



Bureau of Development Services

ProjectDox Applicant User Guide

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These materials are provided for training purposes only and are based on the current version of the software. Some procedures described may differ slightly when the software is updated.

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Overview

Prepare to save time and money by submitting plans online!

This Applicant User Guide is designed to help you understand the process of electronically submitting plans through **PDX ePlans** on the **ProjectDox** website. **ProjectDox** is an alternative to the paper-based and in-person submittal process with the Bureau of Development Services. **ProjectDox** is a web-based solution that allows building plans to be submitted electronically, improving the plan review cycle, reducing costs associated with obtaining residential and commercial construction permits, as well as supporting green initiatives.

The Applicant User Guide is a reference to find general information regarding the step-by-step processes for submitting plans online.

As you begin to navigate the new online system, please remember **we are here to assist you.** This guide is a general outline of the online process, so we understand users may have questions. Be sure to check out other educational resources located on our <u>YouTube Channel</u>, including the full <u>Applicant Training Video Playlist</u>. Please reach out to the appropriate department if you have further questions:

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https://www.portland.gov/bds

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Bureau of Development Services Intake Appointments

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(503) 823-4094

https://www.portland.gov/bds/apply-and-pay-your-permits-during-covid-19

Bureau of Technology Services

https://www.portlandoregon.gov/bts/

(503) 823-5199

Basic Permitting Questions/Picking Up Approved Plans

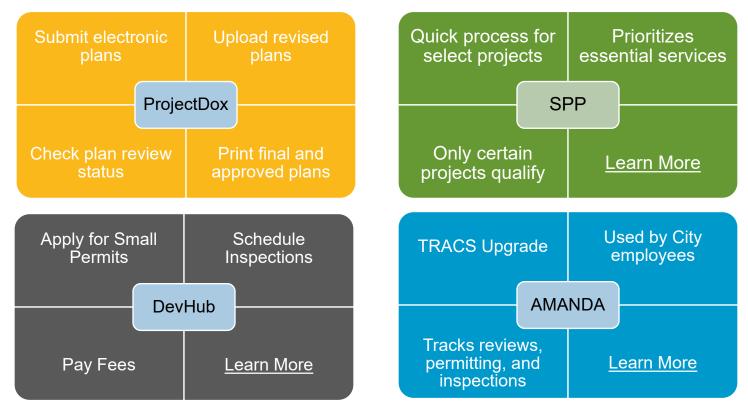
(503) 823-7357





ProjectDox, Single PDF Process (SPP), DevHub, AMANDA

BDS uses various applications and process to process electronic plans. ProjectDox, Single PDF Process, and DevHub are used by customers, and the AMANDA system is used by City employees. The graphics below highlight the main differences between the process. Click the process name to learn more.



Alternative Resources and Special Accommodations

For requesting an accommodation under Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) pertaining to City resources, please visit our <u>ADA request web page</u>.

https://www.portland.gov/request-americans-disabilities-act-accommodation



Step by Step Workflow for Applicants





Getting Started

Glossary of Terms

Here at the Bureau of Development Services, we want all applicants to feel comfortable and confident using the ProjectDox online portal. Whether a new homeowner or skilled architect, we understand that some terms can be confusing. Use this glossary when navigating the ProjectDox website and reading Reviewer comments.

Applicant	External user of the ProjectDox System. Able to submit applications and files for Electronic Plan Review. Provide materials for electronic plan review.
Approval Stamp	Allows City staff to apply digital stamps to multiple drawings. Automatically uploads them into the destination folder of choice.
Changemark	During plan review, Changemarks are used to communicate changes or required updates to applicants. Changemarks are tied to specific items or points on plan drawings . They are also referred to as "markups" and live in a separate markup file or layer. They do not permanently alter or change drawings.
Checklist Items	During plan review, Checklist Items are used to communicate information, changes or required updates to applicants. They allow reviewers to make comments and corrections to the project as a whole.
• eForm	Digital forms created within ProjectDox to request applicant reviews or resubmittal information.
• ePlans	Electronic Plan Review. PDX ePlans is an electronic plan review and document management system used by The Bureau of Development Services (BDS).
	From the initial application to final approved plan sets, PDX ePlans provides a convenient, central location for development groups (including applicants and City reviewers) to communicate and complete the entire plan review process online.
	PDX ePlans also refers to the technology team that supports ProjectDox for the City of Portland.
File Format	A computer file type. Different file formats of plans and documents are accepted within the ProjectDox system.
o PDF	Portable Document Format.
o DWG	Drawing. Stores three-dimensional design data.



o DGN	Design. CAD drawing file format.
o DWF	Design Web Format.
• Markup	Please refer to "Changemarks" above.
Measuring Tools	Used to measure lines and polygons found in drawings and plans.
Measure Takeoff Tool	Same as Measuring Tools given the ability to keep one or many different running counts and cumulative measurements, and to save and export that data for use outside of ProjectDox.
Plan Reviewer	Individual within a department or agency assigned the task of reviewing and commenting on a specific project.
	For more information on Plan Review Groups, please visit the following site https://www.portlandoregon.gov/bds/article/80080 .
PDX ePlans	Please refer to "ePlans" above.
	PDX ePlans is the Bureau of Development Services' (BDS) electronic plan review and document management system. Using a web-based tool called 'ProjectDox', ePlans provides a convenient central hub for development project groups (including applicants and City reviewers) to communicate and complete the entire plan review process online. Staff at BDS and our partner bureaus can review the plans simultaneously on their computer screens. And if customers need to make a correction to their plans, they can submit those corrections online for re-review, saving a trip to the Development Services Center.
Process Manager	Single point of contact between the development team and the City permit review and inspection staff.
	For more information on Process Management, please visit the following site https://www.portlandoregon.gov/BDS/48323 .
Project Administrator	Project Administrators in ProjectDox have the ability to make changes to a specific project. They are able to make edits and changes within a project, including adding and removing users to a project and editing user permissions.
Project Status	Status of the overall project as determined by the administrator or workflow.
	Active: In process, being reviewed, waiting for re-submittal, etc.
	Completed : The review process is complete, and the plans will be electronically stamped by the City and will be available for download.







ProjectDox	Web-based tool used by applicants and City Reviewers to complete an online application for certain permit types for new construction, revisions, and deferred submittals.
• PDF	Portable Document Format
○ Standard PDF	Digital file format used for documents, reports and other supporting non-drawing files, that were traditionally submitted in paper format.
○ Vector PDF	Digital file format that maintains AutoCAD layer and object information. This format allows a PDF to function similarly to an AutoCAD file.
○ Searchable PDF	PDF Searchable Image is a PDF Image Only document with the addition of a text layer beneath the image. This approach retains the look of the original page while enabling text search ability.
• TRIM	Complete ePlans documents are archived into TRIM by the work performed by the Digitization Team. BDS documents stored in TRIM are made available online to users via eFiles and Portland Maps. For the new permitting system, applicants will be able to submit documents electronically via the ProjectDox software.
Versioning Tools	Allows users to compare two different versions of the same drawing, which speeds reviewers' work of verifying that requested changes have been made. Versions and related documents can be compared side-by-side, with variable-transparency overlays, and with color-coded difference overlays.
View Only Members	View Only Members of ProjectDox have limited access to projects in ProjectDox. They will be able to view drawings and documents but will not be able to make changes to files, upload files, or delete files.





Electronic Plan Submission

Prior to Getting Started

Please complete the following prior to getting started:

- 1. Submit a Building Permit application to the designated group (i.e., Permitting Services, Process Manager, FPP, FIR, etc.)
 - a. Permit requests made in DevHub will be reviewed by Permitting Services to determine if they qualify for ProjectDox. Permit requests submitted through DevHub over 35 pages will be processed through ProjectDox; those 35 and under may qualify for a different process, such as the Single PDF Process.
- 2. You will be provided with your Permit number.

Scannable Files

City Printing & Distribution is taking strict precaution during the COVID-19 pandemic. If you need paper files scanned before uploading to ProjectDox, you may make an appointment by calling the City Printing and Distribution main line at 503-823-4448.

Appointments are available Monday – Friday, 8 AM – 4:30 PM.

Prepare Files for Submittal

Prepare your files for upload into ProjectDox by following the guidelines below. Please reference our Quick Reference Guide on Preparing Files for ProjectDox Upload.

Standards

Standards allow for easy identification of drawing by naming convention, vector file types to facilitate the most efficient review, color coding of comments for visual identification of departments, and so on.

File Size

The accepted file size is 500 MB or smaller.

