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Updated Production Scheduling application expands versatility

A newly released version of Production Scheduling can now be operated as a stand-alone application, or further integrated with Timberline Office products. If you choose to integrate with Timberline Office accounting or Timberline Office production management software, information contained in your system is ready to jumpstart the scheduling process. In addition, a Timberline Office customer doesn't have to purchase a complete production management system in order to use production scheduling, making the application an ideal option for custom, small and multi-family builders.

"The more we listened to builders and recognizing a need for a stronger scheduling solution for a wide range of demands, the more it made sense to enhance Production Scheduler and make it available," says Tom Gebes, president of BuilderMT, the company behind the application's development. "Whether you're a superintendent working in the field for a multifamily project or custom home, everyone should have the tools to keep accurate construction schedules, information on-hand, and reduce cycle times."

Whether you choose to integrate or not, schedule templates developed from a builder-defined master list of construction activities and milestones get your jobs started on the right foot. Choose the start date, schedule template and a specific schedule is generated based on construction sequence, duration, and lag times.

And that's just the beginning. The updated Production Scheduling application expands versatility and efficiencies in all sorts of ways when you consider its many advantages:

- Create schedules efficiently using schedule templates and information already contained in your Timberline Office accounting or production management software.
- Download information so superintendents can manage and update job schedules and task status from job sites on handheld devices. Then automatically feed all field activity updates, including actual, projected and scheduled dates, as well as variances to schedules, back to the home office.
- Share notes and reminders between the centralized schedule and handheld devices.
- Display screens including Schedule Manager, Gantt Chart View, Resource Allocations, and Vendor Notifications.
- Send automatic schedule notifications to trade contractors and suppliers via fax or e-mail.
- View and store schedules by community, job, trade, vendor, and activity.
- When individual activity is completed, trigger updates to purchase order status in the Timberline Office [Homebuilder Management System](#).
- Analyze vendor schedules across communities.
- Handle multiple predecessors when scheduling.

For more information about Timberline Office production management software or its Production Scheduling module, contact your Timberline solution provider for a product demonstration, or call 800 628-6583 (+503 439-5178 outside the U.S.). Or, if you prefer, go [here](#) to submit a product information request. For more information about subscribing to a Timberline Service Plan, you can use the same request form or call 800 858-7098. If calling from outside North America: +503-439-5074.

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