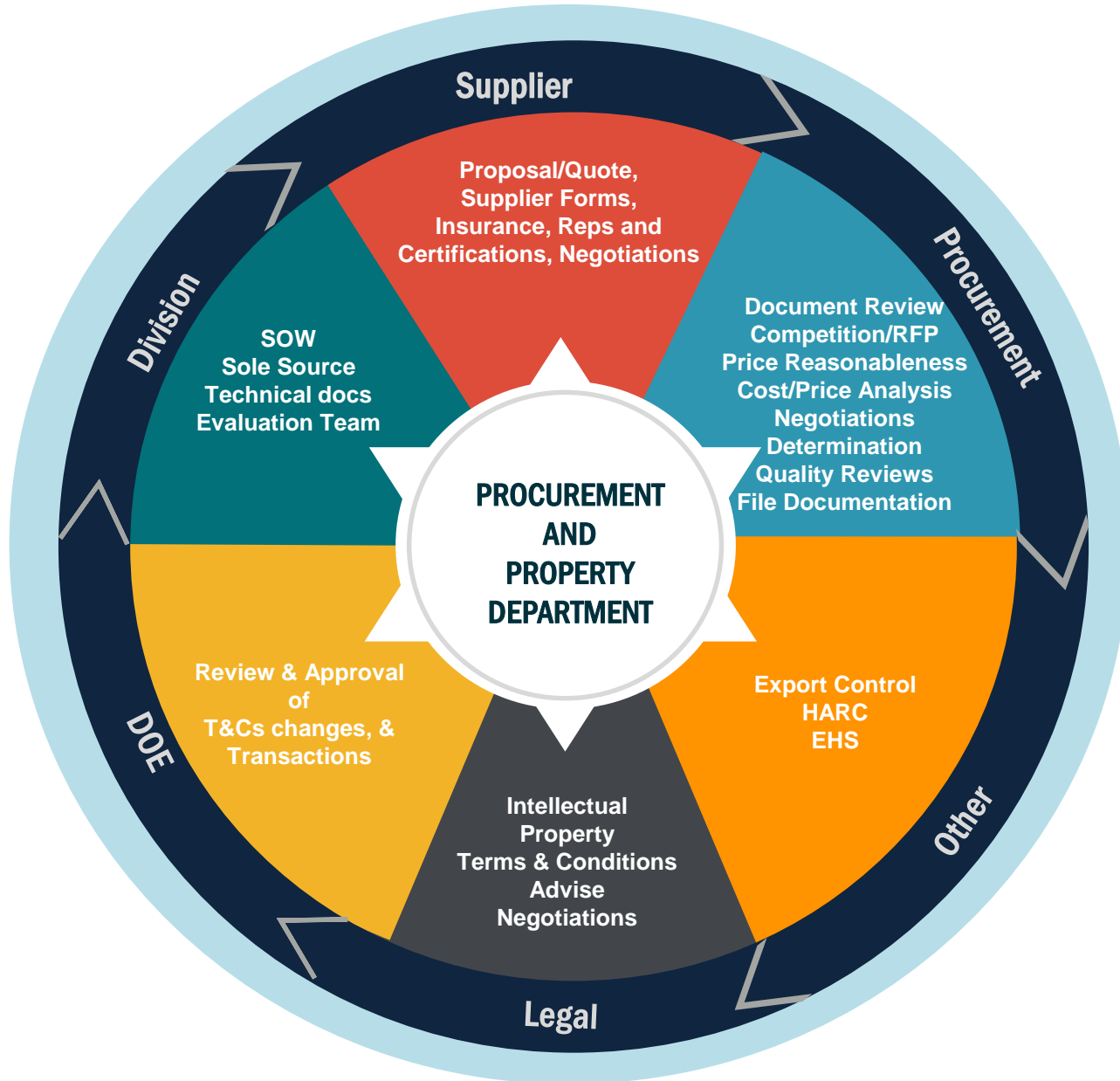
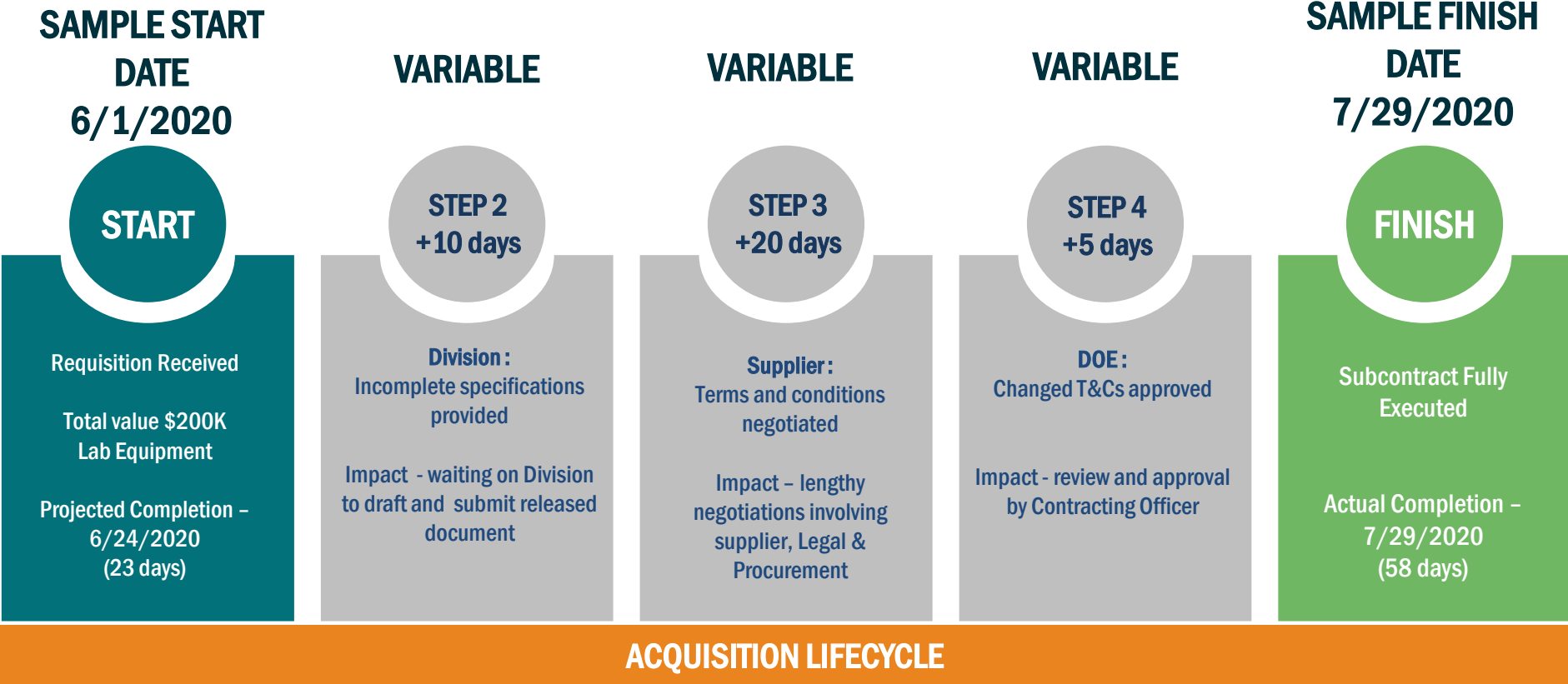