Required Files

- 1. Drawing Files all required drawings, as well as the initial page following City standards for submission. Each sheet/page of the drawings will be uploaded as a separate file in landscape view. All plans must be drawn to scale with the scale clearly indicated on the drawing. When applicable, files must be electronically stamped with a signature per Oregon Statutes and Oregon Administrative Rules.
- 2. Supporting Document Files all other files that are required as part of the application submission that are not drawing files (i.e., Easement letter, Geotechnical report, calculations). These can be uploaded as multipage documents.







Folder Structure

- All documentation (any non-drawing files, truss calculations, geotechnical reports, etc.) should be uploaded into the *Documents* folder for each project.
- All drawings should be uploaded to the *Drawings* folder for each project.
- All Reference only files should be uploaded to the Reference only folder for each project.

Required File Formats

- PDF
- DWG
- DGN
- DWF

Drawing File Naming Standards

Check out our Quick Reference Guide on File Naming Standards!

Check out our video on Getting Started with PDX ePlans!

Your file names should start with the appropriate number given the order and content specific to your application and submittal requirements. Please following these guidelines for the naming standards:

- 1. All files should be named according to their order listed on your provided index on the Title Sheet, Cover Sheet or Table of Contents.
- 2. Please make sure to have three sequential numbers before the sheet name identify the order of sheets.
- 3. Filenames for drawings submitted through ProjectDox should include the sequential three numbers and the first characters of the discipline name, followed by a 4-digit sheet number.
- 4. For REFERENCE ONLY files- please use the prefix 'REF' before the discipline letter and sheet number.

Example:

Sequential Display Order No.	Sheet Type	Sheet Name		File Name
001	Α	02.02 THIRD FLOOR PLAN	=	001 A02.02 THIRD FLOOR PLAN
REF	REF	F 03.01 FP DETAILS	=	REF F03.01 FP DETAILS

5. Please limit the number of characters in the sheet name to 50 characters or less – abbreviations are acceptable and encouraged. Do not include "_ "(underscores) or special characters in the file name. Hyphens "-" and ampersands "&" are okay.







Drawing Sheet Standards

Examples of acceptable sheet names

Drawing Type	File Name Letter	Example Sheet Names
Architectural	A	001 A02.02 Third Floor
		Plan
Civil	С	022 C03.01 GRADING
		PLAN
Electrical	E	031 E01.01
		ELECTRICAL
		GROUND FLOOR
Fire	F	043 F01.01 FLOOR
		SPRINKLERS
General	G	004 G01.01 COVER
		PAGE
Hazardous Material	H	051 H01.01 OUTSIDE
		STORAGE
Interiors	1	073 I03.01 2nd FLOOR
Landscape	L	027 L01.01 MATERIAL
		PLAN
Mechanical	M	055 M02.01 SECOND
		FLOOR
		PLAN MECHANICAL
Operations	0	045 O02.01 GROUND
		PLAN
Plumbing	P	082 P03.02 DETAILS
		PLUMBING
Equipment	Q	091 Q01.02 DETAILS
		PLAN
Radon	R	064 R00.10
		SPECIFICATIONS
Reference Only	REF	REF F03.01 FP
		DETAILS
Structural	S	077 S02.04 2nd FLOOR
		COLUMNS
Telecommunications	T	093 T00.00
		TELECOMMS
		SYMBOLS LIST
Other Disciplines	Use letter(s) that best	039 AV01.01 AUDIO
	represent the drawing	VISUAL
Contractor & Shop	Z	011 Z01.01 SHOP
Drawings		DRAWINGS



File Sizes for Batch Stamp

Drawings submitted to ProjectDox must be the same sheet size in order for the Batch Stamp process to be successful. Preparing your files correctly before submittal will save time and remove the need for corrections.

If you have files/drawings that are different sizes, follow the instructions below to make them all the same page size. This process can be completed in Adobe Acrobat.

1. Decide on a page size for all your drawings. We recommend using the largest page size in your portfolio.

Optimize PDF

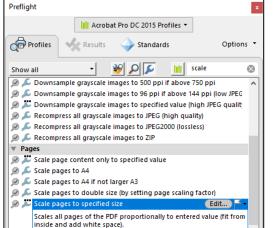
4.

≨ Fix

a. For example, if you have three drawings 17x30, and one drawing 40x30, you will make all page sizes 40x30.

Resize Files for Batch Stamp

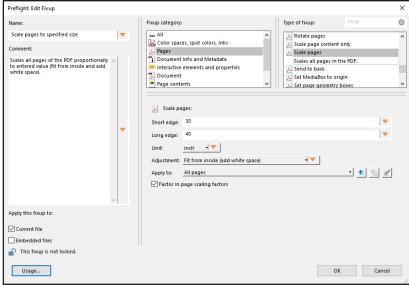
- 1. Open your file in Adobe Acrobat
- 2. Select the Optimize PDF tool
- 3. Select *Preflight* in the tool bar



▼ Further Options

Run checks for visible layers only Preflight only pages 1

- In the Preflight Panel, drop down the top menu and select Acrobat Pro DC 2015 Profiles.
- 5. Click the wrench icon for Single Fixups.
- 6. In the textbox, type *Scale*.
- 7. Select Scale Pages to a Specified Size.
- 8. In the pop up, change the edge size and select the correct unit of measurement.
- 9. Click OK.
- 10. On the original Preflight Panel, click *Fix.* 🔑







Other File Standards

- Plans are not to exceed 36 X 48 E/O.
- Each file must be one page only. Multiple drawing pages will not be accepted.
- File name guidelines must be followed.
- There must be a sheet index for drawing files.
- Include a blank sheet in the drawings General section (G02.00 is recommended) labeled "City Information and Directives" for written information requested by reviewers.
- Affix third-party verified digital signature or seal to the project submission for the plans that are required to be signed and sealed.
- Please do not password protect, encrypt or 'secure' your files, as this will prohibit the ability to upload the documents into our archival system.
- The top right corner of all drawings must be reserved for the City's electronic stamp. Please leave the top right corner completely blank on all drawings (with exception of the border).
- Dimensions: 3" width x 3" height, offset 4" from the right, 1" from the top right.
- Please divide structural calculations into volumes not to exceed 10 MB in storage.

File Type Standards

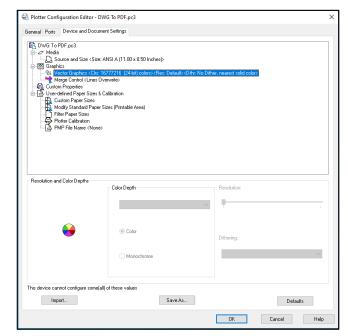
Supporting files may be PDF, other images, or Microsoft Office document formats. Please submit

searchable PDF files for calculations, reports and other supporting documentation (non-drawing files).

Vector PDF files will be accepted for drawings. AutoCAD software is commonly used to create drawing files. It is recommended that drawings created in AutoCAD are converted to Vector PDF by using the Autodesk Vector Graphic Converter "DWG to PDF.pc3 plotter driver."

For optimum performance please save PDF files as a 'reduced size file' and optimize files to eliminate attached metadata.

Clean and purge all extraneous layers from drawings, minimize the amount of hatching and/or convert to a less processor-intensive format type. Minimize the number of layers included in the



drawings (100 or less is recommended) and please try to keep the file size under 500 MB while maintaining image quality so reviewers can easily open and navigate within the files.





If drawings are electrical, mechanical, or plumbing/gas, confirm that only the trade lines are dark by changing the background to grayscale prior to saving as a vector PDF file.

Markup Name and Color Standards

- Reviewers will make their comments and Changemarks (also known as *redlines*) using the markup tool.
- Standard markup names and colors will be used for each reviewing department for easy identification. A markup can have one or more Changemarks. Changemarks are created to quickly identify a markup and associated comments.
- Corrected files should always be re-submitted with the same file name as the original submittal.

