

The Production Platform – A Mobile Collaboration Hub for Safety in Construction

Project Description:

The "Production Platform" is a Lean initiative that enhances construction site safety by integrating digital tools with traditional safety equipment into a mobile collaboration hub. It streamlines real-time documentation, improves communication, and increases accessibility to safety and production planning materials.

Key Lean Focus Areas:

- ► Elimination of waste
- Visual management
- ► Continuous improvement

Actions Taken:

- Developed a mobile "Production Platform" combining an iPad, printer, and TV
- Digitalized safety documentation including pre-task plans and work permits
- ► Enabled real-time printing and on-the-spot form completion in the field
- Adapted the platform's size and features based on user feedback
- Addressed IT limitations to increase device accessibility

What Worked:

- ► Real-time access and printing of safety documentation reduced delays
- Onsite TV facilitated effective team collaboration and visualization
- Improved communication and transparency among safety and production teams
- ► Increased responsiveness to safety needs and field conditions

Challenges:

► Difficulty obtaining initial buy-in from superintendents and stakeholders

- ► First version of the platform was too large for practical field use
- ► IT constraints limited shared device access and usability

Advice for others:

- Gain early support from all stakeholders, especially field leadership and IT
- Start with a smaller, scalable version to refine the concept before full rollout
- ► Emphasize transparency and make critical documentation easy to access in the field

Value Delivered:

- Improved efficiency and responsiveness in safety and production planning
- Created a unified hub for documentation, fostering a more collaborative jobsite
- Increased accessibility to safety processes through technology
- Elevated the effectiveness of traditional safety practices with real-time digital tools
- ▶ Demonstrated a scalable model for Leandriven safety enhancement

