

# Details on Top EBS Updates Every End User Should Know 12.2.4 - 12.2.15

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## **Rite Overview**

















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## **Agenda**

- Enterprise Command Centers
- Generative AI in EBS
- Technology and OAF
  - Simplified Home Page Enhancements
  - Favorites
  - Attachments
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  - Export to PDF
  - Rich Table Interaction
  - Searching Saved Search / List Search / Query By Example
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  - Flexfield Enhancements
  - Personalization Workbench Enhancements

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  - Configuring E-mail Eligibility for Item Types and Message
- WebADI Enhancements
- Read Only Responsibility
- Proactive Support Tools



## **Enterprise Command Centers (ECC)**

- ECC is the #1 most impactful new feature in EBS to significantly increase user productivity
- As of September, 2025, there are 36 command centers

Financial Management  General Ledger  Receivables  Receivables  Payables  Employee Expenses (Internet Expenses)  Assets  Cash Management  Lease Contracts (Financials)  Lease and Finance Management	Order Management & Logistics  Order Management  Inventory Management  Advanced Pricing  iStore *  Landed Cost Management  Channel Revenue Management  Incentive Compensation	Asset Lifecycle & Service  • Enterprise Asset Management  • Asset Tracking  • Service Contracts  • Service (TeleService)  • Field Service  • Depot Repair
Procurement & Projects  • iProcurement *  • Procurement  • Projects  • Project Procurement  • Contract Lifecycle Mgt for Public Sector	Manufacturing  Discrete Manufacturing  Process Manufacturing  Outsourced Manufacturing  Project Manufacturing  Cost Management  Quality  Bills of Material	Human Capital Management  • Human Resources  • Payroll



## **Enterprise Command Centers (ECC)**

- Where to get more information specific to ECC
  - http://www.oracle.com/ebs
  - Oracle Enterprise Command Centers
  - Oracle E-Business Suite Enterprise Command Centers (ECC) V14
     Quick Start Guide
  - Oracle E-Business Suite Release Content Documents (RCDS)



## **Artificial Intelligence in EBS**

- 12.2.14
  - Enabling Natural Language Query of Oracle EBusiness Suite (EBS)
     Release 12.2, Leveraging Oracle Generative AI (MOS Note 3059877.1)
  - Example "Show me sales orders with delayed shipments this week"
  - Available in 12.2.13 with LOTS of patches
  - Must have Apex 24.2 or higher in EBS environment
  - Requires Autonomous Database on OCI
  - Subscribe to OCI Generative AI (It's not free)
  - See presentation titled "Enabling Natural Language Query of EBS 12.2 Using Oracle Generative AI" by Nadia Bendjedou
- 12.2.15 New feature to generate text for business functions by invoking a Large Language Model (LLM) through a REST service
  - Use this to use AI for integrations
  - See "Reduce Complexity by Leveraging AI with your EBS system" by Eric Benner, Ace Director



# Oracle Application Technology New Features

## Simplified Home Page 12.2.4+

12.2.7 Navigator is now on the left corner. Gear Icon replaces several buttons with links shown in the box below the button

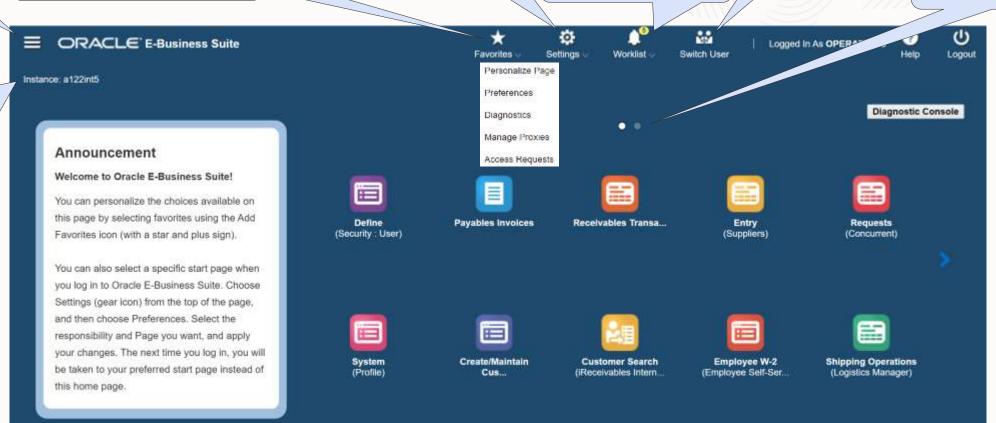
Switch user appears if you are a proxy user

Favorites icon displays list of favorites

Alarm bell icon shows number of unread notifications

Clickable dots show multiple pages

12.2.6 – FND\_SH OW\_INST ANCE\_N AME = "True"





## **Profile Options Impacting Home Page**

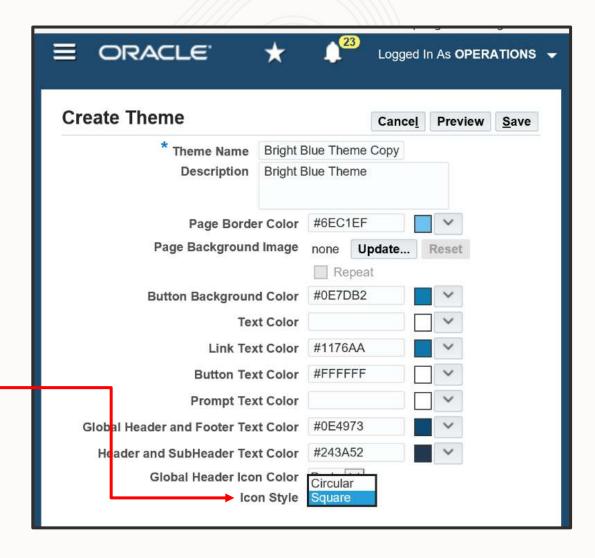
- The simplified home page was released in 12.2.4
  - The simplified home page is the recommended format for many new features
  - Better for users who utilize both EBS and Cloud products
- This chart shows the profile option settings for the various home page UIs

Home Page User Interface (UI)	Self Service Personal Home Page Mode	FND: Disable Configurable Home Page
Flat list navigator like 12.1	Framework Only (default)	True
Flat list navigator like 12.1	Framework Tree	True
Configurable with Tree Navigator like 12.2	Framework Only (default)	False (default)
Configurable with Tree Navigator like 12.2	Framework Tree	False (default)
New Simple Home Page	Framework Simplified	N/A (overrides value)



## Simplified Home Page and UI Updates 12.2.9+

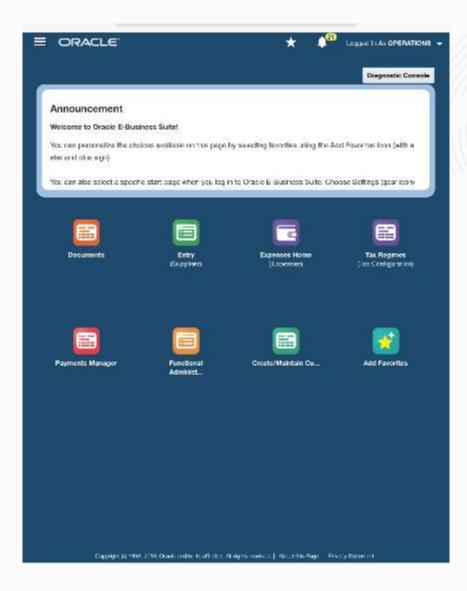
- Layout of the simplified home page is more user friendly
  - UI has been developed with the new Masonry Layout component
    - ✓ Allows the UI and global header to change based on device – tablet, phone, etc.
      - Buttons will be replaced with menus on smaller viewports
      - Avoids use of horizontal or vertical scroll bars
  - Configurable icon style circular or square
    - ✓ Also see themes





## Masonry Layout – Adjusts to Tablets / Phones (12.2.9+)

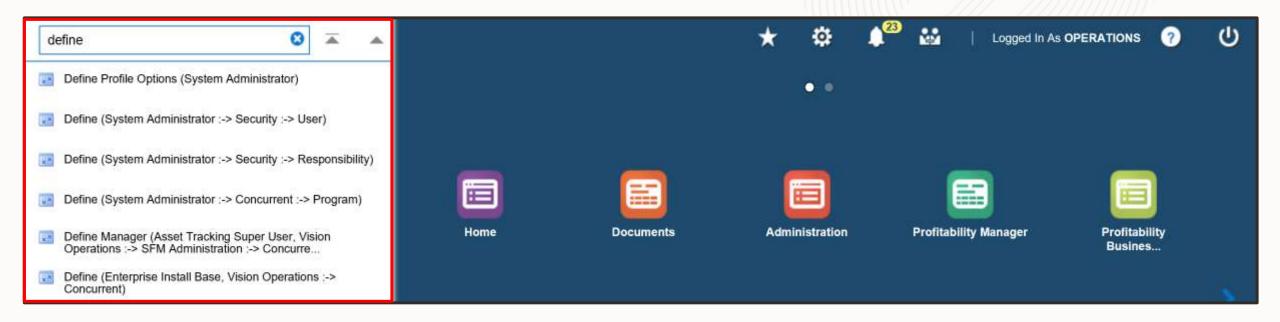
Ipad view





## **Simplified Home Page Updates**

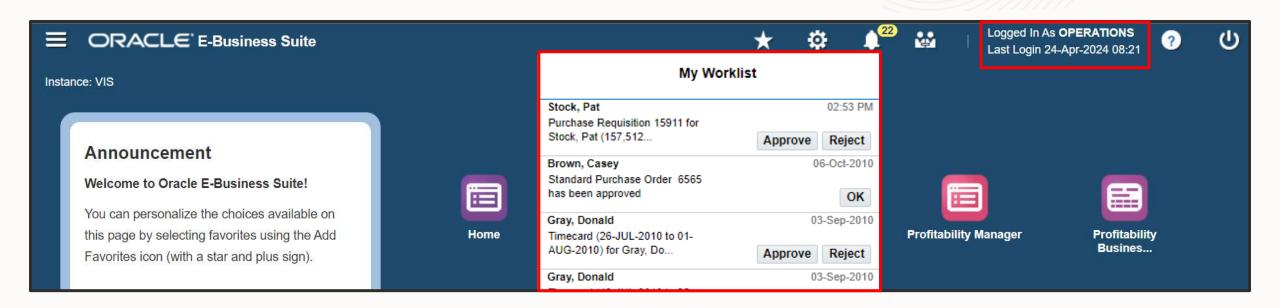
- 12.2.9 Users can now search for both responsibilities and functions
- 12.2.13 Navigator search performance was improved





## **Simplified Home Page Updates**

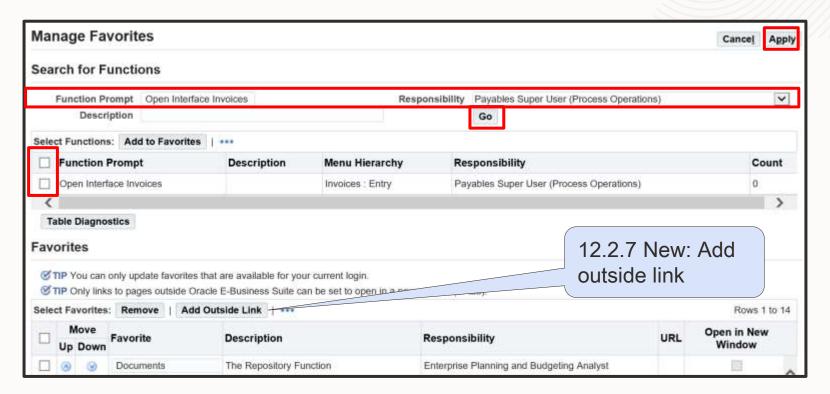
- My worklist popup quicker access and ability to dismiss FYI notifications
  - 12.2.10 My Worklist Added Approve/Reject
  - 12.2.11 My Worklist Added Yes/No and True/False
- 12.2.13 Last Successful Login is displayed on home page for security





#### Add to Favorites – Add outside link 12.2.7

- Click the Add to Favorites icon to add more favorites
  - Enter the prompt and responsibility and click the Go button
  - Check the box for the function needed and click the Apply button
- 12.2.7 New feature Add outside link



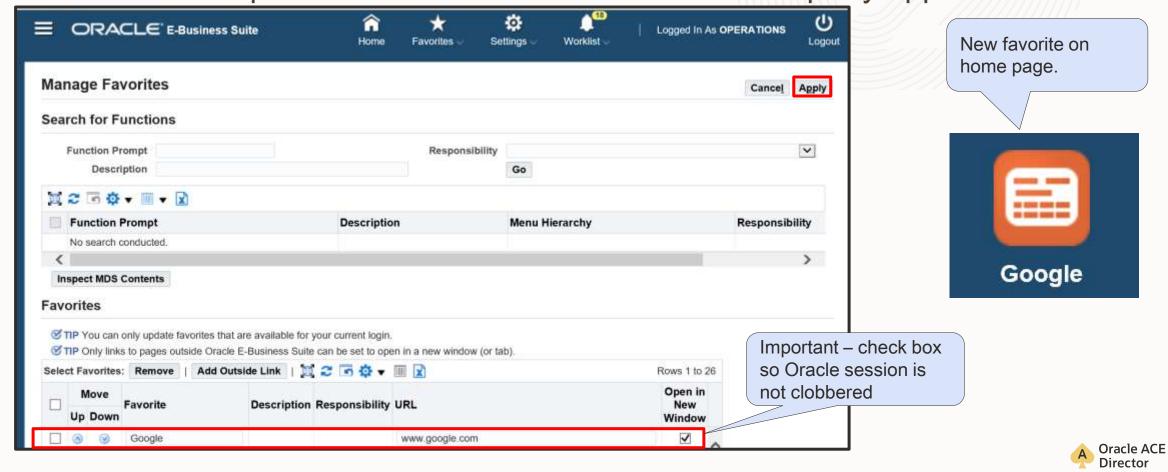


Add to Favorites

#### Add to Favorites – Add outside link 12.2.7

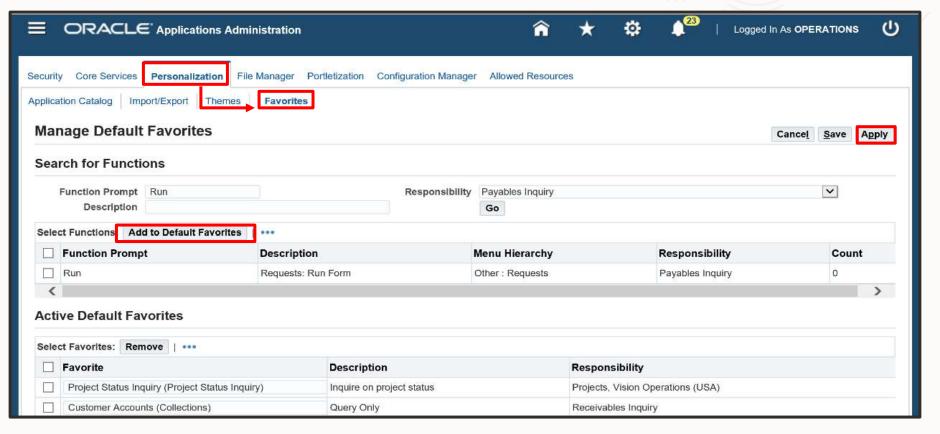
 Enter a function prompt and URL, check the open in new window box, then click the Apply button