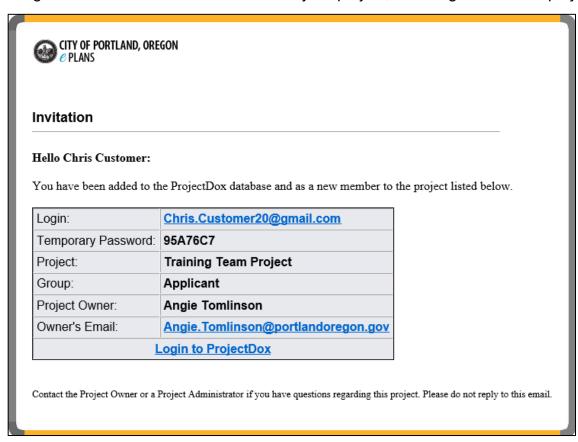
REVIEW AGENCY	MARKUP NAME	MARKUP COLOR
Erosion Control	SITEC	Purple
Urban Forestry	UF	Dark Green
Plumbing (Trades)	COPT	Dark Blue
Addressing	ADDR	Neon Green
Planning & Zoning	P&Z	Yellow
BES Development	BESDEV	Light Green
BES Pollution Prevention	BESPP	Light Green
Transportation Developme nt Review	PBOTDR	Orange
Water Available	WAVAIL	Dark Blue
Life Safety & Energy Code	LSEC	Pink
Structural	STR	Brown
Water Quality Backflow	WQBF	Light Blue
Site Development	SITDEV	Purple
Fire	FIRE	Red



Login to ProjectDox – Accessing Your Project

ProjectDox Invitation

When your application is processed and put into the City's permitting system, a ProjectDox Review invitation will be sent to your email address from ProjectDox@portlandoregon.gov. The email will contain your login information and information about your project, including a link to the project.



Example Email

Logging into ProjectDox

New Users

Prior to logging into ProjectDox, the following actions must be completed

- Disable pop-up blockers on your browser for the ProjectDox web address.
 - a. The indicator this has not been done will occur when you type in your login information, **click** *Login*, and the page immediately disappears.
 - b. It is not uncommon to have more than one pop-up clocker installed.





2. The login page has a Microsoft Silent Install (MSI) component required to install all the necessary ProjectDox ActiveX controls. This installation will *only need to be done once per browser;* if you utilize a different computer it will require another installation. Component install link can be found in the screenshot below.

Signing in

- 1. Log in to ProjectDox at https://eplans.portlandoregon.gov, preferably using Microsoft Edge, Google Chrome, or Mozilla Firefox.
- 2. Enter your email address and temporary password and **click** the *Login button*, as shown below. Also shown below is the link to **click** to install the *MSI component*.

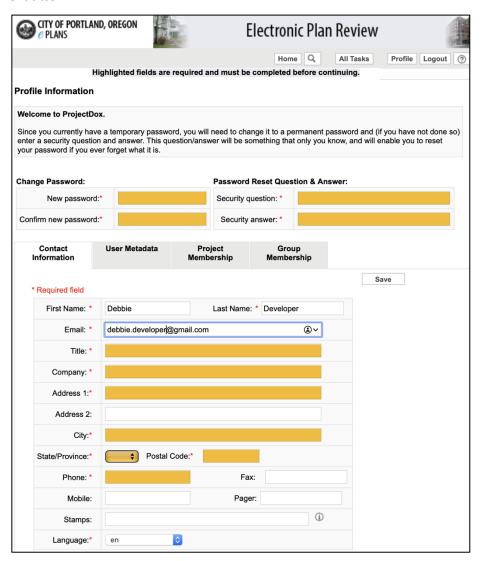


Note: When presented with a sign-in conflict at login, choose the first option to sign out of the previous session unless it needs to remain active.

3. Enter your new password and reconfirm the new password and personal account information. Yellow highlighted fields are required but a full profile record is ideal.



4. Click the Save button.



Returning Users

- Log in to ProjectDox at https://eplans.portlandoregon.gov, preferably using Microsoft Edge, Google Chrome, or Mozilla Firefox.
- 2. Use your full email address and password.
 - a. If you have forgotten your password, **click** on the *Forgot Password* button. This will only work if you have logged in once already and have a security question to answer.

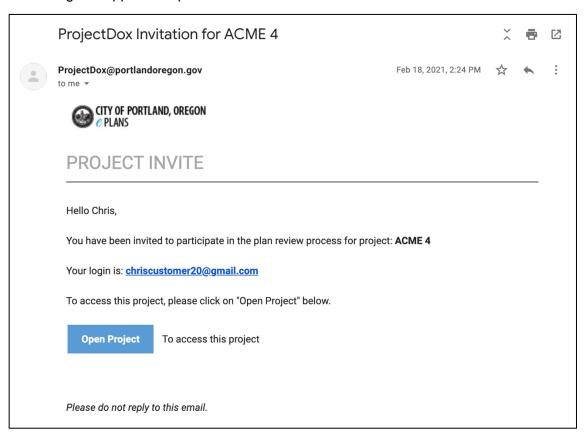
Note: ProjectDox session will timeout after 8 hours of inactivity.





Project Invitation

1. Applicants invited to new projects will receive the email below. **Click** *Open Project* to log in to ProjectDox and access being the Applicant Upload Process.





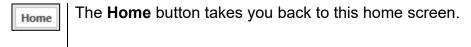
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Tasks

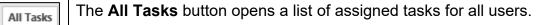
Navigation



The main navigation buttons are located in the upper right corner. The image below will help you become familiar with the ProjectDox home screen.



The **Search** button opens a window to search for project files. This is helpful when you are managing many projects.



The **Profile** button allows you to change your password and account details.

The **Logout** button logs you out of ProjectDox.

The **Help** button opens a searchable help window.

The **Projects** tab opens a list of projects the user has access to.

The **Tasks** tab opens a list of current tasks for all projects.

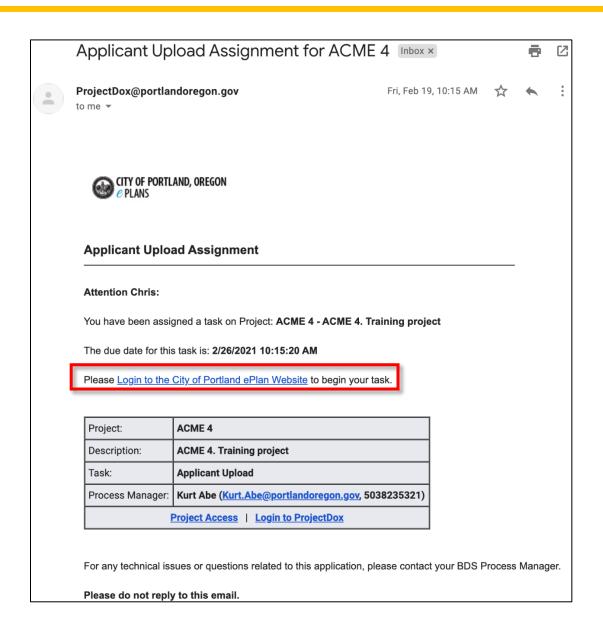


Uploading Files

Applicants can upload files two ways: Through the Applicant Upload Assignment Task eForm, or through the project's File tab.

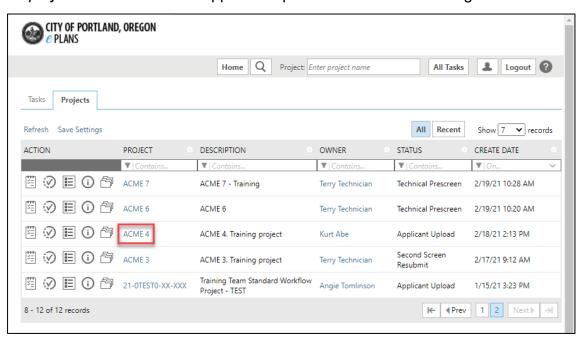
After being invited to a project in ProjectDox, Applicants begin the Applicant Upload Process.

Please use the <u>File Naming Standards</u> guideline to ensure your files will be properly submitted and reviewed.





- 1. Applicants will receive an email inviting them to begin the Applicant Upload Task. **Click** *Login to the City of Portland ePlans Website* to being the task.
- 2. On the ProjectDox home screen, **select** the *Projects* tab. Any project that you have access to will be displayed under the *Projects* column.
 - a. The *Tasks* tab is the other option. In the Tasks tab, all tasks you have been assigned for all projects will display. This is another way to quickly access and complete your tasks.
- 3. By default, the projects are listed by descending order of create date. Change the listing criteria using the following functions with any column displayed on the Projects grid:
 - a. Typing in key words, like the name of the project, in the *Contains...* textbox.
 - b. Clicking the *filter icon* next to the *Contains...* textbox and choosing your filter preference.
 - c. Clicking on the column name to sort by ascending or descending beginning letter.
- 4. Click the project name where the Applicant Upload Task has been assigned.

