



MFOA/AMCTO FALL SEMINAR SERIES

TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS  
ACCOUNTING

TOPIC:  
VALUATION OF ROADS  
AND OTHER NETWORKS

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# Overview of Presentation

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- Division of Linear Assets
- Sub-Classification of Linear Assets
- Valuation Approaches for Linear Assets
- Valuation of Roads and Associated Assets
- Valuation of Sewer System
- Valuation of Water Distribution System
- Linear TCA Replacements/Upgrades
- Amortization of Linear Assets
- Example of Useful Life Schedule

# Why Componentize Linear Assets?

- Represent most significant value of municipality's TCA holdings
- Pooling diminishes ability to identify, control and manage assets
- Assets must be recorded by approximate In-Service Date
- Linear Assets are distinctively different
- Easier to remove deletions/retirements from record
- Will facilitate implementation of Asset Management Program

# Sub-Classification of Linear Assets

Sub-Class	Assets Included
Roads	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Arterial</li><li>➤ Collector</li><li>➤ Local</li></ul> <p>} Includes Boulevard, Curbs and Gutters, Road Subsurface and Surface</p>
Sidewalks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Concrete</li><li>➤ Brick</li></ul>
Street Lighting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Poles</li><li>➤ Lights (Luminaires)</li></ul>

# Sub-Classification of Linear Assets

<b>Sub-Class</b>	<b>Assets Included</b>
Water Distribution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Water Mains (including valves and fittings)</li><li>➤ Fire Hydrants</li><li>➤ Water Meters</li><li>➤ Water Towers</li></ul>
Waste Collection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Storm Sewers</li><li>➤ Sanitary Sewers</li><li>➤ Manholes</li><li>➤ Catchbasins</li></ul>

# Valuation Approaches For Linear Assets

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- If Historical Records are available, utilize Historical Cost
- If Historical Records are not available, employ Discounted CRN or RCN

**Step 1**

**Develop Benchmark CRN/RCN Unit Costs for each Linear Asset type**

**Step 2**

**Apply Benchmark CRN/RCN Unit Costs to inventory quantities**

**Step 3**

**Develop Deflation Factors for Linear Asset Sub-Classes**

**Step 4**

**Apply Deflation Factor to CRN/RCN to discount back to In-Service Date**

# VALUATION OF ROADS AND ASSOCIATED ASSETS



# **Suggestions for Inventory Phase**

- Classify Roads by category (width)
- Subdivide inventory by Road Surface Type and Soil Condition
- Determine if Road Assets to be recorded as one entry or segregated by subsurface and surface components
- Subdivide inventory entries by Vintage
- Consider categorizing inventory by Area/Region
- Ensure intersections are not duplicated



# Road Valuation Example

## Valuation Method – Discounted Cost of Reproduction New

Assume that the Roads have been inventoried by Geographic Area, Vintage, Type, Soil Condition and Road Surface. The inventory data below is meant to represent the Assets in one Geographic Area.

<u>In Service Date</u>	<u>Soil Condition</u>	<u>Road Type</u>	<u>Road Surface</u>	<u>Total Length</u>
1995	Sand	Local Road, 8.5m width, c/w Curbs & Gutters	Asphalt	10km
1985	Clay	Collector Road, 9.14m width c/w Curbs & Gutters	Asphalt	12km
1990	Clay	Arterial Road, 13.5m width, c/w Curbs & Gutters	Asphalt	15km
1980	Rock	Arterial Road, 13.5m width, c/w Curbs & Gutters	Asphalt	5km
1990	Clay	Sidewalk, 1.524m width	Concrete	5km

# Road Valuation Example

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## Step 1

Establish current CRN per lineal meter/square meter for each Type of Road by Soil Condition and Road Surface

<u>Road Type</u>	<u>Soil Condition</u>	<u>Road Surface</u>	<u>Unit Cost</u>
Local (8.5m)	Sand	Asphalt	\$800/m
Collector (9.14m)	Clay	Asphalt	\$1,200/m
Arterial (13.5m)	Clay	Asphalt	\$1,600/m
Arterial (13.5m)	Rock	Asphalt	\$2,500/m
Sidewalk (1.524m)	Clay	Concrete	\$60/sq. m

