

Jenkins as a Service (JaaS)

A Road to manage your finances better





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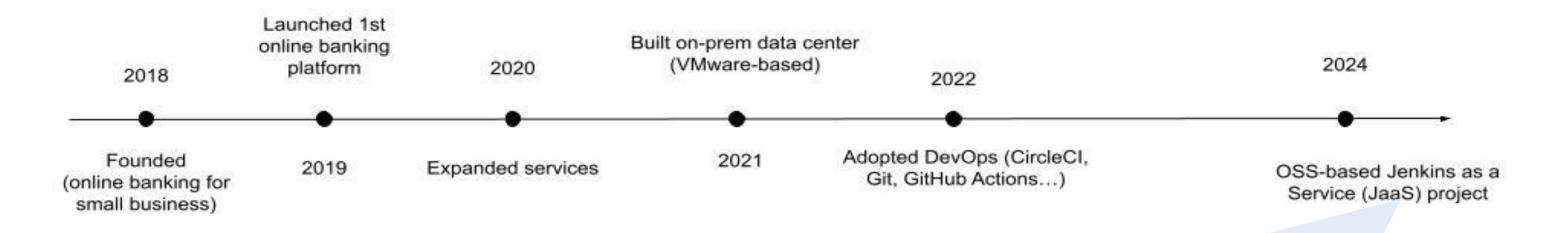




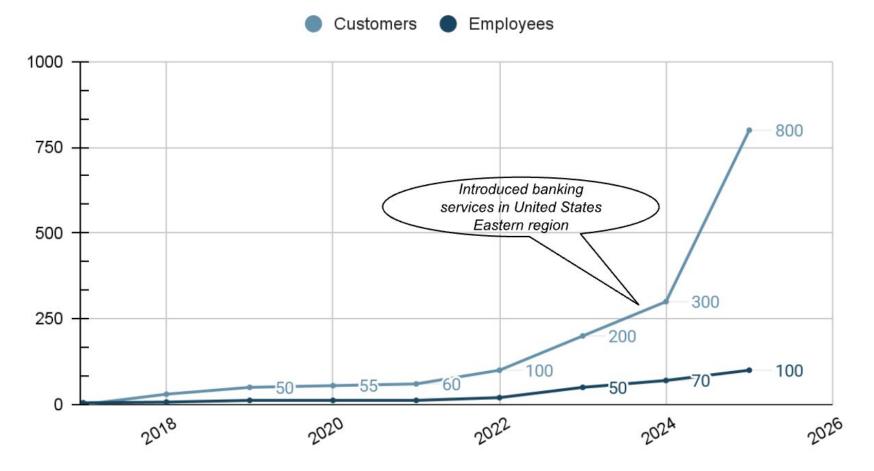
PROJECT SUMMARY



PROJECT SCOPE AND CONTEXT





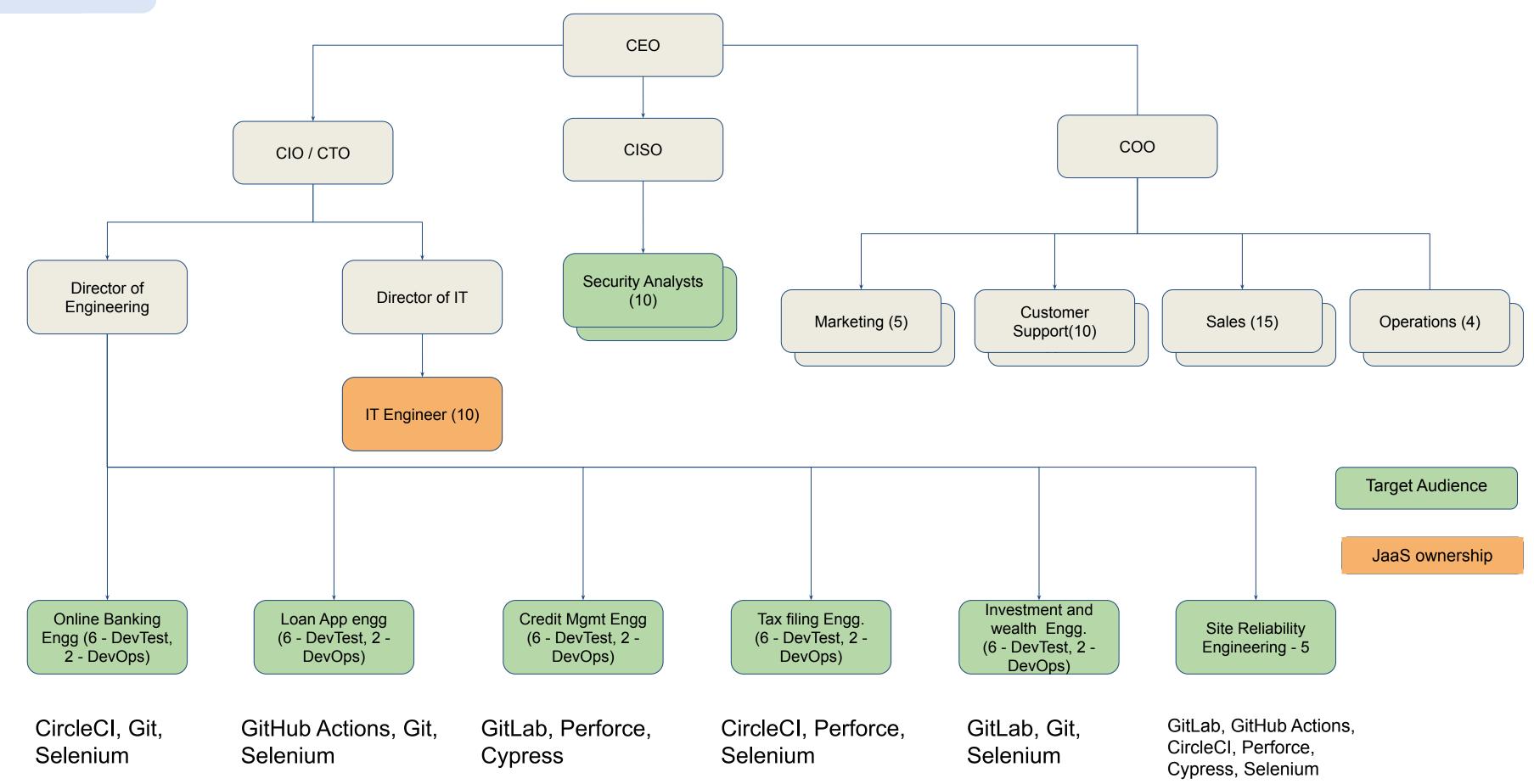


ISync aims to standardize its fragmented CI/CD ecosystem by adopting Jenkins as the unified enterprise solution, which helps us consolidate build and deployment pipelines under a centralized environment.

- Company Name: FinTech Solutions Inc.
- Industry: Financial
- Company Size: ~ 100 employees
- Headquarters: Santa Clara, California
- Core Services: Online banking, Investment and wealth management, tax filing, loan and credit management services
- Customers' footprint: United States of America

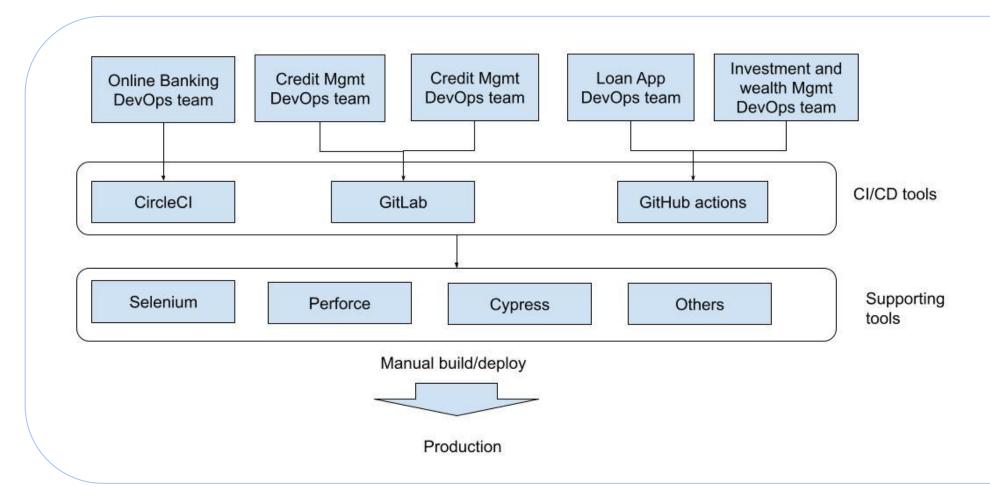


ORGANIZATION STRUCTURE





PROBLEM STATEMENT



Pain points

- 1. Tool Fragmentation and Lack of Standardization [1]
 Different CI/CD tools use different configuration formats and plugins, making it hard to maintain consistency.
- 2. Testing & Integration Challenges [1]
 There is limited visibility into testing coverage, and cross-module integrations often fail due to incompatible setups.
- 3. High Licensing and Maintenance Costs
 Each CI/CD tool has its own subscription and maintenance fees, increasing overall expenses.
- 4. Compliance and governance risks [2]
 No unified access control or audit policy may leads to potential compliance gaps.

Current State

Each DevOps team operates independently with its own CI/CD tool.

- There is no unified automation process, resulting in manual build and deployment across all environments.
- The current setup lacks centralized monitoring, audit logging, and deployment rollback capabilities.
- Testing frameworks are inconsistent(Selenium vs. Cypress) making cross-team collaboration difficult.



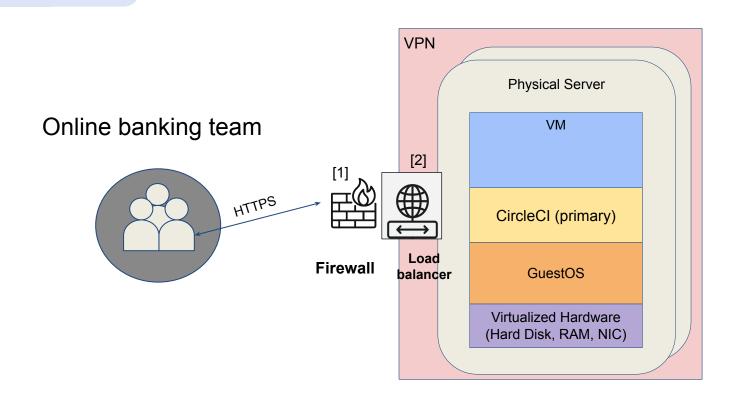
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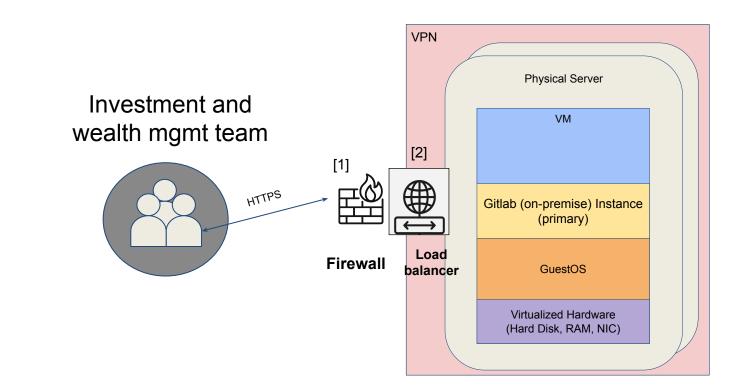
All DevOps teams will use a single CI/CD platform (Jenkins) with standardized pipeline templates.

- The build, test, and deployment processes will be fully automated, replacing manual steps.
- Security will be strengthened through centralized access control, SSO integration, and audit logs.
- The company will eliminate redundant tool subscriptions, reducing maintenance costs and improving efficiency.

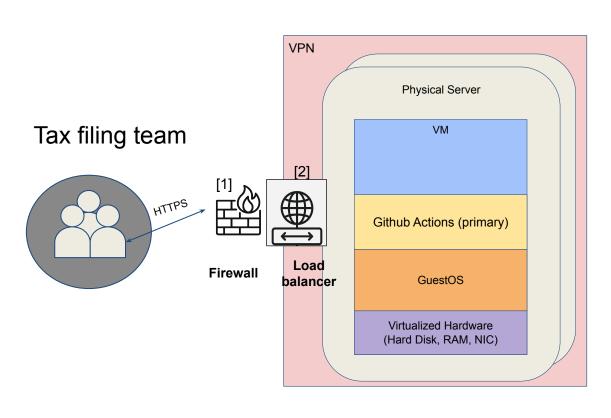


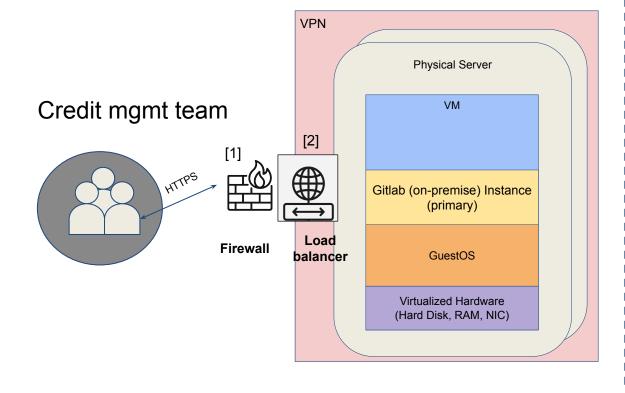
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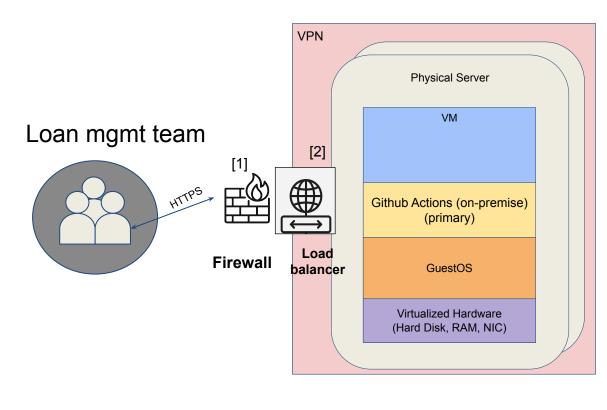




Each team runs their own instance of the respective CI/CD tool









VISION & SMART GOALS

Our vision is to build a centralized Jenkins as a Service (JaaS) platform on VMware that provides one standardized, secure, and automated CI/CD pipeline with rollback capability to streamline development, ensure compliance, and improve operational efficiency[1].

