

# Preserving Public Art for the Future



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# The San Francisco Arts Commission is tasked with the care and preservation of the Civic Art Collection – all 3,800 pieces



Robert Arneson, *Jugs on Jugs*, 1960



Roy De Forest, *Hunter's Secret*, 1965.



Merry Renk, *Outward Pendant*, 1960



Lotta's Fountain, 1875. Market Street at Kearney



Amy Ellingson, *Untitled*, 2015. SFO Terminal 3

To ensure the City's art for the future, we are now required to develop long term cost estimates as part of the City's 10 Year Capital Plan



But estimating the cost of preserving public art is harder than estimating the costs of other types of City infrastructure



That's because each piece of art is a **unique** asset that enriches public space, our cultural landscape and supports our local art community



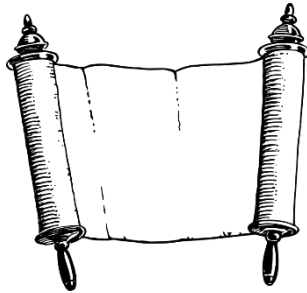
Part of each artwork's uniqueness is in the material used, location, size and scale, microclimate, historical importance and current condition



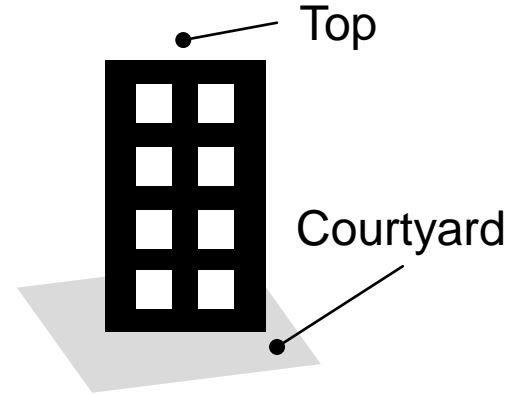
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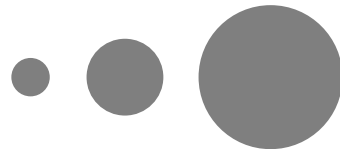
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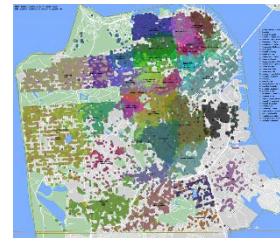
**History**



