Approve Requirements and Designs



Purpose or Need

To obtain approval of requirements and designs to continue with subsequent activities.



Value

Approved requirements and designs enable the work to move forward.



Solution

Requirements and designs which are agreed to by stakeholders and are ready for use in subsequent business analysis or solution development efforts.



Techniques

Frequently used techniques:

- Acceptance and Evaluation Criteria;
- Decision Analysis;
- Item Tracking;
- Reviews;
- Workshops.

Refer to the **BABOK Guide v3** for the complete list of techniques.



Stakeholder

Typically involves executive sponsor, management, subject matter experts, operational support, regulators, and any additional stakeholders identified.



Description of Change

Approve Requirements and Designs helps stakeholders involved in the governance process to reach approval and agreement on requirements and designs.

Reference (Guidelines and Tools)

The following resources, if they exist, can be used to transform the inputs into the outputs:

- Change Strategy;
- Governance Approach;
- Legal/Regulatory Information;
- Requirements Architecture;
- Solution Scope.

Task Inputs and Outputs



Consider...

There's always approval needed — a lightweight step for some adaptive initiatives or a rigorous process for some complex, predictive initiatives.

Example: Consider heavily regulated businesses where audit or compliance requirements need to be met. These are the type of initiatives where a rigorous process becomes mandatory.

See BABOK Guide – 11.3 The Information Technology Perspective

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