- Increase development productivity: Implement Jenkins-as-a-Service (JaaS) to reduce CI/CD pipeline setup time by 30 % and enable standardized deployment across all teams within several weeks.
- Cut operational costs: Use one Jenkins platform instead of several CI/CD tools to save around 30% in annual license and maintenance costs by removing extra tools like CircleCI and GitHub action.
- Increase release reliability: Achieve 95 % successful release rate through Jenkins automation with rollback and continuous monitoring within the project timeline.
- Strengthen security & compliance: Integrate Jenkins with VMware's centralized RBAC and audit logging to ensure 100 % compliance with company security policies within the current project cycle.
- Optimize infrastructure efficiency: Host Jenkins on VMware to improve resource utilization and reduce server overhead by 15 % compared to decentralized tools_[2].



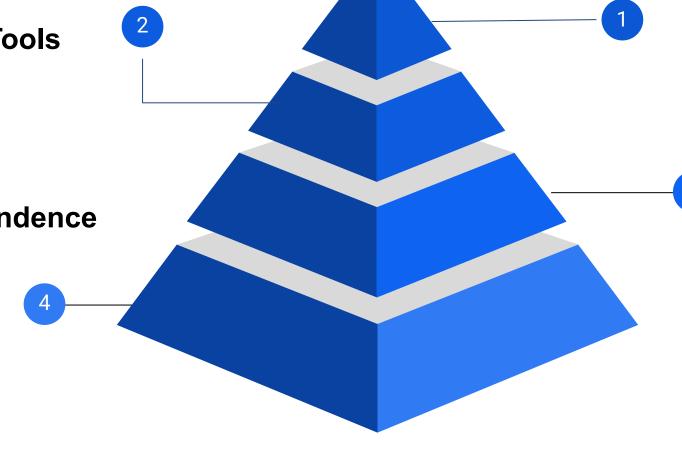
With 2000+ plugins^[2] and support for every major build/test tool (Java, Go, Node.js, Python, etc.), Jenkins integrates seamlessly across hybrid and on-prem infrastructures (VMware, Docker, Kubernetes).

 CircleCI, while polished, offers limited extensibility and slower plugin innovation due to its closed ecosystem.

Extensibility and support for DevTools

Cost Efficiency and Vendor Independence

- Jenkins' open-source MIT model removes recurring license fees and vendor lock-in, enabling sustainable CI/CD scaling for ISync.
- CircleCI per-seat pricing and proprietary model can increase costs for large teams.



WHY JENKINS_[1]

- Jenkins' self-hosted architecture gives ISync full control over data, security, and compliance—critical for regulated enterprise environments.
- Built on an MIT-licensed open core, ISync can modify, extend, and govern pipelines internally—something CircleCI managed SaaS model restricts.

Enterprise-Grade Control & Governance

Proven Reliability and Open Innovation

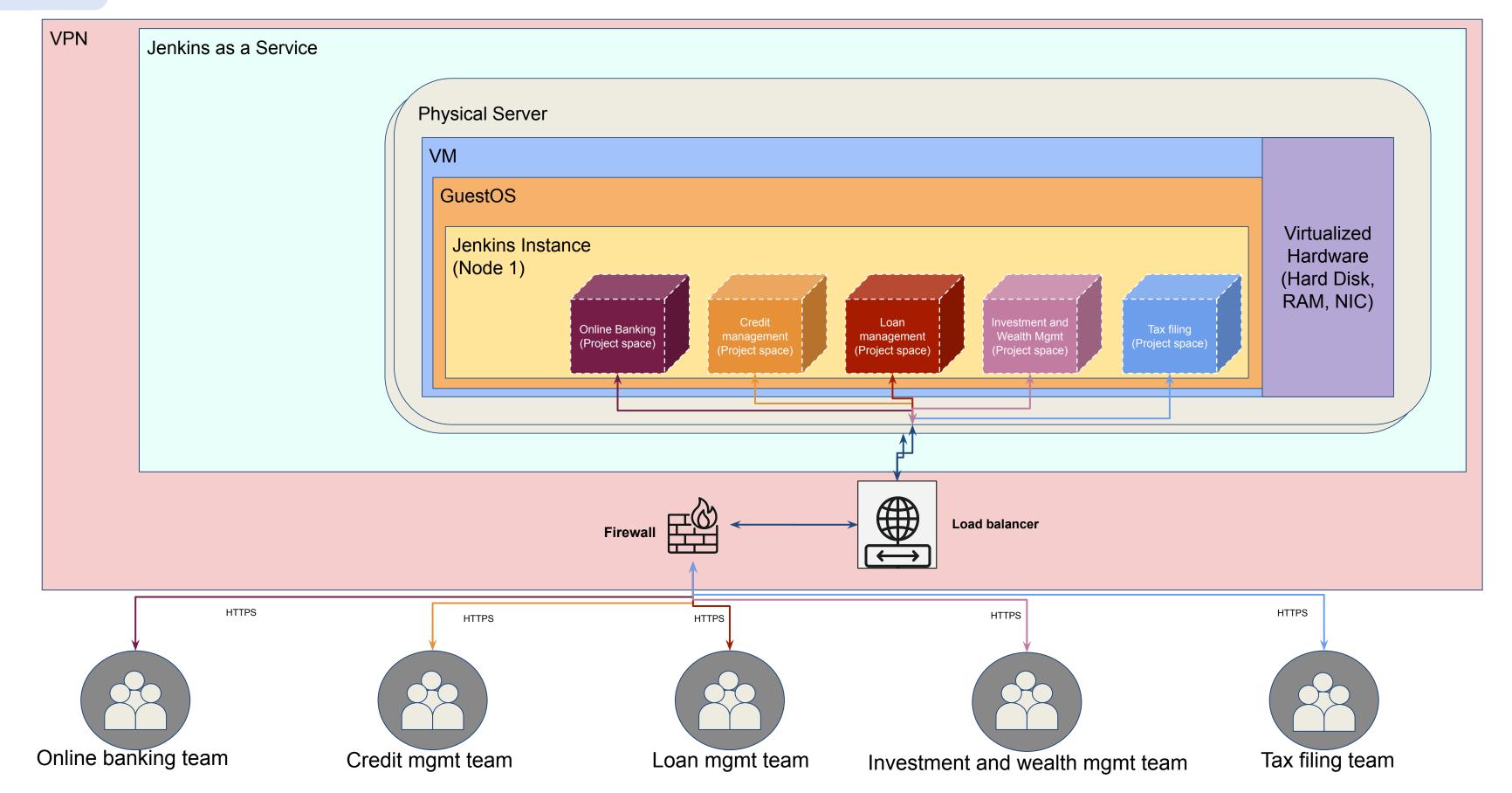
- Backed by the Continuous Delivery Foundation (CDF), Jenkins ensures transparent releases, LTS stability, and long-term community governance.
- CircleCl proprietary updates are managed centrally, giving less visibility and flexibility to enterprise users.

^[1] Jenkins contribution reference: https://www.jenkins.io/blog/2019/05/30/becoming-contributor-newbie-tickets/

^[2] Jenkins plugins marketplace: https://plugins.jenkins.io/

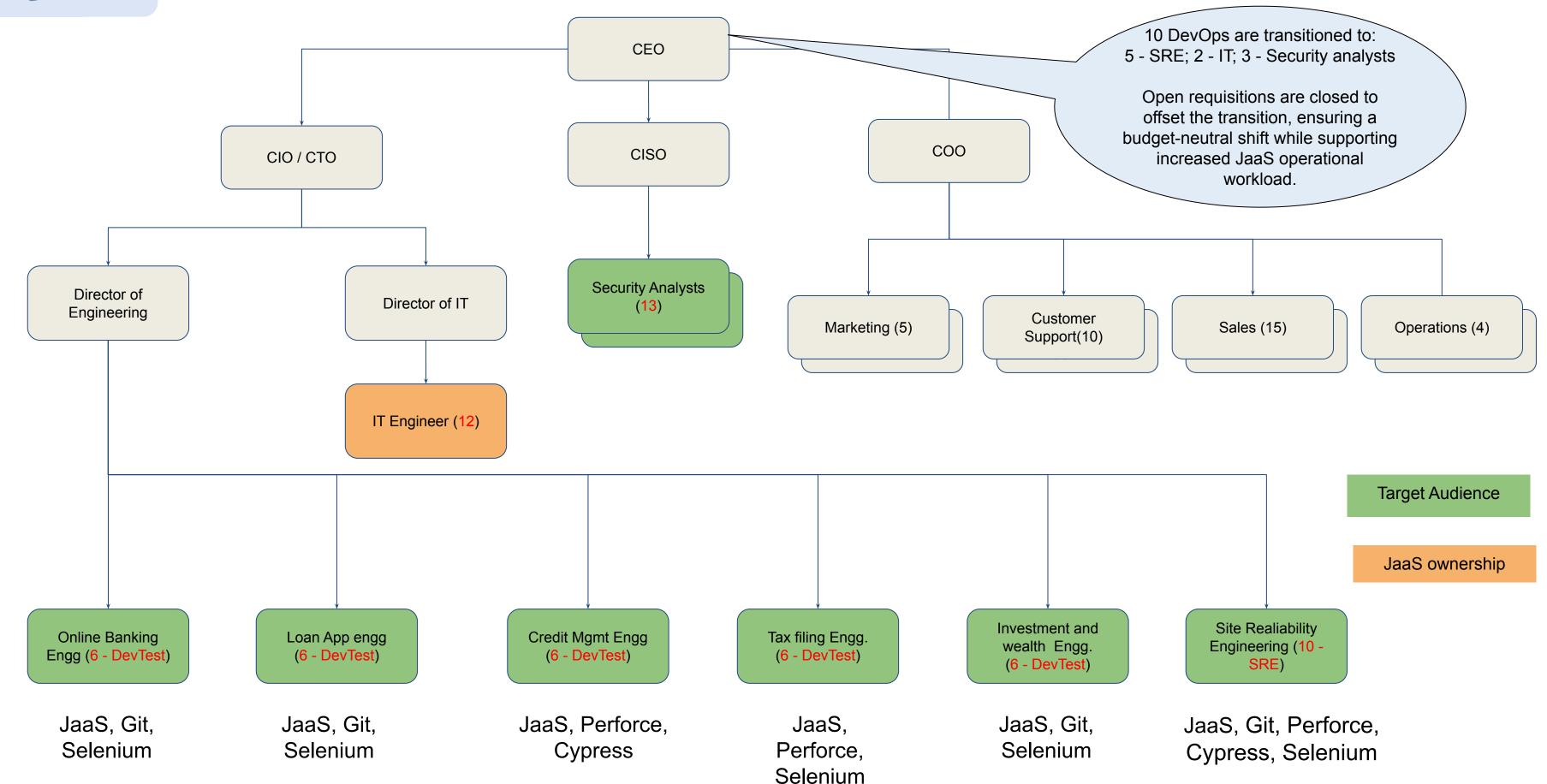


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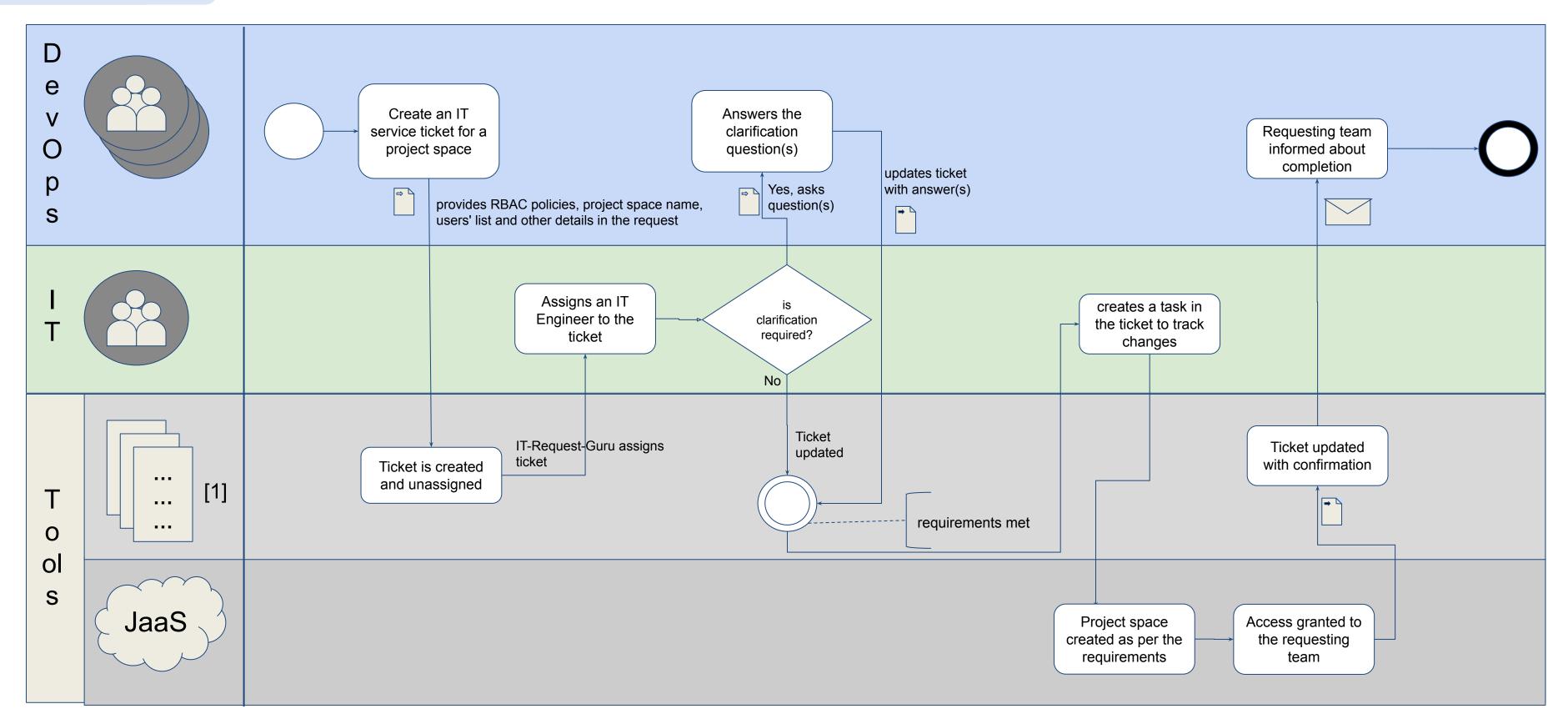


