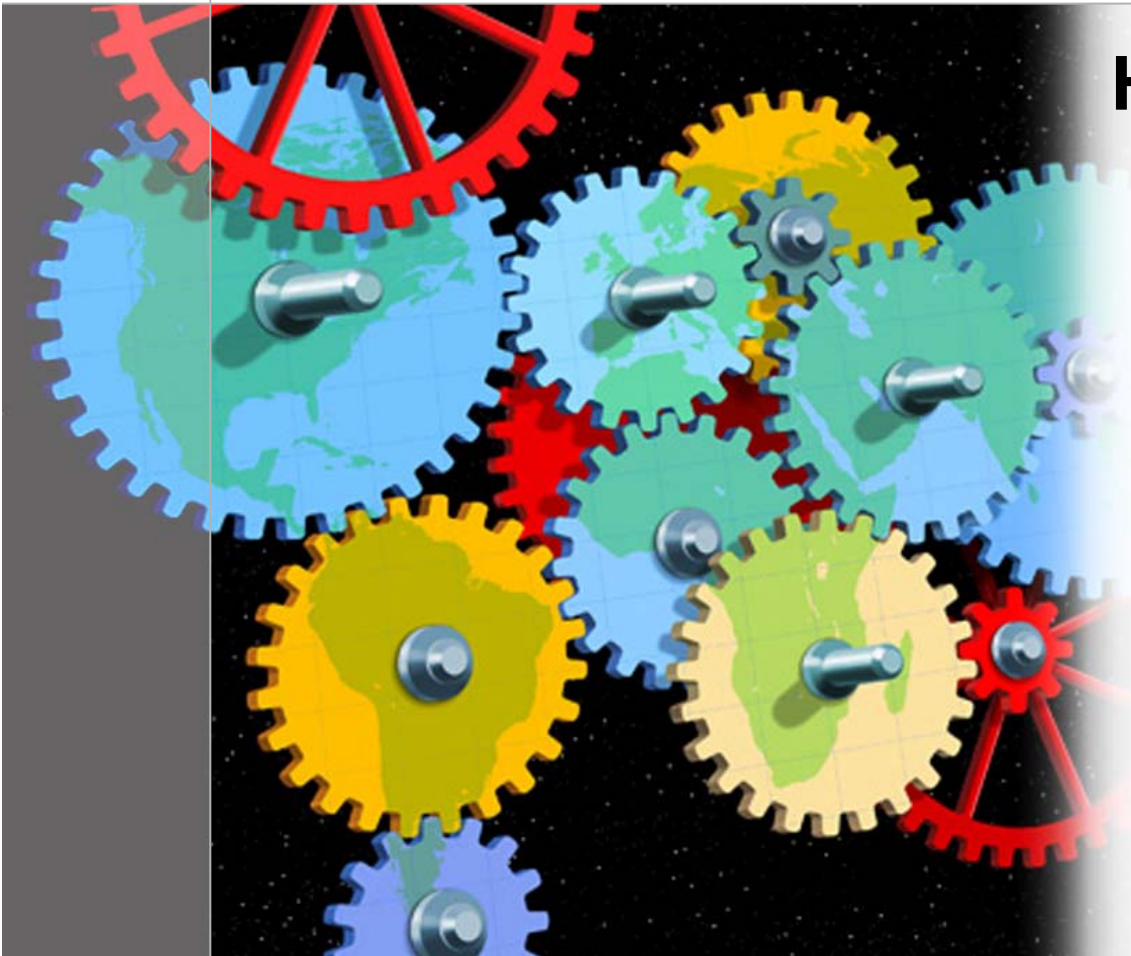


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# How Raytheon Meets the Challenge of Developing Systems with Evolving Requirements

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# Challenges in Development and Acquisition Systems with Evolving Requirements

