



Canadian Tire Lift Assist Design Update

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Project Status

- Main components assembled
- After assembly, arm rotation test was deemed unnecessary
- Other design issues found upon assembly



Project Status

- A number of design modifications to implement
- Minimal procurement left

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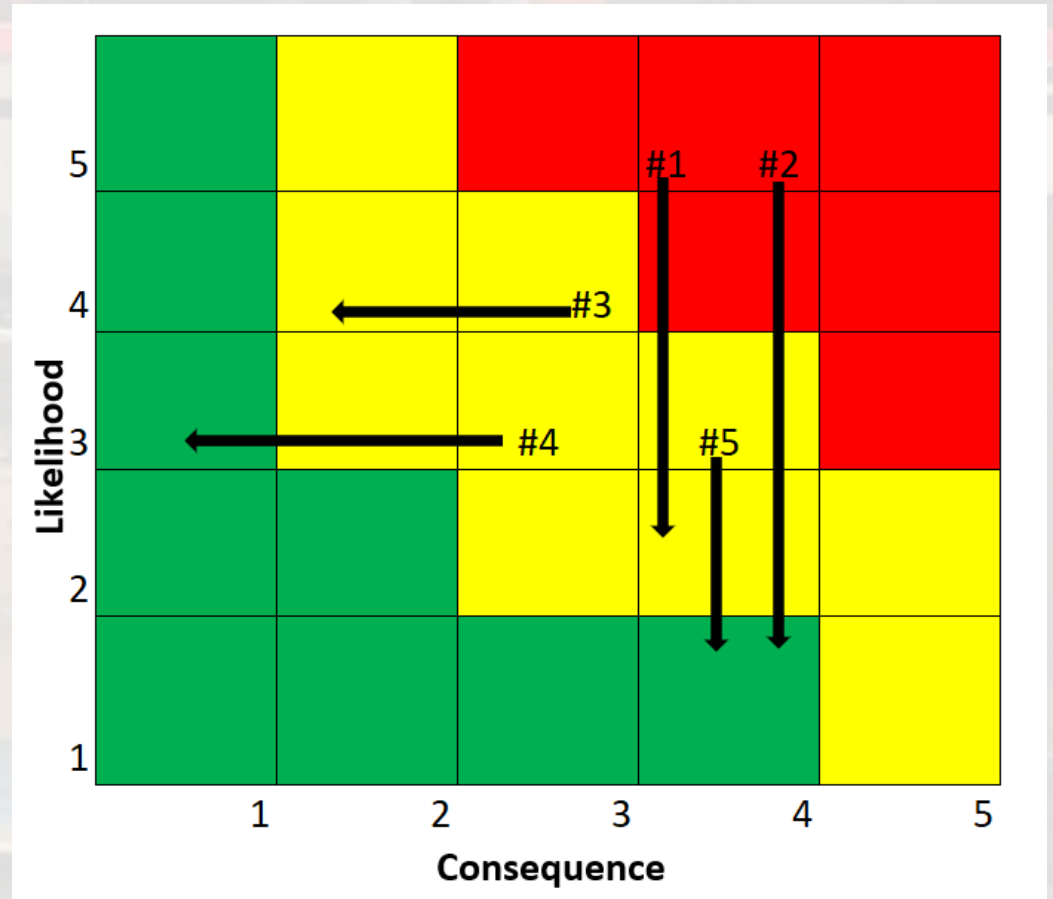
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While budget was unspecified, goal was below \$5,000

Track, Trolley, and Arm	\$775.57
Pivot Point	\$426.97
Hardware	\$218.97
Suction	\$228.01
Total	\$1,649.52