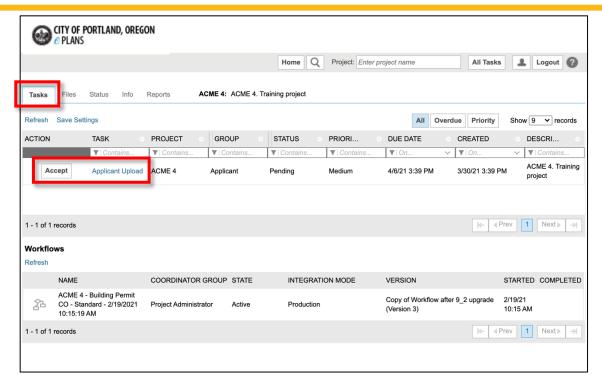


Uploading Files through the Applicant Upload Assignment Task

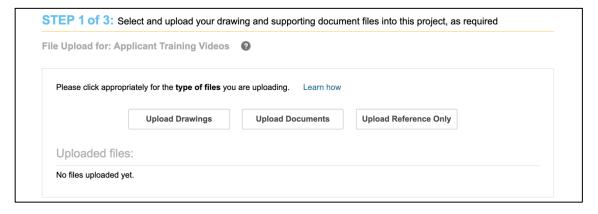
- 1. Click the Task Tab. The Applicant Upload Task will be available.
 - a. By clicking *accept* or the *Applicant Upload task* name, you are accepting responsibility for completion of the task. Choose either to begin the task.







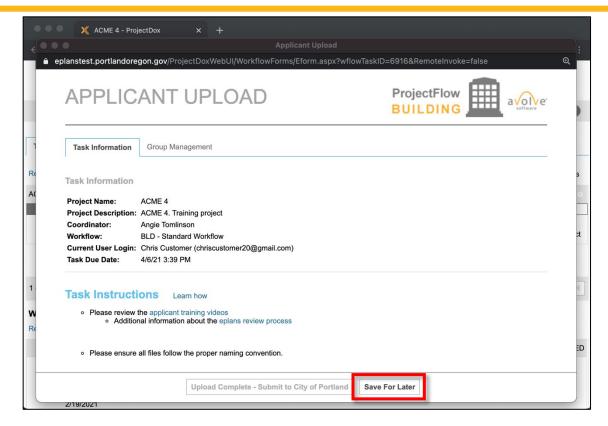
- The Applicant Upload eForm will open in a new window (make sure your browser's pop-up blocker is disabled).
 - a. *Task Instructions* will display in every eForm, providing information on how to complete the current task. **Click** *Learn How* to watch instructional videos on to complete the task.
 - b. **Click** the *question mark icon* for quick information on the task instructions.



c. After reading the instructions, scroll down on the eForm.

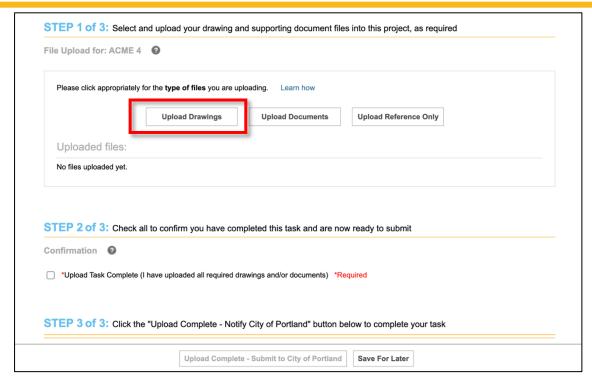




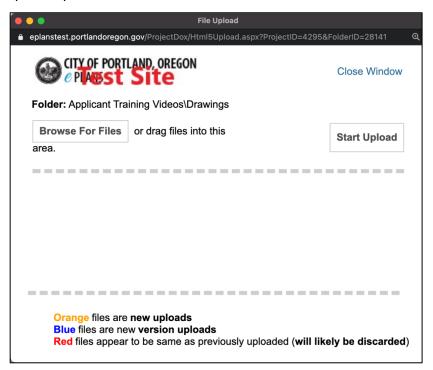


- 3. The task does not need to be completed all at one. If you want to pause your progress, **click** Save For Later.
- 4. Have your files ready for upload, sorted by drawings, documents, and reference only. **Click** the upload button for the appropriate folder. For this example, we will **click** *Upload Drawings*.





- 5. There are two ways to upload files: **click** *Browse for Files* and search your computer or drag and drop files into the pop up.
 - a. You can upload up to 100 files at a time.

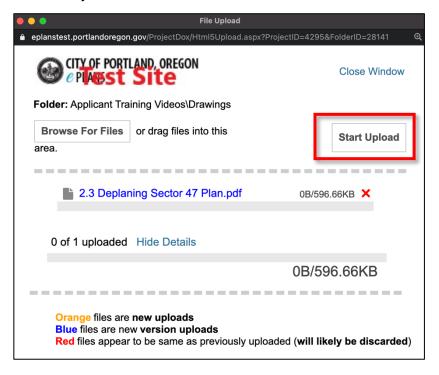


- 6. File names are color coded depending on the upload status.
 - a. Reference this key at the bottom of the upload window to verify files are versioned correctly.

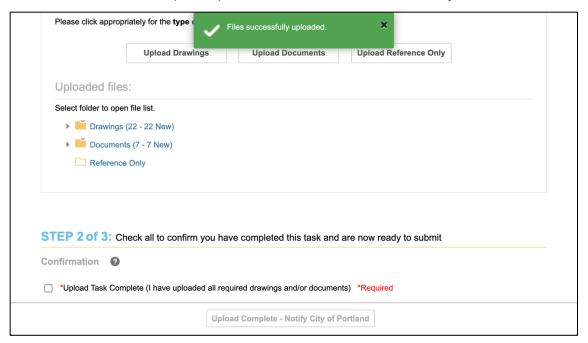




b. New files are orange; new versions are blue; duplicate files without changes that will not version are red and will likely be discarded.



- 7. Click Start Upload.
- 8. A green verification will pop up when the files successfully upload.
 - a. Continue the same steps to upload documents and reference only files.

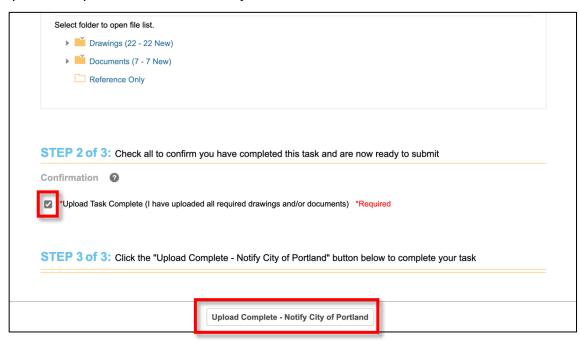


9. To complete the eForm, verify that your upload is complete by **selecting** the checkbox.





10. Click Upload Complete - Submit to the City of Portland.



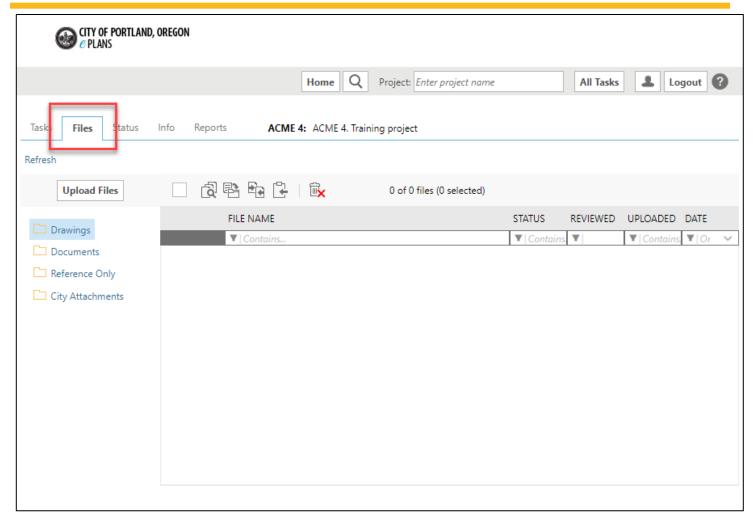
Uploading Files through the Project's File Tab

Another way to upload files is through your project's *Files* tab. Files uploaded through the *Files* tab will not notify the City of Portland. After upload, please return to the task eForm, verify the upload is complete, and submit to the City of Portland.

1. **Click** the *Files* tab to access all files in the project. Choose between different folders to upload drawings, documents, or files for reference only.