Use this to provide seamless access to other third-party apps



#### **Default Favorites 12.2.9+**

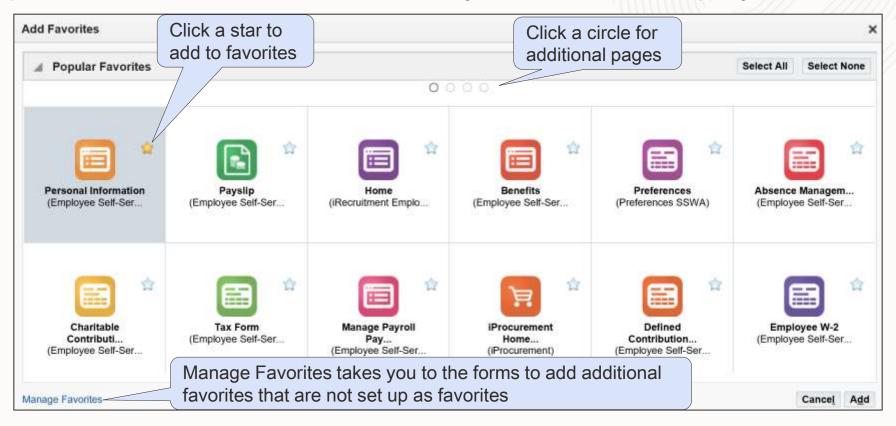
- Administrators can set the default favorites Functional Administrator → Personalization → Favorites
  - Default favorites appear as "Suggested Favorites" to users
  - Find the function, chuck the box, Click Add to Default Favorites, then click Apply





## Adding Favorites – Quick select Using Icon 12.2.9+

- After clicking the Add to Favorites icon, default favorite icons appear
  - Only the suggested favorites that apply to the user based on their responsibilities and favorites already chosen are displayed



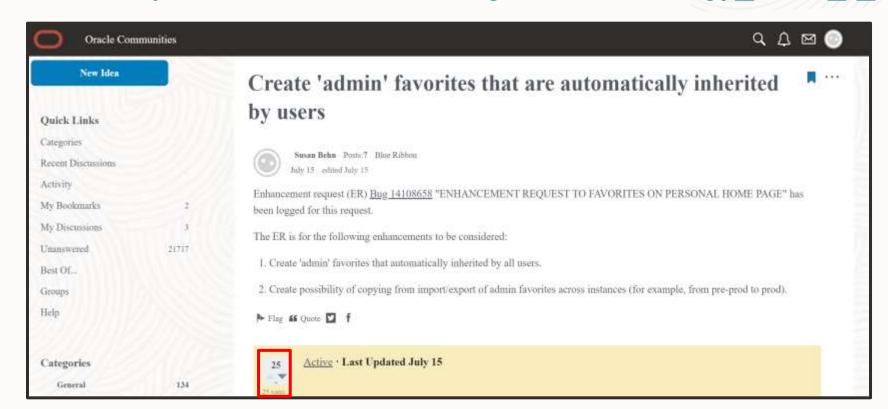


#### **Default Favorites 12.2.9+**

- Vote for enhancement request to provide API to assign favorites to user
  - https://community.oracle.com/mosc/discussion/4404337/create-admin-favorites-that-are-automatically-inherited-by-users#latest
- All Tech stack ideas:

https://community.oracle.com/mosc/categories/technology\_stack - ebs-

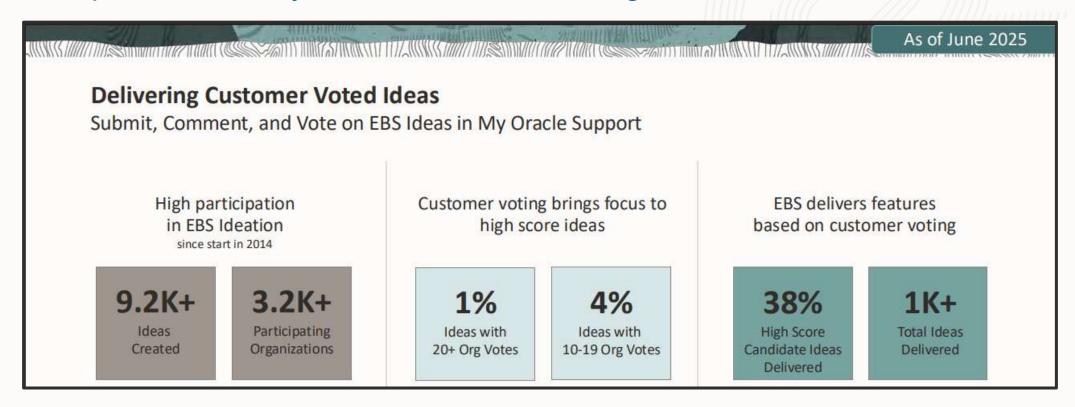
<u>ideas</u>





#### Vote on EBS ideas!

- From Cliff Godwin's presentation, June 2025 voting matters!
  - https://community.oracle.com/mosc/categories/e-business-suite-ideas-lab

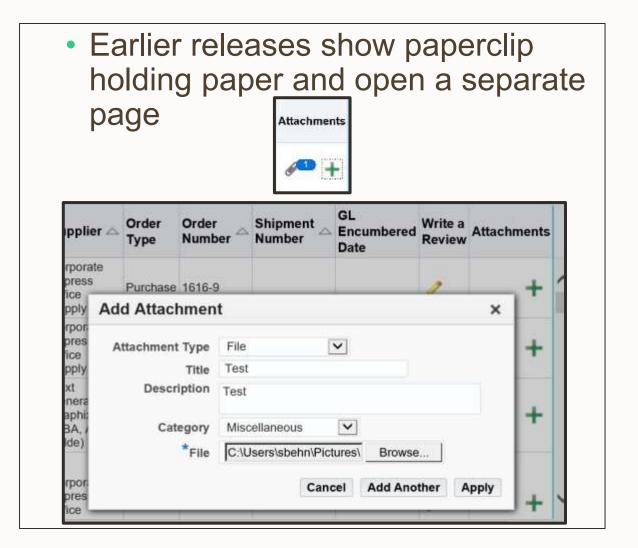




## Simplified Attachment Pop-up 12.2.7

12.2.7+ Shows # of attachments and open as a pop-up (better for tablets) **Attachments** Add Attachment Add Another Apply Add Desktop-Rie/Text/ LRL \* Description Category Miscellaneous Define Attachmen Type \* Fig. Choose File No Be chosen URL Tot

Cancel Add Another Apply



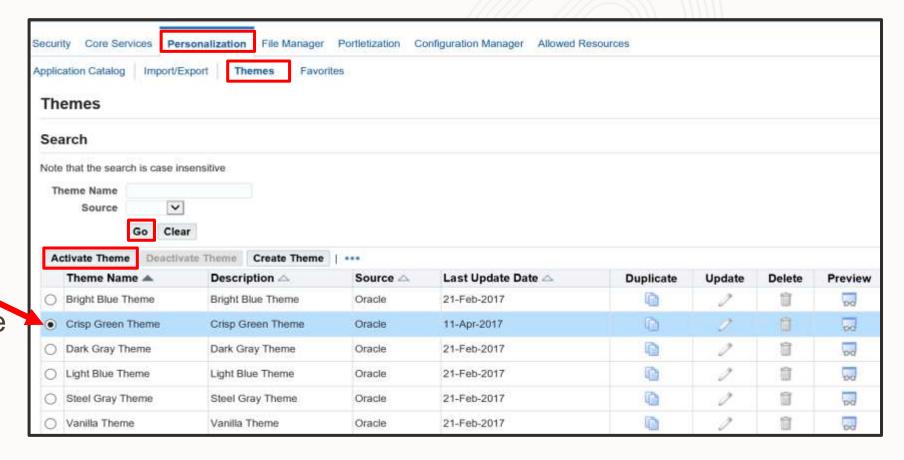


## **Attachment Security – 12.2.13**

- FND Attachment Antivirus Software Type specify virus software to use to scan attachments at the site level
  - SYMANTEC or NONE are currently the only supported options
- FND Attachment Antivirus Server specify server where virus software is located at the site level
  - Example: www.Symantec.com
- FND: Disable Virus Scan
  - If Yes, must set the two previous profile options

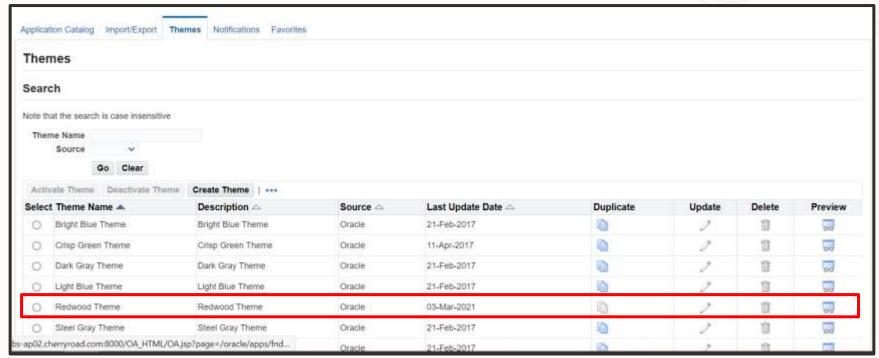


- Themes allow users to change the Look and Feel on OAF Pages
- Go to Functional Administrator → Personalization → Themes
- Click Go
- Click a radio button for a theme, then click Activate Theme
- Recommendation –
   Use a different
   theme for
   production, test,
   development and
   other environments



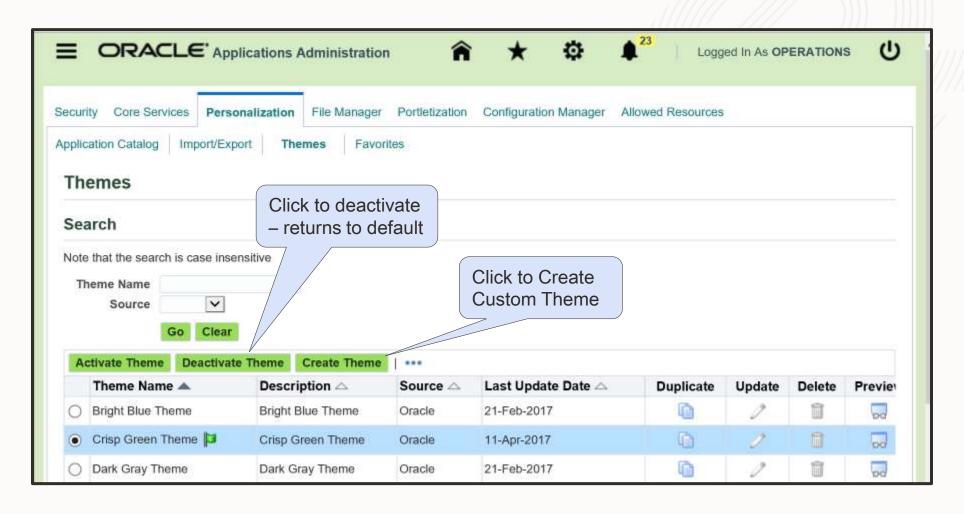


- The Redwood theme was added in 12.2.11
- 12.2.13 Redwood theme extended and used by default on some pages
- 12.2.15 the Redwood theme is now the default theme and new colors incorporated



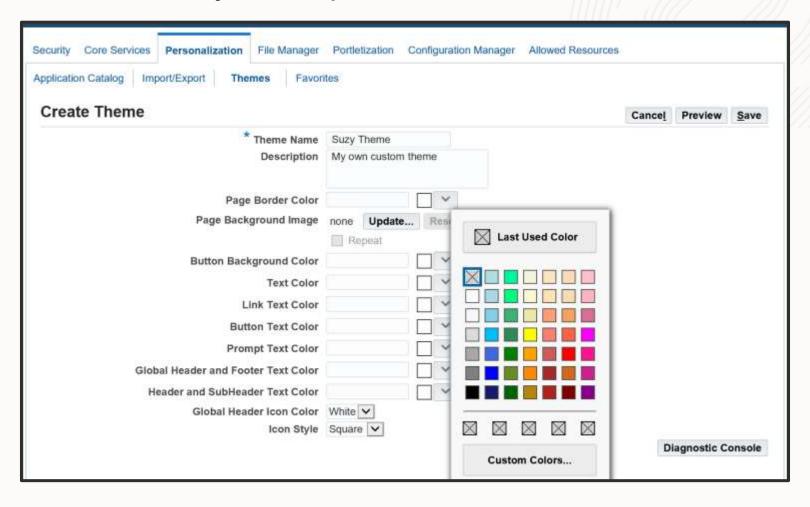


I deactivated this one right away...a little bright for me





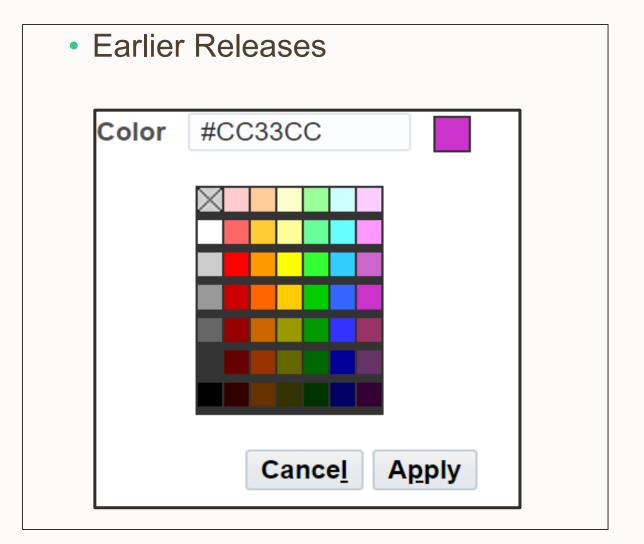
 Use the Create Theme button on the previous slide to create your own custom theme to match your corporate colors