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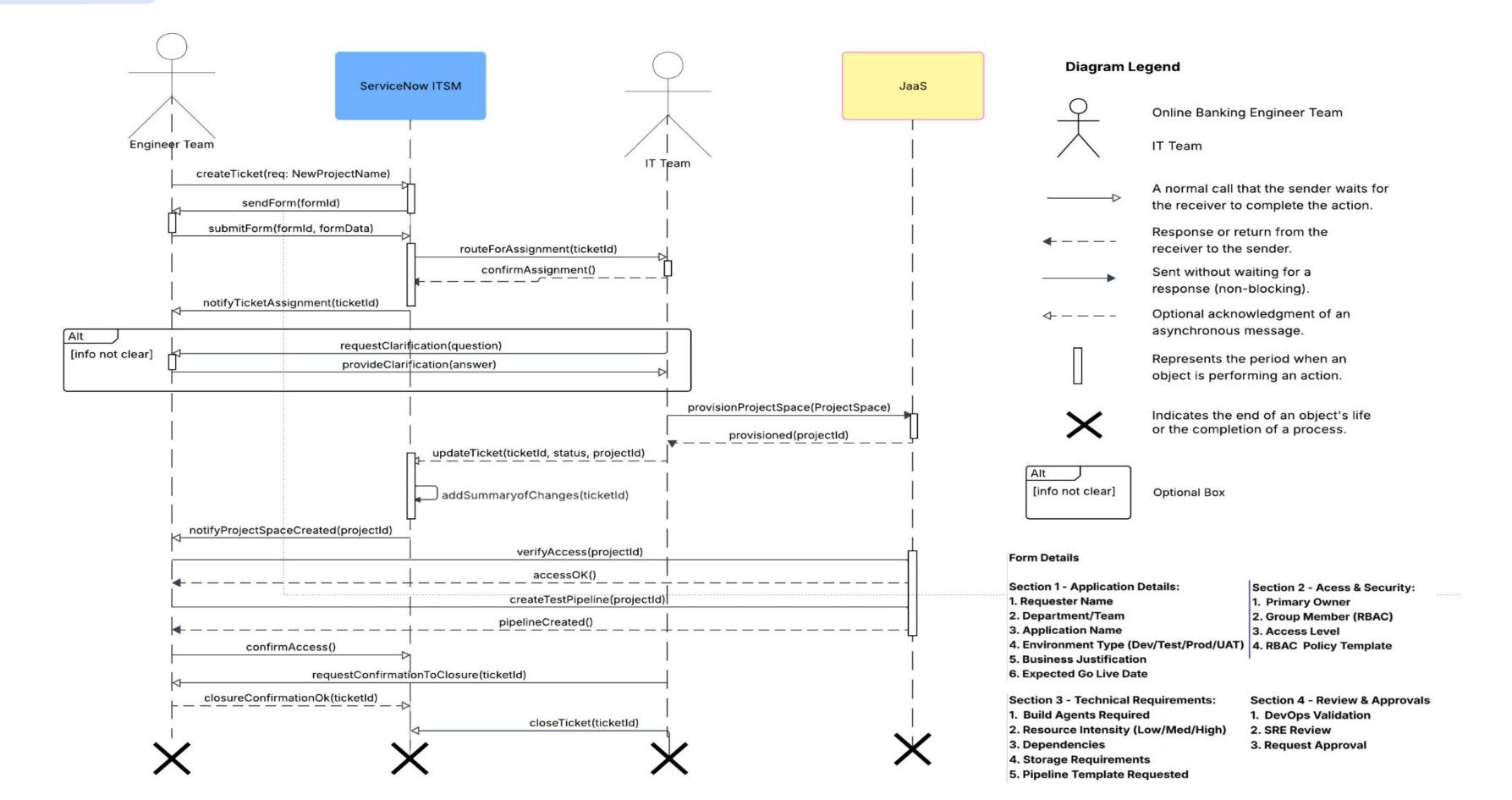
HIGH-LEVEL DESIGN (BPM)



[1] Change Management Tracking (IT ticketing system)



LOW LEVEL DESIGN (PROJECT PROVISIONING WORKFLOW)



DevOps





enterprise

Architecture Task Group	CIO / CTO	Director of IT	IT Engineers (ISync)	CISO / Security Office	Director of Engineering	DevOps Teams
1. Define JaaS Architecture Blueprint	A	R	С	О	С	I
2. Infrastructure Setup & Pilot Migration	С	A	R	I	I	С
3. Plugin Security & Governance Policies	С	R	С	A	I	I
4. CI/CD Integration Across Teams	A	С	R	С	С	R
5. Compliance & Audit Automation	С	I	R	A	С	С
6. Enterprise Rollout & Training	Α	R	R	С	С	R
7. Monitoring, KPI, and Optimization	A	R	R	С	С	С

implementation and infrastructure resource management.

IT Engineers (ISync Team) – Execute core Jenkins deployment, pipeline migration, and

CIO / CTO - Defines and approves the

overall JaaS architecture strategy and

Director of IT – Accountable for end-to-end

with

alignment

standards.

integration activities.

CISO / Security Office – Accountable for defining and validating compliance, RBAC, and security governance.

Director of Engineering – Ensures alignment with SDLC processes and integration with team workflows.

DevOps Teams – Consume Jenkins-as-a-Service, participate in rollout and feedback cycles.

R (Responsible) – Executes the task / delivers the output C (Consulted) – Provides input, review, or validation

A (Accountable) –Owns the final outcome / key decision maker. I (Informed) – Updated on progress or outcomes.





OSS RESEARCH



OSS OVERVIEW

The CI/CD market_[1] has become foundational to modern DevOps_[2], enabling continuous integration, testing, and deployment across distributed teams. Organizations are increasingly adopting automation-driven CI/CD pipelines to reduce release cycles, improve reliability, and support cloud-native delivery. Jenkins, GitLab, CircleCI, and GitHub Actions dominate this ecosystem due to their integration depth and scalability.

Key market trends include [3]:

- Cloud-native adoption: CI/CD is shifting from on-prem to Kubernetes-native pipelines for elasticity.
- Security integration: DevSecOps tools are being embedded into pipelines for SAST/DAST scanning, as ISync plans in its
 Jenkins-as-a-Service rollout.
- Al-driven automation: Predictive build failure detection and automated rollback mechanisms are emerging.
- Platform engineering: Enterprises increasingly provide CI/CD as internal platforms (like ISync's Jenkins-as-a-Service) to standardize tooling and compliance

^[1] The State of CI/CD Report 2024. Oshyn. Retrieved from https://www.oshyn.com/blog/ci-cd-report-devops

^[2] CI/CD in DevOps Workflows. BairesDev. Retrieved from https://www.bairesdev.com/blog/what-is-ci-cd-in-devops/

^[3] DevOps vs CI/CD: Key Differences Explained for Modern Software Delivery. Folio3. Retrieved from https://cloud.folio3.com/blog/cicd-vs-devops/



COMPETITOR ANALYSIS

Tool	Model	Pros	Cons vs Jenkins	Internal Customer Feedback
GitLab CE	Integrated DevOps suite (SCM + CI/CD)	All-in-one DevOps workflow; excellent SCM integration; built-in container registry; strong UI/UX; native Kubernetes support.	Tight GitLab-only ecosystem; limited plugin marketplace; customization requires enterprise version; slower feature rollout for CE users.	Teams using GitLab as their main VCS and prefer an integrated DevOps platform over modular CI tools.
GitHub Actions	Cloud SaaS CI/CD	Seamless GitHub repo integration; YAML-based pipelines; fast setup; strong marketplace actions; scalable cloud runners.	Vendor lock-in to GitHub; limited self-hosting; less control over build environments; lacks deep plugin extensibility and governance flexibility.	Small-to-medium teams already on GitHub seeking minimal CI/CD setup with minimal infrastructure management.
Circle CI Server	Self-hosted enterprise CI/CD	Solid, enterprise-grade UI; centralized pipeline orchestration; first-class VCS support (GitHub, Bitbucket); scalable runner model; strong analytics dashboards.	Proprietary license; limited plugin ecosystem; slower innovation; less extensible and customizable than Jenkins; less transparent community governance.	Enterprises needing high availability CI/CD with vendor support and predictable maintenance overhead.
Jenkins(Chosen)	OSS self - hosted	Completely open-source (MIT license); extensive plugin ecosystem (~2000+); integrates with any SCM, cloud, or deployment tool; auditable; flexible pipeline as code; large community and CDF governance.	Requires internal governance, plugin validation, and maintenance; initial setup complexity; UI/UX less modern; requires DevOps expertise for scaling.	Organizations wanting full control, internal compliance, and custom CI/CD governance (e.g., ISync).

^[1] Michael Belton, Alternatives to Jenkins. Retrieved from: https://buildkite.com/resources/blog/alternatives-to-jenkins/

^[2] James Walker, Top 10 Most Popular Jenkins Alternatives for DevOps in 2025. Retrieved from: https://spacelift.io/blog/jenkins-alternatives

^[3] Sense, Market Share of Jenkins. Retrieved from: https://6sense.com/tech/continuos-integration/jenkins-market-share

^[4] BrowserStack, Difference between Jenkins vs Gitlab CI. Retrieved from: https://www.browserstack.com/guide/jenkins-vs-gitlab

^[5] Hiren Dhaduk, Jenkins vs CircleCI, Retrieved from: https://medium.com/@HirenDhaduk1/jenkins-vs-circleci-which-is-the-best-ci-cd-tools-558bbe447ccc



Sponsorship & Governance

- Jenkins is funded and governed by the CDF / Linux Foundation with corporate sponsors like CloudBees, Red Hat, and AWS.
- ISync mirrors this structure internally: its Platform Team acts as an internal governance board approving plugins, validating LTS releases, and auditing security.
- Future goal: contribute a "JaaS Operator" plugin upstream to benefit the wider community.
- Example of OSS Upstream: Jenkins Core (MIT licensed project maintained by the Jenkins community).
- Example of OSS Downstream: Jenkins LTS and Jenkins X extend the core for stable and enterprise use cases.



Legal Permit / License Compliance

- Jenkins is released under the MIT License, a permissive open-source license that encourages adoption, modification, and redistribution with minimal restrictions.
- Note: "Permissive" means no copyleft obligations ISync can modify and deploy internally but cannot incorporate GPL-licensed plugins due to Jenkins'
 governance and license boundary.

ISync's Rights and Obligations:

- Full modification rights: ISync can customize Jenkins and plugins internally to meet enterprise CI/CD needs.
- Internal deployment freedom: No obligation to publish internal code or configurations.
- Attribution requirement: When redistributing or publishing externally, ISync must retain the original MIT license notice and author credits.
- No copyleft constraints: MIT licensing does not require ISync to open-source its proprietary extensions, ensuring compliance flexibility.
- Compatible with other permissive OSS components (Git, SonarQube, JFrog, Docker) under the same open innovation philosophy.
- Contrast: Jenkins (MIT OSS) = Open innovation vs CloudBees CI = proprietary copyright.

Bottom Line:

Sponsorship keeps Jenkins sustainable, Upstream/Downstream integration drives ISync's innovation, and MIT licensing ensures full legal freedom with compliance to OSS principles.

- [1] Jenkins Project. Governance. Jenkins.io. Retrieved from https://www.jenkins.io/project/governance/
- [2] Jenkins: Working with projects. Jenkins.io. Retrieved from https://www.jenkins.io/doc/book/using/working-with-projects/



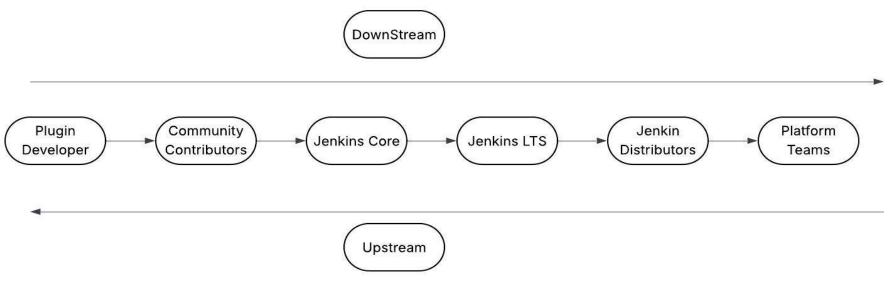
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Upstream

- Represents the core foundation where Jenkins innovation starts - open, collaborative, and community-led.
- Code improvements and bug fixes **flow upward**, strengthening the shared ecosystem.
- Maintained under MIT's permissive license and governed by the Continuous Delivery Foundation (CDF).
- Sets the **standards and architecture** that downstream projects build upon.
- Encourages transparent development and free contribution from global developers.
- Core takeaway: Upstream drives innovation, quality, and openness across the Jenkins ecosystem.

MIT-Approved Permissive Downstream

- Built upon the MIT-licensed Jenkins Core, allowing enterprises to modify and extend without restriction.
- Enables controlled distributions like CloudBees Cl and ISync Internal for enterprise environments.
- Acts as a stabilized layer, merging upstream updates with internal validation and plugin governance.
- Balances open innovation and enterprise reliability, ensuring production-grade quality.
- Supported by CDF governance to maintain transparency, security, and compatibility.
- Core takeaway: Downstream turns open-source innovation into secure, scalable enterprise CI/CD solutions.