# Road Valuation Example

## Step 2

Calculate CRN of each Asset entry by multiplying Unit Cost by Total Length

<u>Description</u>	<u>Soil Condition</u>	<u>Road Surface</u>	<u>Unit Cost</u>	<u>Total Length</u>	<u>CRN</u>
Local (8.5m)	Sand	Asphalt	\$800/m	10km	\$8,000,000
Collector (9.14m)	Clay	Asphalt	\$1,200/m	12km	\$14,400,000
Arterial (13.5m)	Clay	Asphalt	\$1,600/m	15km	\$24,000,000
Arterial (13.5m)	Rock	Asphalt	\$2,500/m	5km	\$12,500,000
Sidewalk (1.524m)	Clay	Concrete	\$60/sq. m	5km	\$457,200

# Road Valuation Example

Step 3

Discount CRN for deflation back to In-Service Date

<u>Description</u>	<u>In Service Date</u>	<u>Total Length</u>	<u>CRN</u>	<u>Deflation Factor</u>	<u>Estimated Original Cost</u>
Local Road, 8.5 Meters width, c/w Curbs & Gutters	1995	10km	\$8,000,000	.628	\$5,024,000
Collector Road, 9.14m width c/w Curbs & Gutters	1985	12km	\$14,400,000	.484	\$6,969,600
Arterial Road, 13.5m width, c/w Curbs & Gutters	1990	15km	\$24,000,000	.557	\$13,368,000
Arterial Road, 13.5m width, c/w Curbs & Gutters	1980	5km	\$12,500,000	.391	\$4,887,500
Sidewalk, 1.524m width	1990	5km	\$457,200	.557	\$254,660

# VALUATION OF SEWER SYSTEM



# Suggestions for Inventory Phase

## Underground Pipe Systems

- Classify Sewer Pipe by Type (Sanitary, Storm, Combination)
- Segregate inventory by Construction Material and Size
- Sub-divide inventory entries by Vintage
- Consider categorizing inventory by Area/Region

## Associated Ancillary Assets

- Inventory counts by Vintage and Depth for:
  - Catch-Basins
  - Manholes

**WASTE TREATMENT PLANTS ARE NOT LINEAR ASSETS**

# Sewer System Valuation Example

## Valuation Method – Discounted Replacement Cost New

Assume that the Sewer System has been inventoried by Geographic Area, Type, Construction Material and Size/Depth. The inventory below is meant to represent the Assets in one Geographic Area.

<u>Type</u>	<u>In-Service Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Material</u>	<u>Total Length or Units</u>
Sanitary	1993	Underground Pipe c/w Fittings and Valves	15” dia.	PVC	3 miles
Sanitary	1985	Underground Pipe c/w Fittings and Valves	18” dia.	Concrete	8 miles
Storm	1960	Underground Pipe c/w Fittings and Valves	24” dia.	Cast Iron	5 miles
Storm & Sanitary	1970	Manholes	48” dia, 15’ deep	Steel & Concrete	200 units
Storm	1970	Catchbasins	4’ deep	Steel & Concrete	300 units

# Sewer System Valuation Example

## Step 1

Establish RCN per Lineal Foot for each Size and Construction Type of Underground Pipe as well as typical unit of Ancillary Assets.

<u>Description</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Material</u>	<u>Cost Per Lineal Foot or Unit</u>
Underground Pipe c/w Fittings and Valves	15" dia.	PVC	\$100/l.ft.
Underground Pipe c/w Fittings and Valves	18" dia.	Concrete	\$150/l.ft.
Underground Pipe c/w Fittings and Valves	24" dia.	Cast Iron	\$180/l.ft.
Manholes	48" dia, 15' deep	Steel & Concrete	\$8000/unit
Catchbasins	4' deep	Steel & Concrete	\$2,000/unit



# Sewer System Valuation Example

## Step 2

Calculate RCN of each Asset entry by multiplying Unit Cost by Total Length or Units.

