

# **Department of Defense Sustainability Efforts and Sustainable Technology Evaluation and Demonstration Program**



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# Agenda

- **Department of Defense (DoD) Sustainability**
  - Executive Order (E.O.) 14057 Goals
  - Sustainability Plan and Initiatives
- **DoD Adaptive Acquisition Framework (AAF)**
  - ESOH in Acquisition and Sustainability
  - Chemical Regulatory Management
  - Energy
- **DoD Sustainable Technology Evaluation & Demonstration (STED) Program**
  - Outreach and Communications
  - DoD Industry Sustainability Collaboration





# DoD Sustainability

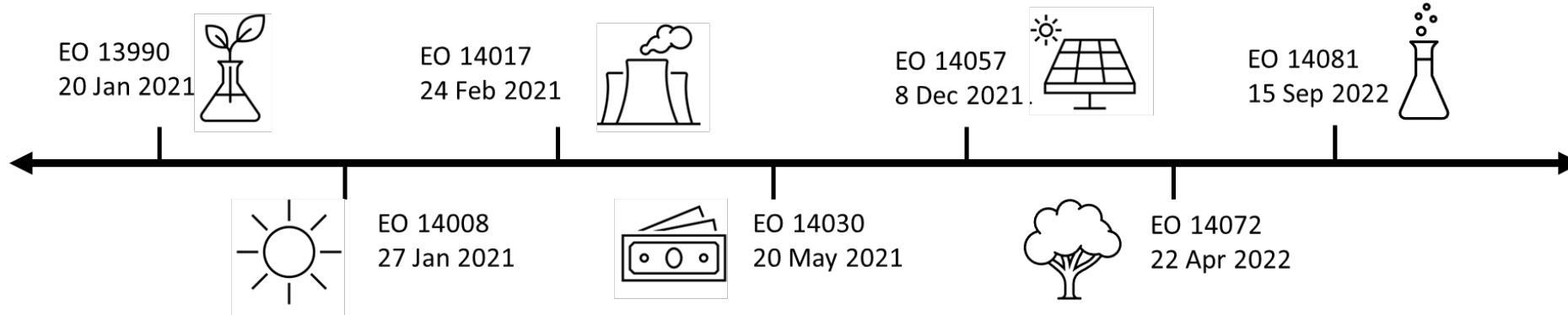
- To successfully execute the DoD mission, our Military Departments must have the energy, land, air, and water resources necessary to train and operate in a world where there is increasing competition for resources.
- The Department pursues sustainability opportunities based on data that make the most compelling case in terms of mission, productivity, and long-term cost performance.

## DoD's Sustainability Vision

*To maintain the ability to operate into the future without decline either in mission or in the natural and man-made systems that support it.*



# Sustainability Requirements Span EOs



## EO 13990

- Incorporate Social Cost of Greenhouse Gases (SC-GHG) in areas of decision-making, budgeting, and procurement.
- Limit exposure to dangerous chemicals and pesticides;; including to low-income and communities of color.

## EO 14008

- Orders climate considerations to be an essential element of United States national security policy.
- Climate crisis requires significant short-term GHG reductions and net-zero emissions by mid-century or before.

## EO 14030

- Requires suppliers to (1) disclose greenhouse gas emissions and (2) disclose climate-related financial risk and (3) set science-based reduction targets.
- Orders agencies to consider the SC-GHG in procurement decisions and, where appropriate and feasible, give preference to bids and proposals from suppliers with a lower SC-GHG.

## EO 14017

- Agencies required to assess climate risks to the availability, production, or transportation of critical/essential goods.

## EO 14057

- Federal Government to lead by example in order to achieve a carbon pollution-free electricity sector by 2035 and net-zero emissions economy-wide by no later than 2050.
- Secure a transition to clean, zero-emission technologies and transform procurement and operations

## EO 14072

- Develop policies to institutionalize climate-smart management and conservation strategies of forests on Federal lands

## EO 14081

- Harness Biotechnology and Biomanufacturing R&D sustainably and increased biobased procurement



# EO 14057 Goals



100% Carbon Pollution-Free Electricity by 2030, including 50% on a 24/7 basis



100% Zero-Emission Vehicle Acquisitions by 2035, including 100% light-duty acquisitions by 2027