SWOT ANALYSIS[1]

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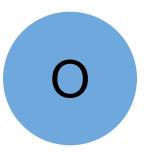
Strengths

- Highly extensible via plugins and integrations
- 2. Active global community & long-term support
- 3. Strong ecosystem of plugins and integrations supported by major enterprises Jenkins benefits from broad industry adoption, ensuring compatibility and continuous innovation from both community and corporate contributors

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Weaknesses

- Complex plugin management and aging UI
- 2. Requires manual governance for security
- 3. Limited scalability and performance under large enterprise workloads Jenkins can struggle with distributed build coordination and high parallelism without extensive configuration or external tooling [2]



Opportunities

- Cloud-native modernization through Jenkins X, Kubernetes, and IaC integrations
- 2. Growing enterprise need for auditable, self-hosted CI/CD due to compliance and data security
- 3. Potential to contribute innovations (JaaS Operator plugin) back to the community



Threats

- Competition from GitHub Actions, GitLab CE, and CircleCl offering managed CI/CD
- 2. Risk of plugin fragmentation or compatibility lag with newer tech stacks
- 3. Resource overhead for internal governance and maintenance

^[1] Wikipedia. Jenkins (software). Retrieved from https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jenkins_(software).





PERSONAS & USER STORIES



USER PERSONA[1]



[4]

Name: Shauna Lee – "The Automation Queen"

Role: Senior DevOps Engineer, Online Banking Application Team

Description:

Shauna Lee is a senior DevOps Engineer with over 8 years of experience in build and deployment automation for the online banking platform. Her team currently manages their own CircleCI instance customized for project needs but faces repetitive maintenance, patching, and compliance audit overhead. As her application undergoes multiple certifications (SOC 2 [3], ISO 27001, PCI DSS) annually, Shauna collaborates frequently with internal security auditors to gather evidence and ensure adherence to NIST cybersecurity frameworks [2].

With the introduction of Jenkins-as-a-Service (JaaS), Shauna is cautiously optimistic. She hopes to gain better automation, integration, and audit traceability — but worries about slower support cycles and added bureaucracy once Jenkins becomes centralized.

Functional Requirements (What)

Priority (Kano)	Description
Basic	Enable migration of existing CircleCI pipelines to Jenkins-as-a-Service with minimal disruption
Basic	Ensure support for SOC 2, ISO 27001, and PCI DSS audit logging in CI/CD jobs
Performance	Provide reusable pipeline templates with modularized stages for testing, security scans, and deployment
Attractive	Offer self-service job onboarding with UI-based configuration (no manual YAML editing)
Indifferent	Allow advanced plugin customization beyond IT-approved catalog

Priority (Kano)	Description
Basic	Pipelines must meet corporate security baselines and pass audit validation
Performance	Job execution time improved by at least 15% compared to CircleCI
Attractive	Integrated compliance dashboard showing build evidence history per quarter
Indifferent	Manual upload of audit reports outside the Jenkins environment

^[1] Justin's Team Class Sharing

^[2] NIST Cybersecurity Framework (NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 5) . Retrieved from: https://www.forescout.com/ebook-how-to-align-with-the-nist-cybersecurity-framework

^[3] SOC 2 Type II & ISO 27001 Standards. Retrieved from: https://info.thoropass.com/soc-2

^[4] Persona image generated with the help of Microsoft Copilot (SCU organization). Refer the attached folder for conversation summary and AI tool confirming the image was generated and not sourced from the web).



USER PERSONA



[2]

Name: Joe Park – "The App Guardian"

Role: Site Reliability Engineer (SRE)[1], Infrastructure Operations Team

Description:

Joe Park is a Site Reliability Engineer with over 3 years of experience maintaining service reliability and uptime across production environments. Though new to Jenkins, he has deep expertise in incident response and root-cause analysis. Joe has often faced pressure to execute emergency rollbacks and has long advocated for deployment automation to reduce manual errors.

The Jenkins-as-a-Service (JaaS) initiative excites Joe because it promises faster rollbacks and streamlined recovery. However, he worries about the potential complexity and effort required to manage Jenkins servers and the risk of operational delays during critical incidents.

Functional Requirements (What)

Priority (Kano)	Description
Basic	Preserve last 5 stable builds in JFrog Artifactory for reliable rollback
Basic	Automated rollback pipelines tied to RCA ticketing workflow
Performance	Parameterized pipelines allowing targeted bug fix deployment
Attractive	Centralized dashboard visualizing stability metrics and rollback history
Indifferent	Manual deployment via scripting or SSH access

Priority (Kano)	Description
Basic	Rollback execution time under 5 minutes for critical services
Performance	Automated cleanup of builds older than the last 5 versions
Attractive	Real-time rollback notifications integrated with monitoring tools
Indifferent	Manual verification of rollback success for low-priority systems



USER PERSONA



the 'WIZARD'

[2]

Name: Brian Chen – "The Wizard"

Role: IT Engineer, Infrastructure and Platform Services Team

Description:

Brian Chen is an IT Engineer dedicating 50% of his time to building and maintaining ISync's Jenkins-as-a-Service (JaaS) platform. He is responsible for provisioning Jenkins project spaces for DevOps teams, enforcing role-based access control (RBAC)[1], and ensuring that every instance complies with organizational security and governance standards.

Brian's mission is to deliver a secure, scalable, and compliant Jenkins infrastructure that replaces fragmented CI/CD setups across teams. He values automation, configuration validation, and continuous compliance monitoring to prevent unauthorized changes and simplify audits.

Functional Requirements (What)

Priority (Kano)	Description
Basic	Configure centralized RBAC policies to isolate team access and enforce governance
Basic	Apply approval workflow for plugin installation and configuration changes
Performance	Validate Jenkins configurations against corporate security baselines
Attractive	Provide VM provisioning as a service, integrated into Jenkins pipelines
Indifferent	Allow direct configuration modification by non-IT personnel

Priority (Kano)	Description
Basic	Perform automated security scans on Jenkins instances and plugins
Performance	Maintain audit logs for 90 days and alert on unauthorized changes
Attractive	Real-time compliance and health dashboard for Jenkins clusters
Indifferent	Manual configuration reviews outside automated governance framework



USER PERSONA



[1]

Name: Sam Lee – "The Sentinel"

Role: Security Analyst, Cybersecurity & Compliance Team

Description:

Sam Lee is a Security Analyst who has been with ISync since the release of its first online banking platform. He is responsible for evaluating the security of DevOps and SRE tools, defining hardening policies, and managing the company's regulatory certifications (SOC 2, ISO 27001, PCI DSS). Sam works closely with both DevOps and SRE teams to gather compliance evidence and ensure audit readiness.

As ISync grew rapidly over the past five years, multiple independent DevOps teams adopted diverse CI/CD tools and configurations, making compliance tracking and evidence collection increasingly complex. When Sam learned about the Jenkins-as-a-Service (JaaS) initiative, he was enthusiastic because it would finally standardize CI/CD pipelines, making compliance verification, vulnerability management, and evidence gathering significantly easier and more consistent.

Functional Requirements (What)

Priority (Kano)	Description
Basic	Enable vulnerability scans for Jenkins plugins to identify risks before installation
Basic	Implement predefined security baselines automatically applied to all Jenkins instances
Performance	Centralized compliance evidence collection after each build or configuration change
Attractive	Provide secure dashboard for real-time access to audit logs and compliance reports
Indifferent	Manual plugin review processes outside the automated vulnerability scanning framework

Priority (Kano)	Description
Basic	Audit logs enabled for all Jenkins configuration and plugin changes, retained for ≥ 90 days
Performance	Automated compliance validation run monthly against approved security baseline
Attractive	On-demand compliance audit report generation from stored evidence repository
Indifferent	Manual evidence submission through email or shared drives



Epic 1 – US 01

As Shauna, I want to build a CI/CD pipeline and not worry about administrative tasks of maintaining the Jenkins instance so that I am able to create more capacity to work on providing business value to the online banking application.

- Acceptance criteria:
 - Integration with plugins like git, selenium
 - Replicate the existing pipeline stages in Jenkins-as-a-Service.
 - Manage access control over the pipeline for the online banking team
 - Able to generate capacity by offloading plugin management, CI/CD infrastructure maintenance and administrative tasks of maintaining the CircleCI tool.

US 01.1

As a DevOps engineer, I want to replicate my pipelines from CircleCI to Jenkins project space so that I can eliminate the burden of maintenance of the CircleCI server and reduce the licensing expense.

- Acceptance criteria:
 - all pipelines are running without any setup error
 - Integrate with git as SCM
 - Integrate with selenium as testing framework and tests are triggered
 - Integrate with a script for VM provisioning where online banking app can be hosted on the Dev-Test environment
 - Pipelines execution and changes can automatically logged for audit reviews

US 01.2

As a DevOps engineer, I want to have a project space on jenkins **so that** all the online banking team members can view, modify or run the CI/CD pipeline for our application when we do a code check-in.

- Acceptance criteria:
 - No one outside the Online Banking app team is able to view, run and/or modify the pipelines owned by Shauna's team
 - Access control is managed through JaaS RBAC policies

US 01.3

As a DevOps engineer, I want to enable plugins like git, jfrog, selenium on Jenkins instances so that I can automatically trigger the test cases upon code check-in.

- Acceptance criteria:
 - DevOps engineers are able to request for a plugin via an IT ticketing system.
 - IT team is able to work with the security analyst to review the plugin health and give it a green signal to be installed
 - IT team is able to deploy the plugin on the jenkins instance and restart jenkins instance



Epic 2 – US 02

As Joe, I want to streamline the rollback mechanism **so that** in the event of a disaster Joe is able to provide the least disruption to the customer and adhere to service availability KPI of 99.9% uptime.

- Acceptance criteria:
 - Joe is able to preserve builds
 - Joe is able to deploy a last known stable build based on recommendation from DevOps team.
 - Joe is able to track the rollback via a ticketing system

US 02.1

As an SRE engineer, I want to preserve the last 5 stable builds using jfrog artefactory so that a smooth rollback to a previous stable version in the event of a software disaster can be performed easily without requiring a rebuild of the entire application

- Acceptance criteria:
 - Saving builds are added as a pipeline stage to the production deployment pipeline managed by Joe's team for each application team, in an isolated project space on jfrog artefact repository
 - Builds older than the last 5th deployment are automatically set to delete by using a script
 - No one other than SRE team must have access to the jfrog repository
 - A rollback deployment is always requires a ticket number with root case analysis

US 02.2

As an SRE engineer, I want to deploy a particular change set approved as a bug fix in the production environment **so that** an important and urgent critical fix can be delivered to the customer faster.

- Acceptance criteria:
 - Pipeline is created to deploy a particular changeset as a parameter, then utilizes this parameter to pick the changes from SCM which need to be deployed to production
 - This pipeline also accepts test suite identifier and build modules to execute targeted build and test modules
 - Every bug fix deployment is associated with a bug number which can be used to trace back the fix



Epic 3 – US 03

As Brian, I want to ensure that Jenkins instance offered as a service remain secure and compliant with organizational change management policies including implementing security controls, monitoring configurations, and enforcing governance standards so that Brian's team can prevent unauthorized changes and maintain adherence to compliance requirements.

- Acceptance criteria:
 - Jenkins instances must have role-based access control (RBAC) configured.
 - All plugin installations and updates require approval through the change management process.
 - Security scans are performed on Jenkins instances and plugins before deployment.
 - Audit logs are enabled and stored for at least 90 days.
 - Automated alerts are triggered for unauthorized changes or failed compliance checks.

US 03.1

As an IT engineer, I want to validate Jenkins configurations against security baselines so that compliance is maintained.

- Acceptance criteria:
 - Jenkins instance configuration is checked against the organization's security baseline document.
 - All required security plugins (e.g., Role-Based Access Control, Audit Trail) are installed and active
 - Unused or deprecated plugins are identified and flagged for removal.
 - Default admin credentials are disabled or replaced with secure credentials.

US 03.2

As a DevOps engineer, I want to request plugin installations through a controlled process so that only approved plugins are deployed.

- Acceptance criteria:
 - Plugin installation requests must be submitted through the change management system.
 - Requests include plugin name, version, and justification for use.
 - Approval workflow requires sign-off from IT engineer and security analyst.
 - No plugin can be installed without an approved change ticket.
 - Audit trail of request and approval is stored for compliance.



US 03.3

As a security analyst, I want to run vulnerability scans on Jenkins plugins so that potential risks are identified before installation.

- All requested plugins are scanned using an approved vulnerability scanning tool.
- Scan results include CVE details and severity ratings.
- Plugins with critical or high vulnerabilities are automatically flagged for rejection.
- Scan report is attached to the change request for review.
- Security analyst must approve or reject based on scan results.

US 03.4

As a security analyst, I want to review audit logs of Jenkins changes so that adherence to change management policies can be verified.

- Acceptance criteria:
 - Jenkins audit logging is enabled for all configuration and plugin changes.
 - Logs include timestamp, user ID, and change details.
 - Logs are stored in a centralized, tamper-proof system for at least 90 days.
 - Compliance officer can access logs through a secure dashboard
 - Monthly compliance reports are generated and archived.

US 03.5

As an IT engineer, I want to provide VM provisioning as a service that can be integrated into Jenkins pipelines, so that VMs can be created and destroyed automatically according to company policy.

- Acceptance criteria:
 - Jenkins pipeline can trigger VM provisioning and destruction stages.
 - VM provisioning accepts up to 4 parameters: vCPU, RAM, HDD, NIC.
 - Default values: vCPU=2, RAM=4GB, HDD=8GB, NIC=1.
 - Default OS is Ubuntu.
 - VM is deployed on testing infrastructure and returns a virtual IP.
 - VM lifecycle complies with company policy (auto-destroy after pipeline completion).
 - Parameters are configurable in Jenkins pipeline configuration.



Epic 4 – US 04

As Sam, I want to ensure that all Jenkins instances provided through JaaS remain continuously compliant with ISync's cybersecurity and audit requirements by enforcing standardized security baselines and automating compliance evidence collection, so that the Security and Compliance team can maintain certification readiness (e.g., SOC 2, ISO 27001, PCI DSS) and reduce manual effort in gathering and validating audit artifacts across multiple DevOps teams.

- Acceptance criteria:
 - Security baselines are standardized and automatically enforced across all Jenkins instances.
 - Compliance evidence (audit logs, configuration snapshots) is continuously collected and securely stored.
 - Automated compliance validation runs monthly with reporting to the Security team.
 - Only authorized security and IT personnel can modify baseline configurations or access compliance data.
 - Continuous audit readiness dashboards and reports are available on demand.