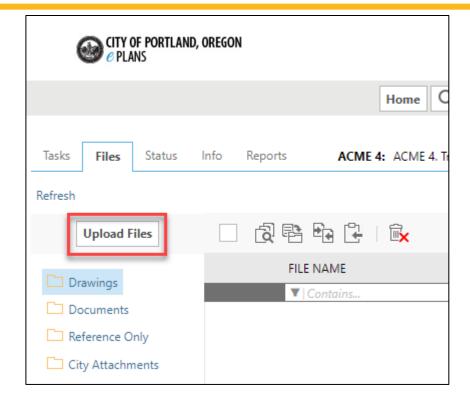




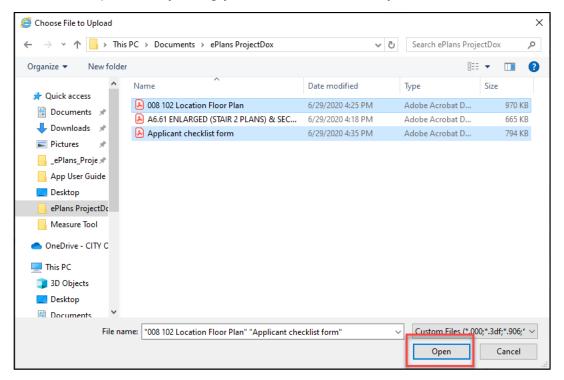


2. Select the appropriate folder for the files that are ready for upload. After clicking into the correct folder, **click** *Upload Files*.





- 3. **Select** files to upload by either clicking the *Browse* button or dragging and dropping files into the window.
 - a. Select multiple files by using your Shift or Control key.







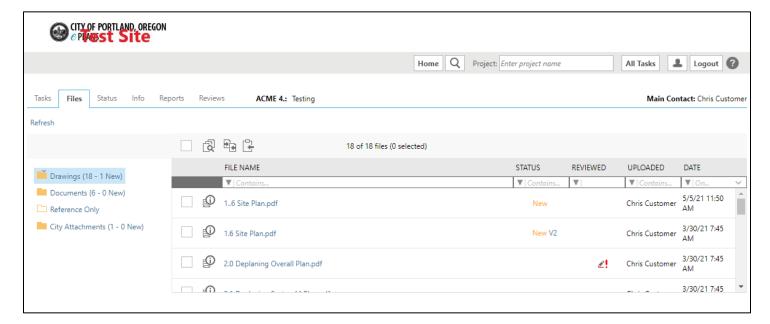
- 4. **Select** *Open* to add the files to the Project folder.
- 5. Once the files are listed in the file upload window, select Upload Files.
- 6. Once complete, select Close.

Files uploaded through the **Files** tab will not complete the task.

Please return to the task eForm to submit the newly uploaded files.

Viewing Uploaded Files

All uploaded files are found in the Project's *Files* tab. Click the folders to view the uploaded files and see more file information.



- File Info/History
 - View a thumbnail of the file, as well as basic information like the sheet size and file type
- File Names
 - Appear the hyperlinks click the name to view the file
- Status
 - New Uploads New
 - $_{\circ}$ Versioned uploads $^{rac{V2}{2}}$
 - No changes (blank)
- Reviewed







- Markup Icons indicate markups by reviewers
- Uploaded
 - Name of the user who uploaded the files
- Date (Timestamp)

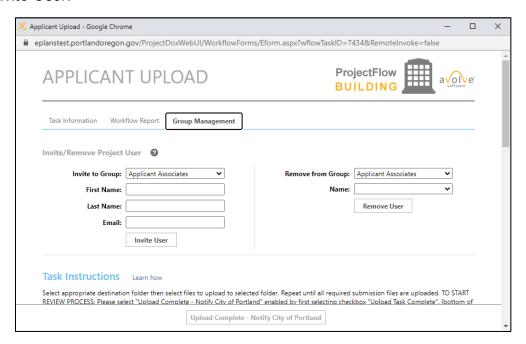
Deleting Uploaded Files

Uploaded files can be deleted during initial upload when the applicant has the task. Common reasons for needing to delete files include duplicate files, incorrectly named files, and uploading into incorrect folders. If you catch the mistake after a task has been returned to the City, please reach out to the project's Process Manager or email the ePlans Teams at TClePlans@PortlandOregon.Gov. They will provide users a two-hour window to access their project's file's tab and delete incorrect files.

Adding View Only Members

As the applicant, you are solely responsible for the complete of tasks. We understand that you may want more team members to have access to your project in ProjectDox to assist with the completion of tasks. With View Only access, members can see comments left by the reviewer in the Reviews tab. They can review markups and reviewer comments. View Only members can also access project reports, such as the Workflow Routing Slip, which shows information like all task's statuses and completion dates, and the All-Unresolved Items Report. This will display details about unresolved comments. Follow the steps below to add a team member to your project with View Only access.

- Open a task eForm.
- Click the Group Management tab.
- Enter your team member's name and email address.
- Click Invite User.









Project Status

Project Status Tab

Find information on your Project Status through the Status tab. Useful information you will find includes Unresolved Review Comments and Non-completed tasks. To access this tab, click the name of your project and click the Tasks tab.

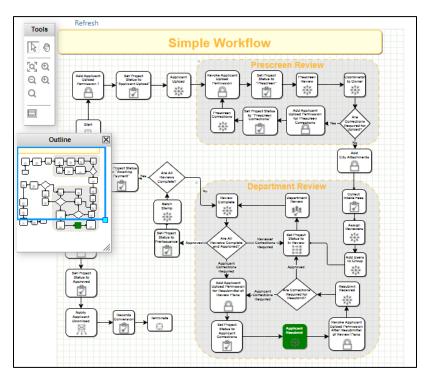
Access the Workflow Designer

The Project Workflow has many steps before completion. Tasks move between the applicant and the City. To check the status of your project at any time, access the Workflow Designer.

- 1. **Click** the name of your project.
- 2. Click the Tasks tab.
- 3. Click the Workflow Designer icon.



- The current task will display in green.
- Use the outline pop out panel to zoom in and move around the workflow



Congratulations! You have successfully finished <u>part one</u> of submitting your plans electronically. A notification has been sent to the Process Manager to start the Prescreening process to determine if the submittal requirements have been met.

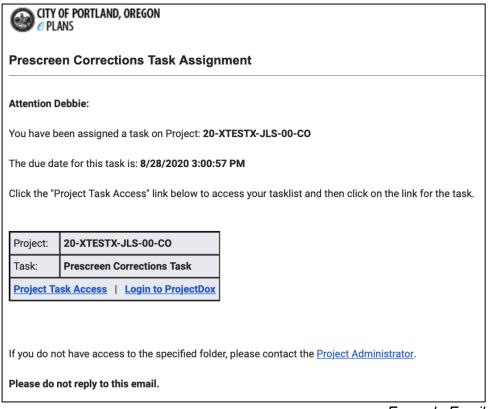


Prescreening

Prescreening is cursory review of your uploaded documents in preparation for formal review. If there are questions or missing items from your submittal, you will receive a *Prescreen Rejection* email with instructions on the changes requested and how to resubmit. If you have met all submittal requirements, you'll be notified of Intake Fees due by your Process Manager. Once fees are paid, your application will move to be formally reviewed.

Returned for Corrections

If your submittal requirements were not complete, you will receive an email notification that prescreening has needs corrections.



Example Email

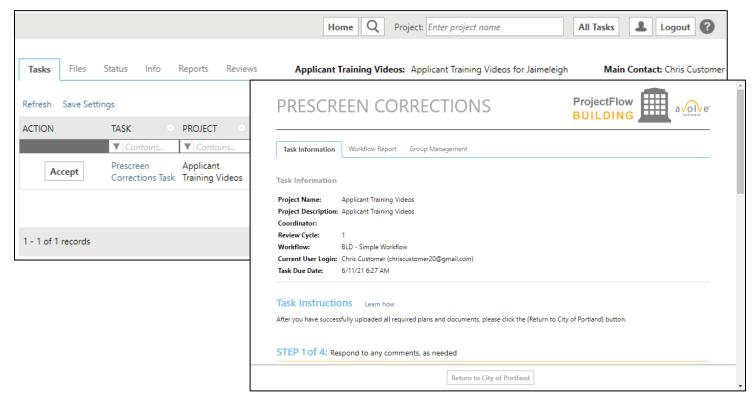
Follow these steps to complete the Prescreen Corrections Task:

- 1. Click the link in the email to access the Prescreen Corrections Task.
- 2. The Prescreen Corrections Task will appear on your Tasks tab after you click your project's name.