Net-Zero Emissions Buildings by 2045, including a 50% reduction by 2032



Net-Zero Emissions Procurement by 2050



Net-Zero Emissions Operations by 2050, including a 65% reduction by 2030



Climate Resilient Infrastructure and Operations



Develop a Climate- and Sustainability-Focused Workforce



Advance Environmental Justice and Equity-Focused Operations



Accelerate Progress through Domestic and International Partnerships



# DoD Sustainability Initiatives

- **Greenhouse Reduction Planning**
  - DoD GHG Reduction Plan
  - Request for Information (RFI) and Sources Sought for DoD acquiring support for DoD Greenhouse Gas (GHG) accounting of emissions disclosures
- **Carbon Pollution-Free Electricity (CFE)**
  - Implementation Pilot Projects
  - CFE Strategic Plan
- **Sustainable Acquisitions**
  - Adaptive Acquisition Framework
  - Update to Sustainability Analysis Guide (SAG)
- **Zero Emission Vehicles (ZEV)**
  - ZEV Strategic Plan
  - Infrastructure led capacity planning
- **Net-Zero Installations**
  - Sustainable Installation Strategic Plan
  - Update Unified Facilities Criteria (UFCs)
- **Net-Zero Procurement**
  - 2 Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR) Cases:
    - Disclosure of Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Climate-Related Financial Risk
    - Minimizing the Risk of Climate Change in Federal Acquisitions
- **Climate Resilient Infrastructure**
  - Climate Adaptation Plan
- **Environmental Justice**
  - Department-Wide Environmental Justice Strategy



# DoD AAF



*The AAF process encompasses the **design, engineering, testing, deployment, sustainment, and disposal** of weapon systems.*



# Purpose of Environment, Safety, and Occupational Health (ESOH) in Acquisition

Prevent loss of life or serious injury to personnel

Avoid damage to equipment or facilities

**Support the warfighter and DoD's mission**

Prevent harm to the environment and surrounding community

Avoid system failures & malfunctions (mishaps), which impact mission readiness





# ESOH and Sustainability Inherent in AAF Process

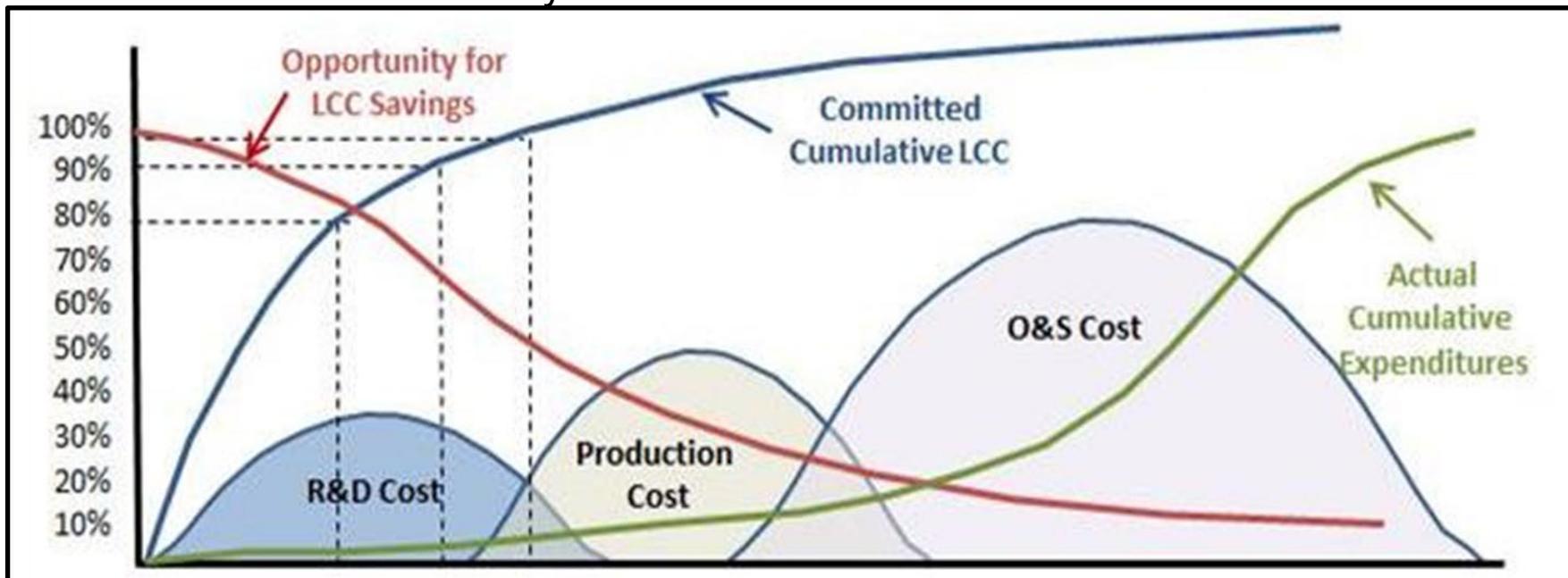
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- **ESOH risk and requirements management and sustainability is integral in systems/specialty engineering and product support processes for the life cycle of the weapon system.**
  - Engineering analyses inform on ESOH and supportability analyses and risk mitigation strategies.
  - A successful program meets sustainment performance requirements and continues to seek cost reductions.
- **SAG provides a full description of how to incorporate sustainability considerations in support of acquisition requirements.**
- **SAG includes traditional “internal” life cycle costs in addition to often-overlooked “external” costs.**
  - Includes the SC-GHG
- **An update to the SAG is in process to align with new DoD policies.**