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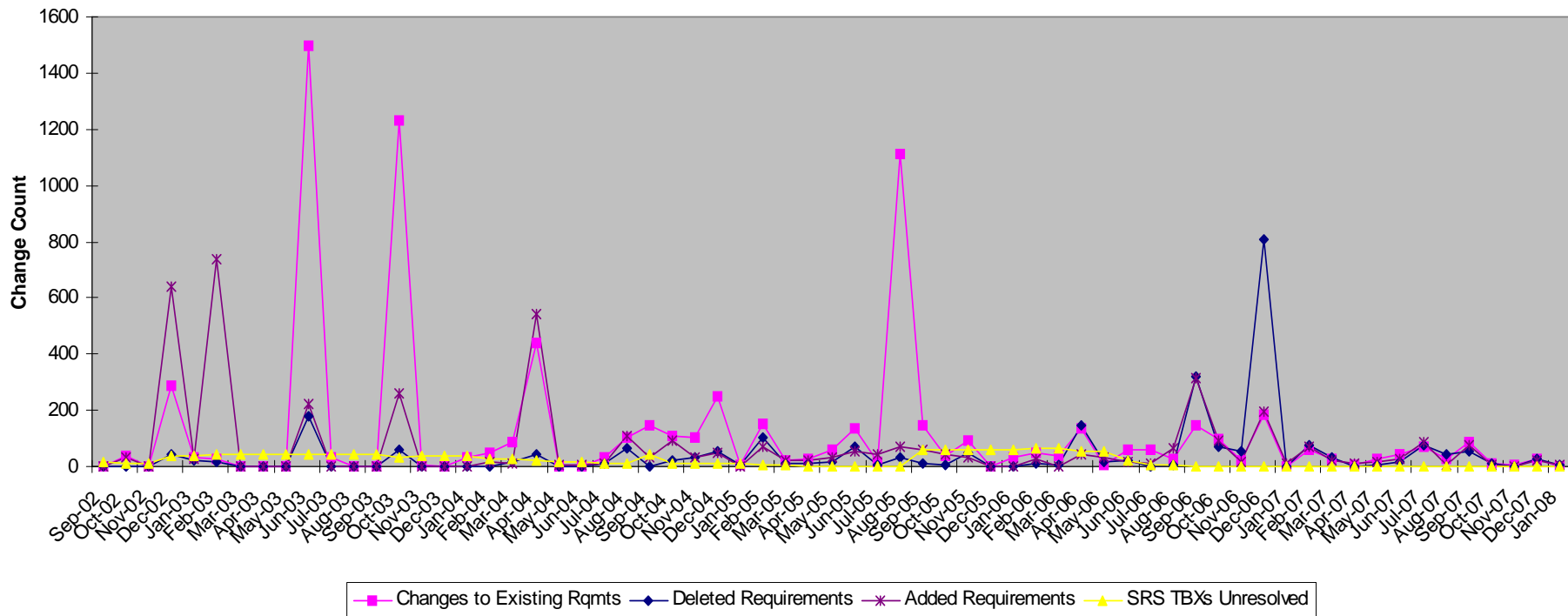
### – Why the success of NPOESS Ground

- CS3 completion of 1.8M LOC on schedule and budget, 75% reuse
- IDPS through B1.5 on schedule and budget
- Lessons learned from other successful SW development projects at Raytheon, Aurora using high levels of reuse