<u>Description</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Material</u>	<u>Cost Per Lineal Foot or Unit</u>	<u>Total Length or Units</u>	<u>Total RCN</u>
Underground Pipe c/w Fittings and Valves	15" dia.	PVC	\$100/l.ft.	15,840 ft.	\$1,584,000
Underground Pipe c/w Fittings and Valves	18" dia.	Concrete	\$150/l.ft.	42,240 ft.	\$6,336,000
Underground Pipe c/w Fittings and Valves	24" dia.	Cast Iron	\$180/l.ft.	26,400 ft.	\$4,752,000
Manholes	48" dia, 15' deep	Steel & Concrete	\$8,000/unit	200 units	\$1,600,000
Catchbasins	4' deep	Steel & Concrete	\$2,000/unit	300 units	\$600,000

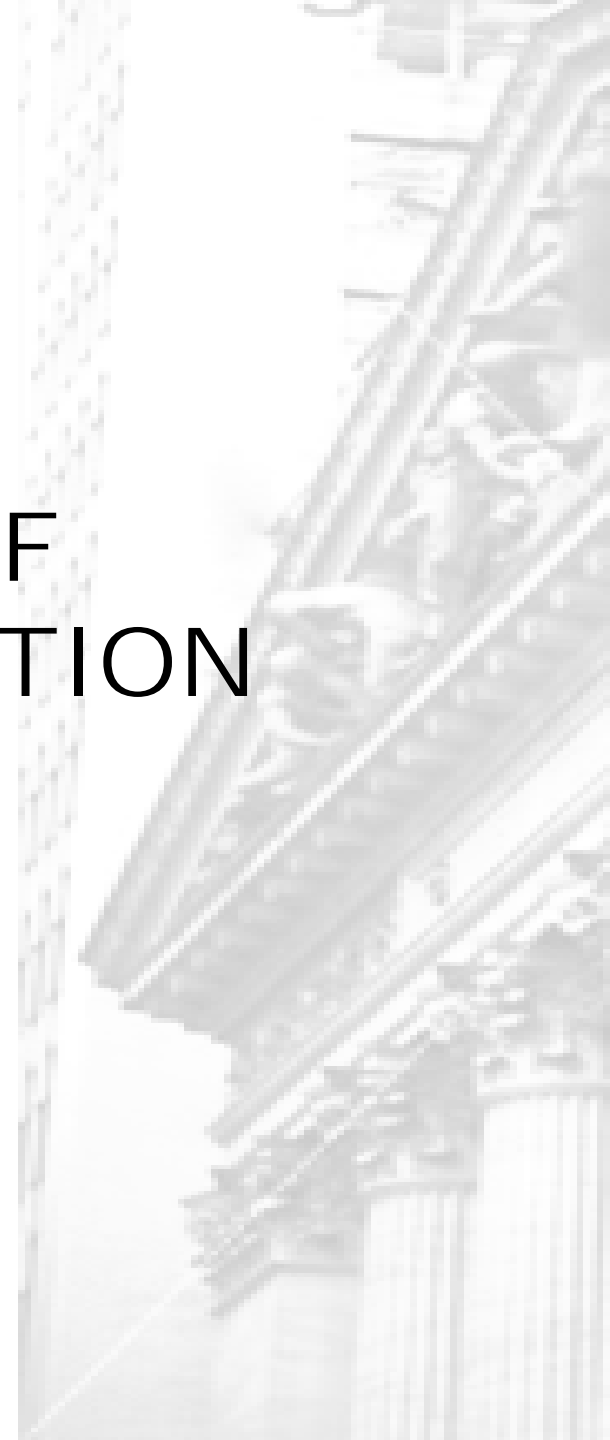
# Sewer System Valuation Example

## Step 3

## Discount RCN for Deflation to In-Service Date

<u>Description</u>	<u>In Service Date</u>	<u>Total Length or Units</u>	<u>RCN</u>	<u>Deflation Factor</u>	<u>Estimated Original Cost</u>
Underground Pipe c/w Fittings and Valves	1993	15,840 ft.	\$1,584,000	.593	\$939,312
Underground Pipe c/w Fittings and Valves	1985	42,240 ft.	\$6,336,000	.490	\$3,104,640
Underground Pipe c/w Fittings and Valves	1960	26,400 ft.	\$4,752,000	.124	\$589,248
Manholes	1975	200 units	\$1,600,000	.293	\$468,800
Catchbasins	1975	300 units	\$600,000	.293	\$175,800

# VALUATION OF WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM



# Suggestions for Inventory Phase

## Water Mains

- Follow same guidelines as Sewer Network

## Associated Ancillary Assets

- Gate Valves – Inventory by Size and Vintage
- Fire Hydrants – Inventory by Vintage
- Water Meters – Inventory by Type/Size and Vintage
- Water Towers – Inventory individually noting Type & Capacity