US 04.1

As a security analyst, I want predefined security baselines applied to all Jenkins instances so that hardening policies are consistently enforced across the organization.

- Acceptance criteria:
 - A security baseline document is created and approved, specifying required configurations (e.g., RBAC, HTTPS, audit logging).
 - All Jenkins project space provisioned through JaaS automatically apply the approved security baseline during setup.
 - System validates each Jenkins instance against the baseline on a monthly basis
 - Critical security settings (e.g., admin credentials, encryption) cannot be overridden without an approved change request
 - Compliance reports include proof that baseline configurations were applied and maintained.
 - Only authorized roles can modify or approve baseline configurations.

US 04.2

As a security analyst, I want automated collection and storage of compliance evidence (audit logs, configuration snapshots) so that I can easily prepare for security certifications and audits.

- Acceptance criteria:
 - Jenkins instances must have audit logging enabled for all configuration changes and plugin installations.
 - Compliance evidence (audit logs, configuration snapshots) is automatically collected after each pipeline execution or configuration change.
 - Collected evidence is stored in a secure, centralized repository accessible to the security team.
 - Evidence is retained for at least 90 days (or as per company compliance policy).
 - Only authorized roles (security analyst, auditors) can access the evidence repository.
 - System can generate compliance audit reports on demand using collected evidence.



RELATIVE SIZE

Points	Effort Level	Description	Typical Example
2 – Very Small	Minimal	Simple, low-risk configuration or documentation updates. No dependencies or testing required.	Update Jenkins pipeline parameter; minor text change in audit log script.
3 – Small	Low effort	Small configuration or code change that requires minimal testing. Can be completed within a few hours.	Add plugin to Jenkins instance; configure Git integration for a single project.
5 – Medium	Moderate	Task involves setup, testing, or limited integration effort. May require collaboration between DevOps and IT teams.	Create a Jenkins project space; migrate a small CI/CD pipeline; basic RBAC setup.
8 – Large	High	Complex feature or multi-step implementation involving dependencies or multiple systems (VMware, JFrog, etc.).	Implement centralized RBAC policy; enable audit logging across Jenkins instances.
13 – Very Large	Very High	Highly complex task spanning multiple integrations or requiring significant coordination and validation. Usually broken into sub-tasks or multiple sprints.	Full Jenkins pipeline migration from CircleCI; design and implement VM provisioning service with rollback automation.

Note: Scale with Fibonacci sequence (2, 3, 5, 8, 13) [1] [2]

^[1] Why the fibonacci sequence works well for estimating. Retrieved from: https://www.mountaingoatsoftware.com/blog/why-the-fibonacci-sequence-works-well-for-estimating

^[2] Dean Leffingwell (2021-07-01), Story, Scaled Agile Framework, retrieved 2022-08-15



RELATIVE SIZE

Factor	Description	Scale (1–5)	Example in JaaS Context			
User / Business Value	Measures how much benefit the story delivers to users or the organization.	1 = Low 5 = Very High	Low (1): Update Jenkins UI text or icon. High (5): Centralize CI/CD pipelines to eliminate CircleCI license cost and maintenance effort.			
Time Criticality	Reflects urgency based on deadlines, audit schedules, or dependency impact.	1 = Not urgent 5 = Extremely time-sensitive	Low (1): Add optional plugin for non-critical service. High (5): Implement RBAC and audit logging required for upcoming SOC2 compliance audit.			
Risk Reduction / Opportunity Enablement	enables new capabilities. 5 = Major impac		Low (1): Create a test report for a single pipeline run. High (5): Build automated rollback with JFrog artifacts to prevent downtime and accelerate recovery.			

WSJF = (Value + Time Criticality + Risk Reduction) ÷ Job Size (Story Points) [1] [2]



RELATIVE SIZE [1]

Story ID	Persona	Summary	KANO	MOSCOW	Value	Time Criticality	Risk Reduction	Job Size (SP)	WSJF Score	Priority Rank
EPIC 1	Shauna	Build CI/CD pipeline on JaaS for online banking			5	5	4	8	1.75	2
US 01.1	Shauna	Pipeline migration from CircleCI to Jenkins	Must-be	Must	5	4	3	8	1.5	5
US 01.2	Shauna	Jenkins project space + RBAC for banking team	Must-be	Must	5	5	4	5	2.8	3
US 01.3	Shauna	Enable plugins (Git, JFrog, Selenium)	Performance	Should	4	3	3	3	3.3	2
EPIC 2	Joe	Streamline rollback and deployment reliability			4	4	4	8	1.5	5
US 02.1	Joe	Preserve last 5 stable builds (JFrog rollback)	Performance	Should	4	4	3	5	2.2	4
US 02.2	Joe	Deploy approved changeset for bug fix	Must-be	Must	3	5	4	8	1.5	6



RELATIVE SIZE

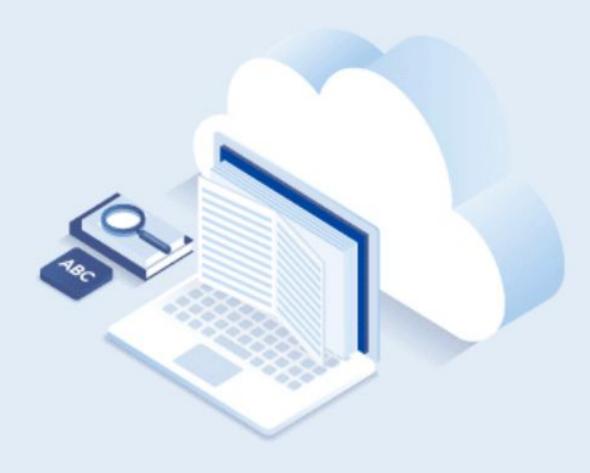
Story ID	Persona	Summary	KANO	MOSCOW	Value	Time Criticality	Risk Reduction	Job Size (SP)	WSJF Score	Priority Rank
EPIC 3	Brian	Ensure JaaS security & governance compliance			5	4	4	8	1.65	4
US 03.1	Brian	Validate Jenkins configs vs security baselines	Must-be	Must	5	4	4	5	2.6	4
US 03.2	Shauna	Controlled plugin approval workflow	Performance	Should	4	3	4	8	1.4	9
US 03.3	Sam	Vulnerability scan for Jenkins plugins	Must-be	Must	4	4	5	5	2.6	4
US 03.4	Sam	Review audit logs for compliance verification	Must-be	Must	5	5	4	5	2.8	3
US 03.5	Brian	Provide VM provisioning as a service	Performance	Could	3	2	2	13	0.5	10
EPIC 4	Sam	Enforce continuous compliance and audit readiness			5	5	5	5	3.0	1
US 04.1	Sam	Enforce predefined security baselines	Must-be	Must	5	4	5	5	2.8	3
US 04.2	Sam	Automate compliance evidence collection	Attractive	Should	5	5	5	5	3.0	1



PRODUCT BACKLOG

Epic ID	Epic Name	User Story ID	User Story Summary	Priority	Story Points (SP)	Persona / Owner
EPIC 1	CI/CD Pipeline Modernization (JaaS for Online Banking)	US 01.1	Migrate pipelines from CircleCI to Jenkins	High	8	Shauna
		US 01.2	Create Jenkins project space with RBAC	Very High	5	Shauna
		US 01.3	Enable core plugins (Git, JFrog, Selenium)	Very High	3	Shauna
EPIC 2	Service Reliability & Rollback Automation	US 02.1	Preserve last 5 stable builds in JFrog	High	5	Joe
		US 02.2	Deploy specific changeset for bug fix	High	8	Joe
EPIC 3	Governance, Security & Compliance	US 03.1	Validate Jenkins configs vs security baseline	High	5	Brian
		US 03.2	Controlled plugin approval workflow	Medium	8	Shauna
		US 03.3	Scan Jenkins plugins for vulnerabilities	High	5	Sam
		US 03.4	Review Jenkins audit logs	High	5	Sam
		US 03.5	VM provisioning as a service	Medium	13	Brian
EPIC 4	Continuous Compliance & Audit Automation	US 04.1	Enforce predefined security baselines	Very High	5	Sam
		US 04.2	Automate compliance evidence collection	Very High	5	Sam





PLANNING



PRODUCT ROADMAP

 Month 1
 Month 2
 Month 3
 Month 4

 Sprint 1-2 (4 weeks)
 Sprint 3-4 (4 weeks)
 Sprint 5-6 (4 weeks)
 Sprint 7-8 (4 weeks)

 M1
 M2
 M3
 M4

Key Milestone Per Increment	Expected Outcome	How To Measure Success
M1: Infrastructure Setup & PoC Deployment	 Jenkins master & agents provisioned PoC pipeline executes successfully with RBAC + basic audit logging 	 Jenkins environment up in Dev Sample pipeline builds successfully DevOps users can authenticate and access Jenkins
M2: Pilot Migration Phase (CircleCl → Jenkins)	 Two pilot pipelines migrated to Jenkins Shared Jenkins libraries established 	 2 pilot pipelines migrated successfully Build success rate ≥ 95% in Jenkins No critical or blocker defects reported during pilot
M3: Core Plugin Governance & Security Hardening	 Plugin approval workflow implemented Security baselines applied across Jenkins (RBAC + audit logs) 	 Approved plugin list published RBAC enforced on all Jenkins nodes No critical security vulnerabilities
M4: Enterprise Rollout & Compliance Validation	 Jenkins rolled out to 5 DevOps teams Compliance evidence automation functional 	 80% builds automated via Jenkins ≥ 5 teams onboarded Compliance validation completed (baseline + audit logs)



PRODUCT MILESTONES

Each Sprint = 2 weeks | Hybrid of Scrum and Incremental Sequential

Sprint1

US 01.2 – Create Jenkins project space with RBAC configuration.

US 01.3 – Enable core plugins (Git, JFrog, Selenium) for CI/CD setup.

US 03.1 – Validate Jenkins configurations against security baseline.

US 03.4 – Initiate audit logging framework for DevOps activities.

Sprint2

US 01.1 – Migrate first CircleCl pipeline to Jenkins (pilot)

US 03.2 – Define controlled plugin approval workflow.

US 03.4 – Standardize audit log schema across nodes.

Milestone M1: Infrastructure Setup & PoC Deployment

Sprint3

US 01.1 – Migrate second pilot pipeline and build shared Jenkins libraries.

US 02.1 – Preserve last 5 stable builds in JFrog for rollback validation.

US 03.1 – Validate Jenkins configurations against security baseline.

US 03.4 – Initiate audit logging framework for DevOps activities.

Sprint4

US 02.2 – Deploy specific changesets for bug-fix rollouts

US 03.1 – Enforce RBAC policy across all Jenkins nodes.

US 03.5 – Begin VM Provisioning-as-a-Service integration for pipeline environments.

Milestone M2: Pilot Migration Phase (CircleCl → Jenkins)

Sprint5

US 02.1 & 02.2 – Integrate rollback automation with monitoring dashboards

US 03.5 – Complete VM provisioning automation (with auto-destroy policy).

US 04.1 – Security Baseline Enforcement (Initiation)

Sprint6

US 04.2 – Automate compliance evidence collection and storage.

US 04.1 – Monthly Baseline Validation

Conduct enterprise-wide training on pipeline and governance integration.

Begin rollout across 5 DevOps teams.

Milestone M3: Core Plugin Governance & Security Hardening

Sprint7

US 04.1 – Final Integration & Enterprise Regression Validation

Achieve build failure rate < 5% and performance stabilit

Sprint 8

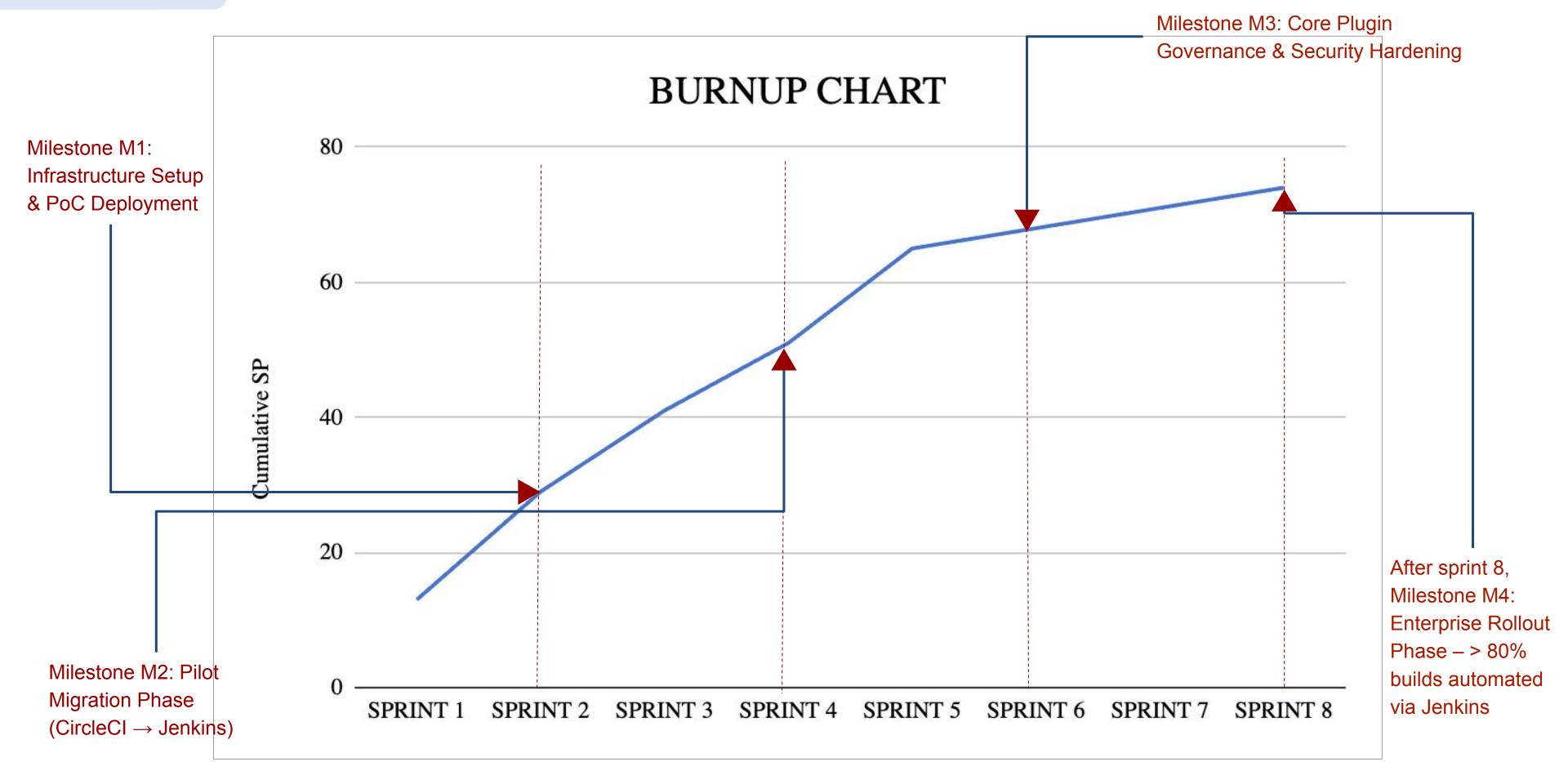
US 04.2 – Compliance Evidence Finalization & Dashboard

Conduct final compliance verification & On-demand audit reporting

Milestone M4: Enterprise Rollout & Compliance Validation



BURNUP CHART





ANNUAL SAVINGS BREAKDOWN

Baseline Assumption

Post JaaS Improvements

Estimated Annual Benefits



Infrastructure & Maintenance

\$200,000/yr

10 VMs for all teams: 10*10000 = \$90000

DevOps FTE Cost: 2*0.5 FTE ~ \$110000

for plugin drift, config fixes, and disparate monitoring.