# ESOH and Sustainability Inherent in AAF Process

- This graphic reflects the percentage of the total life cycle costs captured as a function of acquisition phases.
- Smart design choices achieve cost savings, as well as less ESOH statutory compliance and operational/mission/sustainability readiness constraints.



## Life Cycle Costs (LCC):

- 80-90% of LCC committed during Research and Development (R&D)
- 60-80% of LCC incurred during Operations and Support (O&S)

Note: Based on a National Aerospace and Safety Administration Study



# Chemical Regulatory Management

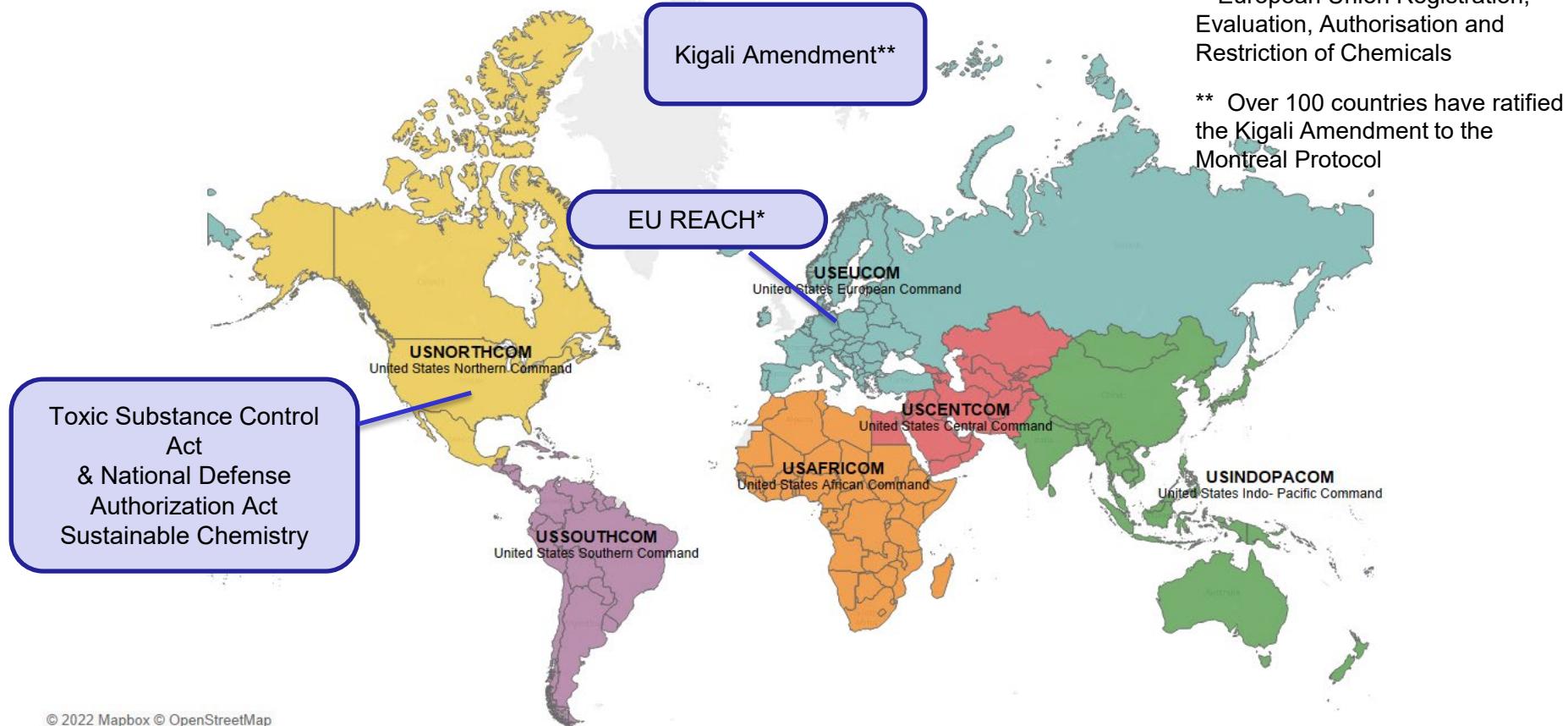
Assure availability of natural and man-made resources to enable weapon system and platform capabilities that enhance warfighter lethality.



