



# DigEplan

Integrated electronic plan review

## Case study Santa Clara County

### DigEplan Electronic Plan Review for Accela plugs significant time drain for Santa Clara County

**Reducing plan review and administration time by 30%, with the expectation that will grow to 50%, Santa Clara County is enthusiastic about the introduction of DigEplan, electronic plan review for Accela. The cloud-based DigEplan solution is tightly integrated into the Accela Civic Platform, enabling significant efficiencies in the plan review process.**

Santa Clara County's previous plan check review process involved a large number of staff and was ineffective and time-consuming. "The time and administration involved in the review process was significant. Hand marking of

plans, compilation of comments in a separate document to the drawings, physical storage of plans and coordination of reviews by all necessary individuals was an unsustainable business practice," explained Chris Freitas, Senior Civil Engineer, Santa Clara County.

**"We expect that the use of Accela's standard comments alongside DigEplan's stamping functions will reduce the plan review and administrative time by over 50%."**

### Removing the review time drain

"Our goal is to achieve review efficiency, reducing administration by 40%. The integration of DigEplan, which can enable users to simultaneously conduct a plan review, is absolutely vital to the Santa Clara County's electronic plan review transformation.

"We believe that our goal can only be achieved with a web-based, electronic plan review. It allows for greater flexibility to our cross functional review team to review projects, not just elements of a project, in an efficient and effective manner," added Chris.

Santa Clara County has seen significant time saved from "...removing the need to search for the hard copy of drawings, or those lost whilst being shared. And the administration task of moving around large plan sets and storing them has been removed by DigEplan for Accela," explained Chris.

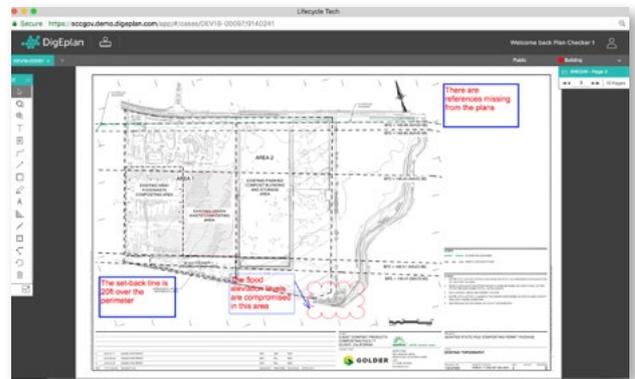
"DigEplan provides instant access to all documents, all accessible through the web. We like that all document storage and control is predictable, consistent and it importantly saves paper."

Multiple simultaneous review is also a key benefit for Santa Clara County. "DigEplan enables the integration of project comments from up to seven independent reviewing agencies, all reviewing the same set of plans, and consolidating one set of plan comments – concurrently. This has saved significant time.



"Unavoidable computer issues will no longer be a problem, as DigEplan autosaves plan reviews at every step, safeguarding hours of work. DigEplan also offers professional quality and intuitive drawing tools. The report generated from the mark-ups is incredibly useful, as the customer has both the list of comments and the associated marked-up plans.

Santa Clara's favourite DigEplan feature is "the ability to pull in standard comments from the Accela library, which saves time typing wordy comments. We look forward to continued time savings and benefits as DigEplan for Accela enables us to be more efficient."



### Seamless workflows with Accela

DigEplan is tightly integrated into the Accela Civic Platform, with deep integration into the Accela workflows, standard comments, documents tab and record lists, DigEplan enhances your existing investment in Accela Civic Platform enabling users to efficiently work with electronic plans.

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