\$75,000/yr

Replacing 9VMs with 1 centralized Jenkins Controller + shared agents ~ \$20000/yr

Lowers DevOps load to 0.5 FTE (shared admin team) ~\$55000



\$125,000/yr



License / Plugin Costs

\$64,000/yr

Multiple CI/CD tools (CircleCI, GitLab, GitHub) with scattered licenses and underutilized seats increase yearly costs

Centralized Jenkins on VMware removes duplicate tools, reduces plugin/admin overhead, and standardizes CI/CD operations.

\$33,000/yr

\$65,000/yr

JaaS standardization + rollback automation reduces failures by 40%. \$31,000/yr

Failure Cost Avoidance

\$108,000/yr

Average ~3 major deployments with ~3 rollback & failure incidents with estimated business cost ~1500/hour

3 incidents × 6 hours × \$1,500 × 4 quarters = \$108,000/year

\$43,000/yr



ANNUAL SAVINGS BREAKDOWN

Baseline Assumption

Post JAAS Improvements

Estimated Annual Benefits



CapEx / Hardware Reuse

\$120,000/yr

6 CI/CD Servers, 3 Storage Servers, Hardware Refresh Cycle

Mix of depreciation, refresh, and support for all hardware across



\$60,000/yr
Consolidated deploy

servers, unified backup storage, and repurposed 2 servers



\$60,000/yr



\$1,600,000/yr

DevOps FTE all inclusive cost

There are 10 intotal DevOps engineer



\$800,000/yr

Introduction of JaaS, will eliminate the need for 50% of the DevOps engineers.



\$800,000/yr

Category	Infrastructure & Maintenance	License / Plugin Optimization	Failure Cost Avoidance	CapEx / Hardware Reuse	Engineering Efficiency	Total Estimated Annual Benefit
Annual Savings	\$125,000	\$31,000	\$43,000	\$60,000	\$800,000	\$1,059,000 / year



INITIAL BUBBLE INVESTMENT (CapEx)

1. Jenkins & JaaS Training

\$-40,000/yr

- Training participants: ~25 engineers (10 DevOps/SRE, 8–10 DevTest, 3–5 IT & Governance)
- Duration: 2 weeks (covering Jenkins-as-a-Service enablement & governance integration)
- External instructor cost: \$2,500/day × 5 days = \$12,500
- Internal FTE learning time: 25 participants × 2 weeks × \$800/week ≈ \$20,000
- Lab & pilot environment setup: ~\$7,500

2. Consultant Support

\$-20,000/yr

- Certified Jenkins consultant rate: \$120-\$180/hr (Glassdoor / ZipRecruiter 2024 range)
- Engagement duration: 2 consultants × 2 weeks (≈160 total hours)
- Cost calculation: \$125/hr × 160 hrs = \$20,000

3. Migration & SOP Creation

\$-10,000/yr

- Effort: 2 DevOps engineers × 1 week
- Internal cost: \$2,500/week × 2 = \$5,000
- Additional validation & documentation: regression testing, SOP creation ≈ \$5,000

COST BREAKDOWN

ANNUAL Opex COST

1. Infrastructure & Platform Costs

\$-200,000/yr

- Cloud resources: Jenkins controllers, shared agents, and VM hosting for Dev, QA, and CI/CD pipelines
- Plugin subscriptions: JFrog, SonarQube, GitHub Actions, and monitoring integrations
- Storage & network: Centralized backups, data retention, and bandwidth usage

2. Maintenance & Support Costs

\$-80,000/yr

- Shared DevOps / SRE team: ~0.5 FTE for ongoing patching, upgrades, and configuration maintenance.
- Security and compliance updates: Scheduled audits, access management, and RBAC enforcement.
- Support contracts: Jenkins Enterprise or cloud SLA coverage.

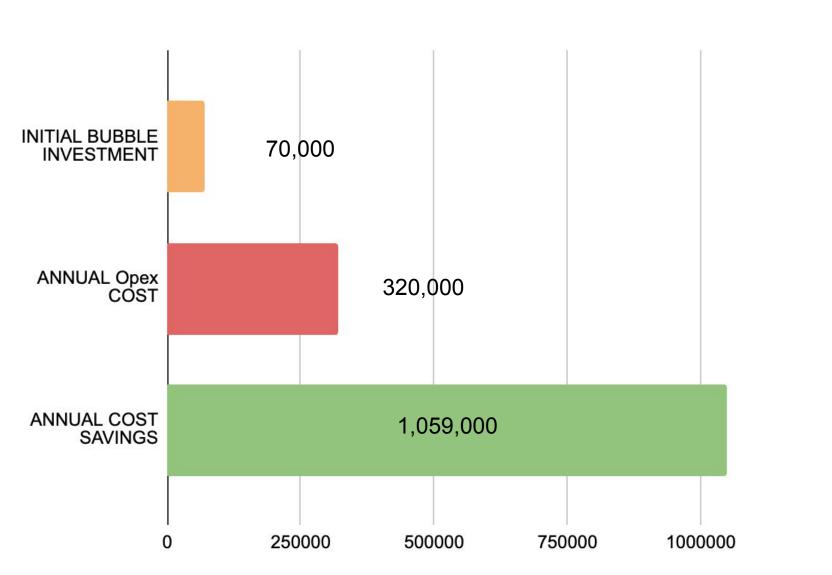
3. Monitoring & Tool Management

\$-40,000/yr

- Monitoring platforms: Grafana / Prometheus / Splunk dashboards for build health and reliability metrics.
- Log management & reporting: Continuous audit trail collection and incident alerting setup.
- Minor administrative overhead: Tool configuration, alerts review, and reporting automation.



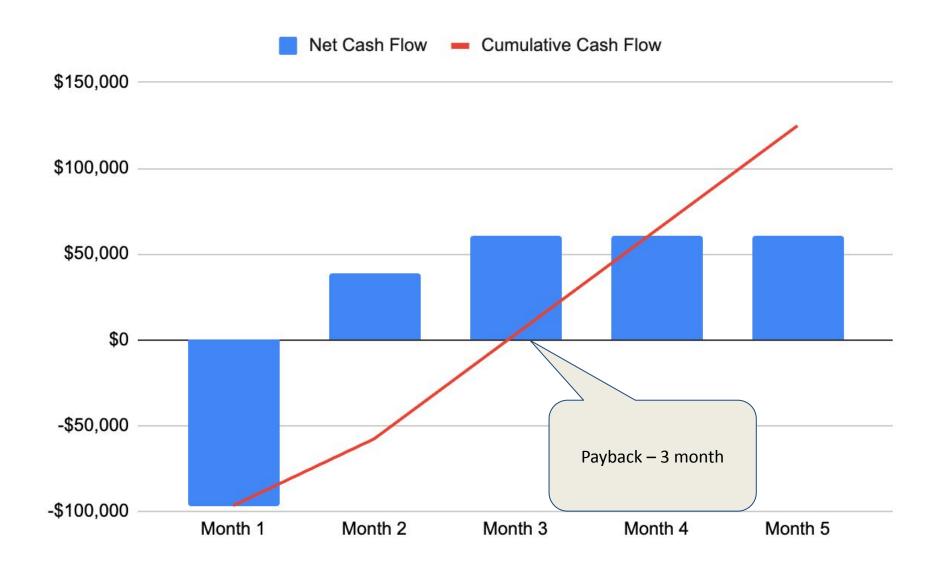
Annual perspective



ROI w/o Bubble Cost = \$1059000 - \$320000 = \$739,000

ROI & PAYBACK SUMMARY

Monthly perspective





ROV SUMMARY

Value Dimension	Rationale / Evidence	Expected Outcome
Developer Productivity & Focus	Developers currently lose 3–4 hrs/week maintaining builds, jobs, diagnosing pipeline drift. With JaaS, this falls to <1 hr/week. (Even if not freeing a full headcount, this time is reclaimed for feature work.)	Faster feature delivery, higher morale, reduced context-switching.
Compliance, Audit & Governance	Centralized access control, audit logging, role-based permissions, and consistent pipeline policies make evidence collection easier. This is particularly important for fintech / regulatory domains.	
Quality / Risk Reduction	Embedding static analysis (SAST), dynamic scans (DAST), dependency checking inside CI can catch vulnerabilities earlier. Industry studies show early defect detection costs far less than late-stage fixes.	Reduced post-release bugs, lower remediation costs, fewer production incidents.
Release Stability & Predictability	Standardized pipelines reduce variation and failures across teams. Rollback automation further lowers risk.	More reliable releases, fewer emergency fixes, higher trust in CI/CD.
Scalability & Future-readiness	The centralized model is more scalable and easier to maintain as the company grows; avoids explosion of per-team instances.	Better support for new teams, microservices, acquisitions, and growth.
Employee Experience & Onboarding Efficiency	With standardized templates and self-service onboarding, new engineers ramp faster without manual scripting.	Reduced onboarding time, lower training overhead.



ROV SUMMARY

If workload doubles (2 times) but cost increases only by $1.4 \times (\alpha = 0.7)$, the system achieves sublinear cost scaling.

Prior to JaaS, FinTech's CI/CD costs grew *linearly* with new products and teams. After JaaS, shared pipelines and centralized Jenkins management enable sublinear scaling, meaning the marginal cost of onboarding a new team or service drops over time.

Year	Teams	Workload	Cost Growth	Efficiency Gain
2025	10	1000	Baseline \$100K	
2026	15	1500 (+50%)	\$130K (+30%)	+20%
2027	20	2000 (+33%)	\$150K (+15%)	+18%
2028	25	2500 (+25%)	\$165K (+10%)	+15%
2029	30	3000 (+20%)	\$180K (+9%)	+11%





RISK MANAGEMENT



RISK & MITIGATION

Category	Description of Risk	Potential Impact	Likelihood Level Very low '1' to Very high '5'	Impact Level Very low '1' to very high '5'	Priority Level (Likelihood x Impact)	Mitigation Strategy
Technical Risks[1]	Jenkins or pipeline configuration failures due to misconfigured plugins or updates.	CI/CD processes interrupted; delayed releases and broken builds.	3	4	12	US01.1 - US01.3: Standardize CI/CD pipelines in Jenkins-as-a-Service to remove configuration inconsistencies. Automated setup and plugin control ensure consistent with zero errors deployment across teams.
Operational Risks[2]	VMware or infrastructure downtime causing Jenkins unavailability.	Deployment interruptions; loss of productivity; potential SLA violations.	4	3	12	US02.1 – US02.2: Establish automated rollback pipelines and store the last five stable builds via JFrog. This enables rapid recovery and maintains 99.9% service uptime during failures.
Security & Compliance Risks[3]	Weak RBAC policies or missing audit logs allowing unauthorized access or untracked deployments.	Security breaches, compliance violations, and audit failure during reviews.	2	5	10	US03.1 – US03.2: Enforce RBAC baselines and a controlled plugin approval process via ServiceNow ITSM, with automated compliance checks, audit logging, and alerts to prevent unauthorized changes and configuration drift.
Project Management Risks	Miscommunication between IT and DevOps teams during Jenkins setup or testing.	Schedule delays; unclear ownership; reduced efficiency in coordination.	3	3	9	Hold regular cross-team check-ins; maintain shared documentation; track scope and progress updates through Jira or similar tools.