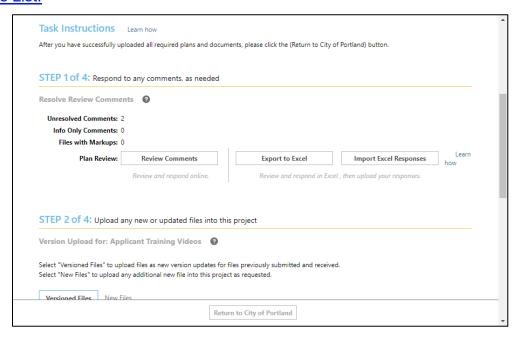




a. Click on the Prescreen Corrections Task to launch the corrections eForm.



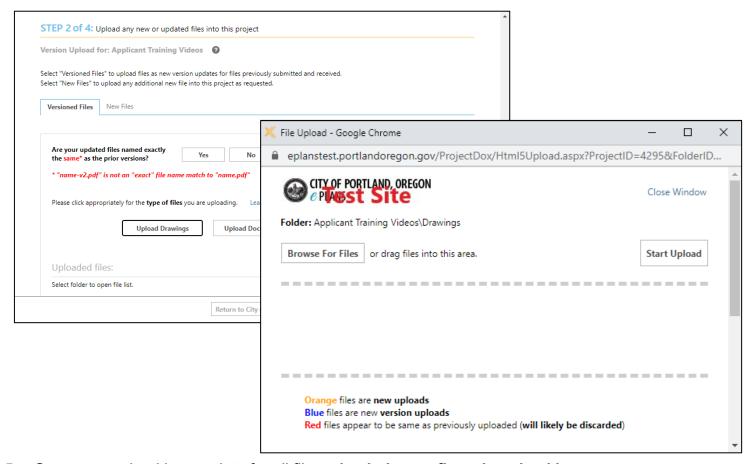
 Follow the task instructions. Review the Prescreening Comments to identify which requirements were noted as missing. <u>Skip ahead to learn more about reviewing comments on the Review</u> Comments List.



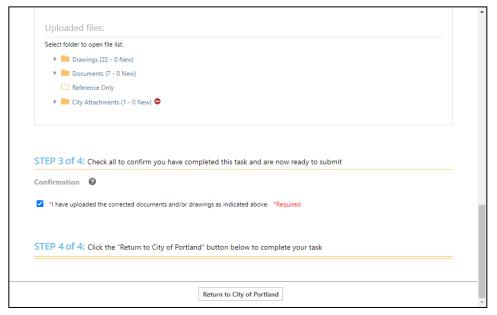




4. After you have identified the missing or corrected drawings and/or documents to upload, scroll to the bottom of the eForm and upload the corrected drawings/documents to the appropriate folder. Skip ahead to learn about Resubmitting Files.



5. Once your upload is complete for all files, check the confirmation checkbox.





- 6. Click Return to the City of Portland.
- 7. Upon completion, the City will be notified that the files have been completed or corrected and will continue with the Prescreening process.

Prescreen Approved

If your submittal is approved, the Project Administrator will initiate the review process by assigning the review departments.





Plan Resubmit

Once department review groups have reviewed your files, you will be most likely receiving corrections to make changes before final approval. Make corrections by (1) replying to review comments and (2) uploading corrected files.

Review Comments List

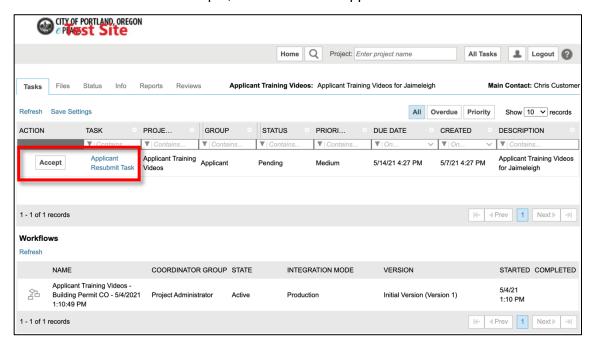
All review comments are managed by the Review Comments list. This is where reviewers and process managers will leave comments, markups, and inquiries for applicants and where applicants can respond. There are two ways to access the Review Comments list:

- 1. Through a task eForm (Prescreen Corrections Task or Applicant Resubmit Task)
- 2. The project's Reviews tab

Review Comments List - Task eForm

If you receive a task requiring corrections, you will be directed to the Review Comments list to see comments, markups, and inquiries left by reviewers.

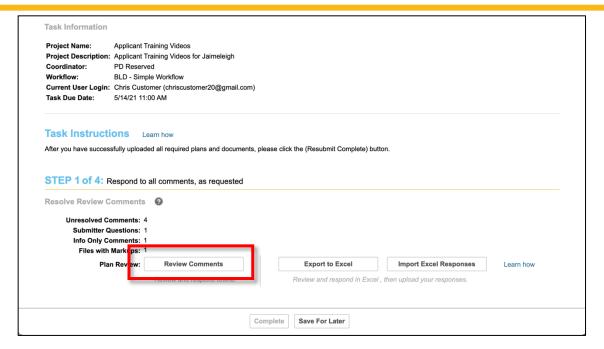
1. Click the task name. For this example, we will click the Applicant Resubmit Task.



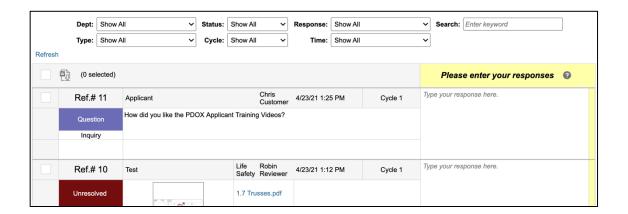
- 2. Back on the eForm, scroll down to the step where you respond to comments. This is usually Step 1.
 - a. The type of comment and number of comments for each type are counted for you. This will change as the workflow progresses and more reviews are added.
- 3. Click Review Comments.







4. The Review Comments list will launch in a new window.

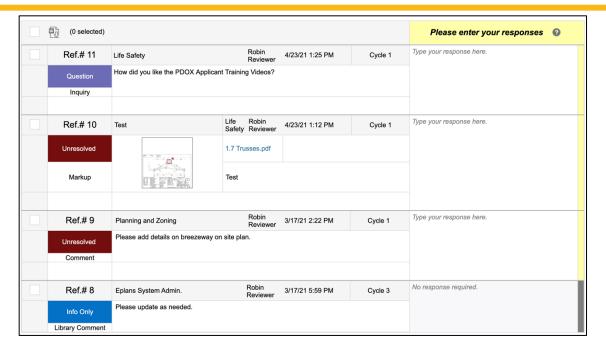


In the Review Comments list, you will find four different types of comments: Markups, Library Comment, Comments, and Inquiry.

- Markups have comments or notations placed on a specific area of a drawing to denote a needed change.
- Library Comments and Comments are more general and apply to the plan set as a whole.
- **Inquiries** are questions and give reviewers the ability to start a dialog with applicants.

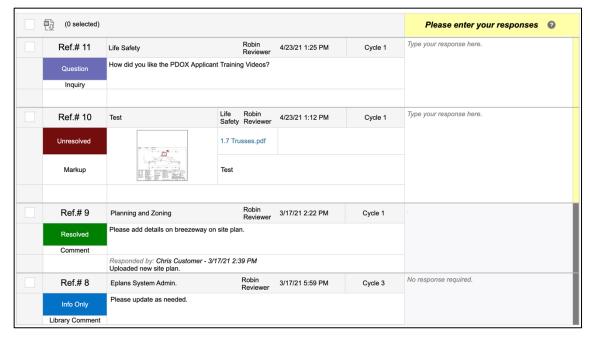






Comments can be categorized into four statuses: Resolved, Unresolved, Info Only, and Question. The status of a comment might change as the workflow progresses.

- Resolved means changes meet the requirement or code.
- Unresolved means changes do not meet the requirement or code.
- **Info Only** is a comment used by the Reviewer to share information with the applicant. These comments do not need to be responded to or resolved.
- **Questions** are inquires made by the reviewer or you, the applicant. Answer questions directly in the yellow column.









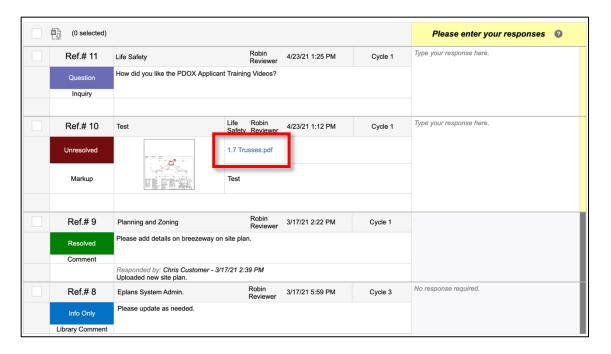
Ensure a response is provided to every unresolved item.