## Color Picker Enhancement 12.2.9+

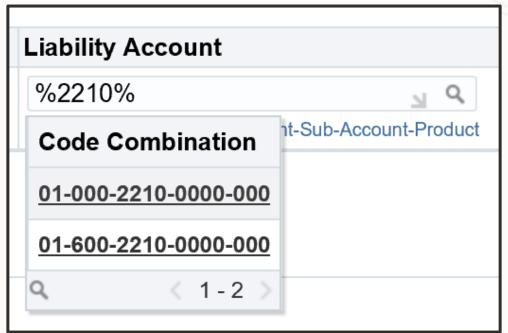
12.2.9+ The color picker user interface now uses an enhanced color spectrum and color swatch **Last Used Color** Hex Red Green Blue Custom Colors... Cancel





#### Multi-column search in look-ahead LOV 12.2.7

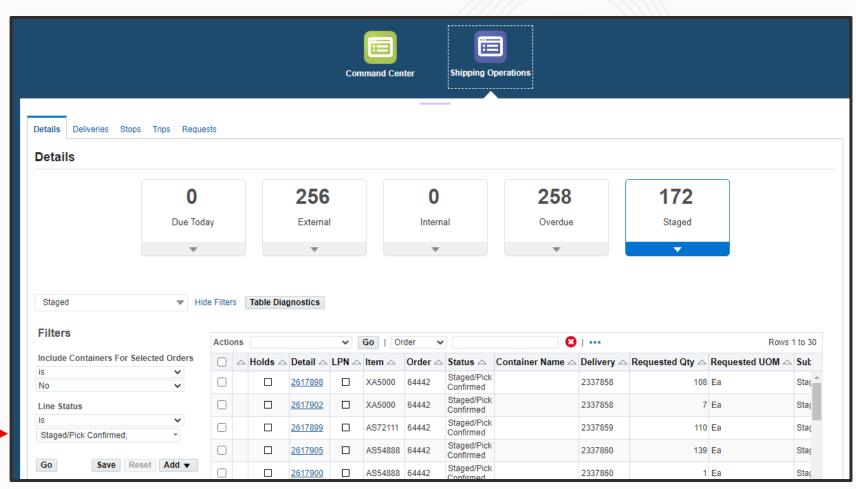
- Multi-column search allows searching on all search-allowed columns for the look-ahead LOV instead of just the first column
- This is enabled for the accounting Flexfield as an example in EBS
- Developers set the property "Look Ahead Multi Column Search Enabled" to True





#### **Infotiles**

- 12.2.8
  - Warehouse Task Management OAF Page
- 12.2.9+
  - With list search, users can view saved table searches as infotiles
    - ✓ Set FND : Enable Infotile View for Query Beans to True to see Infotiles
- 12.2.10
  - Added to Inventory -Search Reservations
  - Added to Installed Base -Transaction Interface Search
- Example Logistics Manager
   → Shipping Operations Page
- 12.2.11
  - Static and dynamic colorcoding functionality added



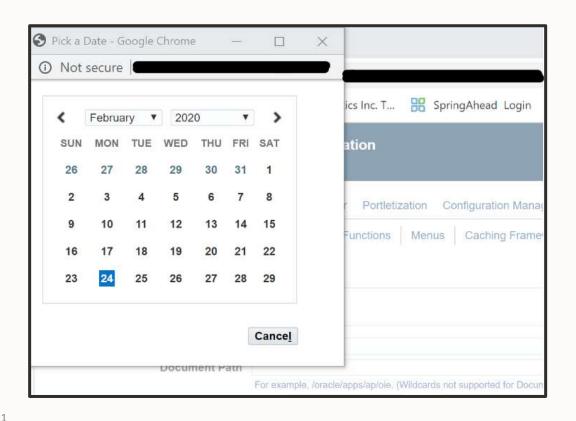


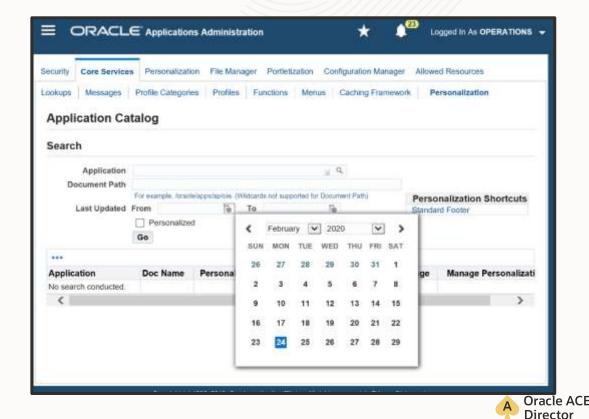
#### **Date Picker Enhancements**

- 12.2.4 Date picker enhanced to support time
- 12.2.9+ The date picker now uses a HTML window instead of using a modal browser window – better for mobile devices

Earlier releases

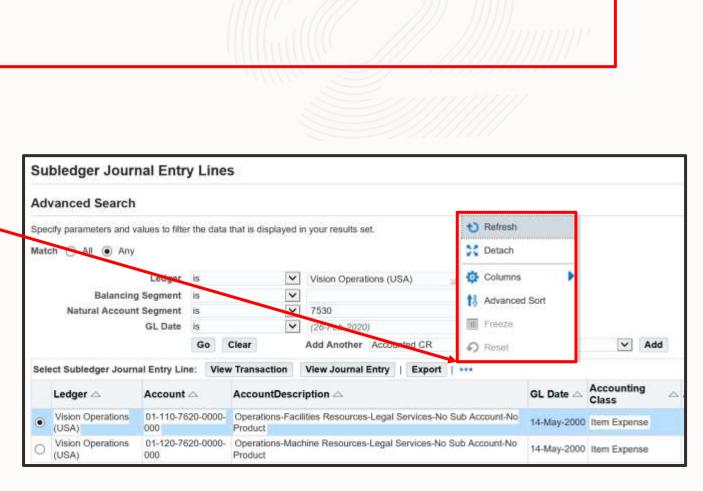
12.2.9+





## Simplified Table Toolbar 12.2.9+

- The table toolbar has been simplified to comply with the latest UI design
  - Previous versions show icons for Refresh, Detach, Columns, Freeze, and Reset on the toolbar
  - In 12.2.9+, these are a popup displayed by clicking the to display the action menu
- Set the profile option FND: Enable Simplified Table Control Bar
  - True displays
  - False displays the icons as in previous releases



View Journal Entry

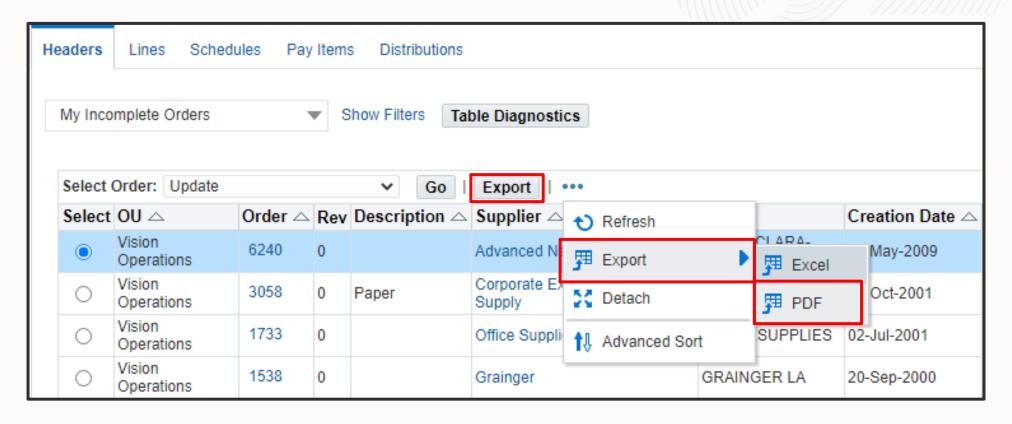
View Transaction

Select Subledger Journal Entry Line:



## **Export OAF Table Data to PDF 12.2.10+**

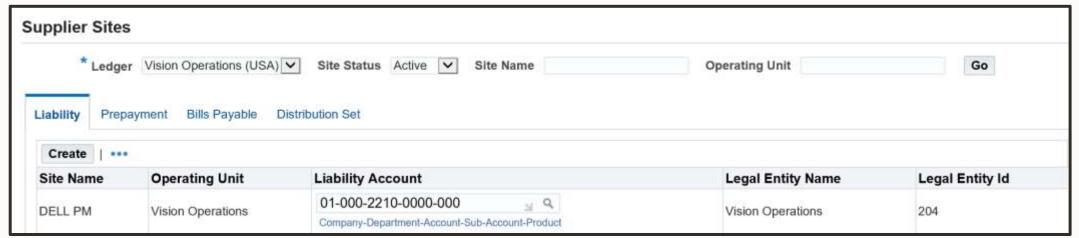
- Users can now export Oracle Application Framework table data to a PDF file
- Control for both excel and pdf is by setting the profile option FND: Enable BNE Table Integration to true





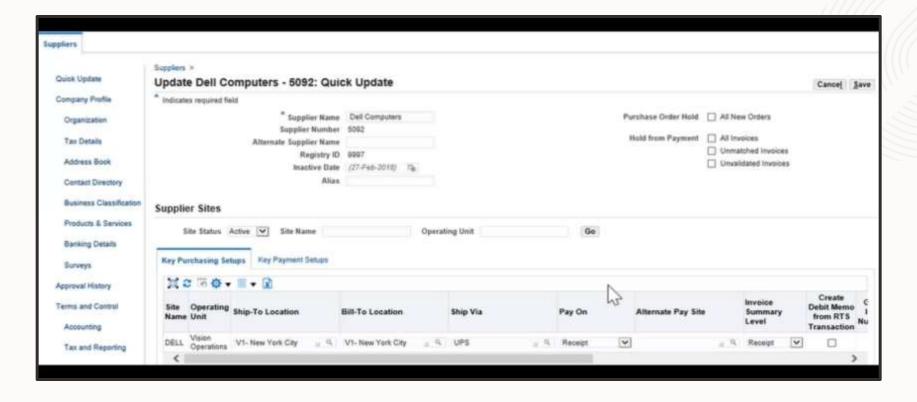
#### **Rich Table Interactions**

- R12.2.3 Rich table interactions introduced
  - FND: Enable Rich Table Interactions Set to Yes
  - Oracle Applications Look and Feel Set to null (Null forces the correct default by release)
- 12.2.9 Rich table interactions support added for the following table types
  - Descriptive flexfields rendered as a pop-up
  - Tables with a key flexfield displaying the combinations list of values
  - Example before 12.2.9+, rich table interactions were not supported on the supplier sites page shown below because it includes a key flexfield





## **Rich Table Interactions Video clip**



- Move-drag and drop
- 2. Hide column
- 3. Freeze column
- 4. Unfreeze
- 5. Gear move columns
- 6. Change column width
- 7. Reset



#### **Saved Searches**

- Save Search / Create View
- If there are no existing saved searches, start with:
  - Save Search SLA
  - Create View Account Analysis

Save Search

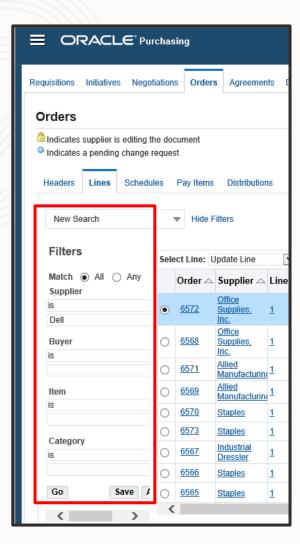
Create View

Personalize button – Appears if you already have created a saved search



- Don't confuse this with OAF personalizations
  - 12.2.7 –used in Buyers Work Center
  - 12.2.10 used in some pages such as SLA Journal Entry Lines
  - 12.2.12 SLA and Account analysis use List Search

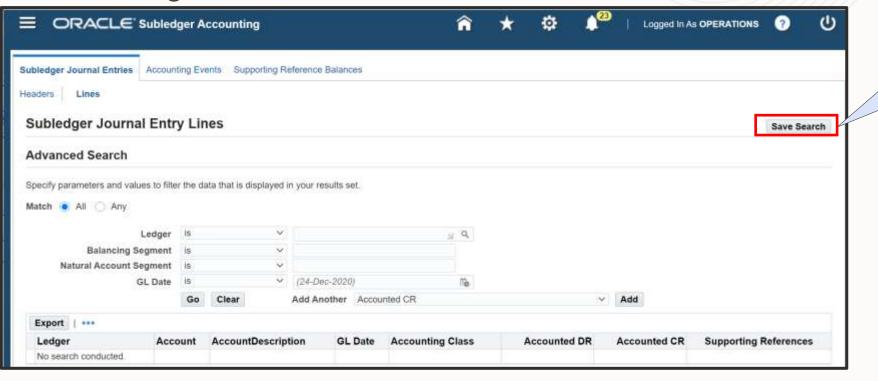
- List Search 12.2.9+
  - Set FND: Enable List Search profile option to True
  - Implemented in EBS on pages with key business transactions such as
    - ✓ iProcurement Catalog
    - ✓ Orders
    - Project costing expenditure inquiry
    - Purchasing buyer work center
  - 12.2.10 new features
    - Advanced sorting
    - Manage saved searches





## Payables Subledger Journal Entry Lines Saved Search – End Users

- Payables→Subledger Accounting→Journal Entry Lines
- To create a view without access to OAF personalizations, create a saved search
  - The advantage is this can be done by end users without access to the "Personalize Page" link



