

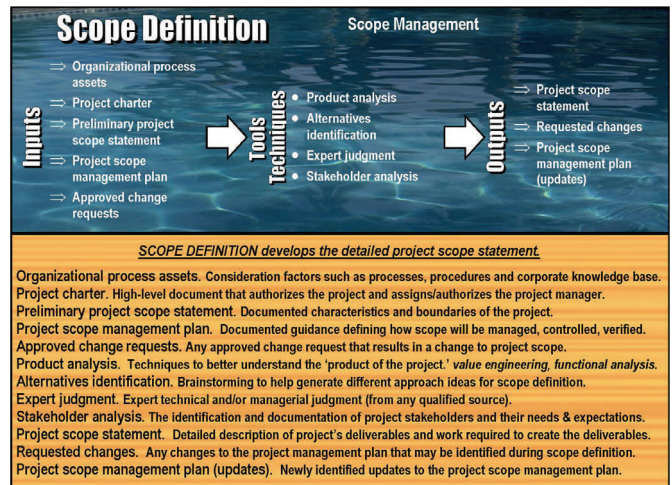
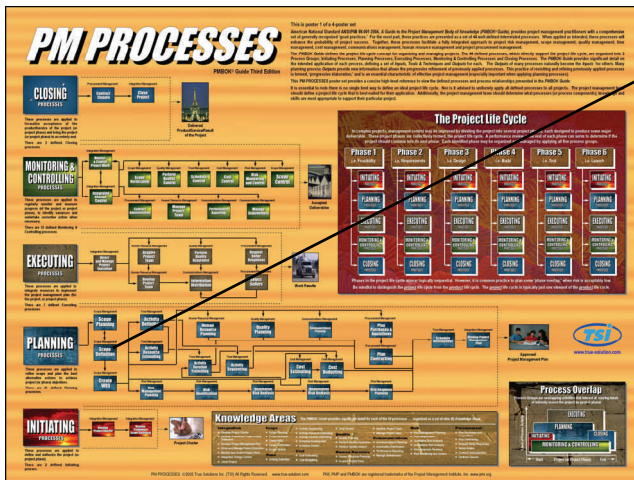


Applying the Scope Definition Process

The Scope Definition process is applied to create the detailed project scope statement.

The preliminary project scope statement serves as a primary source of information to begin the scope definition process. During scope definition, you and your team can build upon the major deliverables, assumptions and constraints that were defined during initiation and documented in the preliminary project scope statement. Stakeholders' needs and desires can be analyzed and developed into firm requirements. Assumptions and constraints can be further analyzed and the opinions of domain experts can be solicited.

It is important to understand that your project scope statement can serve to provide a common understanding of the project scope among stakeholders. It will allow you and your team to perform more detailed planning now, and serve as a guiding document for decision-making later during project execution.



Scope Definition Must Know Concepts

1. "The Scope Definition process is intended to create the project scope statement."
2. "The primary deliverable (Output) from the Scope Definition process is the project scope statement."
3. "The project scope statement can serve to provide a documented basis for common understanding of project scope among stakeholders."
4. "The project scope statement can serve to provide a documented basis for making many future project decisions."
5. "Benefit/Cost analysis methodologies can serve as useful tools to employ when considering various alternatives in defining and refining project scope (project work)."
6. "Alternatives identification can serve as a useful technique for generating different approaches to execute and perform project work."
7. "Stakeholder analysis is an effective technique to determine, analyze, prioritize and quantify the needs and expectations of project stakeholders. Needs and expectations may then be developed into firm requirements, and documented in the project scope statement."