Since all markups, comments, and questions appear on the Review Comments list, we recommend sorting by newest first and working your way down the list. Please try to respond to all comments before resubmitting the task to the City.

Responding to Markups

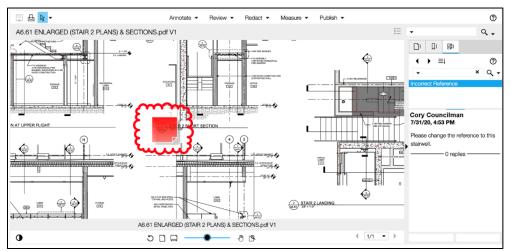
Markups have comments or notations placed on a specific area of a drawing to denote a needed change. These markups do not alter the plan sheet or drawing, they are just there to help guide you as you make your changes.

1. **Click** the thumbnail of the drawing image *or* the drawing name hyperlink. Clicking the drawing name hyperlink will launch the image in the Brava viewer for easier viewing.

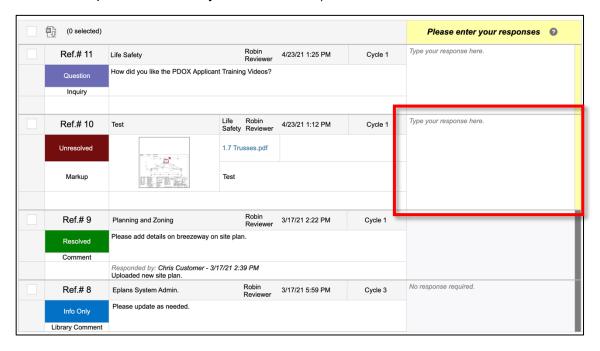


2. Markups are placed on drawings as clouds or bubbles. Different colored clouds are used for different review groups. Hover over the cloud to read the markup or view it from the list in the panel on the right.





- 3. Close the viewer.
- 4. Respond to the markup on the Review Comments list in the yellow column on the far right.
 - a. Responses are automatically saved and automatically captures the authors data (date and time stamp, user's name, cycle number, etc.)



- 5. **Make changes** on the original drawing and **use the exact same file name** so that the files version correctly. Please watch our training video on <u>File Naming Standards and Applicant Upload</u> to learn more. You can also read more in this <u>Quick Step Guide</u>: <u>File Naming Standards</u>.
- 6. **Upload** the corrected files from the task eForm.

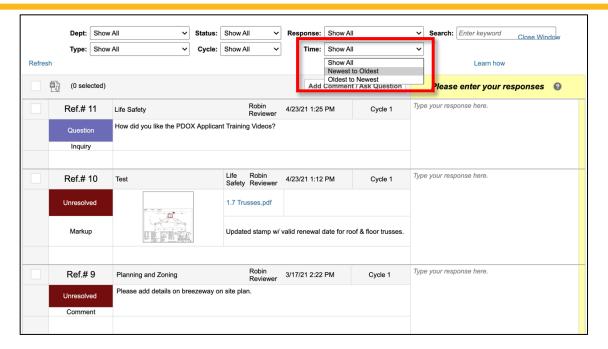
Responding to Comments and Inquiries

Library comments, comments, and inquiries can be responded to directly on the Review Comments list.

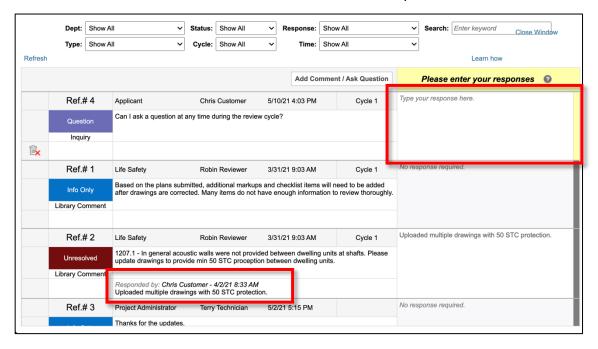
1. **Sort** comments by *Newest First*.







- 2. **Read** the comment left by the reviewer.
- 3. Respond directly in the yellow column on the far right.
 - a. Responses are automatically saved and automatically captures the authors data (date and time stamp, user's name, cycle number, etc.)
- 4. Close the Review Comments list and return to the eForm to complete the task.

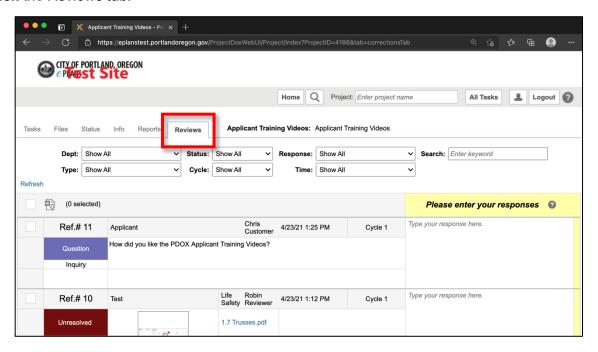




Review Comments List - Reviews Tab

Another way to access the Review Comments list is through the Reviews tab.

- 1. Click the name of your Project.
- 2. Click the Reviews tab.



Follow all of the steps above to respond to markups, comments, and inquiries.

Note: Corrections tasks **cannot** be resubmitted through the Review Comments list. After responses are complete, return back to the task eForm to submit the task back to the City.

Resubmitting Files

Before resubmitting files, please follow the File Naming Standards to ensure version control.

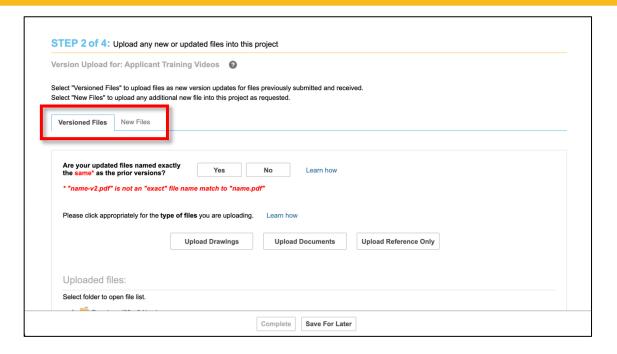
ProjectDox has built in version control to ensure files are updated correctly. Please follow the task instructions to make sure all files are uploaded correctly and can proceed through the review cycle.

- 1. **Click** the *Applicant Resubmit Task* name to launce the task eForm.
- 2. For step two, choose the tab for the type of file you are uploading: Versioned Files or New Files.

Ensure a response is provided to every unresolved item.

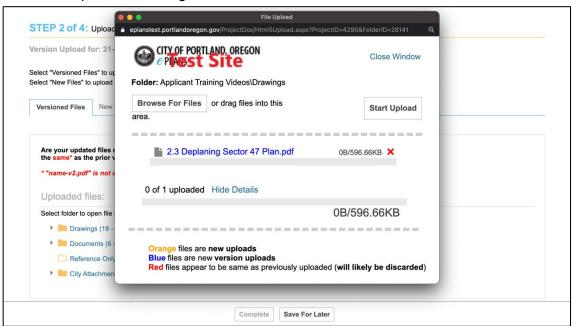






Versioned Files

1. For versioned files, you are asked if your updated files are named exactly the same as prior versions. Choose **Yes** to upload files using the same directions as before.



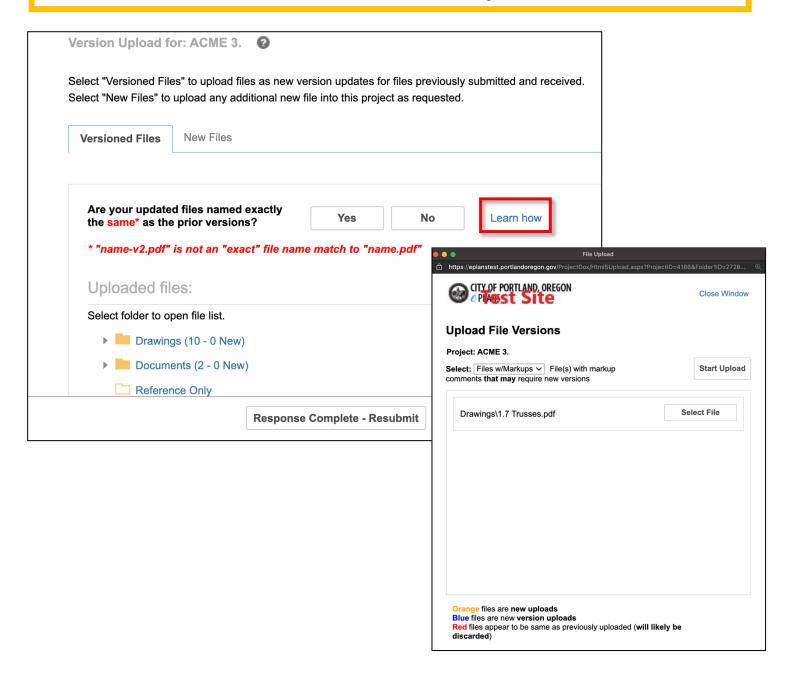
2. Choose **No** if you need assistance with uploading your files. **Click** *Learn How* for detailed instructions on versioning your files correctly in ProjectDox.