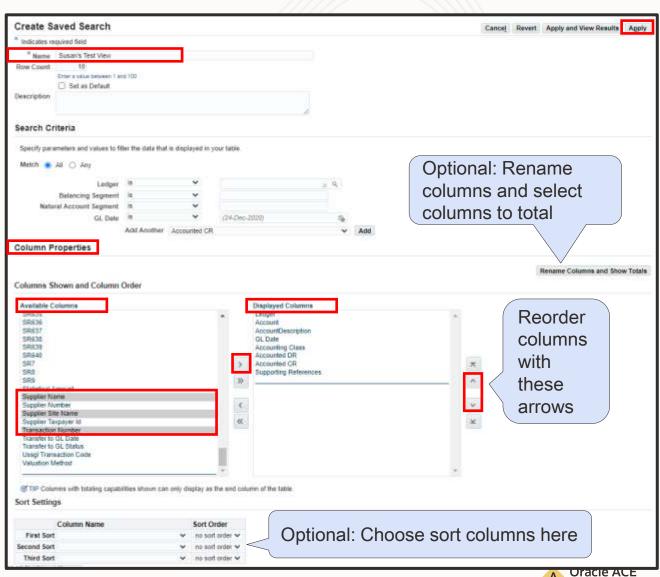


Click

Save

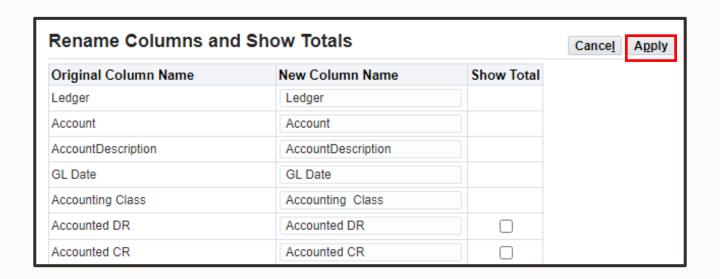
Search

- At a minimum, enter a name for the new search
- Then scroll down on the page to the Column Properties section
- Choose the columns for this view and move them to the displayed columns using the arrow
- Optionally click Rename Columns and Show Totals
- Optionally choose sort columns
- Click Apply



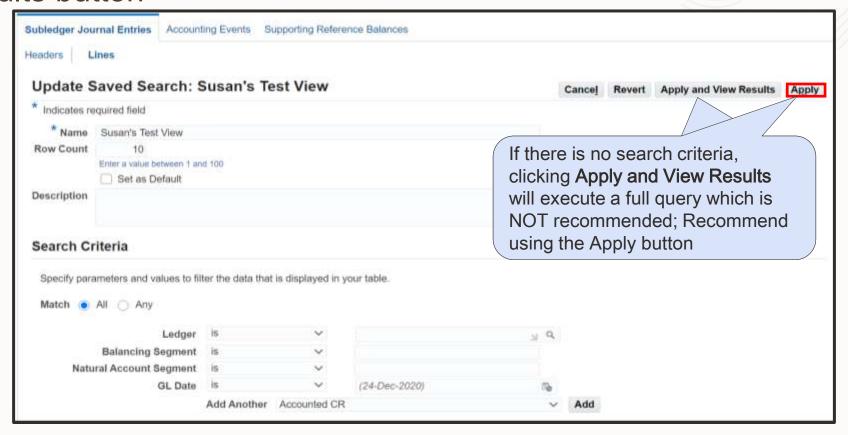


- Optional step: If the Rename Columns and Show Totals button on the previous slide was clicked, the popup below will appear
  - Rename columns if needed
  - Click the check boxes for numeric columns where you want totals
- Click Apply





- Click Apply (if no search criteria)
- Click Apply and View Results if there is search criteria
  - Consider creating an OAF personalization to hide the Apply and View Results button



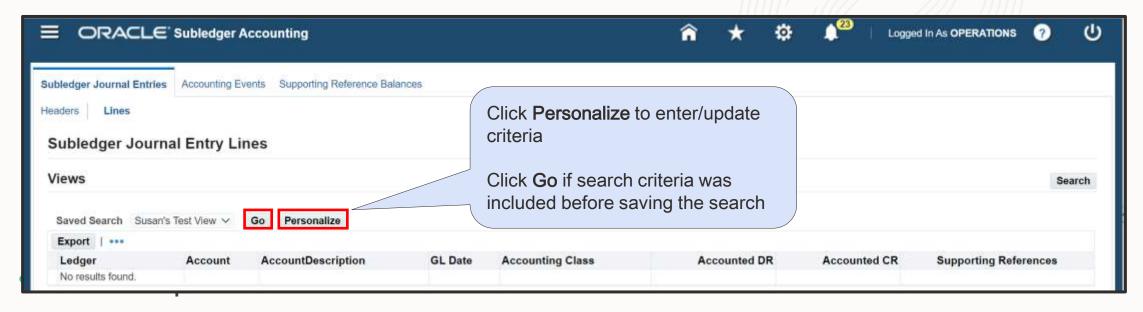


If Apply was clicked on the previous page, click Apply again on this page





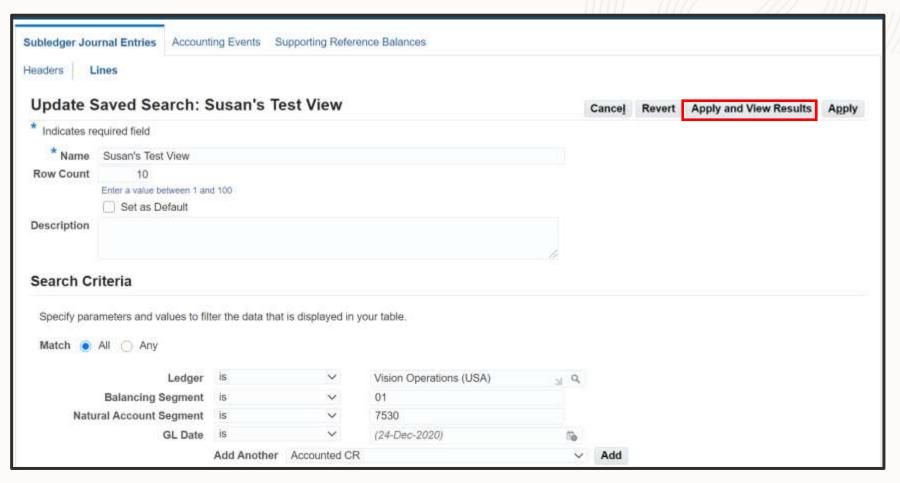
 In my example, since this search was created without search criteria, click Personalize to modify the search criteria







- Enter the search criteria
- Now with the search criteria, click Apply and View Results





- If it is a significant risk at your organization that users will do full searches, train
  users to save the view with limited search criteria
  - Since they are going to likely change it anyway, this would be the best practice
  - The last saved search criteria will apply until a user changes the criteria
- If there is no need to modify the criteria, the user can select the saved search and click GO

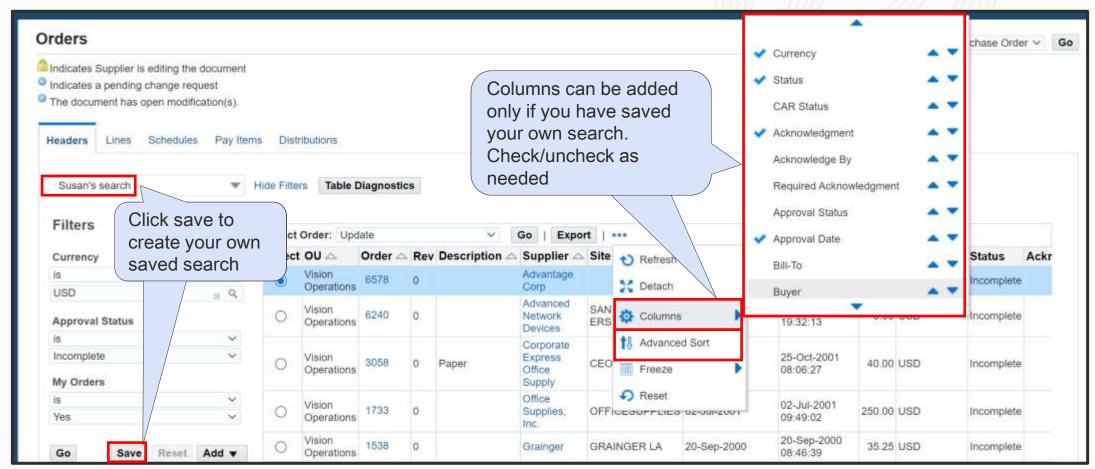




# List Search – Buyers Work Center

#### **List Search – Saving and Personalizing 12.2.9**

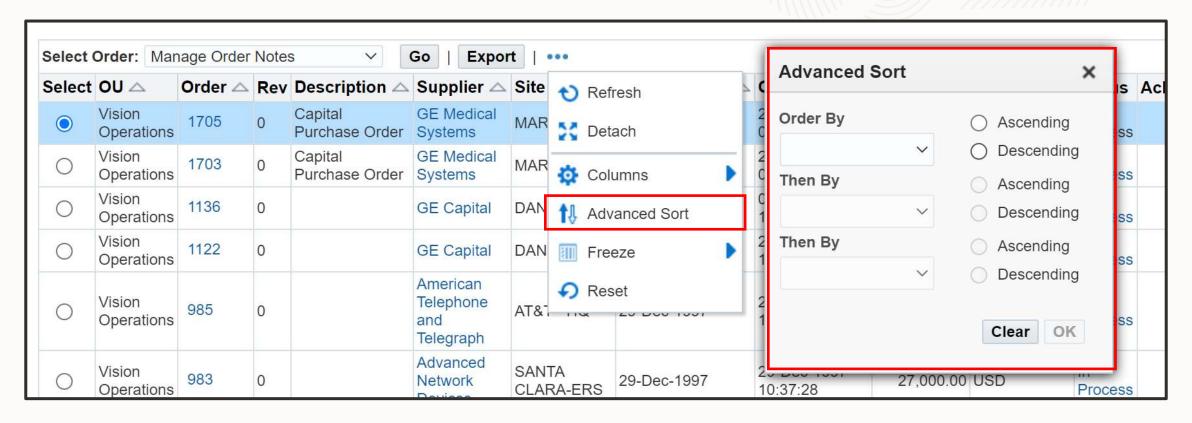
- List search replaces the Create View/Save Search button
- Set the FND: Enable List Search profile option to 'True'





#### List Search - Advanced Sort 12.2.10+

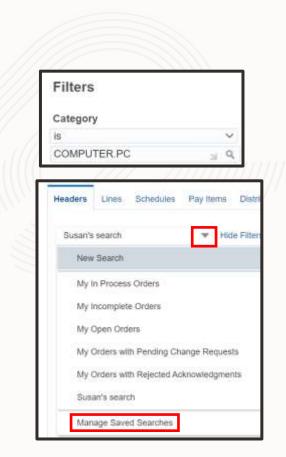
- Click on the 
   to display the toolbar
- Click Advanced Sort
  - Choose the sort orders in the popup, then click OK





#### **List Search - Manage Save Searches Enhancements**

- 12.2.10 List Search filters now support flexfields
- 12.2.10 The manage saved search popup has been streamlined and enhanced to provide more details and enable notifications for personal saved searches created by users
  - Click the drop down next to the list of saved searches
  - Click Manage Saved Searches
  - Click the trash can to delete searches
  - 12.2.11 Click the alert flag to set up alerts
- 12.2.11 For pages that support infotiles, notifications can be added to the tile to report a change in the data in a search

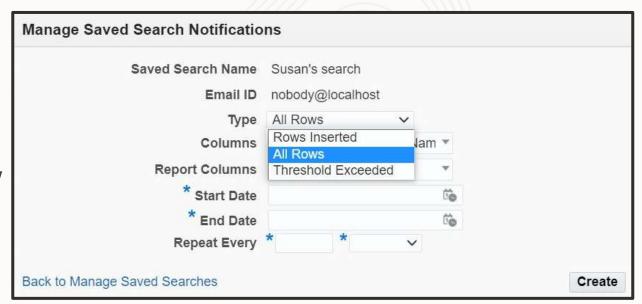






#### **List Search - Manage Save Searches Enhancements**

- To set up the saved search notification
- Choose the type
  - All Rows sends all rows
  - Rows Inserted sends only new rows added since the last report
  - Threshold Exceeded for total records on the search – sends a report only when the record count exceeds a threshold
- Complete remaining parameters





#### **List Search - Manage Save Searches Enhancements**

- 12.2.11 Saved Search Notifications / alerts require a role and the workflow mailer
  - Set up the workflow mailer
  - User must have an active email id
  - Set FND : Enable Infotile View for Query Beans to True to see Infotiles
  - Assign the seeded Saved Search Notifications role to the user in the User Management responsibility

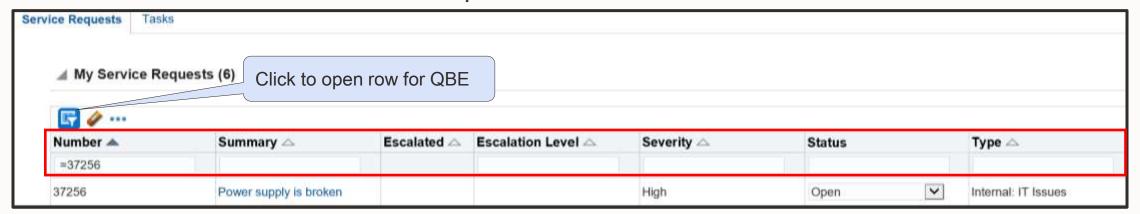




#### Query by Example (QBE) on Advanced tables 12.2.9+

- Set the profile option FND: Enable Rich Table Interactions = True
- Click the filter icon
- Use Query Operators such as =, !=, <>, >=,
- Click enter to submit query
- Not available on tables with List Search
- Examples
  - Oracle Spares Planners Workbench
  - Oracle Service Service Requests

Query Operators		
Operator	Meaning	Example Expression
=	equals	= 'Janet', = 107
!= or <>	is not	!= 'Bob', != 109
>	greater than	> 99.1, > '01-JAN-04'
>=	at least	>= 55
<	less than	< 1000.00
<=	at most	<= 100