## Why the success of NPOESS Ground?

# Development Metrics NPP Subsystem Requirements

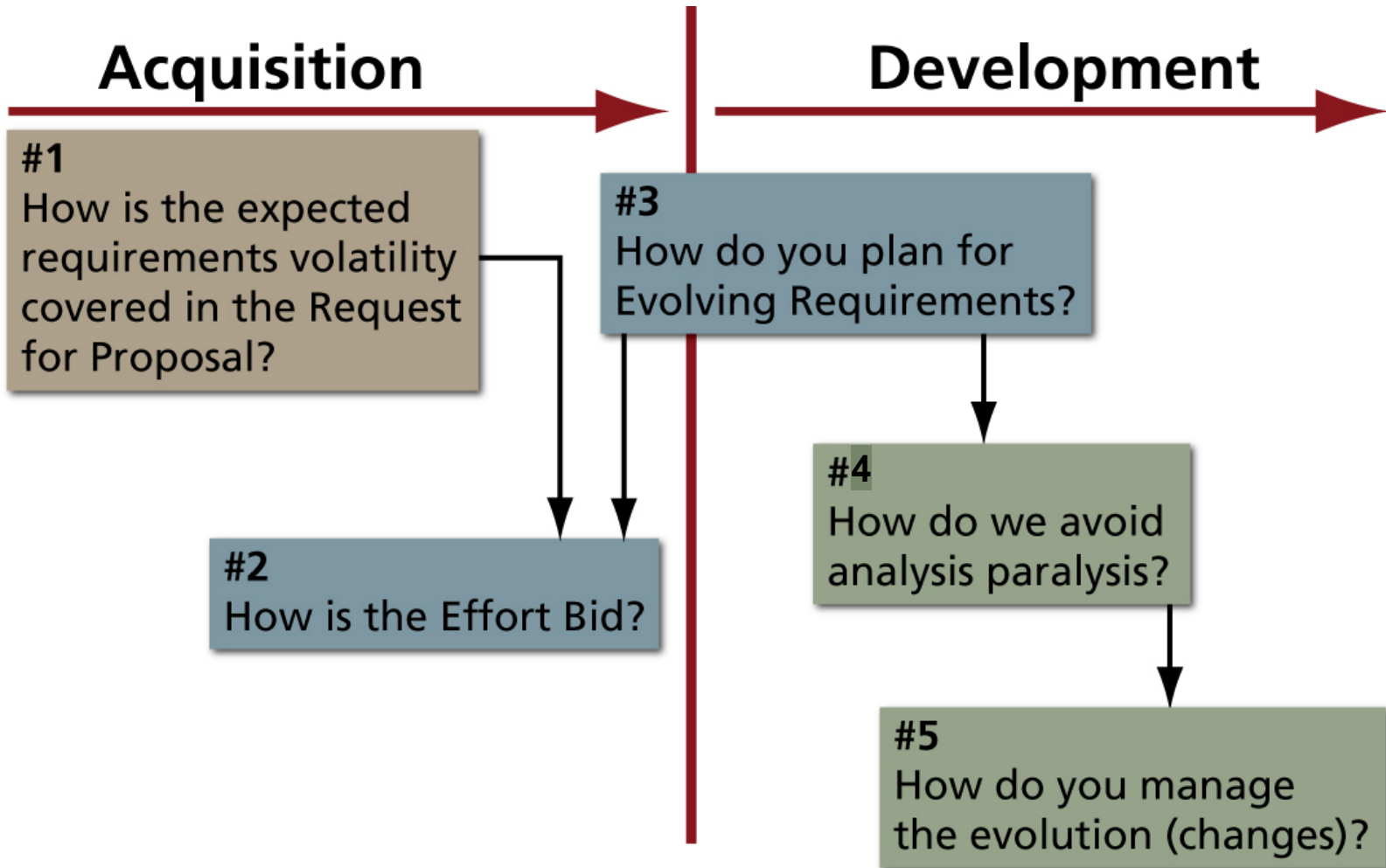
NPP Requirements Stability



Total of 2016 C3S and 2942 IDPS NPP Subsystem Requirements

**Requirement change peaks align with Iterative Builds**

# Challenges of Systems with Evolving Requirements



## Influences:

type of contract – ex: fixed price, cost plus  
type of work – ex: R&D, manufacturing,