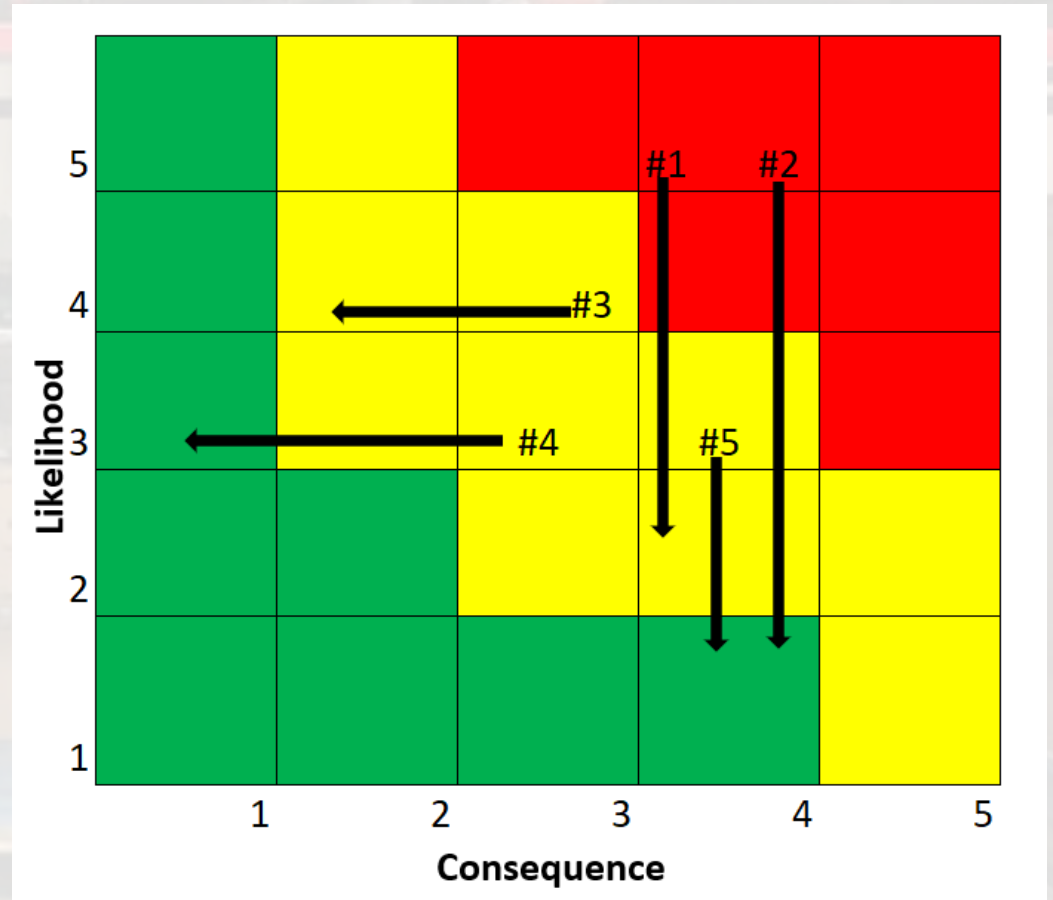
Risk Management

- *Risk 1: Excessive beam deflection*
 - Solution: ran Solidworks simulations using various materials
- *Risk 2: Extreme shear forces on turntable*
 - Solution: implemented heavy duty slew bearing rated higher than necessary
- *Risk 3: Pinch points*
 - Solution: protective casing and locks on movable parts