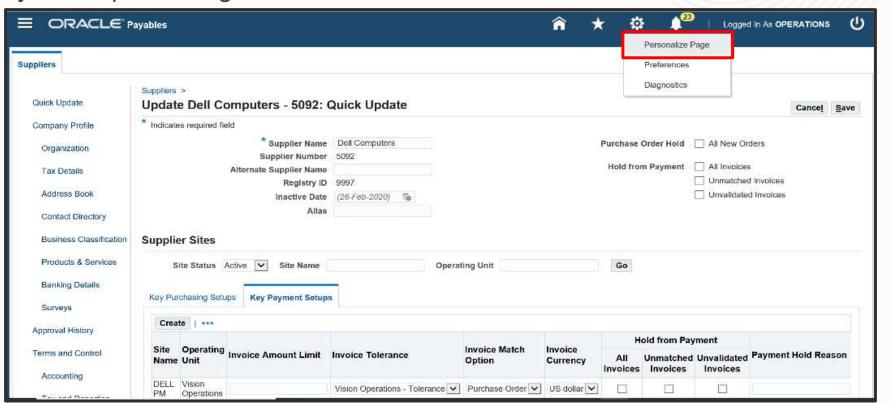




# Record History

#### **Record History 12.2.9+**

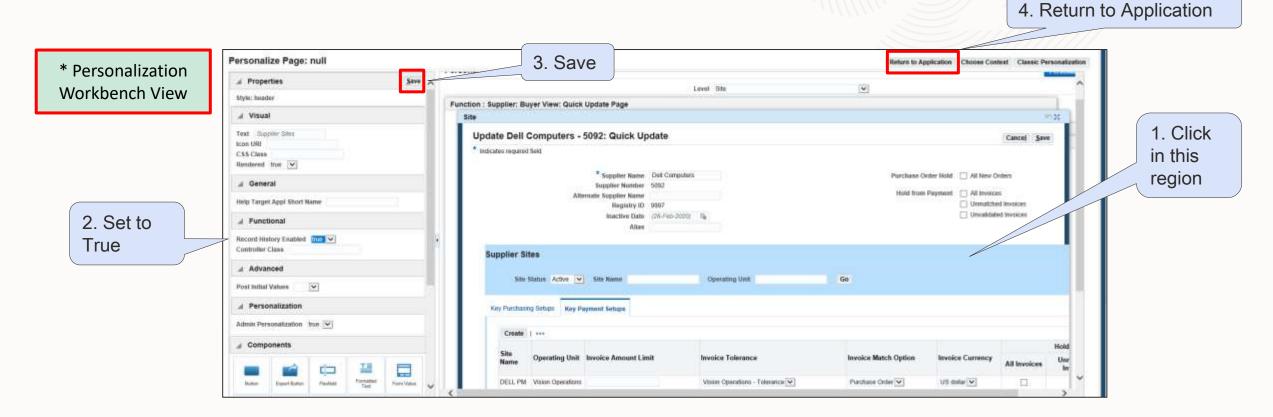
- More tables with record history are enabled in each new release
  - 12.0.6 Record History now shows the username rather than user ID for the 'Last Updated By' and 'Created By' fields
  - 12.0.6 Set FND: Record History Enabled to Yes to enable record history for a Header, Table or Advanced Table region
  - If #1 doesn't work, click Personalize Page to try a personalization to turn on record history for a specific region





#### **Record History 12.2.9+ - Personalization Workbench**

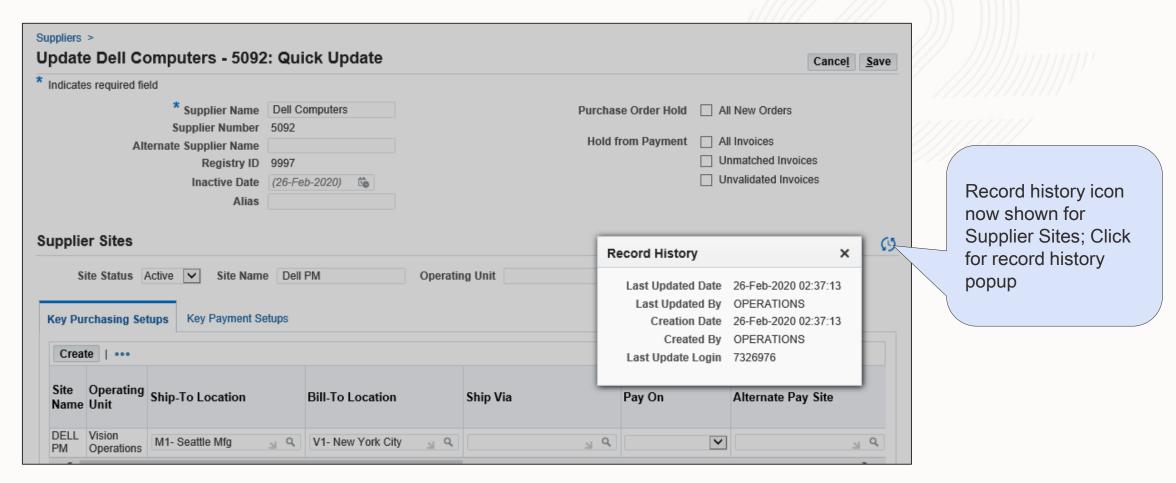
- Click in the "Supplier Sites" region and then on the Properties palette on the left, scroll down to set "Record History Enabled" to true
- Then scroll back up to click Save and Return to Application





#### **Record History 12.2.9+**

Choose a site and click the record history icon that is now on the page

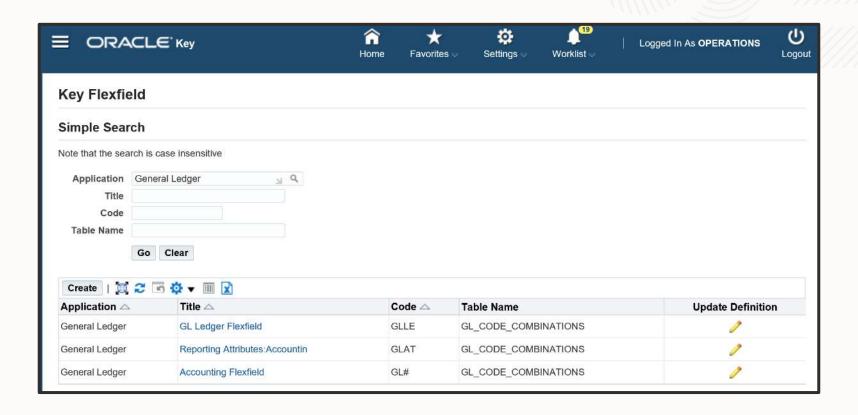




# Flexfield Enhancements

#### Flexfields Registration HTML UI 12.2.6

- The form to register key flexfields and descriptive flexfields and search for registered flexfields is now available in OAF pages
- Application Developer → Flexfield → Key





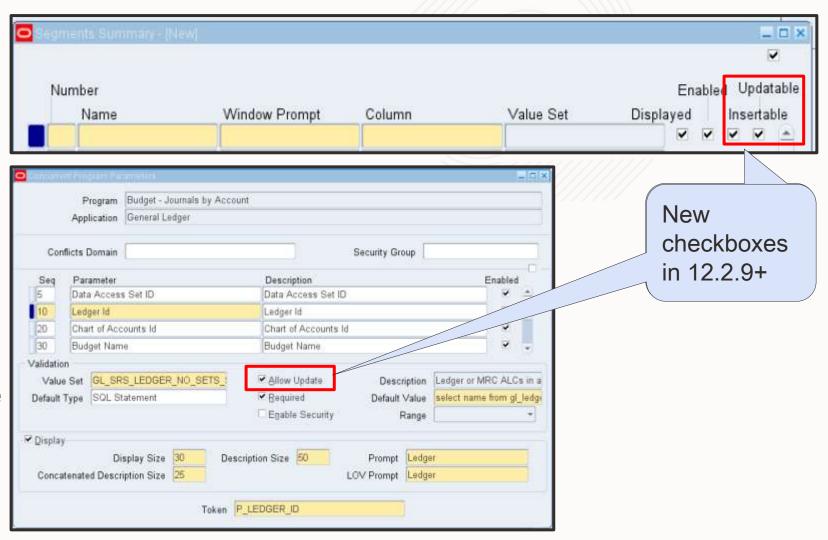
#### Open Key Flexfield Window by Default 12.2.4

- The profile option Flexfields: Open Key Window On Default controls whether a flexfield window will open when a user presses Tab to leave a concatenated key flexfield field
  - Set to Yes to always open the window for the user to view and/or edit segments
  - Set to No, to allow the user to tab through and accept defaults
- It is common for this behavior to be different by application so consider setting this profile option at the application level
  - Example 1 most users entering a requisition will not change the accounting flexfield so set the profile option to no for iProcurment responsibilities
  - Example 2 most users in payables responsibilities are updating the accounting flexfield so set the profile option to yes for all payables responsibilities



#### Read-Only Flexfields Segments Capability 12.2.9+

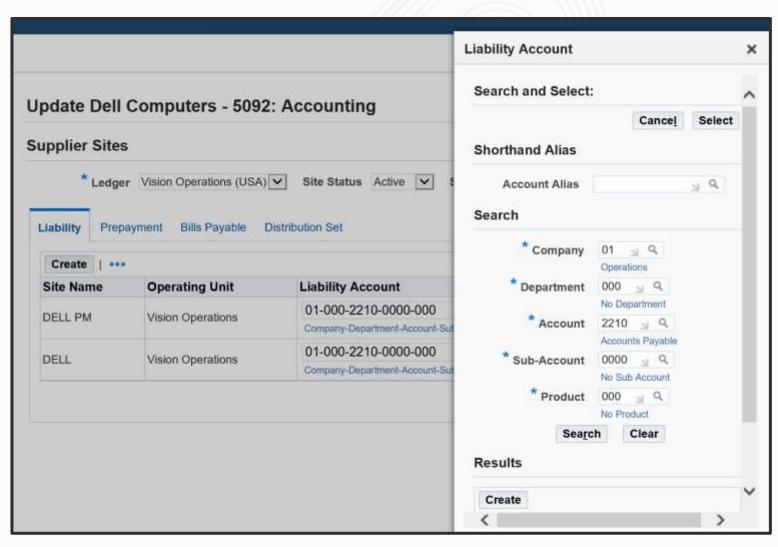
- Flexfield segments can now be defined as readonly by unchecking the Insertable and Updatable checkbox when defining flexfield segments
- Flexfield segments used as concurrent program parameters can be defined to be read-only by unchecking the Allow Update checkbox on the parameters page for the concurrent program definition





#### **Key Flexfield LOV Pop-up 12.2.9+**

- The key flexfield combinations list of values window now appears as a pop-up by default instead of in a browser window
- FND: Enable Open LOV In Popup profile option
  - True popup which is better for tablets
  - False use the modal browser window as in previous releases





## Personalization Workbench

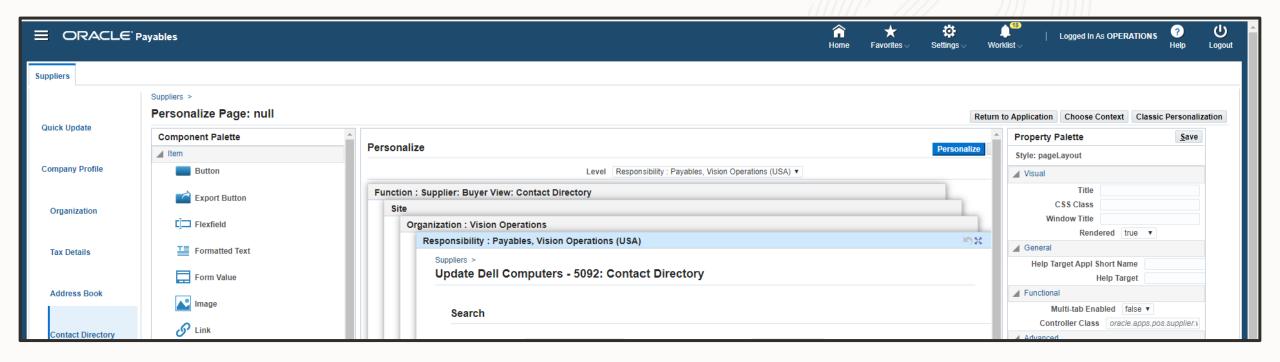
#### Personalization Workbench Enhancements 12.2.9+

- The Personalization Workbench now uses a masonry layout with accordion views for the property and component palettes
- Support is also added for some Rich Table Interactions
  - Hiding and reordering columns
  - Page-level buttons
  - Return to" navigation link



#### **Personalization Workbench – Earlier releases**

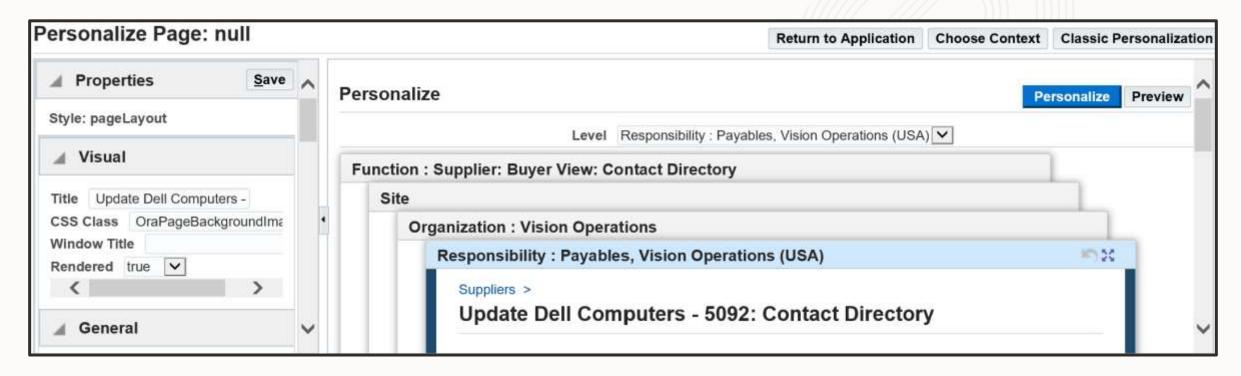
Note the component palette on the left and property palette on the right