**Location**

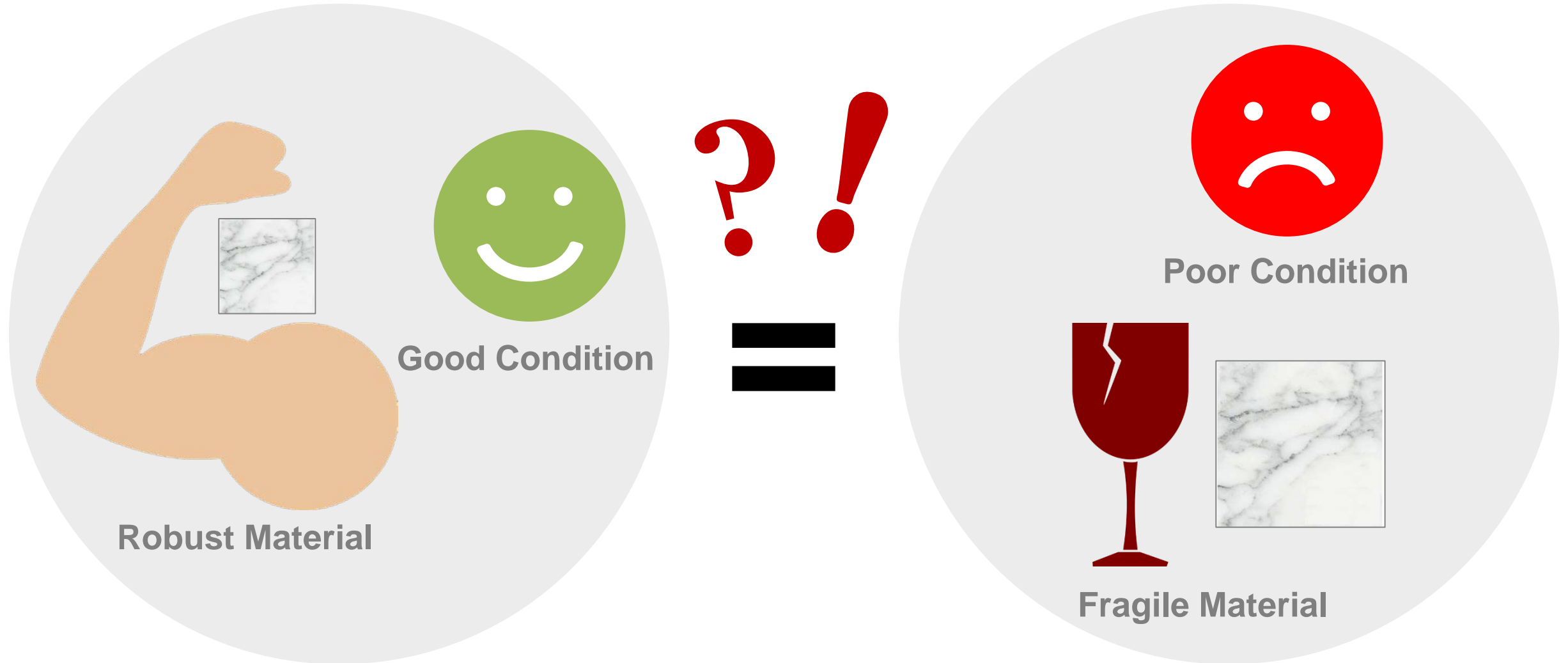


**Size**

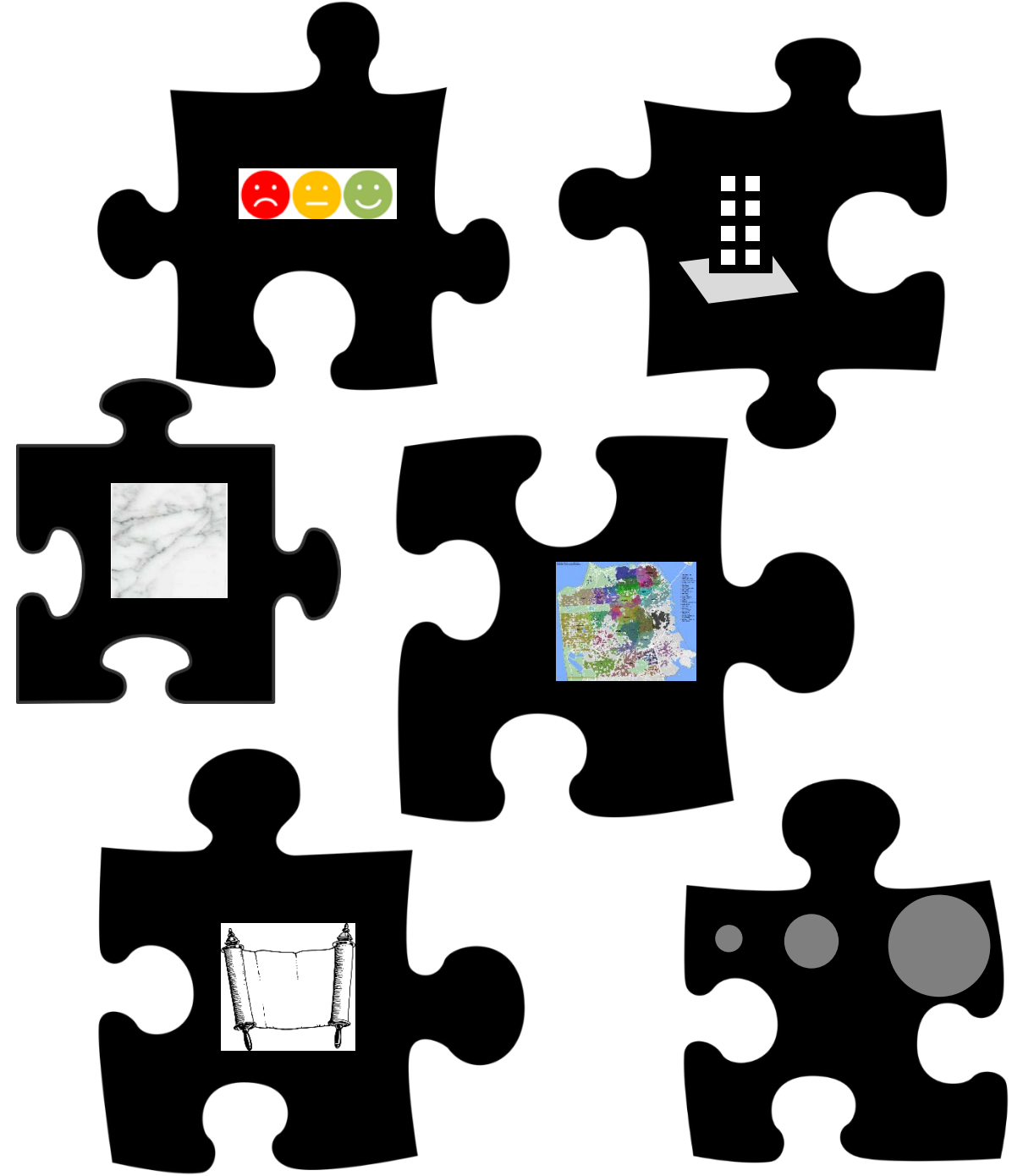


**Microclimate**

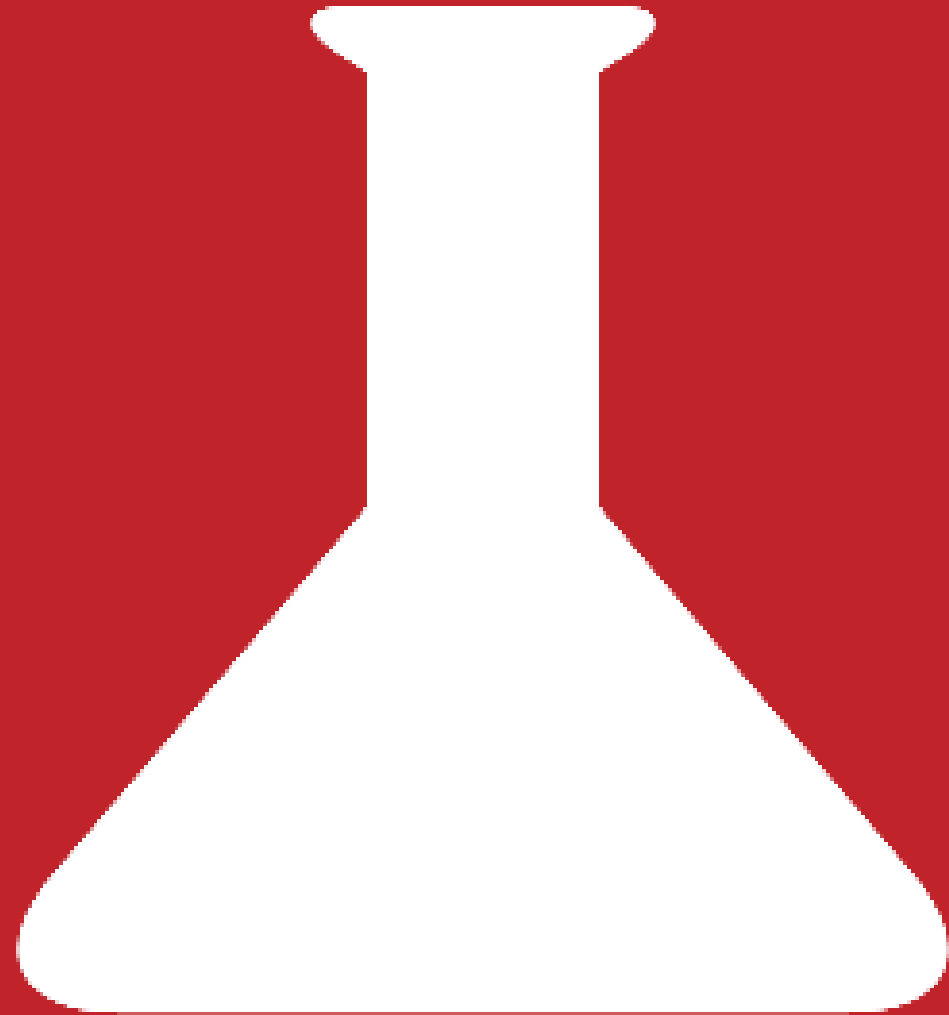
To estimate the cost of preserving, we had tried putting these pieces together but we were getting some odd estimates



So what's the best way to piece these factors together to estimate the cost of preserving public art over the long term?