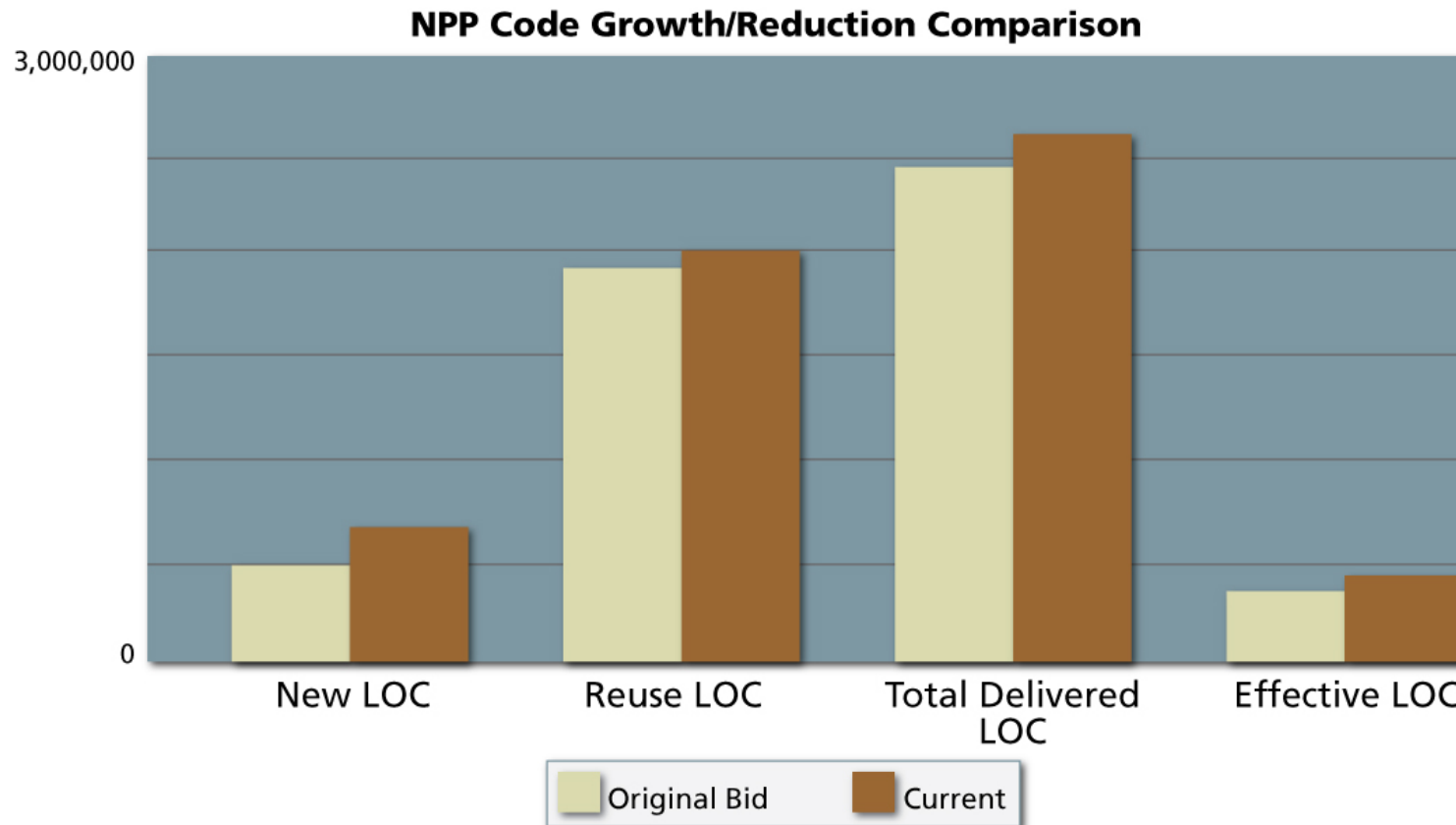
Contractor motivation – ex: sales vs. profit

# Challenge #1 – How is the expected requirements volatility covered in the RFP?

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- A baseline must be defined even if it's going to change
  - Baseline = technical + cost base + schedule
- It would be helpful, for the contractors, to have indications of where change is expected to occur
- A budget set aside for expected change should be clearly identified as whether it is to be included in the contractor budget or held by the acquisition organization
  - Make it not an easy target for stripping