#### Personalization Workbench 12.2.9+

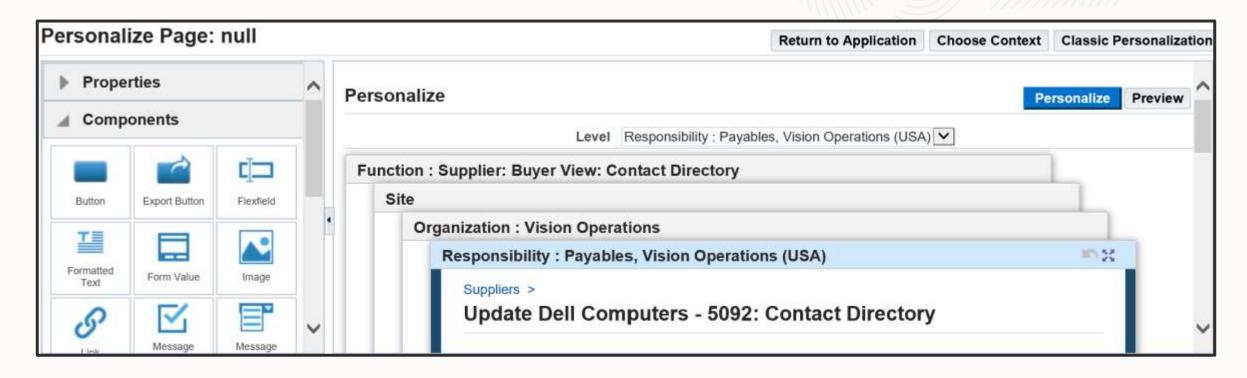
• In 12.2.9+ the component and properties palettes are moved to the left





#### Personalization Workbench 12.2.9+

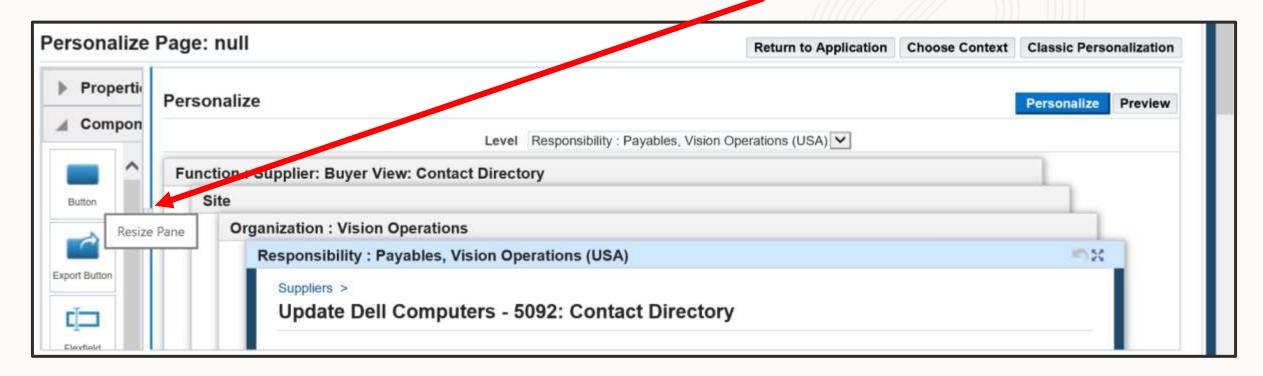
- The accordion features allows the user to expand the properties or components palette using arrows
- Components are displayed as icons





#### Personalization Workbench 12.2.9+

Rich table interaction allows the user to hide or resize the left panel





## Concurrent Processing

#### **Concurrent Output File Naming Conventions 12.2.9+**

- The output file naming conventions for Concurrent Processing have changed
- Options for the \$APPCPNAM variable to allow configuration of the output file name:
  - USER.REQID Results in username.request
  - REQID.OUT Results in o<requestid>.out
  - NULL (Default) Results in o<requestid>.<extension> with the extension derived from the request output type as follows:

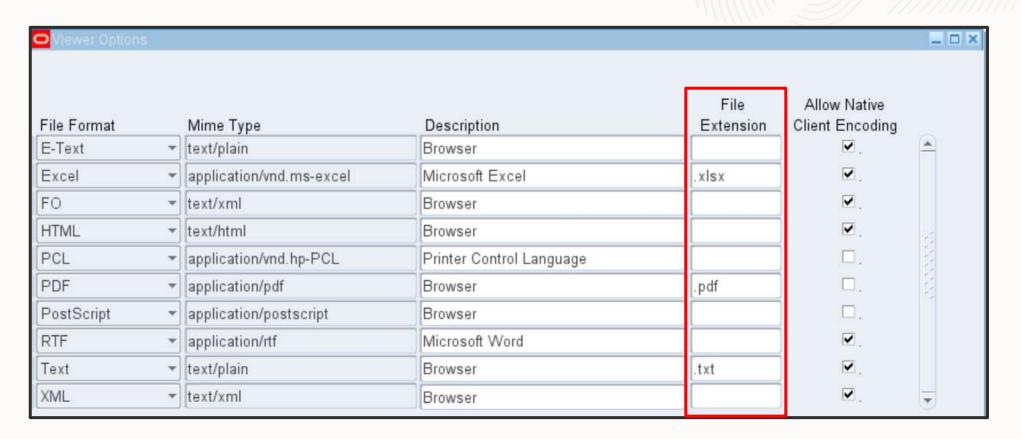
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✓ Text - .txt
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- ✓ PDF .pdf
- ✓ HTML .html
- ✓ XML .xml
- ✓ Postscript .ps
- ✓ PCL .pcl



#### **Concurrent Request Viewer Options 12.2.12+**

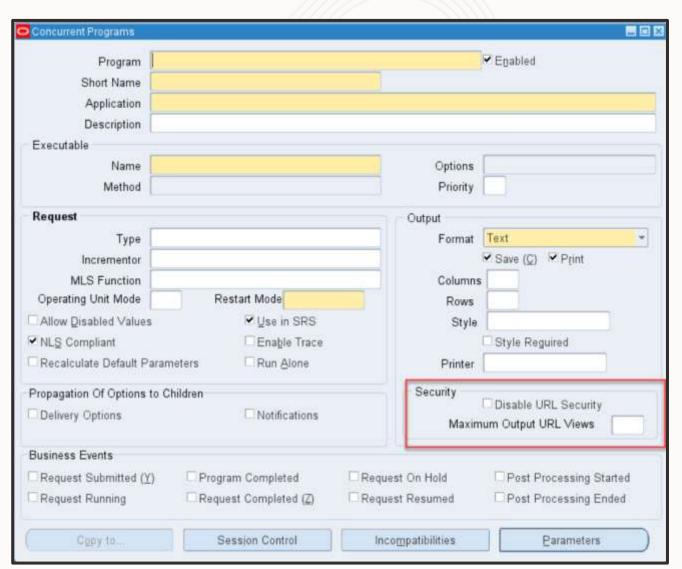
- System Adminstrator → Install → Viewer Options
- Associate file extensions to the File Format/Mime Type to launch the correct program to view the output





#### Set max for number of url views (12.2.14)

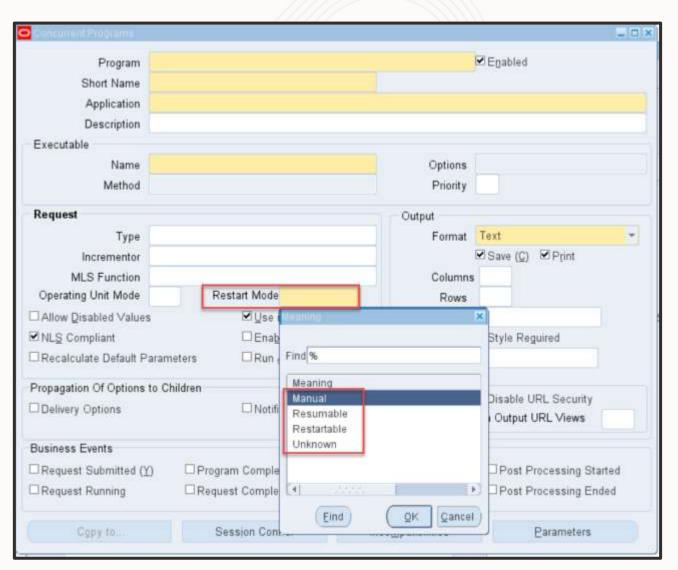
- Concurrent Program → Define has new fields
- For security, you can set a maximum number of URL views in 12.2.14 by setting Maximum Output URL views to 1 or greater
- Check the Disable URL Security checkbox to ignore the maximum output number
- Caution some browsers will prohibit this functionality – make sure this is well tested





#### **Concurrent request restart mode (12.2.14)**

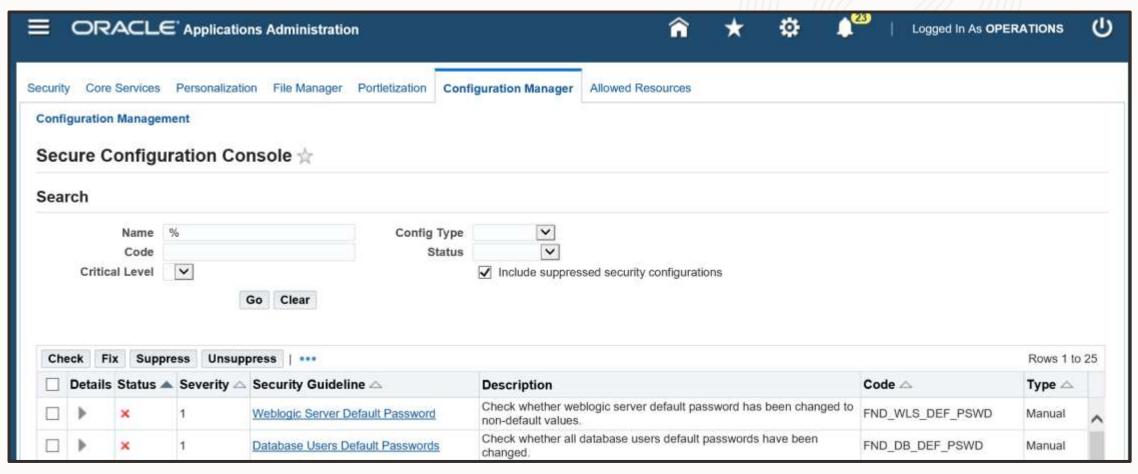
- Concurrent Program → Define has new fields
- The new Restart Mode field configures how a concurrent program can be restarted when the concurrent manager is restarted
  - Manual/Unknown must be restarted by admin
  - Resumable picks up where it left off
    - Code must support resuming a process
  - Restartable restarts from beginning
- Seeded programs are set to a value supported by that specific request
  - See the product-specific documentation for details





# Secure Configuration Console

 12.2.6+ – The Secure Configuration Console UI provides central UI to configure security features





- Verification of security configurations is now required
  - EBS is locked down until the system administrator configures or acknowledges the recommended security configurations in the Secure Configuration Console to unlock the system for normal usage

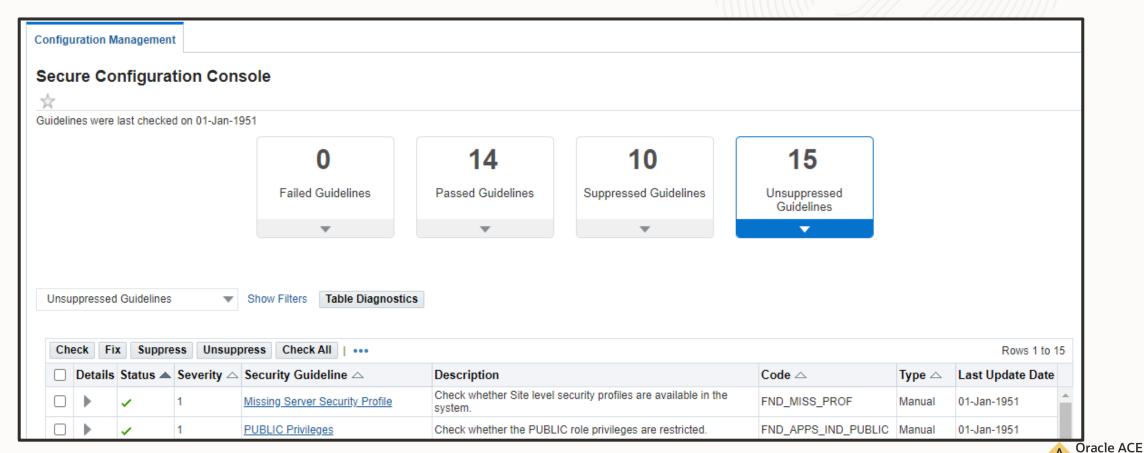
#### Error

Oracle E-Business Suite has been placed into locked-down mode. Please contact system administrator for further assistance.

- Log into EBS using the local login page (http(s)://[host]:[port]/OA\_HTML/AppsLocalLogin.jsp)
  - ✓ Navigate to the console and unlock the system
  - ✓ If a user with local system administrator privileges is not available, you can access the Secure Configuration Console through a command line utility AdminSecurityCfg
  - ✓ For more information, see "Secure Configuration Console" in the <u>Oracle E-Business</u> <u>Suite Security Guide, Part No. E22952</u>



- 12.2.10+ The Secure Configuration Console UI includes four new info tiles with predefined filters
  - Consider saved search notifications for these searches



- Access to the Secure Configuration Console
  - System Administrator → Oracle Applications Manager → Dashboard → Security → Secure Configuration Console
  - Functional Administrator → Configuration Manager
- Additional security checks added to the secure console in 12.2.7+
  - Clickjacking Protection
  - Diagnostic Web Pages Protected
  - PUBLIC Privileges
  - Workflow Email Link Login
  - Allowed Resources Configuration
  - Allowed Resources Whitelist Configuration
  - Database Parameters (init\*.ora)
  - Database Password Profiles
  - iRecruitment File Upload Profile
  - Workflow Admin Access
- Additional security checks added to the secure console in 12.2.10+
  - Database Network Access Control List

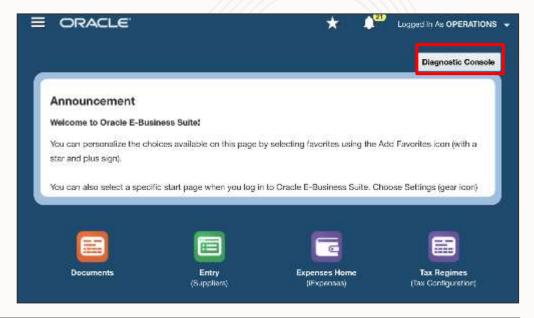


- Additional security checks added to the secure console in 12.2.10
  - Database Network Access Control List
- Additional security checks added to the secure console in 12.2.11
  - CPU Level
  - FND Global File Manager Authorization
  - Unused Resources
  - Increased Severity to Sev 1 for Allowed Resources Configuration Check
- Additional security checks added or updated to the secure console in 12.2.15
  - Unified Auditing is enabled
  - Allowed Resources that are unused are denied (Updated to disable check if allowed resources is not enabled)
  - Critical security profile values are set correctly (Updated to confirm developer console is disabled)
  - Database users default passwords have been changed to non-default values (Updated to no longer check databases prior to 11.2.0.4)
  - Oracle E-Business Suite CPU patch level is the expected level or later (Updated to default to verifying the last CPU has been applied)