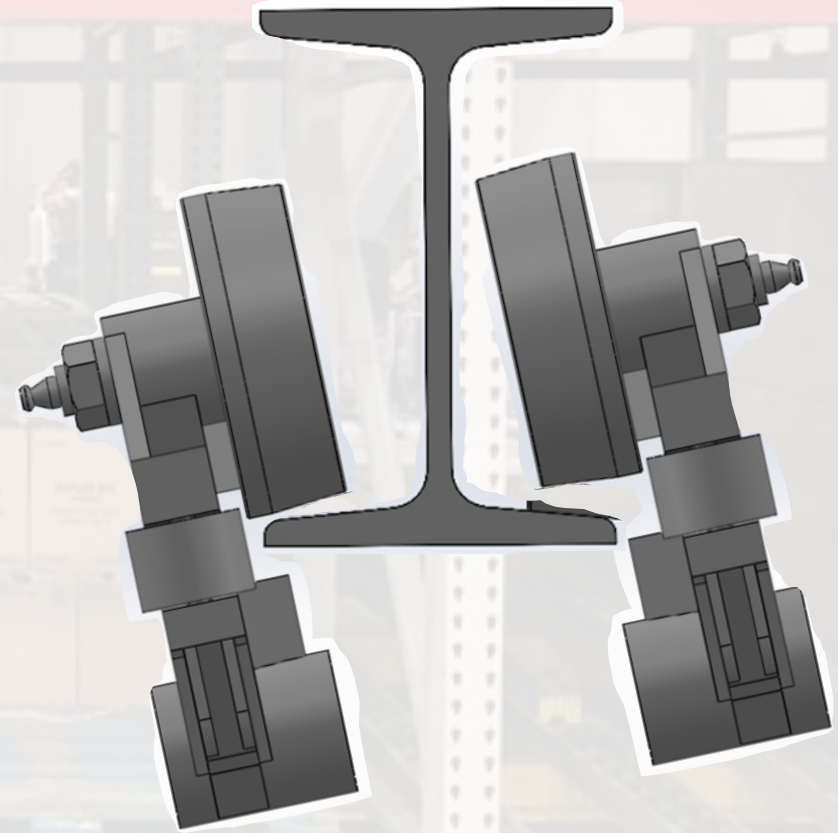
Risk Management

- *Risk 4:* Uneven distribution of vacuum head weight
 - Solution: position cups on secure frame
- *Risk 5:* Lack of suction while picking up items
 - Solution: adequate force applied to suction cups with weight of frame and correct pressure



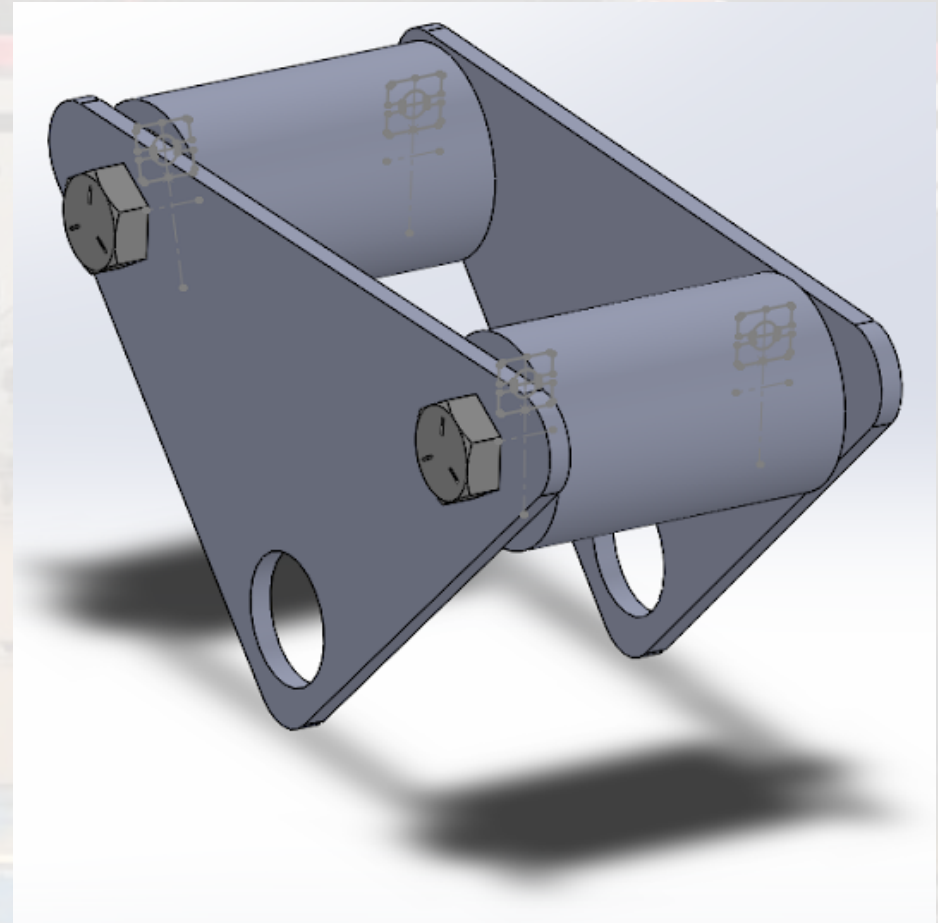
Final Design Additions – Trolley Stabilization

- Upon testing, it was noticed the trolley tilted as a result of an off centred load
- Not unsafe but appeared awkward



