

Additional Estimation Quick Reference Guides, training documents, and the Preconstruction User Guide are available from CDOT.

Background:

- o If a project does not include items, you can build a list of project items from an associated cost estimate. The system copies all items, categories, alternat sets, and alternate members to the project. The pricing tasks remain in the cost estimate and control the price of the project item.
 - **Note:** All typical sections and parametric items in the cost estimate must be transitioned to detail items or made inactive before the cost estimate can be used to build project items.
- The cost estimate used to build project items becomes the price control for the project. Any additional cost estimates
 associated with the project are marked as inactive and cannot be made active again. If new cost estimates are later added
 to the project after project items are built, the project items are used to populate the list of items on the new cost
 estimate.
- After you build project items, you can only add or change items and quantities on the project in AASHTOWare Project
 Preconstruction. Any changes to project items and categories are automatically applied to the active cost estimate
 associated with the project. Conversely, unit prices for the project items become read-only, and pricing information is
 controlled by changes made on the associated cost estimate.

Key to Actions Buttons:



Global **Actions** menu (At the top of the screen)



Component **Actions** menu (On the heading)



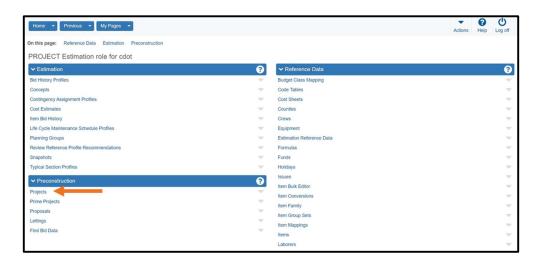
Row **Actions** menu (On the row)



Build Project Items:

Note: Once project items exist, only pricing fields are editable on the cost estimate. Everything else is controlled by the parent project. This is not a step that can be reversed, so make sure that you only build your project items after you are ready to move forward with the project.

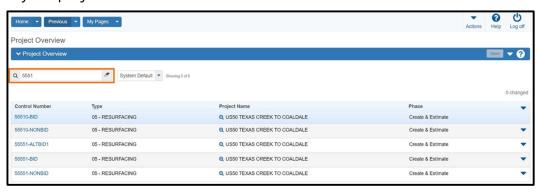
- 1. Log on to AASHTOWare Project Estimation.
- 2. Click the Expand Home button (drop-down arrow next to Home) and select **ESTIMATION-CDOT** to switch to the Estimation role.
- 3. In the **Preconstruction** component, click the **Projects** link.



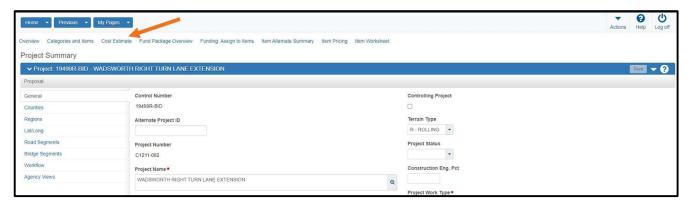




4. Search for and open your project.



5. Click the **Cost Estimate** quick link at the top of the Project Summary component.





- 6. Click the **Cost Estimate** tab on the left side to display the cost estimates associated with your project.
- 7. Click the **Cost Estimate Name** to open it.



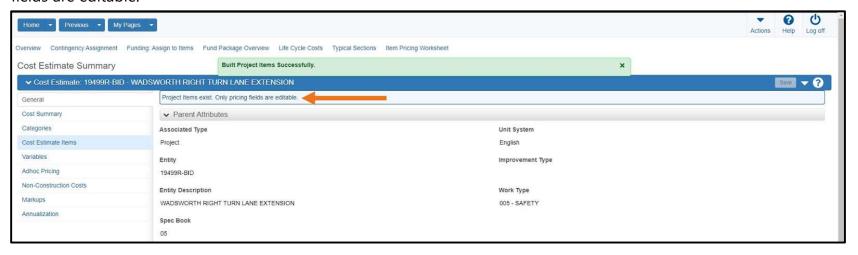
8. On the Cost Estimate Summary, click the component Actions menu and click the Build Project Items action to open it.



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9. Upon successful completion of the process, the cost estimate displays a reminder that "Project Items exist. Only pricing fields are editable."



Next Steps:

- Any changes to the items, quantities, categories, or supplemental descriptions must be made on the project in AASHTOWare Project Preconstruction.
- All pricing methodologies are still accessible using the cost estimate that is assigned as the price control for the project.
- Any changes to the item pricing must be done on the cost estimate.