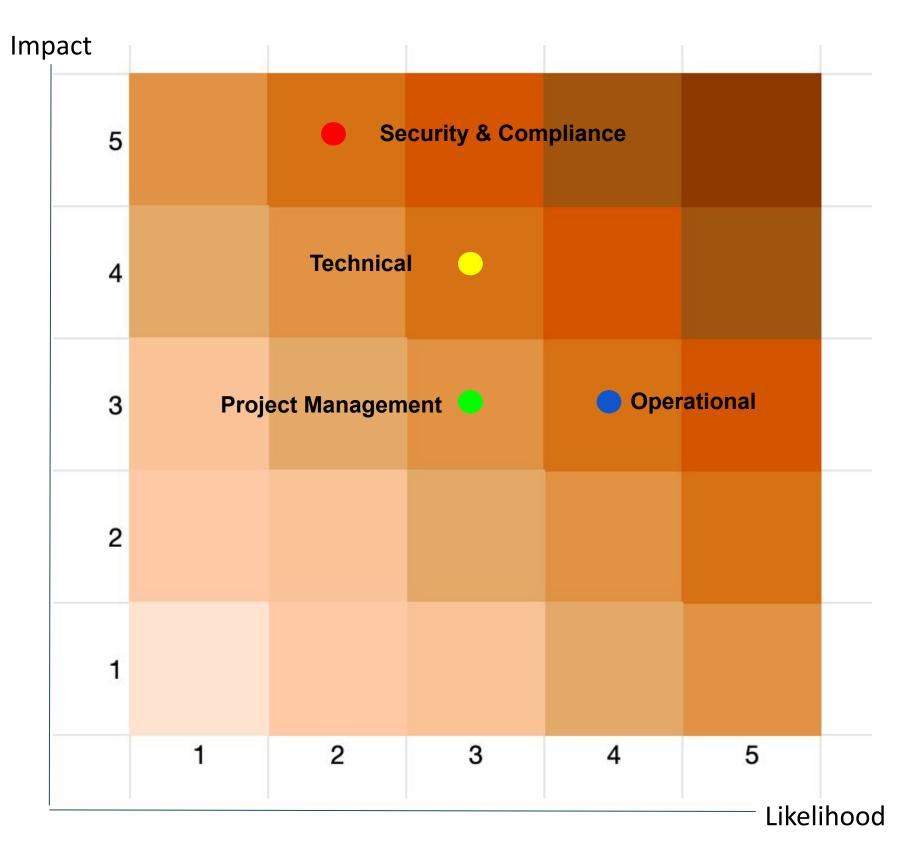
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^[2] VMware shared best practices for maintaining high availability and minimizing downtime. Retrieved from: https://knowledge.broadcom.com/external/article/313917/best-practices-and-advanced-features-for.html

^[3] OWASP Foundation provided guidelines on DevSecOps and RBAC-based security practices. Retrieved from: https://owasp.org/www-project-devsecops-guideline/



RISK HEAT MAP



Security & Compliance: Highest impact risk; requires strong RBAC, audit logging, and periodic reviews.

Highest impact risk, requires strong RBAC, audit logging, and periodic reviews.

This is the risk scenario expanded in the SW Disaster

- Technical: Medium risk; prevent Jenkins or plugin failures via config standards and rollback readiness.
- Operational: Likely risk from VM or network downtime; mitigate through monitoring and auto recovery.
- Project Management: Moderate; improve communication and sprint tracking to reduce delays.

Overall: Security & Compliance is the top concern; others are manageable through proactive monitoring and process governance.



SW DISASTER

(Corresponds to: Security & Compliance Risks — Risk #3)

Scenario

ISync's centralized Jenkins-as-a-Service faces security and compliance risks when **weak RBAC settings**, **missing audit logs**, or **unauthorized plugin installations** bypass the required approval workflow. These misconfigurations may result in untracked deployments, failed builds, inconsistent deployment artifacts, audit violations, or potential security exposure[1].

Impact

Unauthorized plugin installation and configuration drift can cause production pipeline outages, failed deployments, and prolonged service interruptions.

Such failures weaken compliance reliability and may lead to audit findings, SLA violations, and potential data exposure. Repeated disruptions reduce engineering productivity, damage organizational trust, and may result in significant operational, reputational, and financial impact[2].



Mitigation Plan

US03.1 - US03.2:

We will enforce a controlled plugin approval workflow through ServiceNow ITSM, ensuring all plugin installations and updates receive IT and security approval before deployment. Automated compliance checks will validate Jenkins configurations against required security baselines, detect deprecated or insecure plugins, and ensure mandatory security controls remain active. Audit logs will be retained and monitored, and alerts will notify the team of unauthorized changes, preventing configuration drift and maintaining secure, compliant Jenkins instances across the organization.







RELEASE PLAN



VERSION POLICY

1. Version format: release.major.minor.patch[.env] [1] Release:

- Indicates the platform evolution phase.
- Increased only when we introduce major capability changes or architectural shifts (new orchestration model, new Jenkins footprint)

Major (x):Introduced when significant CI/CD capability upgrades or architecture improvements occur [2]

Minor (y): Backwards-compatible enhancements, including:

- New features, plugin integrations, workflow improvements
- Maintenance or "update" releases after pilot rollout (e.g., stability improvements, usability fixes)

Patch (z):

- Regular bug fixes and configuration tuning (non-breaking)
- Different from HotPatch (used for emergency fix)

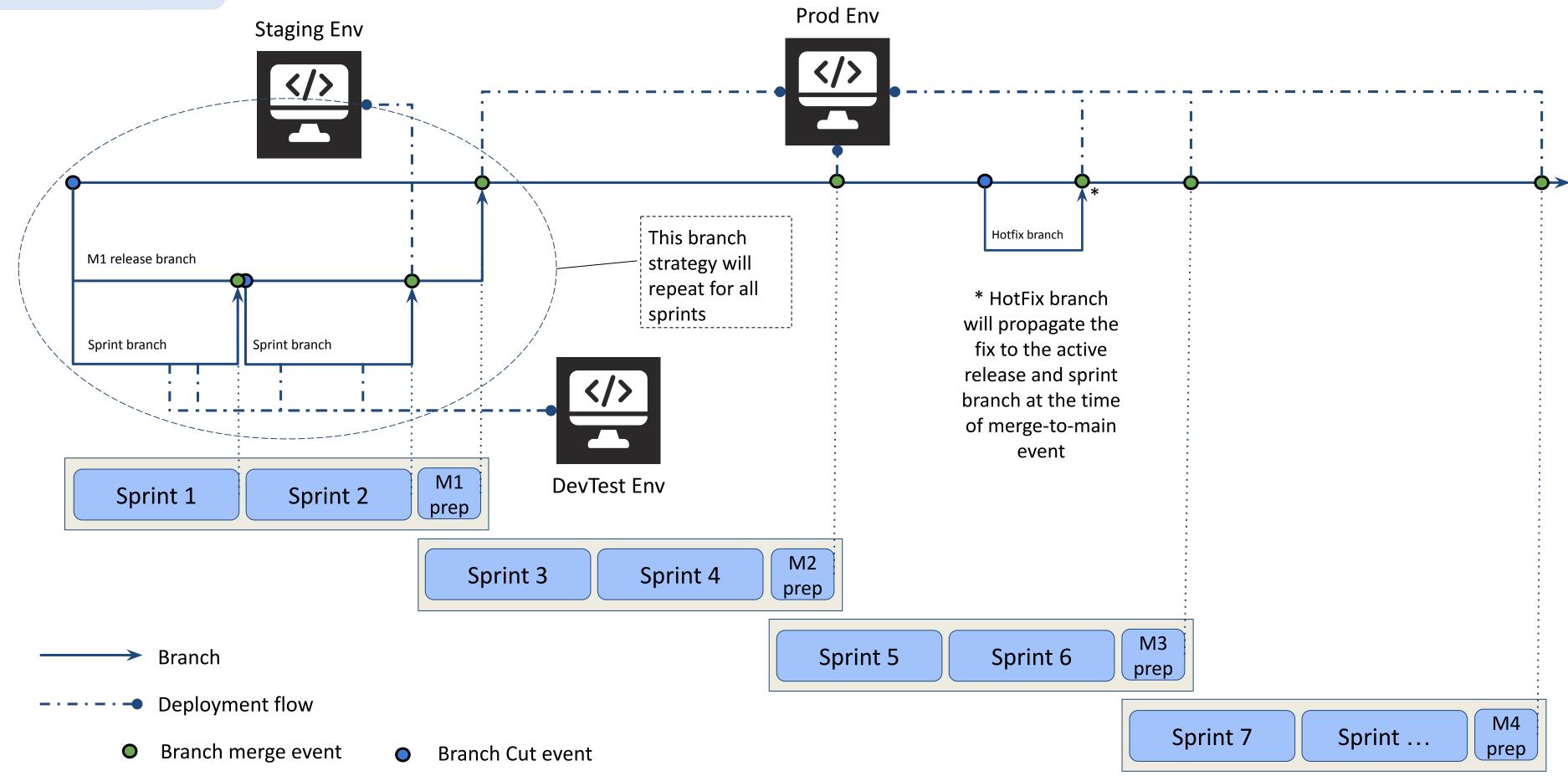
HotPatch (P): Emergency fix for production-critical or security incidents

Env(optional): Environment qualifier for deployments: dev, test, stage, prod

- 2. Branching Model: We follow a multi-stream branching strategy to support parallel feature development, scheduled releases, and unplanned fixes.
 - main → Stable production-ready branch (RBAC-locked; no direct commits). All releases are merged here after validation.
 - release/{version} → Stabilization branch for each planned release (release/v1.0.0, release/v1.1.0, release/v1.2.0, release/v1.3.0).
 - patch/{issue} → Regular maintenance fixes after pilot rollout (version x.y.z updates).
- hotfix/{issue} → Emergency fix branch for production-critical issues (version x.y.z.P). Hotfix merges propagate to main, active release, and current sprint branches.



SDLC, BRANCH & DEPLOYMENT MODEL





RELEASE CRITERIA

Criteria	Release (v1.0.0)	Release (v1.1.0)	Release (v1.2.0)	Release (v1.3.0)
Functional Readiness & Acceptance All prioritized features for this release are validated and meet acceptance criteria.	75% Functional requirements passed	80% Functional requirements passed	90% Functional requirements passed	95% Functional requirements passed
Quality & Reliability Stability System maintains acceptable defect levels and regression quality.	≤ 3 critical defects; Regression suite ≥ 85% pass	≤ 2 critical defects; Regression suite ≥ 90% pass	≤ 1 critical defect; Regression suite ≥ 95% pass	Zero critical defects; Regression suite 98% pass
Performance & Scalability CI/CD performance meets baseline expectations.	Build success rate ≥ 90%	Build success rate ≥ 93%	Build success rate ≥ 95%	Build success rate ≥ 98%
Security Compliance & Governance All security controls enforced and no critical vulnerabilities remain.	≤ 2 P1 security bugs; No P0; OSS CVSS < 7.5	≤ 1 P1; No P0; CVSS < 6.5	0 security bugs; CVSS < 5.5	0 security bugs; CVSS < 5.0
Operational Readiness & Deployment Stability Release is deployable, validated, and ready for production without major risks.	Sanity test 90% pass; Rollback validated manually	Sanity test 93% pass; Rollback partially automated	Sanity 95% pass; Fully automated rollback	Sanity 98% pass; Rollback auto + audited
Documentation, Legal & Compliance Release includes accurate technical docs, user docs, and legal compliance.	80% docs completed	90% docs completed	95% docs completed	100% docs completed



RELEASE CHECKLIST

Category	Checklist	Person Responsible	Release 1.0.0	Release 1.1.0	Release 1.2.0	Release 1.3.0
	Confirm all planned epics/stories for this release are completed and reviewed	PM	Υ	Y	Y	Y
Requirement Completion	Validate acceptance criteria coverage	Tester	Υ	Y	Υ	Y
	All P0/P1 requirements must pass functional validation	Tester		Y	Υ	Y
	All pipelines can run successfully end-to-end	Tester	Υ	Y	Y	Y
Functional Readiness	Plugin workflow validated (build \rightarrow test \rightarrow artifact)	Tester	Y	Y	Y	Y
	Shared library and base pipeline templates tested	SRE		Y	Y	Y
	RBAC roles validated for all teams	Security		Y	Y	Y
Security & Access Control	Permission boundaries tested according to policy	Security		Y	Y	Y
	Jenkins audit log verified for critical events	Security / DevOps			Υ	Y
	Jenkins core version validated with all approved plugins	Security		Y	Y	Y
Compatibility & Integration	Team pipelines validated for compatibility	Tester	Υ	Y	Y	Y
	Integration with external tools (repo / artifact store / secrets manager) tested	DevOps		Y	Y	Y
	Deployment configuration validated in dev/test/stage environments	DevOps	Y	Y	Υ	Y
Operations & Deployment Readiness	Backup / rollback workflow validated	DevOps		Y	Υ	Y
	Monitoring & alerting rules configured	DevOps			Υ	Y
	Release notes completed	PM		Y	Υ	Y
Documentation & Compliance	User onboarding guide updated	PM			Υ	Y
	All compliance documents reviewed and stored	PM / Security			Υ	Y



RELEASE ROADMAP[1]

Release (v1.0.0)

Month 1 (sprint 1-2)

Release (v1.1.0)

Month 2 (sprint 3-4)

Release (v1.2.0)

Month 3 (sprint 5-6)

Release (v1.3.0)

Month 4 (sprint 7-8)

FOCUS

Infrastructure Setup & PoC
Deployment

Pilot Migration & Shared Library
Setup

Governance + Security Hardening

Rollout Readiness

COMPONENT

- Jenkins master & agents provisioned
- Core plugins (Git, JFrog, Selenium) enabled
- Security baseline validation (initial)
- PoC pipeline executed successfully
- 2 pilot teams migrated (CircleCl → Jenkins)
- Shared Jenkins libraries built
- Audit logging standardized
 RBAC enforced across pilot environments

- Plugin approval workflow implemented
- Security baselines enforced across JaaS
- Automated VM provisioning
- Compliance evidence auto-collection (partial)

Includes updates/improvements from M1 & M2 pilot rollout feedback.

- Final integration & regression validation
- Compliance readiness dashboard
- Enterprise-wide documentation & training
- Compliance evidence automation completed

CHECKLIST

Requirement Completion 🗸

Functional Readiness 🗸

Security Baseline (initial) 🗸

Ops Readiness (Dev env) ✓

Compatibility & Integration ✓

Audit Logging ✓

Shared Libraries ✓

includes all checklist items from v1.0.0

Security Governance 🗸

Plugin Governance ✓

Compliance Collection (partial) 🗸

includes all checklist items from v1.1.0

Full Compliance Validation 🗸

Training & Documentation ✓

Enterprise Readiness ✓

includes all checklist items from v1.2.0

TESTING [2]

Integration Testing
Reliability Testing
Basic Functional Testing

Functional Testing
Security Baseline Validation
Performance & Stress Testing

End-to-End Testing
Rollback Workflow Testing
Security Compliance Spot-Check

Full System Testing
User Acceptance Testing (UAT)





TESTING PLAN



Testing Goal



Functional Assurance: JaaS components work correctly end-to-end



Reliability & Performance: Pipelines run predictably, rollback is consistent



Security & Compliance Validation: RBAC, audit logs, plugin governance



Value Realization: Testing confirms productivity and cost benefits

Testing Case

1. Boundary Value Analysis (BVA)

- Number of concurrent pipelines (e.g., 1, 50, 100).
- Build retention limits (e.g., 4, 5, 6 builds).
- User roles (no permissions → partial → full permissions).