# Example: One metric that is effective by Evolving Requirements – Code Growth

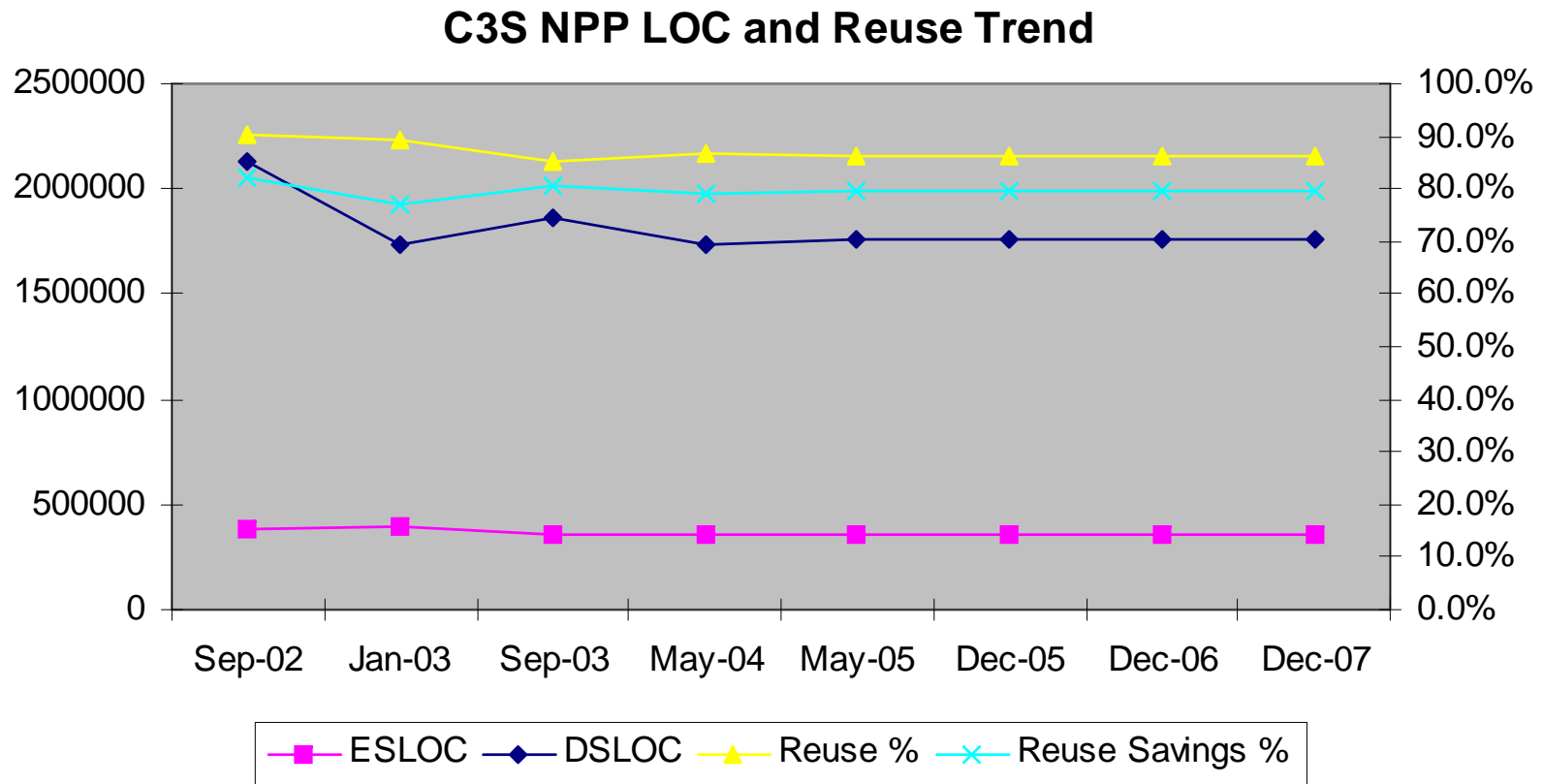


Government metric today has only one number for both types of code growth – in baseline Engr discovery (contractor obligation to manage) and baseline additions (government obligation). But RFPs ask to contractors to bid ONLY the defined baseline, no ECP growth.

