

Improving Project Status Reporting with Enhanced Traffic Light Charts (ETLC)

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Having problems with project status reporting? This short video shows how you can use **Enhanced Traffic Light Charts (ETLC)** to:

- **Shorten the time spent at meetings,**
- **Facilitate *management by exception*,**
- **Integrate risk management into project management, and**
- **Identify managers for promotion based on ability.**

Traffic Light Charts (TLC) provide a quick overview of the status of a project (red - in trouble; yellow - some trouble but nothing too serious; green - nominal; and blue - ahead of schedule and budget). When used on an agenda slide, they can indicate which project to focus on - the red and blue, obviously? ETLC expand the TLC to add perceptions from the temporal perspective and provide information that was not previously available. See the short video at https://youtu.be/fwM_9otO0F0 for more details. Then give your status reports some TLC!

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