**WATER TREATMENT PLANTS ARE NOT LINEAR ASSETS**

# Water Distribution System Example

## Valuation Method – Discounted Replacement Cost New

Assume that the Water Distribution System has been inventoried by Geographic Area, Type, Construction Material and Size. The inventory below is meant to represent the Assets in one Geographic Area.

<u>In-Service Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Material</u>	<u>Total Length or Units</u>
1995	Water Main	12" dia	PVC	1,800m
1985	Water Main	20" dia	Concrete	500m
1985	Gatevalves	12" dia	Steel	50 units
1970	Fire Hydrants c/w Valves	Standard	Steel	50 units
1970	Elevated Water Tower 75' Height	200,000 gallons	Steel	200,000 gallons
1990	Water Meters	5/8"	---	500 units

# Water Distribution System Example

## Step 1

Establish RCN per Lineal Foot for each Size and Construction Type of Water Main as well as typical unit of Ancillary Assets.

<u>Description</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Material</u>	<u>Cost Per Lineal Metre or Unit</u>
Water Main	12" dia	PVC	\$300/l.m
Water Main	20" dia	Concrete	\$1,000/l.m
Gatevalves	12" dia	Steel	\$3,000/unit
Fire Hydrants c/w Valves	Standard	Steel	\$5,500/unit
Elevated Water Tower 75' Height	200,000 gallons	Steel	\$3/ gallon
Water Meters	5/8"	---	\$100/ unit

# Water Distribution System Example

## Step 2

Calculate RCN of each Asset entry by multiplying Unit Cost by Total Length or Units.

<u>Description</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Material</u>	<u>Cost Per Lineal Meter or Unit</u>	<u>Total Length or Units</u>	<u>Total RCN</u>
Water Main	12" dia	PVC	\$300/l.m	1,800m	\$540,000
Water Main	20" dia	Concrete	\$1,000/l.m	500m	\$500,000
Gatevalves	12" dia	Steel	\$3,000/unit	50 units	\$150,000
Fire Hydrants c/w Valves	Standard	Steel	\$5,500/unit	50 units	\$275,000
Elevated Water Tower 75' Height	200,000 gallons	Steel	\$3/ gallon	200,000 gallons	\$600,000
Water Meters	5/8"	---	\$100/ unit	500 units	\$50,000