**NPOESS NPP Code Growth was primarily additions to the baseline and auto-generated code**

# Development Success Metrics

## C3S NPP SLOC Reuse Trend



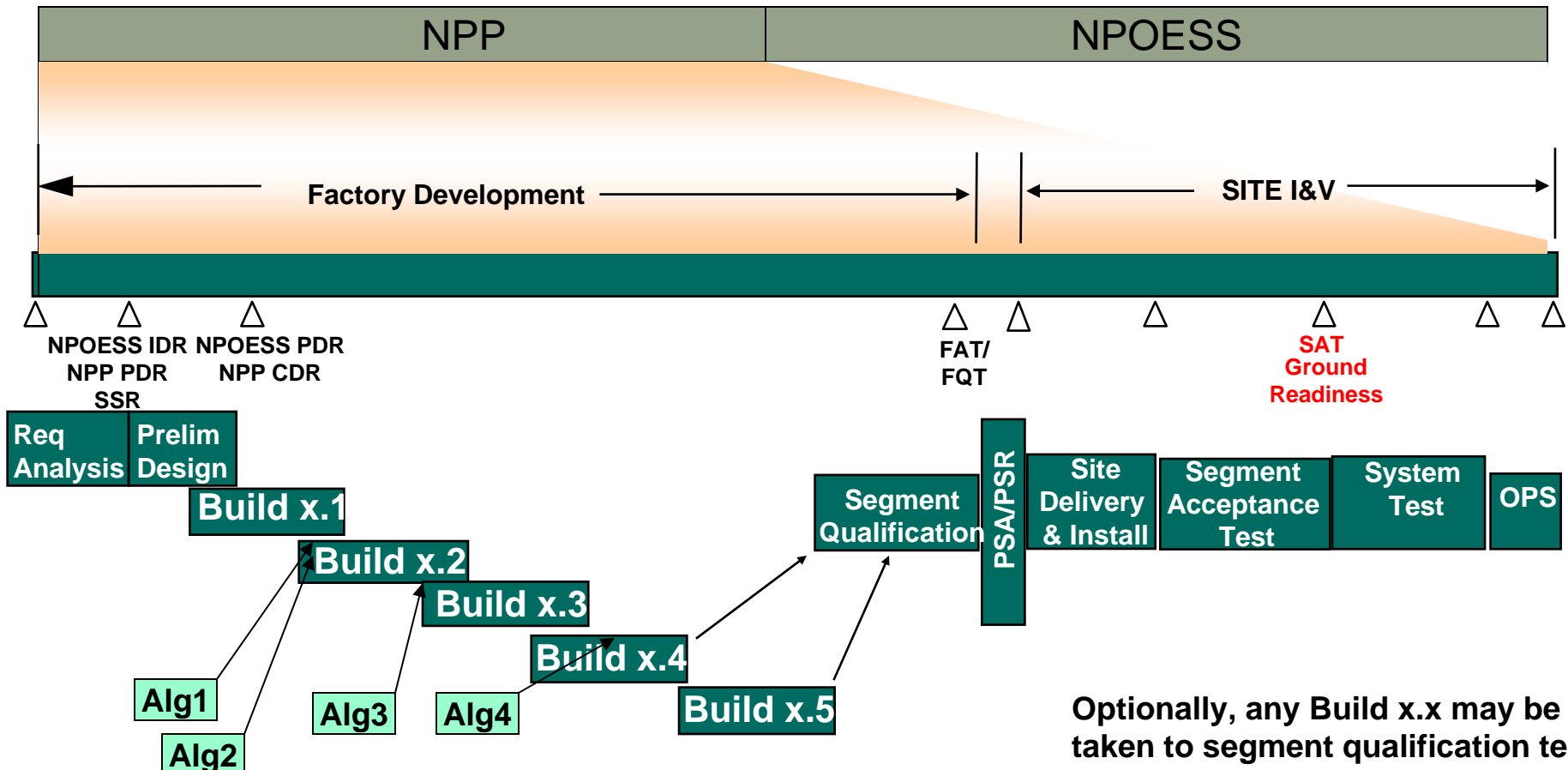
## Challenge #2 – How to bid the effort?

