 **IT PROJECT COSTING TEMPLATE**

**PROJECT TITLE**

**––– COST MANAGEMENT –––**

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1. **Introduction**

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| Project cost management plan overview... |

* 1. **Purpose**

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| Identify the desired outcome and how the plan will be beneficial. |

* 1. **Documentation and Communication Practices**

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| Discuss how progress and changes will be documented and how information will be communicated with team members and stakeholders. |

1. **Overview**

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| Briefly elaborate on how cost management process will enhance the project. |

* 1. **Summary Statement**

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| Briefly elaborate on how cost management process will impact / enhance the project.  |

* 1. **Reporting Requirements**

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| Define the methods, process, and regularity of status reporting. |

* 1. **Estimate Degree Requirements**

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| Indicate the percentage of variance required throughout planning stages, i.e., conception, charter, etc.  |

1. **Spending Limit Authorization Levels**

| SPENDING LIMIT AUTHORIZATION LEVELS |
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| COST LIMIT | NAME / TITLE | EMAIL | PHONE |
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1. **Cost Variance Action Plan**

| COST VARIANCE ACTION PLAN |
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| % OF VARIANCE | REQUIRED ACTION DESCRIPTION | PARTY RESPONSIBLE |
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1. **Approach Defined**

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| How overall plan will be created, revised, monitored, and controlled. |

* 1. **Procedures**

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| Define set procedures. |

* 1. **Policies**

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| List all policies that must be adhered to. |

* 1. **Documentation**

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| Detail the documentation process throughout life of project. |

1. **Cost Estimation Process Defined**

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| Detail how estimates should be reached and classified, including thresholds, risks, performance rules, confidence ratings of estimate accuracy, etc. |

1. **Cost Baseline**
	1. **WBS of Work Sections and / or Individual Tasks**

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| Break out each section, task, or group of tasks. |

* 1. **Estimate Method**

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| Parametric, Analogous, Three-Point, Bottom-Up, etc. |

* 1. **Funding**

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| Method of financing. |

* 1. **Contingency / Reserve**

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| Detail all funds held. |

1. **Cost Control and Metrics**

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| Detail metrics used in conjunction with set thresholds. |

1. **Reporting Process Defined**

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| Detail how management plan will be reported. Define any processes. |

1. **Change Control Process**

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| Describe procedure for requesting and implementing changes to the plan, including how changes are approved / rejected and how they will be reported to circulation list. |

1. **Project Budget**

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| List final figures reached for contingency / reserve, fixed, material, and contractor costs—a project total. |

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