



VERSION 5.3 Enhancements

(Listed are the major changes made to Plan-It in Version 5.3)

Thank you to the several Plan-It users who submitted ideas for improvement this year.

If you asked for a change and it is not represented in this list of enhancements, please remember that not all changes are feasible given development resources and the needs of the overall user population. We welcome your continued interest in future enhancements and could discuss your particular needs on an individual basis.

LOGON SCREEN/OTHER

- Changed copyright period, version #
- Created new “Updater_V5R3.mdb” file that updates your data file to the new version; turns on ‘Compact on Close’ function to ensure data integrity
- Ensured program boots up successfully with 64-bit versions of Access (2010 or 2013)

ADMINISTRATION TAB

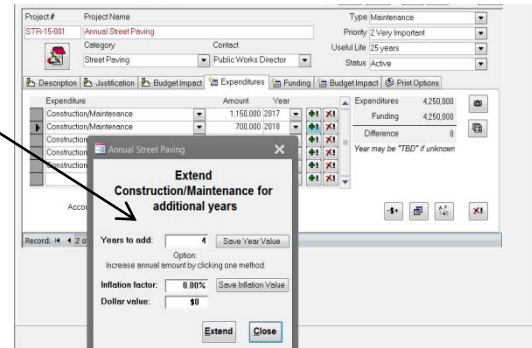
- Removed importing functionality that was used many years ago with Access 2000 & 2003; If you still use, we can manually turn it back on

DATA TAB

- Added ability to “Extend” by a fixed dollar amount each year (works in expenditure, funding and budget impact tabs). This helps when a project repeats for several years, but its cost needs to be increased by a certain amount each year (e.g., annual street paving for ten years). When the green “+!” button next to your base entry is clicked, a new window will ask how many more years you want to extend that data. You can then fill in the fixed amount you want added to each year. As before, you also have the option of setting an inflation factor that will increase each added year’s dollars based on a percentage. Added rows can be deleted using the small red “X”, so try it out!

REPORTS TAB

- NEW - “Funding Sources by Department (10yr)”
- NEW - “Funding Sources by Category”
- NEW - “Expenditures by Custom Field”
- NEW - “Export: Project Dollars by Yr (All Fields)” (an export that includes many more data fields than was available previously)
- New reports have a double-asterisk (**) next to their names
- Changed Criteria #3 tab logic. If you have User Fields enacted, they now default with their list of entries as ‘white.’ If you wish to filter, changing entries to ‘black’ will make those projects be included. A project must meet all ‘black’ User Field entries or it will not be included on the report.
- Limited ability to print reports using Criteria #2 tab ‘Years’ option to just Projects by Year reports and all Project Detail reports (other reports did not respond to that criteria anyway, so this was for clarification).
- Fixed issue with criteria selection when printing the “Projects by Funding Source (All yrs)” report
- Edited reports as necessary to tighten up spacing and better align columns
- Edited error messages to better convey nature of the error



Contact us if you have any questions about this upgrade!

We can also go over the new version in a web seminar – a good way to see all these changes and get your questions answered.