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- Contractors MUST bid the baseline
  - ACCURATELY and with HIGH CONFIDENCE
- Risk \$ can be reserved for identified area of expected volatility
  - For Software development – 3 ways to bid risk
    - Increased LOC
    - Lower Productivity
    - Separate identified risk pool
- Task Order/Management Reserve pools



# Challenge #3 – How do you plan for Evolving Requirements?



Algorithms follow a unique lifecycle and any algorithms available for Segment Integration are included in the Build I&T

Optionally, any Build x.x may be taken to segment qualification test and delivery while additional build x.x's continue on

# Schedules that directly represent our processes

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- Steps in the process are reflected in schedule/Earned Value definition and monitoring
- Early iterations include prototyping, reuse absorb, COTS evaluation
- Prior to or at the start of each Build/Iteration include considerations for
  - Requirements adjustment
  - Architecture and COTS changes
  - Technology insertion
  - Future build impacts including labor hours, procurement \$, requirement ripple

## Challenge #4 – How do we avoid analysis paralysis

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- Architecture that is highly componentized for insertion of firm areas and ability to change
- Iterative life cycle (including prototyping) - gives developers a comfort zone that they won't go too far off track
- Focus not on artifacts as the end – but the system solution
  - Too much detail that has little impact on requirements or architecture may be wasted effort
- Proven risk management approach

# Quality of our architectures and our reuse

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- Component-based and service-based architectures are ready for evolution
  - Low coupling and simple interfaces between components
  - For NPOESS C3S we were able to bring in reuse from 5 sources (Equinox, Eclipse, DCCS, Sterling, CPR) and integrate the components because of well-defined interfaces
  - Parameter-driven in many components
  - Multiple languages have not proven to be an issue – C, C++, FORTRAN, Java
- Operationally-proven and (as-needed) certified components
- Formal exchange mechanism to make lessons learned and best practices visible

# Multi-level Risk Management with risk management budget

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- Multiple levels of risk review based on impact potential
  - Peer Reviews - Risk to components or interfaces. (bigger risks may be initially discovered at a peer review)
  - Regular status meetings – issues/concerns raised, may turn into risks
  - Technical reviews – Risks reviewed, mitigations discussed, issues/concerns reviewed, actions addressed
  - Schedule and cost reviews – Earned Value analyzed and addressed,
  - Weekly schedule progress review
  - Risk Review Boards at Segment IPT level, Program level
  
- Risk Management Budget is the incentive to the team to identify risks
  - They know help is available for mitigation activities, or if the risk is realized
  - RMB not available if the risk is not identified

# Challenge #5 – How do you manage the Evolution (changes)?

- As the Rolling Stones say, “You can’t always get what you WANT. You get what you need.” (good vs. perfection)
  - Don’t confuse Out of Control Requirements with Mission Understanding and Happy Users
  - Ability to control scope, schedule, and cost while satisfying users is the TRUE ability to understand the mission of both the end user and acquisition authority
  
- Change is inevitable. Accept and manage it.
  - Change Control Board(s)
  - Risk Management Board(s)
  - Iterative Life-cycle, Requirements, ICDs, and Preliminary design baseline prior to first iteration, with change identified and impacted in following iterations.
  
- Use the power of requirements interpretation; trade offs to ensure system works and customer gets what they need in dynamic environment
  - Very often it is a large number of small scope changes that do the damage
  - Clearly defined pass/fail criteria generation during requirements generation
  - Each iteration reviews requirements to ensure user satisfaction

# Multiple levels and implementation of Change Management

- Multiple levels of change management based on impact potential
  - Code changes (reuse updates or identified deficiencies) through Software change board
  - Requirements changes through IPT review if no cost/schedule, eg. Grammar or terminology
  - Requirement changes through Program Change Control Board if cost or schedule baseline impact, within Program scope
  - Program and contract review if outside program scope
- Technical and programmatic change review and impact
  - Technical Baseline, e.g. Architecture and design documents, Test Cases/procedures
  - Process, e.g. Plans, work instructions
  - COTS – HW and SW
  - Reuse and new SW baseline
  - Contractual baseline
- Iterative-Incremental lifecycle uses each iteration as a change control mechanism (approval by CCB may be necessary to complete Start of Iteration Review)
  - Review of all baseline changes from previous iterations
  - Include potential schedule updates
  - Risks and mitigations
- When and where matters
  - When is the change coming?
  - Where is it impacting the system?

## Bottom Line

*If both Acquisition team and Contractor team know the bus is coming, we can take steps to get out of the way!*