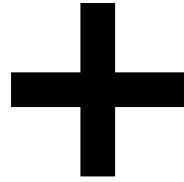
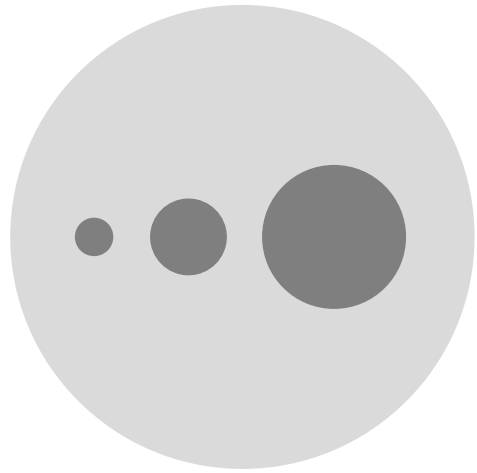






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The Arts Commission had already put the pieces in a particular order

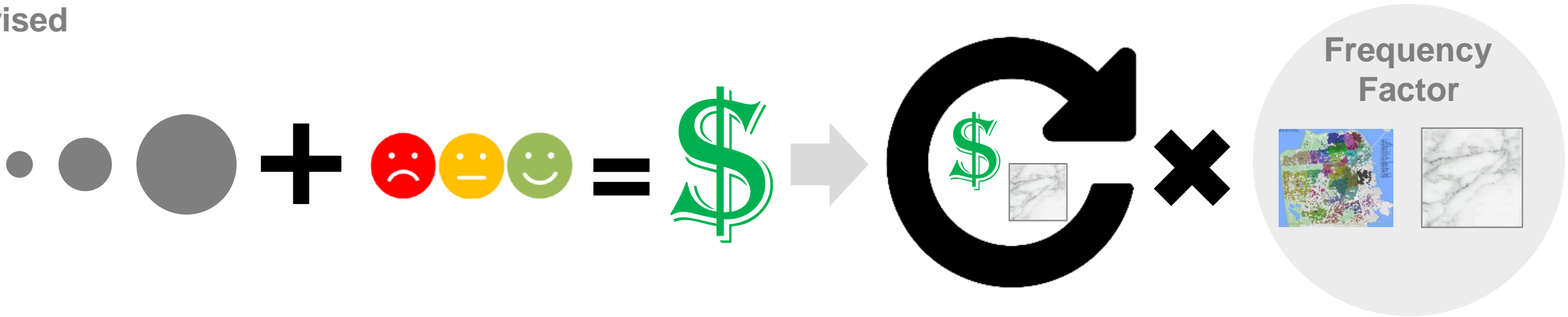


We first rearranged it to get an initial estimate from size and condition, update using material, then multiply by a frequency factor



Original

Revised

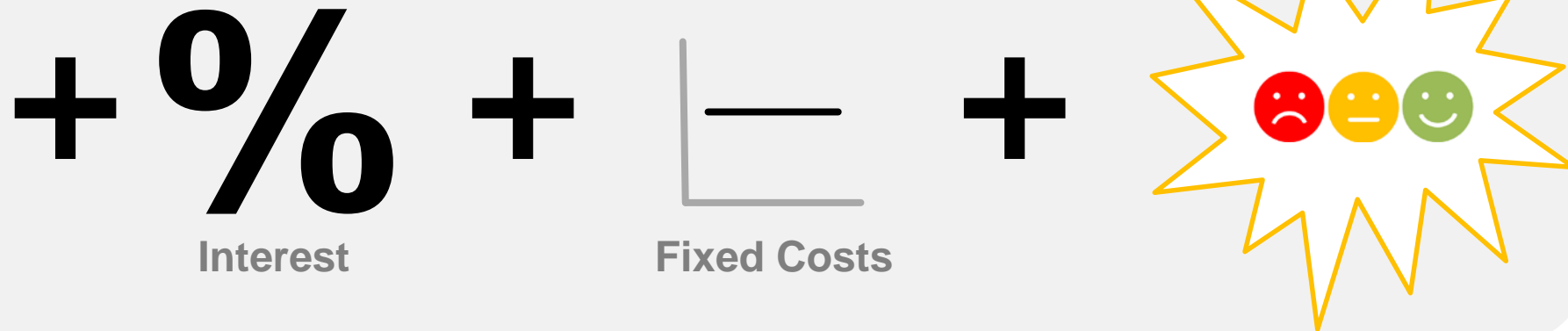


We then added some additional pieces like interest, fixed costs, a dynamic condition scoring to create long term cost projections and a prioritized schedule