#### **Diagnostic Console Enhancements 12.2.9 and 12.2.12+**

- Diagnostics console button appears on the home page when the profile option
   FND: Diagnostics is set to Yes
  - Quicker way to clear cache
- 12.2.12 Set the new profile option "FND: Disable Diagnostic Console" to "Yes" to hide the button



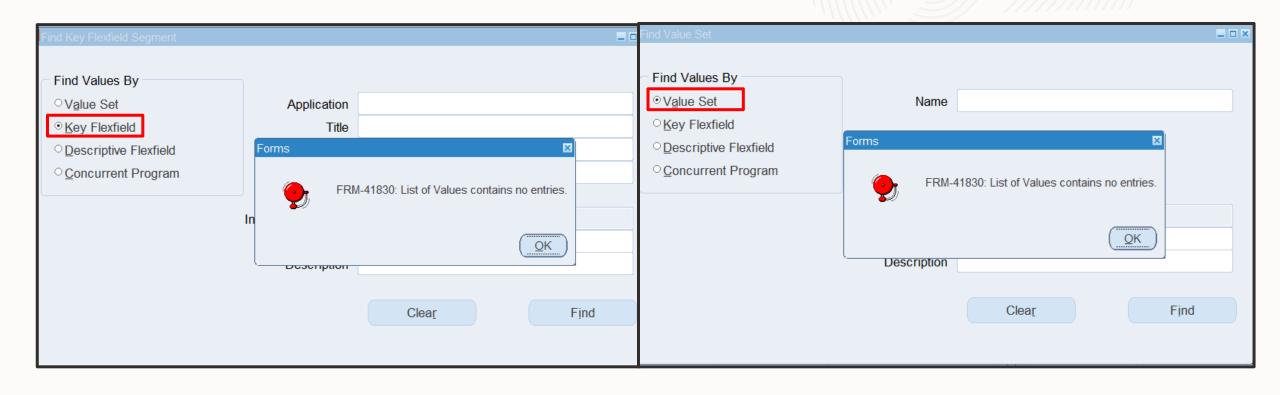




# Flexfield Value Set Security Security Wizards

#### Flexfields | Validation | Values

- Access to internal bank configuration must be configured starting in 12.1.x
- Access to Key Flexfield values or Value Set Values shown in screen shot must be configured starting in 12.2





#### Flexfield Value Sets: Security Administration Setup Recommendations

- If Security is centrally maintained by IT support group:
  - System Administrator responsibility should be assigned the role "Flexfield Value Set Security: All Privileges" as backup to all Super Users
    - ✓ This role is seeded use Role Hierarchy to assign role
    - ✓ Sets behavior to same as 12.1
      - ➤ Many organizations used this to avoid configuring new functionally; time to reconsider
- If Security is distributed (e.g., GL group creates new accounting flexfield values)
  - Super User responsibility receives access to KFF and DFF for the application
    - ✓ Shared applications go to most appropriate super user (HR, Inv)
    - ✓ If further delineation is needed, assign by KFF structure or specific value set
  - Value Sets for Concurrent Programs should be assigned to the role that registers new Concurrent Programs (typically Application Developer or System Administrator)
  - Value Sets used for other purposes should be assigned to Super User role associated with the use of the value set or just System Administrator



#### **Security Wizards - Overview**

- Security wizards create grants through guided navigation path
  - Avoids need to know information not displayed on the screens such as application\_id, value\_set\_id, etc.
- Grant specific action(s) on a specific instance(s) of a given object to a specified role or responsibility
  - Example: Allow responsibility Payables Manager to create banks for the Vision Operations legal entity
  - Example: Allow responsibility General Ledger Super User to update all value sets for GL key flexfields



#### **Available Security Wizards**

- 12.1.3
  - CE UMX Security Wizard
    - ✓ Enables access to banks by role and legal entity
  - User Management : Security Administration Setup
    - ✓ Enables selected abilities to manage users associated with Employee, Customer and/or Supplier
- 12.2
  - (added 12.2.4) Concurrent Processing: Security Administration Setup
    - ✓ Profile Option "Concurrent Report Access Level" became obsolete in 12.1; Use security wizard to grant access needed
  - (added 12.2.6) Flexfield Value Sets: Security Administration Setup
    - ✓ Enables access to Value Sets by application, flexfield, structure, individual segment, report, or value set



#### **Additional Training**

- More extensive training on User management, Value Set Security and Security Wizards is available
  - 2020 UMX Part I User Management for Beginners 2020.pdf
  - UMX Part II Data Security Wizards and Proxy Users.pdf
  - 2020 UMX Part III Automate user creation and role assignments.pdf



## Workflow 12.2.5 - 12.2.10+ Enhancements

#### Workflow Enhancements 12.2.3 – 12.2.5

- 12.2.3 Request for more Information transfer
  - User or workflow administrator can transfer a request for more information
    - ✓ Can include a comment to the transferee
    - ✓ Date sent will display the date of the reassignment
    - ✓ Notification Details Page displays status showing a request for more information has been transferred with the comment
- 12.2.4 Worklist Access
  - The worklist access button has been removed and replaced with proxy user access functionality
- 12.2.5 Attachments
  - Attachments can be included in notifications that include an OAF region that includes in line attachments
- 12.2.5 Multiple email addresses
  - Notifications are sent to each email address stored for the user



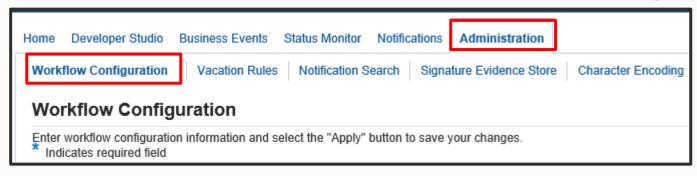
#### Workflow Enhancements 12.2.9 - 12.2.10+

- 12.2.9 Action History Enhancement
  - You can now include the action history table in a notification with the Expand Roles option
- 12.2.10 Enhanced My Worklist Pop-Up
  - Set WF: Enable Worklist Global Header Quick Actions profile option to Y which is the default value
- 12.2.11
  - Support added for Yes/No or True/False responses
  - Ability to manually enable/disable email delivery for specific item types or specific messages
    - ✓ Provides added level of security for specific emails containing PII or other personal information such as many HR emails
    - ✓ Use the new Email Notification Preference field in the Workflow Configuration page to configure the messages that are eligible to be sent in e-mail

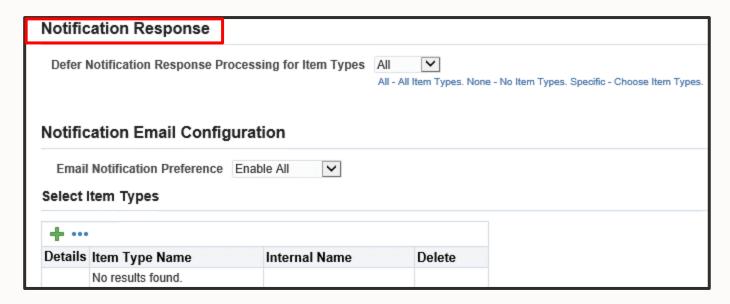




Workflow → Administration → Workflow Configuration



Scroll down to the Notification Response section





- Default is Enable All
- Choose Enable Specific or Disable Specific
- Click the +
- Choose an Item Type, then click the arrow to expand
- Must select each message to disable
  - To select all, must click through each page (next 10) and check the top checkbox for all on each page





- Pro tip: Personalize the page to set the records displayed to a higher number
  - Click Complete View radio button and Expand All link



- Use <ctrl F> to search for "Select Workflow Messages"
- Click the pencil to edit the next Advanced table



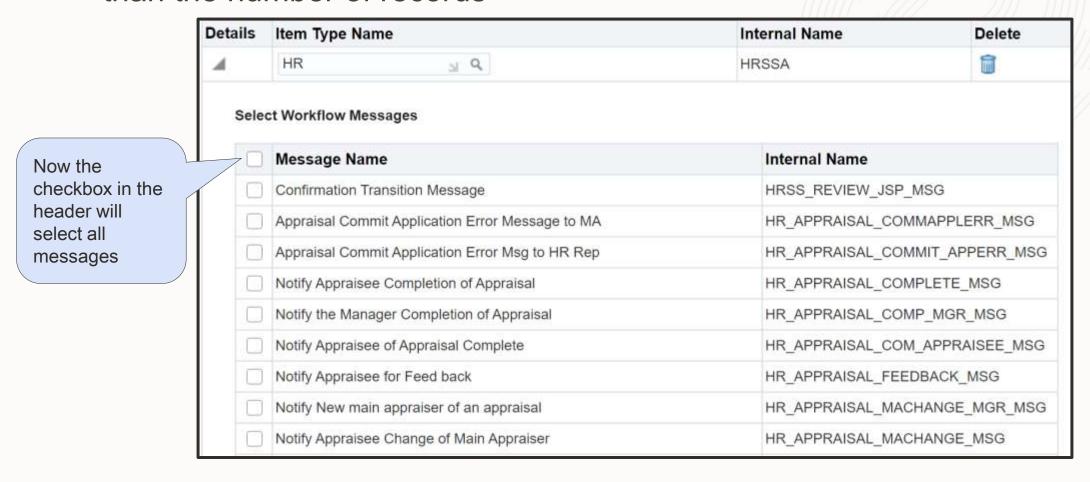
Set the "Records Displayed" property to a higher number



Click Apply and return to Application



 Next and previous links are now gone because the number of rows is higher than the number of records





#### Workflow - 12.2.13

- The new script, wfvcrdlt.sql will delete vacation rules for a specific user and/or before a particular date
  - Avoids having to delete one at a time through the UI
  - Deleting old rules improves performance
- The profile option "Workflow Mailer SMTP server size limit" can be set to limit the size of the body and any attachments for email notifications
  - Avoids errors that occur when emails exceed the mail server restrictions





#### WebADI 12.2.5

- WebADI now supports Office Open XML (OOXML) standard
  - OOXML is a format developed by Microsoft for spreadsheets/other documents
    - Creates document on server and does validations on server
    - ✓ Smaller file size / Faster Uploads
    - ✓ More secure does not require excel "trust" settings
  - Set the profile option BNE: Enable OOXML Standard to Yes
    - ✓ Starting in 12.2.6, default is Yes
  - Spreadsheets exported from OAF tables are always OOXML regardless of profile setting
  - If you are upgrading, you must rebuild templates unless you set profile option back to No



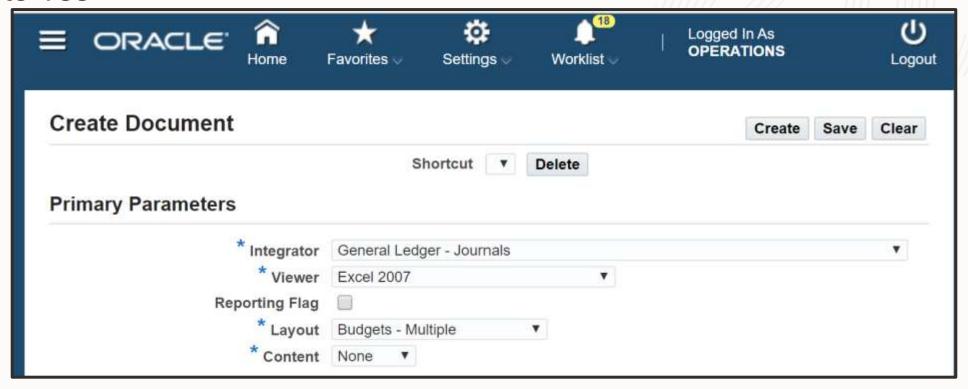
#### **WebADI Simplified Layout Page 12.2.5**

- Set the new profile option, BNE: Enable Simplified Define Layout to Yes to use the simplified Define Layout page
  - Users enter all document parameters on a single page
  - If set to No, the old method is used to guide users through multiple pages to enter the layout properties
- Setting this profile option at the application level is recommended due to the different end user experience by application
  - Two end user access options depend on individual product implementations
    - ✓ The product integrates the generate spreadsheet functionality within its own functional page flow
    - ✓ Oracle Web Applications Desktop Integrator is used in the background to generate the spreadsheet (most common)
  - See the product-specific documentation for details on accessing the Desktop Integration functionality



#### WebADI 12.2.5

 View of page with the BNE: Enable Simplified Define Layout profile option set to Yes

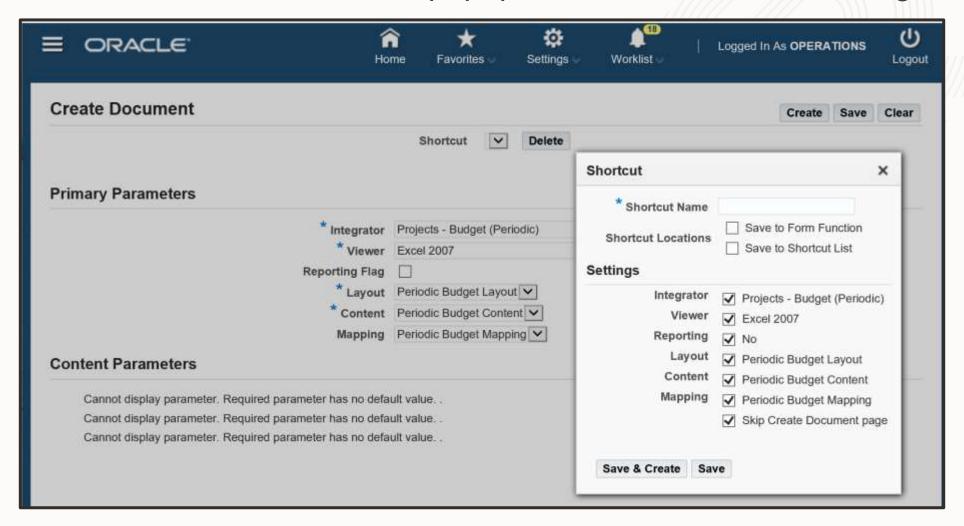


 Replaces five pages where parameters are requested on each page and user must click "next page" until all parameters are entered



