

Introduction to the New Spatial Index & Quality Control Modules Q& A – May 1, 2014

Release:

Q: When will the new web interface for Project Cloud be rolled out officially? Should we notify all of our teams that this will be coming in a few days since the look will be a little different?

A: Project Cloud users can expect to see the new web interface, and the new Spatial Index and Quality Control modules, when they log in to their projects in the upcoming days. There has been a notification at the top of the interface for the past week, but some team members may not have read it - we always appreciate help in spreading the word about exciting Newforma news, so feel free to notify your teams about the upcoming changes! *[The new user interface, apps and Spatial Index and Quality Control functionality has since been released on 5/2/2014]*

Q: When is the release date for the new mobile apps?

A: We expect the new Capture and Tasks app and the updated Plans app to be available in the upcoming days, as well! *[The new user interface, apps and Spatial Index and Quality Control functionality has since been released on 5/2/2014]*

Q: Will these changes automatically update on existing projects?

A: Yes. All existing projects will have the new look and feel of the updated web interface, and the new Spatial Index and Quality Control modules will be turned on by default. You'll also be able to use the new mobile apps on existing projects.

Q: Will training sessions for the new modules be offered for project users who miss the introductory sessions?

A: The introductory sessions will be recorded and available to view later via our [Project Cloud Help](#) site. The site will also contain helpful articles and video tutorials to get you started using the new modules.

Q: I've downloaded the Capture app, but am receiving an error message. Why is this?

A: The official release of the new modules in Project Cloud has not yet occurred. Once the new modules have been released, the apps will work as expected. *[The new user interface, apps and Spatial Index and Quality Control functionality has since been released on 5/2/2014]*

Spatial Index Module:

Q: How is the spatial index created? Is this done by Project Cloud support, or is this something we would need to do?

A: Users will be able to create their own spatial indexes in a variety of ways. Spaces can be exported from Revit or an Excel template (similar to the sheet and spec index templates) will be available for use. Both of these methods can be imported by one of your project administrators. You will also be able to create items manually.

Q: Will it be possible to import the spatial areas from an Excel room schedule?

A: Yes. An Excel template for the spatial index will be available via the Help article referenced in the Spatial Index import section of the software.

Plans, Capture, and Tasks Mobile Apps:

Q: In the Plans app, do markups remain associated with a sheet if the sheet is revised or replaced?

A: Currently, markups do not post back to the Sheet Index. If a plan has been marked up with the markup tools, the user has the ability to email it to other project team members (or themselves). To adjust the current plan on the Sheet Index, the plan page would need to be re-issued. If a plan has been marked during the process of creating a Quality Control item, the markup is attached to the QC item.

Q: Can you assign a Task to a company, or only individuals?

A: Currently, you will need to assign a Task to an individual.

Q: Can you send a picture from the Capture app to the Plans app? Does the Capture app tie in to the Plans app in some way?

A: No. If the intent is to locate a QC item on a plan, the Plans app should be used to create the image. Both the Plans and Capture apps capture information and push it into the Quality Control module in Project Cloud. If the user would like to locate a Quality Control item on a plan, the Plans app would be used. If the user would simply like to create a Quality Control item (and not locate it on the plans), they could use the Capture. The Plans app works on an iPad and the Capture app works on both an iPhone and an iPad. For more information, please view the [Overview of Project Cloud Mobile Apps](#).

Q: Are photos taken with the Capture app available via the web interface of Project Cloud? Are they included in the project archive file?

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A: Yes, all of the information entered into the Capture app syncs up to the web interface in the Quality Control module. The information in the Quality Control module is archived with the rest of the project data.

Q: Is the login information for the apps the same as it is for Project Cloud?

A: Yes, you will use your Project Cloud credentials to log into the apps.

Q: Are the apps means more for Architects' use or Contractors' use?

A: The apps are applicable for both Contractor and Design teams. For example, using the Quality Control module to manage punchlist items will involve both the Contractor and Design teams. The apps are designed so that they can be used throughout the workflow by the various different disciplines.

Q: We only have Newforma Project Cloud. Can we use all of the apps if we do not have Newforma Enterprise (Project Center)?

A: Yes. All of the apps demonstrated during today's session are for use with Project Cloud projects. The Project Email app and Punch List apps (not demonstrated today) are not available for Project Cloud. The Punch List app functionality, however, is included in the Plans, Tasks and Capture apps.

Q: Will the Plans app require iOS 7?

A: Yes. Users will need to upgrade to iOS 7 in order to take advantage of the new apps.

Q: Is there an additional cost for the mobile apps?

A: No. The mobile apps are part of your subscription to Project Cloud, and they will be available at no additional charge for existing and new projects.