Revised formula



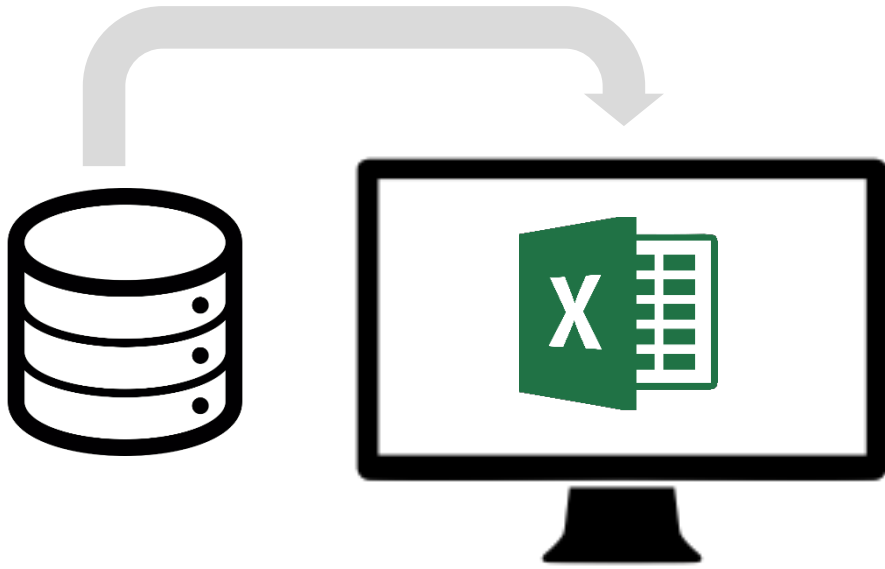
New components



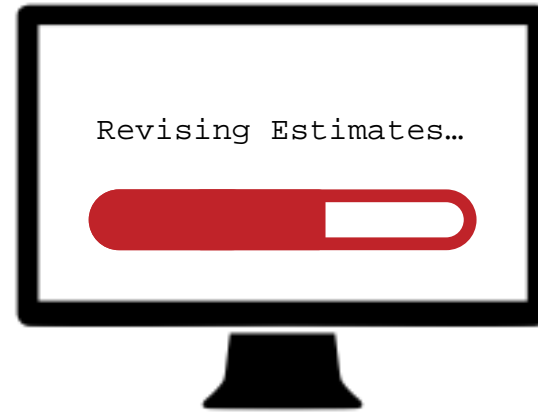


**Service  
Change**

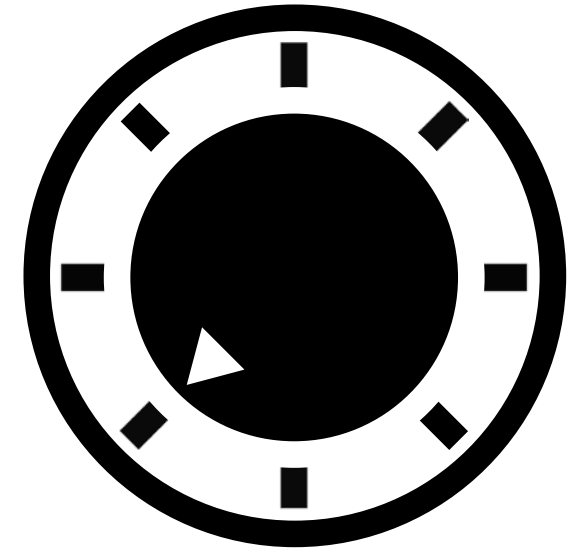
The new formula is built into Excel and allows us to easily update data, revise estimates at the push of a button and adjust model assumptions as needed



**Copy and paste to  
update data**



**Revise estimates  
at the push of a button**



**Adjust  
assumptions**

# Built into the tool is long term projections of counts and costs by treatment type and data quality flags we can use to improve the data in our system over time