#### WebADI 12.2.5

Click the save button to show the popup for shortcut info and settings





#### Issues with WebADI after Upgrade to 12.2.9+

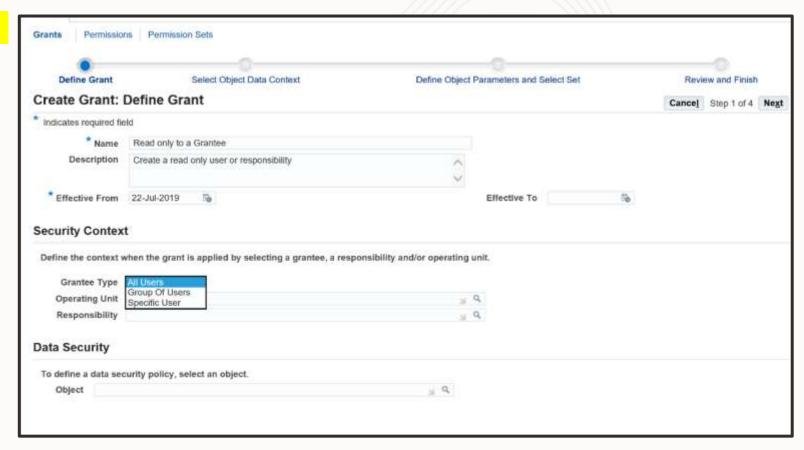
- There are several known issues that may occur after the upgrade when using Budget Wizard and/or Desktop Integrator
  - Run the WebADI analyzer to identify patches or for additional troubleshooting – Proactive Support master note: MOS ID: 432.1

| Financials: Desktop | Web Applications Desktop Integrator | 200.1 | 3/26/2021 |



#### Read Only User or Responsibility 12.2.6

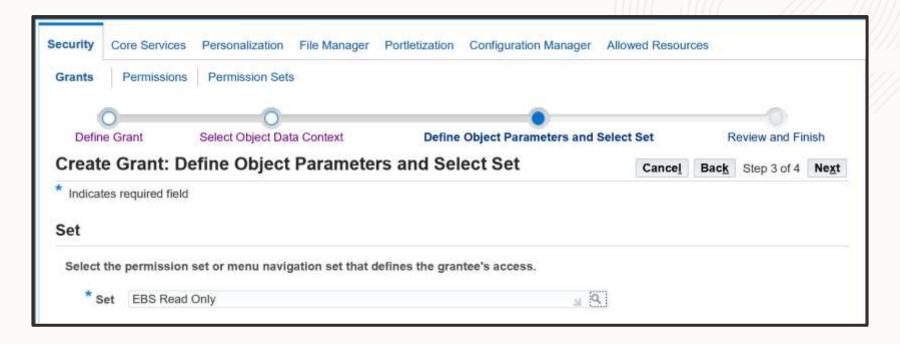
- Only applies to professional forms not OAF forms
- Functional Administrator → Grants
  - Click the Create Grant Button, then enter a name, description and choose the grantee
    - ✓ A responsibility is a "Group of Users"
- Leave the object name blank and click the Next button
- Vote for the enhancement request for this to apply to OAF forms





#### Read Only User or Responsibility 12.2.6

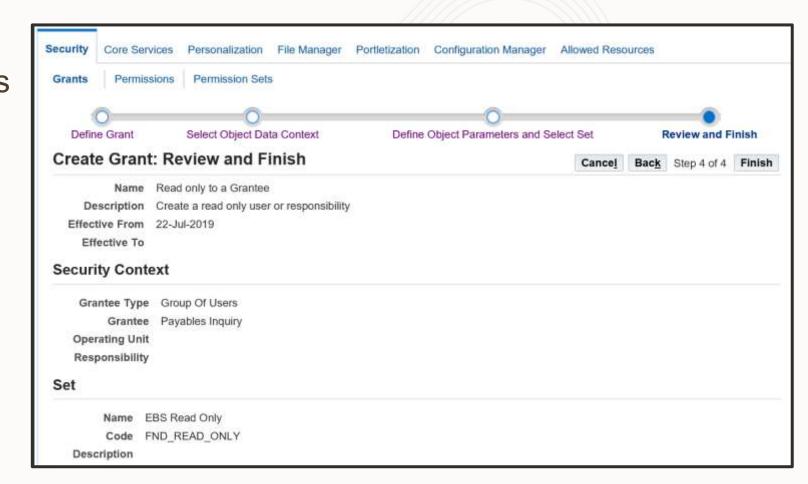
- Choose EBS Read Only as the permission set
- Click Next





#### Read Only User or Responsibility 12.2.6

- Click Finish
- For more details on grants and roles, see the presentation "User Management/Role Based Access Control for Beginners"
- 2023 EBS UI Changes -What End Users Really Need to Know 12.2.4 -12.2.12+

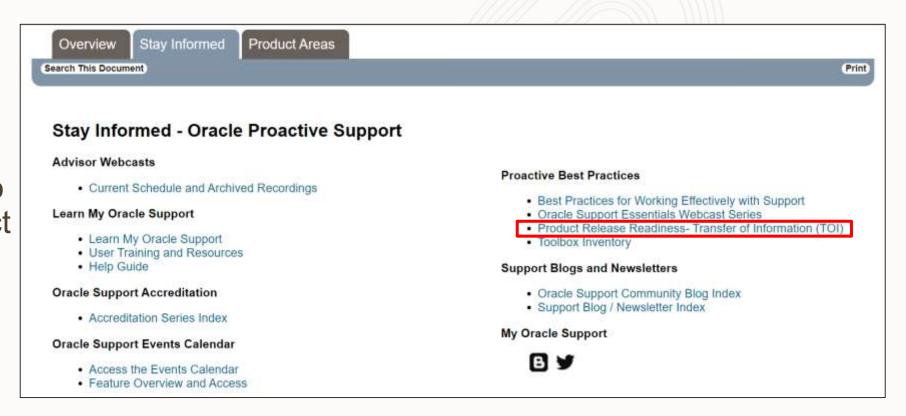




## Proactive Support

#### For more information

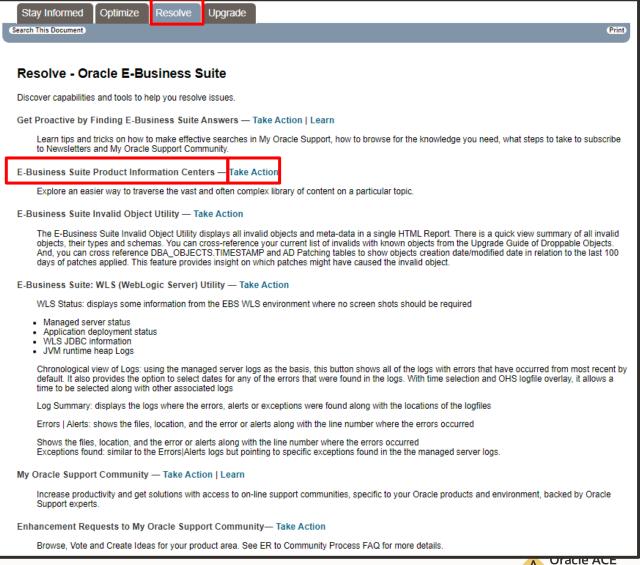
- Stay Informed using Proactive Support
  - Start with Doc 432.2
  - Click the link to Access Product Release Readiness – Transfer of Information (TOI)





#### **EBS Resolve Page Highlights**

- In the proactive support resolve tab, review product Information centers
  - Click the Take Action Link for the EBS Product Information Center



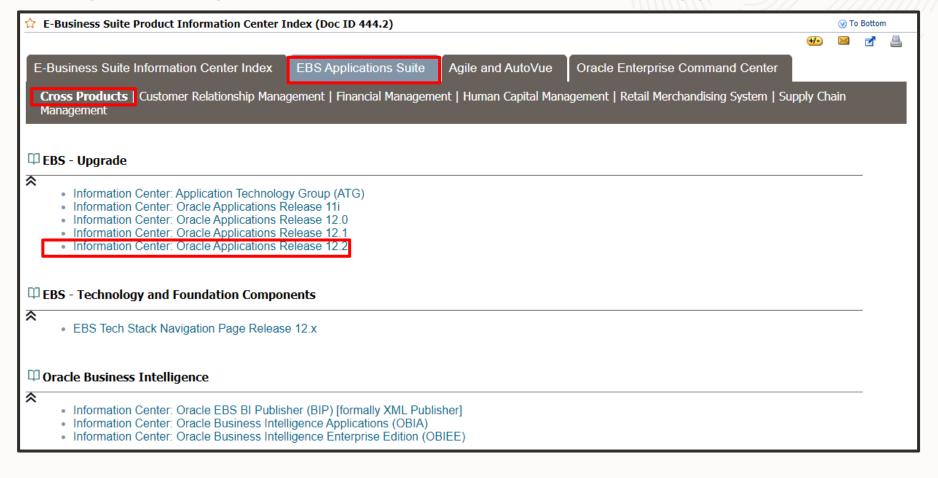


#### **EBS Product Information Center**

- Chose a topic area: EBS Application Suite
- Choose the subtopic: Cross Products

Choose a specific topic: Information Center: Oracle Applications Release

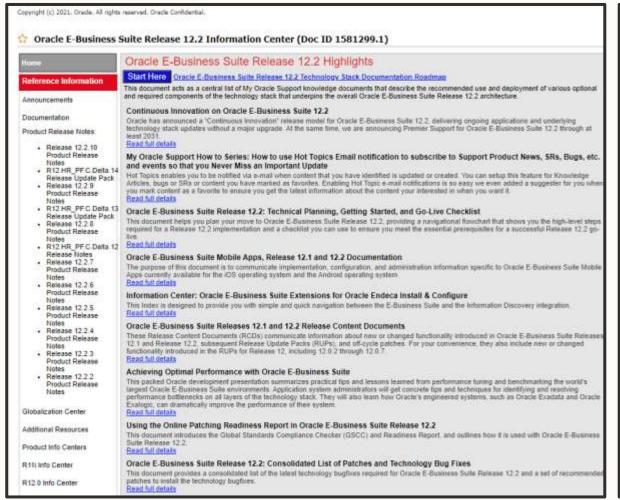
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#### **EBS Product Information Center**

 The information center is one master MOS note for all details for the information center selected



#### EBS ATG Seed Data Comparison Report

The EBS ATG Seed Data Comparison Report provides a static delta between different EBS releases by documenting the seed data changes delivered by the product data loader files (.Idt extension) based on EBS ATG loader control (.Ict extension) files.Read full details

#### EBS File Comparison Report

The EBS File Comparison Report provides a comprehensive comparison of file system artifacts between different Oracle E-Business Suite releases for important file types. As part of Oracle E-Business Suite upgrade planning, this report can assist customers to get a clear idea of "what is different in a new release" (additions, removals and modifications for Oracle E-Business Suite delivered files). Read full details

#### E-Business Suite Upgrade Analyzer - 12.X to 12.2.X (New)

The E-Business Suite Upgrade Analyzer is a self-service health-check script that reviews E-Business 12.2 Upgrade related data, analyzes current configurations and settings for the environment and provides feedback and recommendations on the progress of your upgrade and any potential missing or failed upgrade steps. Analyzers may also be used as data collection tools by Support Engineers. Your application data is not altered in any way when you run this analyzer. Read full details

#### Database 19c Upgrade Analyzer for EB\$ 12.x (New)

The E-Business Suite 19c Database Upgrade Analyzer is a self-service health-check script that reviews E-Business R12 19c Database Upgrade related data, analyzes current configurations and settings for the environment and provides feedback and recommendations on the progress of your 19c database upgrade and any potential missing or failed upgrade steps. Analyzers may also be used as data collection tools by Support Engineers. Your application data is not altered in any way when you run this analyzer. Read full details

#### Upgrade Advisor: E-Business Suite (EBS) Upgrade from 12.0/12.1 to 12.2.x

The Upgrade Advisors are dynamic documents that are intended to guide you through an upgrade from 12.0/12.1 to 12.2.x. Read full details

#### Upgrade Advisor: E-Business Suite (EBS): 11i Upgrade to 12.2

The Upgrade Advisors are dynamic documents that are intended to guide you through an upgrade from 11i to 12.2. Read full details

#### Patching & Maintenance Advisor: E-Business Suite (EBS) R12.2

Patching and Maintenance Advisor include steps to create a viable patching and maintenance strategy including a complete project patch plan specific to your environment. Read full details

#### Stay Current: Oracle Lifetime Support Policies

Oracle Lifetime Support helps drive your business success across your entire Oracle technology environment. From database to middleware to applications and hardware, you can now enjoy the benefits of the industry's most comprehensive support coverage. For more information on the Oracle Lifetime Support Policies please visit Click here.

For more information on Oracle E-Business Suite Error Correction Support Policy Click here

#### Planning Your Oracle E-Business Suite Upgrade from Release 11i to Release 12

This document offers advice to those customers currently on Release 11i who are planning an upgrade to Release 12.1 or Release 12.2. Most of the planning advice, currently focused on Release 12.1, also applies to Release 12.2. (12.2 - specific advice coming soon.) Read full details

#### Oracle E-Business Suite Product and Sevices

For more information on upgrading to Oracle E-Business Suite please visit Click here.

#### Training and Events

#### Oracle University-Learning Streams

Experience Oracle Learning Streams - Connect and learn with Oracle anytime and anywhere. Continuously learn to keep your skills current

Oracle E-Business Suite Learning Subscription Link: Oracle E-Business Suite Learning Subscription



#### Recommendations

- For additional information on the proactive support topic, see my presentation on the OATUG knowledge base titled <u>EBS Proactive Support Tools</u>
- Enterprise Command Centers (ECC) Implementing ECC can significantly reduce the need for custom reports and other extensions
  - Start with out of the box install and configurations which is a very quick win
  - Requires a web logic server (can be virtual), about a week of DBA setup time and minimal configuration to grant access to specific responsibilities and schedule concurrent requests to populate tables
  - ECC is covered in many other presentations at Ascend, the OATUG knowledge base and by Oracle
- ECC Documentation: <a href="https://docs.oracle.com/cd/E26401\_01/doc.122/e48748/T312864T684703.htm">https://docs.oracle.com/cd/E26401\_01/doc.122/e48748/T312864T684703.htm</a>
- ECC Quick Start Guide: <u>https://www.oracle.com/a/ocom/docs/applications/ebusiness/ebs-enterprise-command-center-quick-start-guide.pdf</u>



### Thank You

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