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Olympia Chapter Meeting
May 10, 2005, 6:00PM to 8:15 PM
Tyee Conference Center, Tumwater

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“The Power of Project Leadership”

Presented by Chris Olson, Point B Solutions Group, LLP



Why is Project Leadership so important to successful project outcomes? Project Management practices are maturing every year and there are tools and templates to support every stage of a project. Still, some projects struggle. Mastering the mechanics of a project is not enough; we must be able to add value beyond management and sharpen our leadership skills to effectively manage and lead our project teams, stakeholders, and steering committees to the right business outcome.

Value of the Topic to Attendees:

- Value 1: Recognize the difference between project leadership and project management and the importance both
- Value 2: Identify specific examples of leadership at different stages of a project and how it complements project management
- Value 3: Understand the importance of thought leadership and critical thinking to the identification and mitigation of project risks

Biography

Chris Olsen is a Managing Director of Point B Solutions Group, the first professional services firm focused exclusively on project leadership and execution. Chris has broad experience in technology and process-related projects and has successfully led systems and process improvement implementations in a variety of industries, including retail, manufacturing, government and utilities. He has led a number of challenging and complex projects including ERP implementations with SAP and Oracle, Quality projects using Statistical Process Control, and process improvement projects that have resulted in significant productivity gains in both office and manufacturing environments. Chris graduated with a BS in Industrial Engineering from the University of Washington and is a certified Project Management Professional (PMP). He has been at Point B for 9 years. Prior to joining Point B he was with Accenture (formerly Andersen Consulting) for nearly 8 years. He has spoken on manufacturing and information systems and has published two articles on designing products for service and maintainability. In past presentations Chris has focused on outlining specific tactics and techniques for leading projects to successful outcomes.

Note the 6:00PM Start Time for this meeting. We have to wait a bit longer for the room this month.

Please register AND guarantee payment by May 6 to be guaranteed a meal.

Register with: [Applause Event Services](#)
Online: <http://www.applauseevents.net/registrationevents.htm> **Voice Message only:** 360.349.5415

Cost: PMI Members \$25, Non-members \$30, Speaker Only \$10
Time: 6:00 PM to 6:30 Networking, 6:30 to 7:00 Dinner/Announcements., 7:10 to 8:15 Speaker
Place: The Tyee Conference Center at 5757 Littlerock Rd, Tumwater, WA 360.753.9199

1. From Interstate 5 (I-5), take exit 102.
2. Proceed west on Trosper Road for 1/3 mile.
3. Turn left at the Littlerock Road stoplight.
4. Proceed for 1/3 mile. Turn right into the Tumwater Center parking lot. (Across from the Costco driveway).

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Bill Elliot, Wa Dept of Transportation
 Tacoma Narrows Bridge Project - A year later! (3rd Tuesday)

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