

VNA-SB-030 | Industry Operating Platforms (Public Sector, B2B, POS & Transit) | Public Sector Budget & HCM Control | Redwood Clay

Public Sector & School District Budget Operating System (BOS) on Oracle APEX

Transition from Excel Budget Workbooks, Disconnected HCM Exports & Legacy Finance Sheets to Oracle APEX 24.2 Budget Operating System (BOS) + Autonomous DB + AOP Budget Books with automated binary/AST metadata profiling, deterministic cost-control levers, auto-generated BRD and test documentation, and a fixed-fee 4-phase delivery roadmap.

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SOURCE LEGACY STACK (STACK X)		MODERNIZED TARGET ARCHITECTURE (STACK Y)	
Excel Budget Workbooks, Disconnected HCM Exports & Legacy Finance Sheets		Oracle APEX 24.2 Budget Operating System (BOS) + Autonomous DB + AOP Budget Books	
BUDGET CYCLE RELEASES	SPREADSHEET ERRORS	HCM SALARY SYNC	BOARD BOOK GEN
Continuous	Eliminated	Automated	1-Click AOP

1. Problem Space & Architectural Bottlenecks

- Critical business operations remain trapped in Excel Budget Workbooks, Disconnected HCM Exports & Legacy Finance Sheets, creating audit risk, manual reconciliation overhead, and rising support costs.
- Duplicate queries, cloned reports, and undocumented triggers make impact analysis slow and expensive across hcm salary & position control lines.
- Lack of automated binary-to-database metadata mapping causes traditional consulting shops to pad estimates with 40% manual discovery buffers.
- Leadership needs a predictable, fixed-fee phased timeline with verifiable test specifications and zero-downtime cutover guarantees.

2. Technical Solution & Reference Architecture

- 2.1 Automated Phase 0 AST & binary scan mapping Excel Budget Workbooks, Disconnected HCM Exports & Legacy Finance Sheets artifacts directly to live Oracle dictionary metadata and profiling production data.
- 2.2 Target architecture built on Oracle APEX 24.2 Budget Operating System (BOS) + Autonomous DB + AOP Budget Books, consolidating cloned queries into governed core SQL views with runtime Smart Filters.
- 2.3 Automated generation of full Business Requirements Documents (BRD), Technical Approach Docs, Testing Specifications, and Verified Test Results.
- 2.4 Zero-trust SSO/MFA (Entra ID / Okta) paired with database-enforced row-level security (VPD / RAS) and SQLcl Liquibase CI/CD pipelines.

3. Artifact-by-Artifact Conversion & Modernization Matrix

Legacy Artifact / Baseline Workload	Modernized Oracle / Cloud Target	Engineering Method & Outcome
Source Tier: Excel Budget Workbooks, Disconnected HCM Exports & Legacy Finance Sheets	Oracle APEX 24.2 Budget Operating System (BOS) + Autonomous DB + AOP Budget Books	Automated AST & Metadata Uplift (85%-95%)
Primary Footprint: Active Budget Analysts & Department Heads	Oracle APEX 24.2 Redwood UI + PL/SQL APIs	Binary-to-DB Metadata Mapping + Pilot Sprint
Workload & Queries: HCM Salary & Position Control Lines	Canonical Core SQL Views + Runtime Smart Filters	Query Fan-Out Clustering (75%-90% Reduction)
Undocumented Legacy Business Rules & QA	Auto-Generated BRD, Approach Doc, Test Specs & Results	100% Automated Documentation & utPLSQL / Playwright

4. Oracle APEX & Ancillary Engineering Toolchain

- Oracle APEX 24.2 & Universal Theme (Redwood Light Flavors)
- Oracle Database 23ai / Autonomous Database (ATP / ADW)
- Viscosity Automated Binary (.fmb/.rdf) & AST Metadata Profiler
- Auto-Doc Engine (BRD, Approach Doc, Test Specs & Test Results)
- Oracle REST Data Services (ORDS) & APEX Office Print (AOP)
- SQLcl Liquibase CI/CD, utPLSQL & Playwright Regression Suites

Anonymized Production Proof: Delivered a continuous-release Budget Operating System (BOS) for a major metropolitan public school district, automating HCM salary uploads, multi-year fund projections, and board-ready financial reporting.

5. Principal Architect Q&A

Q: What are the primary levers that control the cost of Public Sector Budget Operating System (APEX)?

A: Cost is controlled by five levers: (1) collapsing cloned query fan-out across hcm salary & position control lines into canonical core SQL views, (2) percentage of business logic already in database packages vs. UI triggers, (3) production data quality profiled during Phase 0, (4) external integration/SSO count, and (5) cutover downtime requirements.

Q: How does your tool convert binaries (.fmb, .rdf, etc.), map database metadata, and generate documentation?

A: Our automated analyzer parses legacy binaries and source files, extracts every trigger, query, and UI control, cross-references them against live database dictionary metadata (ALL_TAB_COLUMNS, ALL_DEPENDENCIES), profiles actual column data distributions, and automatically generates the Business Requirements Document (BRD), Technical Approach Doc, Test Specifications, and Verified Test Results.

Q: What does a typical project timeline look like from kickoff to production cutover?

A: Projects follow four gated phases: Phase 0 (Weeks 1-2: Binary AST Scan, Data Profiling & Auto-Generated BRD), Phase 1 (Weeks 3-6: Core Schema Uplift & Working Pilot), Phase 2 (Weeks 7-12: Automated Conversion Sprints & Test Spec Execution), and Phase 3 (Weeks 13-16: Parallel Run, Zero-Downtime Cutover & 30-Day Hypercare).