# Water Distribution System Example

## Step 3

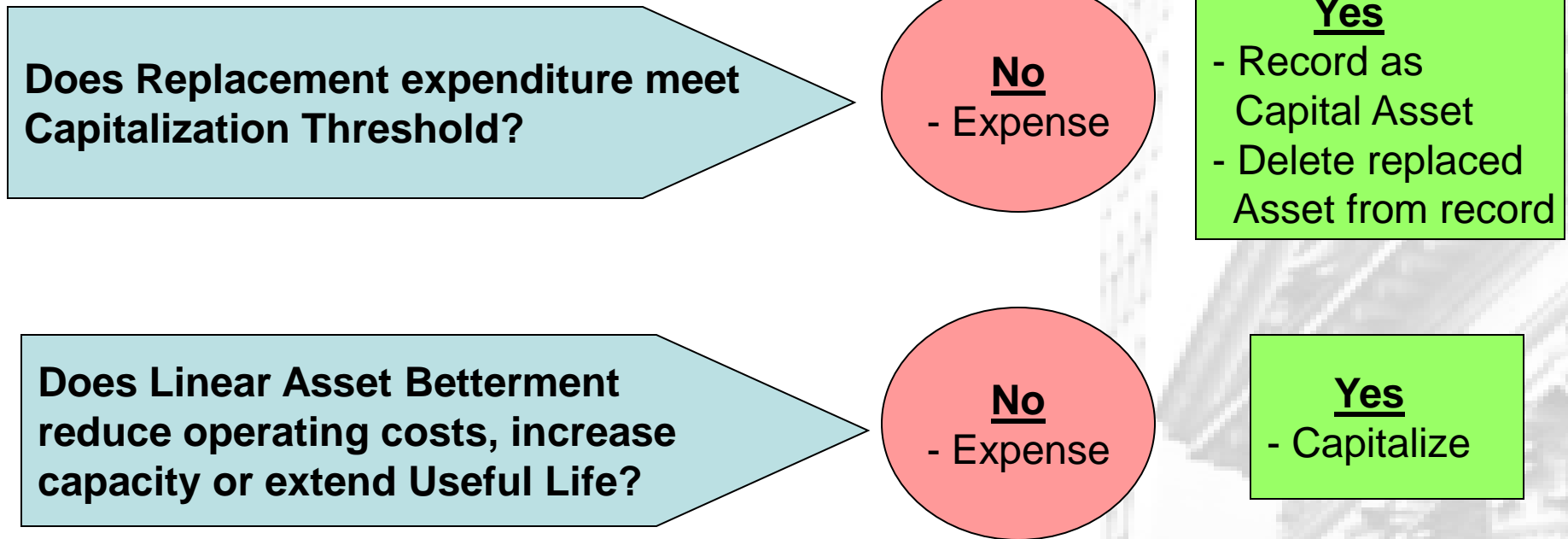
### Discount RCN for Deflation to In-Service Date

<u>Description</u>	<u>In Service Date</u>	<u>Total Length or Units</u>	<u>RCN</u>	<u>Deflation Factor</u>	<u>Estimated Original Cost</u>
Water Main	1995	1,800m	\$540,000	.628	\$339,120
Water Main	1985	500m	\$500,000	.484	\$242,000
Gatevalves	1985	50 units	\$150,000	.578	\$86,700
Fire Hydrants c/w Valves	1970	50 units	\$275,000	.578	\$158,950
Elevated Water Tower 75' Height	1970	200,000 gallons	\$600,000	.225	\$135,000
Water Meters	1990	500 units	\$50,000	.575	\$28,750



# Linear TCA Replacements/Betterments

- Establish Capitalization Thresholds for each Sub-Class of Linear Assets



TCA Replacements/Betterments entries should be identified as associated to applicable Linear Asset via a suffix Asset Number.

# Amortization of Linear Assets

- Straight-Line Approach is most appropriate
- Develop Useful Life Schedule for each type of Linear Assets:
  - Published Data
  - Historical Experience
- For grouped entries use averaging to assign Useful Life
- Consider Extended Useful Life for transition period Assets