## INSTRUCTIONS

### Run Projections with New Data:

1. Clear RawData Tab (click button):

**CLEAR DATA**

2. Paste new data in RawData Tab (must be identical columns to cleared data)
3. Run Projections (click button):

**RUN PROJECTIONS**

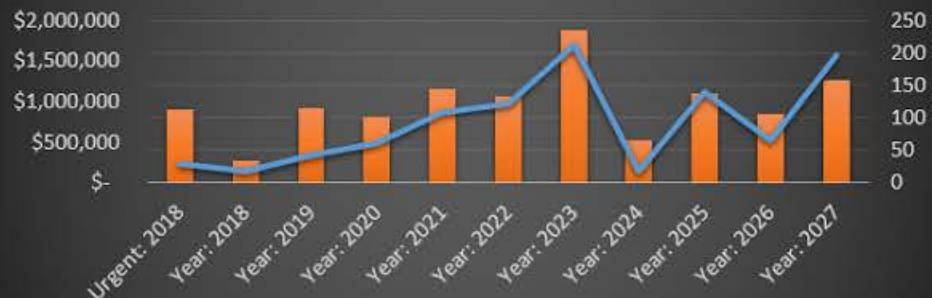
### Adjustable Assumptions:

1. Go to Assumptions tab to adjust.
2. Projections will automatically update.

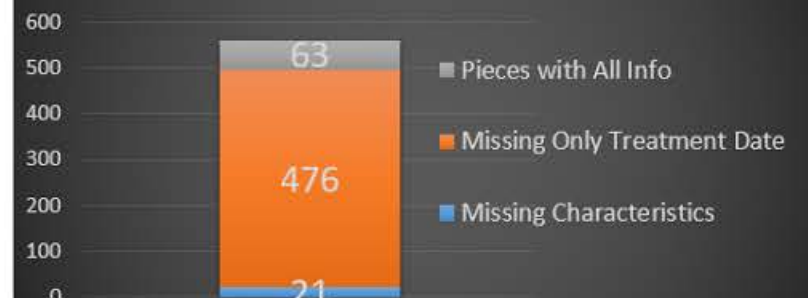
## Art Capital Costs: Long Term Projections

10 Year Total	Urgent: 2018	Year: 2018	Year: 2019	Year: 2020	Year: 2021	Year: 2022	Year: 2023	Year: 2024	Year: 2025	Year: 2026	Year: 2027	
<b>Count of Pieces Treated</b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Count</b>	
Maintain	938	0	13	42	59	106	114	207	6	141	56	194
Conserve	70	24	4	0	2	2	9	5	12	0	10	2
Restore	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,013</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>196</b>
<b>Cost of Treatment</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Cost</b>
Maintain	\$ 7,478,565	\$ -	\$ 61,991	\$ 793,531	\$ 627,054	\$ 991,858	\$ 746,841	\$ 1,680,896	\$ 49,666	\$ 963,658	\$ 472,163	\$ 1,090,908
Conserve	\$ 1,571,823	\$ 500,903	\$ 88,178	\$ -	\$ 59,604	\$ 36,816	\$ 190,949	\$ 71,074	\$ 345,647	\$ -	\$ 238,397	\$ 40,256
Restore	\$ 402,511	\$ 402,511	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Additional Costs</b>												
Vandalism	\$ 434,530	\$ 40,600	\$ 41,209	\$ 41,827	\$ 42,455	\$ 43,091	\$ 43,738	\$ 44,394	\$ 45,060	\$ 45,736	\$ 46,422	\$ 46,422
Condition Check	\$ 434,530	\$ 40,600	\$ 41,209	\$ 41,827	\$ 42,455	\$ 43,091	\$ 43,738	\$ 44,394	\$ 45,060	\$ 45,736	\$ 46,422	\$ 46,422
Ongoing Maintenance	\$ 434,530	\$ 40,600	\$ 41,209	\$ 41,827	\$ 42,455	\$ 43,091	\$ 43,738	\$ 44,394	\$ 45,060	\$ 45,736	\$ 46,422	\$ 46,422
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 10,756,490</b>	<b>\$ 903,413</b>	<b>\$ 271,969</b>	<b>\$ 917,158</b>	<b>\$ 812,139</b>	<b>\$ 1,156,037</b>	<b>\$ 1,067,063</b>	<b>\$ 1,883,183</b>	<b>\$ 528,494</b>	<b>\$ 1,098,837</b>	<b>\$ 847,766</b>	<b>\$ 1,270,430</b>

## Long Term Projections: Cost and Count



## Missing Data Inventory



Which allows us to easily generate 10-20 year forecasts for costs and to prioritize our preservation projects



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