3. State Transition Testing

Used for RBAC, plugin approval workflow, rollback lifecycle:

- Requested → Under Review → Approved → Installed → Active
- Build Passed → Build Failed → Rollback Triggered → System Stable

TESTING STRATEGY

Testing Scope

- Integrates Git, Selenium, VM provisioning, and CI/CD flows
- Supports pipeline migration from CircleCI
- Enforces centralized RBAC and plugin approval workflows
- Enables rollback, build retention, and change-set deployments
- Meets security, audit, reliability, and infrastructure efficiency targets

2. Equivalence Partitioning

- Valid vs invalid SCM URLs
- Approved vs unapproved plugins
- Valid vs invalid VM provisioning parameters

4. End-to-End Scenario Testing

- Git push → Jenkins build → Selenium tests → VM deploy
 → Audit logs generated
- CircleCl → Jenkins migration scenario tests



TESTING ENVIRONMENT

1. Test Data Types:

Mock Git Repositories

Valid repo, invalid repo, inaccessible repo

Selenium Test Suites

Passing tests, failing tests

VM Provisioning Parameters

• Valid config, missing config, oversized VM request

User Accounts

SRE, DevOps Engineer, Unauthorized User

Plugin Requests

Approved plugin, blocked plugin, deprecated plugin

2. Data Creation Approaches:

Synthetic Data

• Sample commits, dummy test files, fake changesets

Production-Sanitized Data

Anonymized real pipelines for realistic behavior

Event Simulation

Simulated build failures, rollback triggers

Mock APIs / Stubs

For unavailable services (e.g., JFrog outages)

3. Environment :

Dedicated Jenkins dev instance

- Isolated project spaces for each persona
- Infrastructure-as-Code templates for consistent setups
- Test datasets loaded automatically via CI/CD



EPIC 1 — CI/CD PIPELINE

Type	Acceptance Criterion Being Validated	How It's Verified (Conceptual)	Success Metric / Outcome
Integration + Smoke Testing	JaaS integrates with Git, Selenium, and existing CI/CD stages; Access control & capacity scaling enabled	Run a full CI/CD flow Git → Jenkins → Selenium and confirm pipeline stages run without manual setup.	 Pipeline runs without errors Access control enforced. No manual setup needed Capacity scales normally
Migration Testing + End-to-End (E2E) Testing	Pipelines migrate from CircleCI → Jenkins; Git + Selenium + VM provisioning script integrated	Deploy known CircleCI pipeline into Jenkins and test SCM linkage, Selenium trigger, VM provisioning, and code-check-in automation.	 Selenium tests triggered VM created Pipeline auto-runs on check-ins Audit logs captured
RBAC Access Control Testing	Only online-banking team can access pipelines; Access managed via JaaS RBAC	Test authorized vs unauthorized access using RBAC role accounts.	 Unauthorized access denied RBAC rules applied consistently
Security Testing + Approval Workflow Testing + Smoke Testing	Plugin installation follows IT + Security approval workflow; Jenkins restarts cleanly	Simulate plugin request → go through approval → install → validate plugin availability after restart.	 Only approved plugins installed Audit trail stored Jenkins restarts without failure



EPIC 2 — ROLLBACK AND STABILITY

Type	Acceptance Criterion Being Validated	How It's Verified (Conceptual)	Success Metric / Outcome
Rollback Testing + Stability Testing + Smoke Testing	SRE can preserve builds, deploy last stable build, and track rollbacks.	Simulate failure → trigger rollback pipeline using stored stable build.	 Rollback succeeds Build is traceable Meets 99.9% uptime target
Retention Testing + Access Control Testing	Last 5 builds preserved via JFrog; older builds auto-deleted; Only SRE has access.	Upload 7 builds → verify builds 1–2 deleted → test restricted access with non-SRE account.	 Exactly 5 builds retained Unauthorized access blocked Rollback from stored artifacts works.
Regression Testing + Integration Testing + E2E Testing	Deploy change-set + test suite for bug-fix releases.	Trigger pipeline with commit hash + test suite ID → confirm correct selection → run build + test → deploy.	 Change-set deployed Automated tests executed Bug fix traceable via ticket



EPIC 3 — SECURITY, COMPLIANCE & GOVERNANCE

Туре	Acceptance Criterion Being Validated	How It's Verified (Conceptual)	Success Metric / Outcome
Security Testing + RBAC Testing + Audit & Logging Testing	JaaS has RBAC, plugin approvals, security scans, and 90-day audit logs.	Review RBAC config, test access, run plugin approval workflow, verify security scan triggers & audit logs.	 All controls active Deprecated plugins flagged Secure credentials enforced
Configuration Compliance Testing + Regression Testing	Jenkins config matches security baseline; Unused/unsafe plugins flagged.	Deploy known CircleCl pipeline into Jenkins and test SCM linkage, Selenium trigger, VM provisioning, and code-check-in automation.	 All controls active Deprecated plugins flagged Secure credentials enforced
Access Control Testing + Approval Workflow Testing	Plugin installation must go through controlled approval workflow.	Test authorized vs unauthorized access using RBAC role accounts.	 No unapproved plugin installed All requests show audit + sign-off
Vulnerability Testing + Security Testing	Vulnerability scans run before plugin installation; High-risk plugins blocked.	Simulate plugin request → go through approval → install → validate plugin availability after restart.	 Critical/high-risk plugins rejected Scan results attached to change request.
Logging Integrity Testing + Dashboard Access Testing	Audit logs are centralized, tamper-proof, and accessible	Review log entries, timestamps, user IDs → verify dashboard access → confirm 90-day retention	 Compliance reports available Logs secure and centralized
Integration Testing + Lifecycle Policy Testing	Jenkins pipeline can provision/destroy VMs with defined parameters and lifecycle policy.	Trigger VM creation → verify default config → validate auto-destroy → confirm policy compliance	 VM created successfully Auto-destroy works Configurable parameters respected



EPIC 4 — THE SENTINEL

Туре	Acceptance Criterion Being Validated	How It's Verified (Conceptual)		Success Metric / Outcome	
UAT (User Acceptance Testing)	Persona accurately reflects Security Analyst responsibilities, compliance tasks, and role interactions with DevOps/SRE teams.	Review persona description with security team; validate duties (RBAC checks, audit readiness, plugin approvals) align with real workflows.	•	Persona accepted by Security, DevOps, and SRE stakeholders.	
Security Testing	Persona requires vulnerability scanning before plugin installation and enforcement of risk thresholds.	Simulate plugin install flow \rightarrow scan \rightarrow check if high-risk plugins are blocked \rightarrow confirm approval workflow.	•	All high-risk plugins blocked; audit trail attached to request.	
Integration Testing	Persona requires centralized compliance evidence collection after every build or config change.	Trigger CI pipeline → collect evidence → verify logs/time stamps → validate storage in compliance repository.	•	Evidence automatically captured; no missing audit entries.	
Configuration Regression Testing	Persona requires predefined Jenkins security baselines automatically enforced.	Deploy baseline \rightarrow run config comparison \rightarrow detect deviations \rightarrow flag unsafe or unused plugins.	•	Deprecated/unsafe plugins flagged; baseline always matched.	
Access Control Testing (RBAC Testing)	Persona requires a secure dashboard for accessing audit logs and compliance reports.	Review role-based dashboard access → validate log visibility → test unauthorized access handling.	•	Dashboard accessible only to authorized roles; logs correctly displayed.	
Performance + Integrity Testing	Persona requires 90-day audit log retention, integrity, and immutability.	Validate log rotation policy \rightarrow review timestamps \rightarrow test tamper detection \rightarrow confirm retention window.	•	Logs stored immutably for ≥ 90 days; compliance report generated.	



BUG MANAGEMENT

1. Bug Reporting (Jira Based)

- Centralized Jira board captures all JaaS-related defects (CI/CD flow, RBAC, plugin approvals, VM provisioning), ensuring
 all issues are tracked in one place.
- Required fields include environment, pipeline ID, logs/screenshots, and clear steps to reproduce so teams can quickly identify root causes.

2. Bug Triage & Priority

- Daily triage meeting across App, Security, and Infra teams to review new bugs and assign ownership.
- Issues are marked critical when they block pipelines, bypass RBAC, cause VM provisioning failures, or allow high-risk plugins.

3. Bug Resolution & Verification[1]

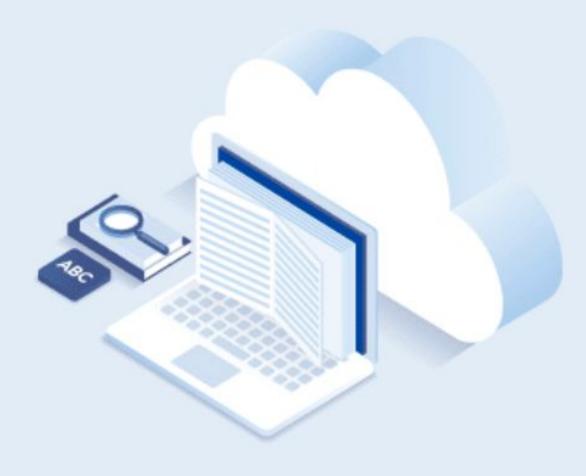
- Fixes are verified through automated CI/CD reruns, RBAC access retests, and VM create/destroy workflows to confirm stability.
- Critical bugs follow a strict SLA and must be resolved within 48 hours to avoid delays in migration or release.

4. Documentation & Traceability

- Every bug links to its related Jenkins job, PR/commit, and relevant Selenium or audit log IDs to maintain full traceability.
- Weekly reporting summarizes defect trends and fix rates, helping teams monitor quality and identify recurring issues.







APPENDIX



TIME BUDGET SUMMARY

Category	Slides	Time
BACKUP	3, 15-17, 19, 21, 36, 45-46, 50, 56, 58, 64-69	17 * 0 seconds = 0 minutes
TITLE	1, 2	2 * 30 seconds = 1 minutes
SIMPLE	4-6, 7, 9-14, 20, 22-35, 37, 39-44, 47-49, 51-54, 57, 59-63	45 * 1 minute = 45 minutes
AVERAGE	8, 38, 55	3 * 3 minutes = 9 minutes
COMPLEX	18	1 * 5 minutes = 5 minutes
	TOTAL	60 minutes



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Problem Statements & Challenges (4 points)

Project Scope (2 points)

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OSS Decision (2 points)

Oct 5: OSS Principles (5 points)

History (1 points)

License (1 points)

Contributors & Sponsors (3 points)

Week 3 (33 points)

Oct 12: ROI/ROV (8 points)

ROI (4 points)

ROV (4 points)

Oct 12: SDLC Model (8 points)

Blending (3 points)

Roadmap & Burnup Chart (5 points)

Rationalization (3 points)

Oct 14: OSS Research (Jenkins Focus)

(14 points)

SWOT Analysis (4 points)

Competitive Analysis (4 points)

Upstream & Downstream (6 points)

Week 4 (29 points)

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Clarity & Qualification (3 points)

Quantification (3 points)

Decomposition (2 points)

Rationalization (2 points)

Oct 21: Risk Management (4 points)

Oct 21: Relative Sizing (4 points)

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Oct 23: Sprint Review Presentation

(5 points)



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As-Is Diagram (5 points)

To-BE Diagram (5 points)

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Week 5 (8 points)

Oct 30: Arch & Design

High Level Design (8 points)

Week 6 (17 points)

Nov 6: Release Management

Release Roadmap (6 points)
Release Criteria (5 points)
Release Checklist (6 points)

Week 7 (16 points)

Nov 13: Testing

Testing Strategy (4 points)

Testing Approach (3 points)

Testing Metrics (5 points)

Success Factors & Metrics (4 points)

Week 8 (12 points)

Nov 20: Reference Work (2 points)

Nov 20: Style & Messaging (10 points)

Consistent & Clear Style (4 points)

Consistent Messaging (4 points)

Organization (5 points)

Week 10 (14 points)

Dec 4: Pitch Competition

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OSS Pitch Competition (8 points)



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CHANGE MANAGEMENT

Step	Detail	
Demonstrate Reasons for the Change	Clearly articulate why the shift to Jenkins-as-a-Service is needed: inconsistent plugin governance, fragmented pipelines across teams, weak security baselines, high operational overhead in CircleCI, and lack of audit logging. Present benefits such as centralized governance, security hardening, and scalable automation. Define what processes, branches, and CI/CD workflows will be impacted.	
Communicate with Stakeholders	Identify all key stakeholders: DevOps team, pilot teams (M1 & M2), InfoSec, Platform Ops, and leadership. Conduct kick-off meetings, monthly milestone reviews, and demo sessions after each release. Provide continuous updates on rollout progress (M1→M2→M3→M4). Use Slack channels and shared Confluence pages for transparency.	
Training & Skill Development	Provide Jenkins onboarding workshops for pilot teams, including RBAC usage, shared library usage, rollback workflow, and compliance dashboard training. Offer hands-on sandbox sessions for pipeline migration and plugin governance approvals. Ensure developers understand security baselines and audit logging.	
New Talent Acquisition	Recruit or assign Jenkins SMEs to support shared library maintenance and plugin governance. Add 1–2 DevOps engineers to support enterprise rollout in M4. Engage InfoSec analysts to maintain compliance baselines and perform CVSS evaluations on Jenkins plugins.	
Evaluation, Feedback & Documentation	After each release (v1.0→v1.1→v1.2→v1.3), collect feedback from pilot teams and DevOps. Evaluate expected vs actual stability, build rate, compliance readiness, and operational issues. Maintain documentation in Confluence: migration guides, plugin governance rules, RBAC matrix, audit log configuration, rollback runbook.	
Reinforcement	Provide ongoing operational support for Jenkins, including plugin reviews, shared library updates, RBAC enforcement, and periodic compliance checks. Run lessons-learned retros after each release to reinforce best practices.	