ACQUISITION LIFECYCLE – KEY COMPONENTS

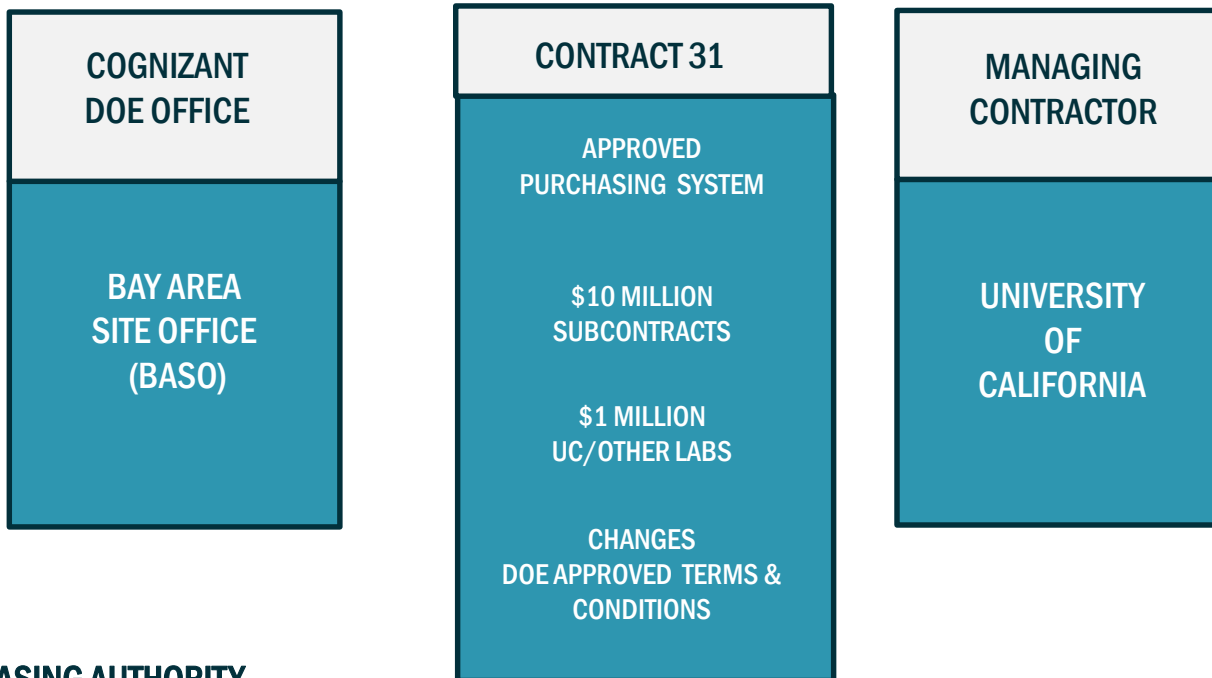


CASE STUDY: UNDERSTANDING VARIABLES



A lifecycle example to illustrate variables and impact on timelines

PRIME CONTRACT: PURCHASING AUTHORITY



PURCHASING AUTHORITY

- Authority is delegated to Chief Procurement Officer (CPO) in writing
- Only procurement specialists are authorized to commit funds to buy goods and services.
- Without purchasing authority, DOE would need to approve all subcontracts for the Laboratory
- **Impact of losing Purchasing Authority: Severe increase in cycle time, Severe reduction in autonomy, Increase in processes: like regular Federal entity**

WHAT YOU CAN DO



- **Advance Planning:** work with Procurement early to understand the requirements and timelines that apply to your specific acquisition.
- Ensure **technical resources** are available to work with the Procurement team.



- **Support your Procurement Specialist** rather than commiserate with difficult suppliers. We have quicker turnaround when you help us push the supplier.



- Submit **accurate documents** and be timely when providing additional information as necessary.
- Understand that the Procurement Department operates within **Contract 31 requirements and approx. 100+ DOE approved policies.**

PROFESSIONAL PARTNERSHIP

“

The day when the scientist, no matter how devoted, may make significant progress alone and without material help is past. This fact is most self-evident in our work.

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E.O. Lawrence