

Overview

Team Foundation Server Teams are new and they are defined within a Team Foundation Server Team Project.

The Team Foundation Server Teams concept grew out of Scrum Team needs.

- Team Foundation Server Teams allow you to set up a team that has its own Product Backlog to manage from the Team Foundation Server Team Project's Product Backlog.
- Team Foundation Server Teams manage their own Area Paths in a Team Foundation Server Project and become a collaboration hub for the team.
- The Team Foundation Server Team ends up being a named group of team members who work on a demarcated area of the Team Project.



Own Product Backlog



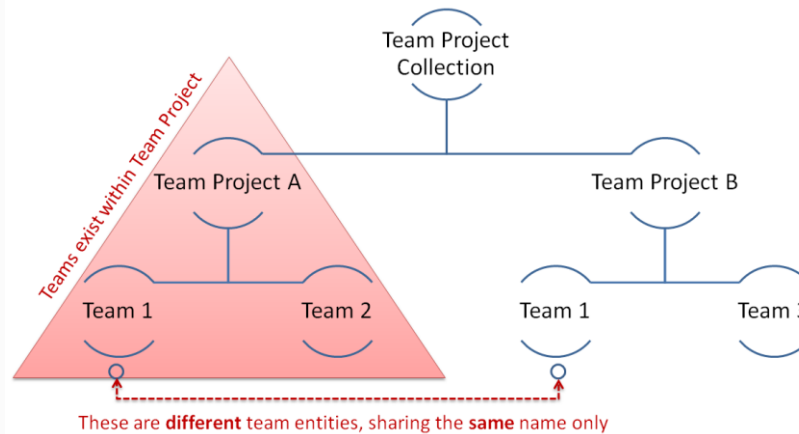
Own Area Paths



African Cape Vulture (ACV)



Demarcated Area



Understand the Teams by exploring the isolation considerations, the constraints and the planning considerations.

Planning Considerations

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| 1 | Teams cannot be shared across Team Projects | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2 | Teams are flat user lists | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Team Advantages

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| 1 | Categorize large teams into sub-teams | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2 | Allocate separate backlogs to teams | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Constraints

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| 1 | Agile teams are typically <10 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2 | Groups >100 not loaded by Team Explorer | <input type="checkbox"/> |

References

- Visual Studio ALM Rangers <http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/vstudio/ee358786.aspx>
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- Configure a master backlog and sub-teams <http://tinyurl.com/Backlog-Teams>