# Example of Useful Life Schedule

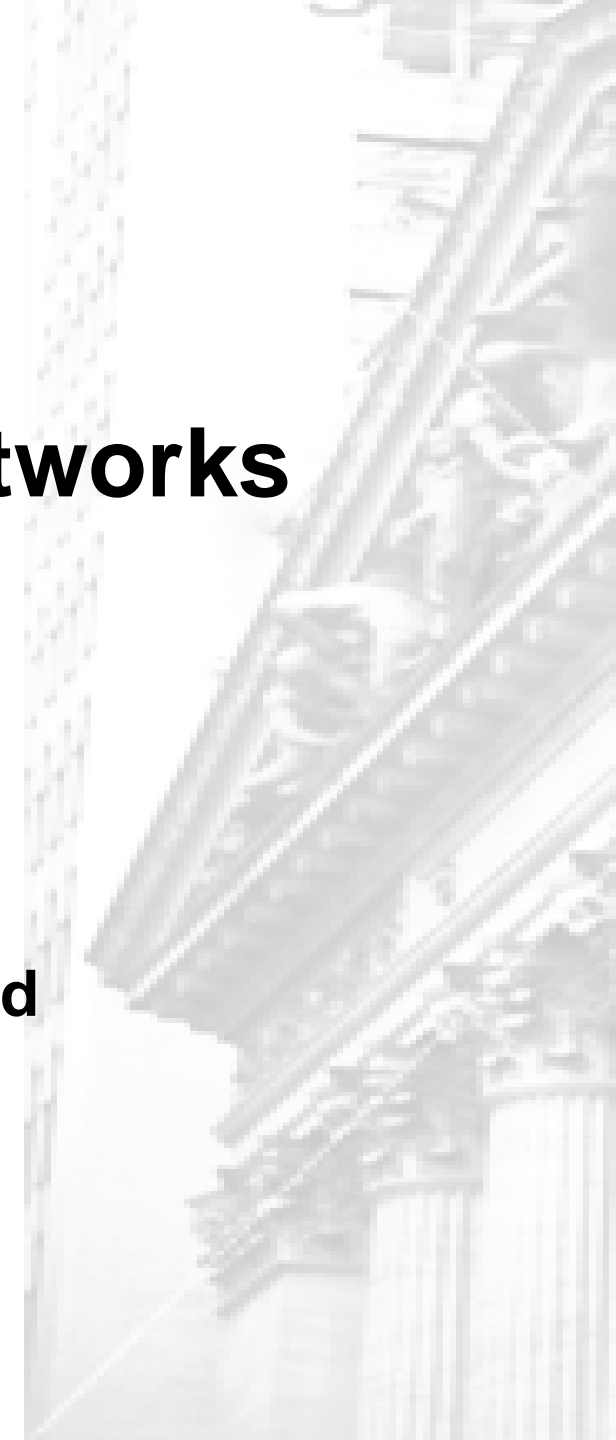
Linear Asset Type	Useful Life (Years)
Water Main – Concrete	60
Water Main – Metal	50
Water Main – PVC	55
Fire Hydrants	40
Water Tower	50
Sewers – Concrete	60
Sewers – Brick	90
Sewers – Metal	50
Sewers – PVC	55
Sewers – Wood	50
Sanitary Manholes	50
Catchbasins	40
Valves and Chambers	40
Road - Base	60

Linear Asset Type	Useful Life (Years)
Road – Dirt	10
Road – Gravel	15
Road – Asphalt	20
Road – Concrete	30
Road – Brick or Stone	40
Sidewalk – Asphalt	20
Sidewalk – Concrete	30
Sidewalk – Brick or Stone	40
Street Lighting – Pole Concrete	35
Street Lighting – Pole Metal	30
Street Lighting – Pole Wood	25
Street Lighting – Luminaire	15
Street Lighting – (HPS)	5

# **Valuation: Roads and Other Networks**

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# Valuation: Roads and Other Networks

1. Defining the Asset
2. Threshold
3. Sustainable Assets
4. Individual Segments – Aggregating Segments

# Valuation: Roads and Other Networks

5. Historical Cost – Where Available
6. Deflated Replacement or  
Reproduction Cost – used in the  
Majority of Cases
7. CPI – is it Good Enough
8. Include all Costs – Gross not Net  
Amount

# Valuation: Roads and Other Networks

9. Direct Costs & Indirect Costs

10. Jointly Funded

11. Straight Line Amortization – is it Good Enough?

12. Confirm approach with your Auditor