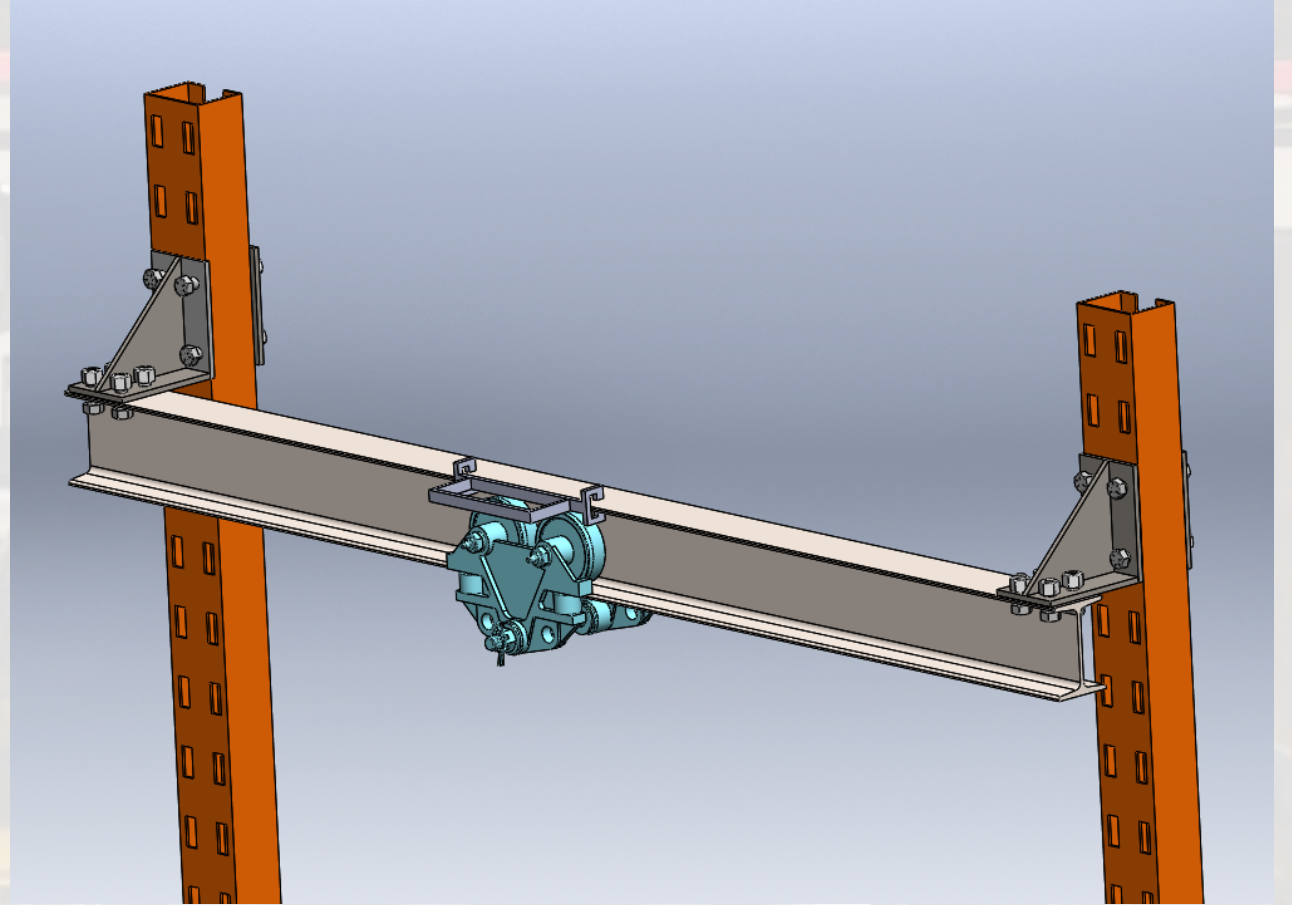
Final Design Additions – Trolley Stabilization

- A stabilizer piece was designed
- Two rollers pressed lightly against the bottom of the beam to support trolley without limiting movement



Final Design Additions – Safety Locks

- A lock for the trolley will be installed to prevent unintentional sliding
- A lock for the arm will be installed to prevent unintentional swinging



Prototype Testing – Vacuum Suction

- Air flow from single pump split into two suction cups
- Vacuum tested on cardboard (with and without tape) and pails



Final Design Recommendations

- An optimized suction system will be determined based on testing conducted
- Our recommendation: An optimized version of our testing or an off-the-shelf vacuum automation system





Thank you!