If changing a file name, please first contact Permitting Services.

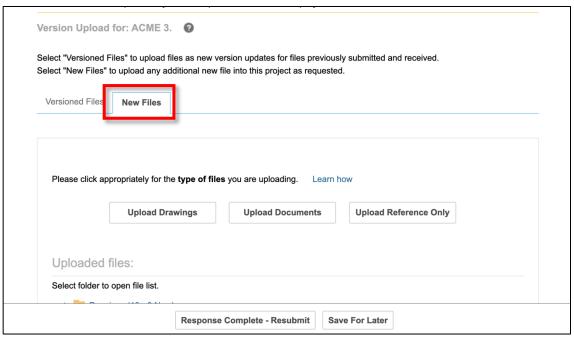
Then, be sure to **add a note in the comment section** of the eForm that a file name has been changed.





New Files

1. Click New File tab to upload new files.

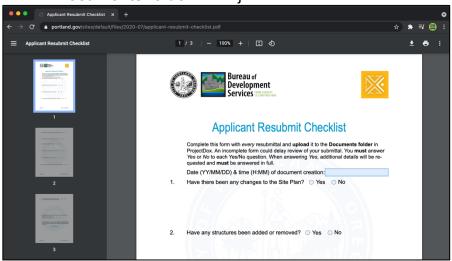


Follow the file upload instructions as written previously.

Submitting the Resubmit eForm

After you have responded to all comments in the Review Comments List and all new and versioned files are uploaded, you are ready to complete the Applicant Resubmit Task. This is the last task in a review cycle.

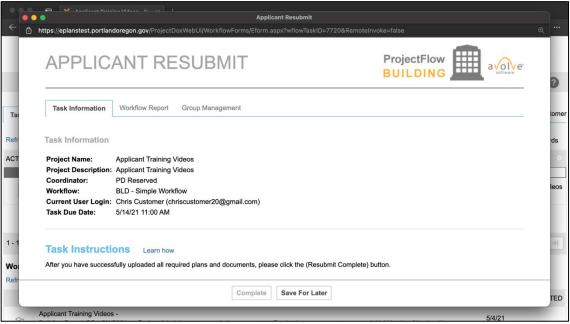
Applicants with more than 30 drawings need to complete the <u>Applicant Resubmit Checklist form</u> for every resubmittal. The Applicant Resubmit Checklist can be found on our Applicant website. An incomplete form could delay review of your submittal. You must answer 'Yes' or 'No' to each Yes/No question and upload to the **Documents folder** in ProjectDox.



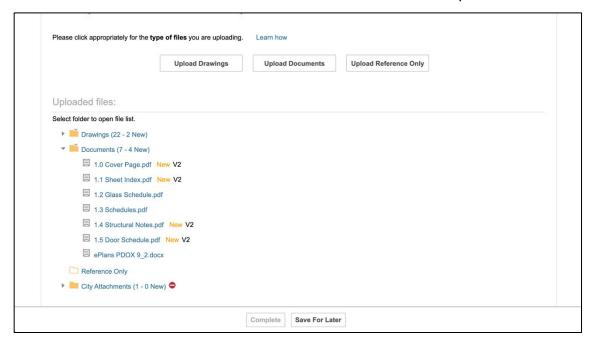




1. Open the Applicant Resubmit Task.



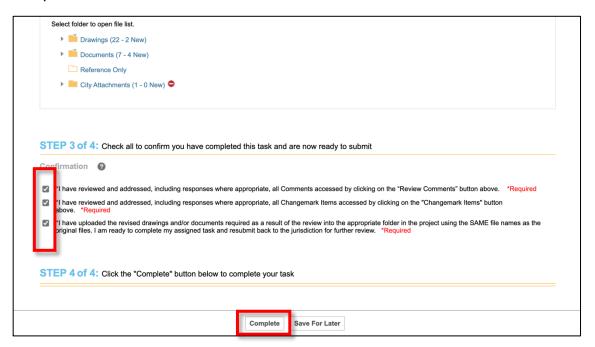
2. Open the folders to confirm new files and versioned files have been uploaded



3. Check the boxes to confirm you have competed the task and are ready to submit.



4. Click Complete.



Below are more details about each step of the Plan Resubmit process.

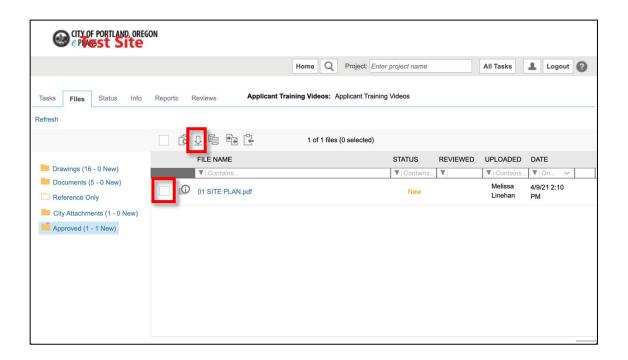


Approval

When the plan review is approved by all reviewers, you will be notified via email that the plan set is approved and completed.

Print Approved Plans

Once the project is approved and permits are issued, **print** the approved final drawings and documents to keep on site. **Click** the *Files* tab and then the **Approved** folder. **Click** the checkbox to the left of the file name and then click the download button to save the approved plans to your computer.





Helpful Reports

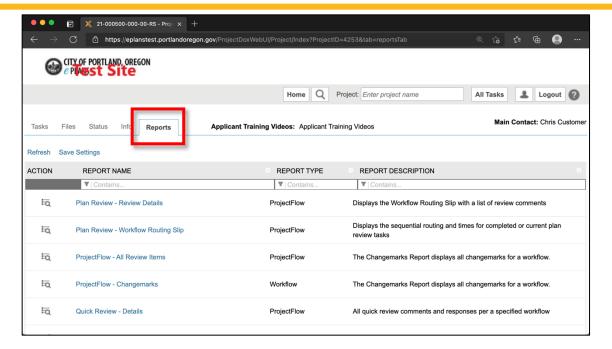
There are several reports that can used to provide details and status of your project. They can be accessed and printed during any time of the review cycle. Here is a list of reports that may be helpful:

- 1. Plan Review Workflow Routing Slip
 - a. Displays the sequential route of all tasks for the workflow.
- 2. Plan Review All Unresolved Comments
 - a. Lists the review comments, Checklist and Changemark details for a workflow instance review cycle.
- 3. Plan Review Changemarks Report
 - a. Displays all Changemark corrections comments from each review group.
- 4. Plan Review Department Review Status Report.
 - a. Displays the status of all reviews for a workflow.
- Current Project All Uploaded Files with Sheet Sizes
 - a. All uploaded files with sheet sizes within this project. Make sure sheet sizes are the same size to assist with the batch stamp process.

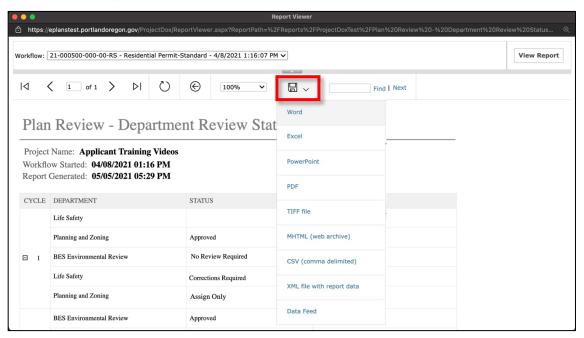
To identify the status of a project through the Plan Review Process, please follow these instructions:

- Click the project where you want to view projects.
- 2. Click the Reports tab.





- 3. Click the report icon next to the report you want to view.
- 4. The report will pop up in a new window.
- 5. To download to excel, **click** the *file icon*.



6. Reports can be exported into multiple formats. The ePlans Team recommends downloading to Excel for easy sorting and filtering of data.