**Availability of vital chemicals & materials needed for production, performance, and sustainment of weapon systems are increasingly at risk.**



# Global Chemical Management Regulations



***A sustainable approach is needed to address increasing regulations that limit DoD's ability to operate/maintain weapon systems globally from restricted access to mission critical chemicals.***



# Regulatory Example – TSCA/REACH

- Impacts to F-35 Performance and Maintenance
  - Chemicals in materials highly regulated under TSCA/REACH resulting in potential availability/usage impacts and need to find viable alternative materials.



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<https://www.f35.com/media/photos-detail/f-35-fires-first-aim-9x-missile>

- **1-Methyl-2-pyrrolidone CAS 872-50-4**
  - Urethane Topcoat Coating Throughout Aircraft
  - Stripper on Radome
- **Dibutyl phthalate (DPB)**
  - Ejection Seat Cartridges
- **Formaldehyde (Methylene glycol) 50-00-0**
  - Hazardous Materials Management Program Restricted
  - Composite Structures: Adhesive, Film
  - Fuel Tank Sealant
  - Polysulfide Sealant Throughout Aircraft
  - Engine Residual From Dry Film Lubricant, Epoxy Compound
  - Found In Sixteen Safety Data Sheets Used By United States Air Force Maintainers

Source: *F-35 EHS Lead, Materials and Processes Principal Engineer, Lockheed Martin Aerospace*



# Regulatory Example – American Innovation and Manufacturing (AIM) Act

- **AIM Act Overview:**
  - Enacted by Congress in 2020
  - Phases down Hydrofluorocarbon (HFC) consumption and production by 85% across the United States by 2036 based on global warming potential
  - Includes distribution of ‘allowances’ for production and consumption
- **Mission Critical Military End Use (MCMEU) Allowances**
  - DoD partnered with United States Environmental Protection Agency to distribute MCMEU allowances
  - DoD conducts an annual inventory of uses across the Department and the defense industrial base to determine/justify quantity of allowances





# Energy in AAF Process

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- **Energy is a key performance parameter that must be considered as part of the weapon system design and in sustainment.**
  - Demand is increasing for fuel and power by air, sea, and land forces.
  - Operational risks increasing with logistics/sustainment targeted by adversaries.
- **The Deputy Secretary of Defense directed DoD in April 2022 to increase energy supportability and reduce energy demand across all capability solutions.**
- **An initial review of energy demand and supportability conducted in Major Capability Acquisition, Middle Tier of Acquisition, and Technology Development programs.**
  - Evaluation of approximately 60 acquisition programs
  - Complete review by end of Calendar Year 2022



# Energy in AAF Process (Cont.)

- **Initial Insights of Review to Date:**
  - Systemic approach needed
  - Difficulty in addressing energy in requirements and acquisition (e.g., demand and supportability not consistently assessed)
  - Life cycle approach needed (e.g., establish energy requirements and continue to shape downstream capabilities to include feedback loops across processes)
  - Embedding energy demand reduction and supportability analytics capability and capacity problematic
  - Revamp/adaptation of policies, guidance, and reporting needed

*Energy performance is an important component in advancing capabilities to achieve the national defense mission and reducing emissions.*



# DoD Sustainable Procurement

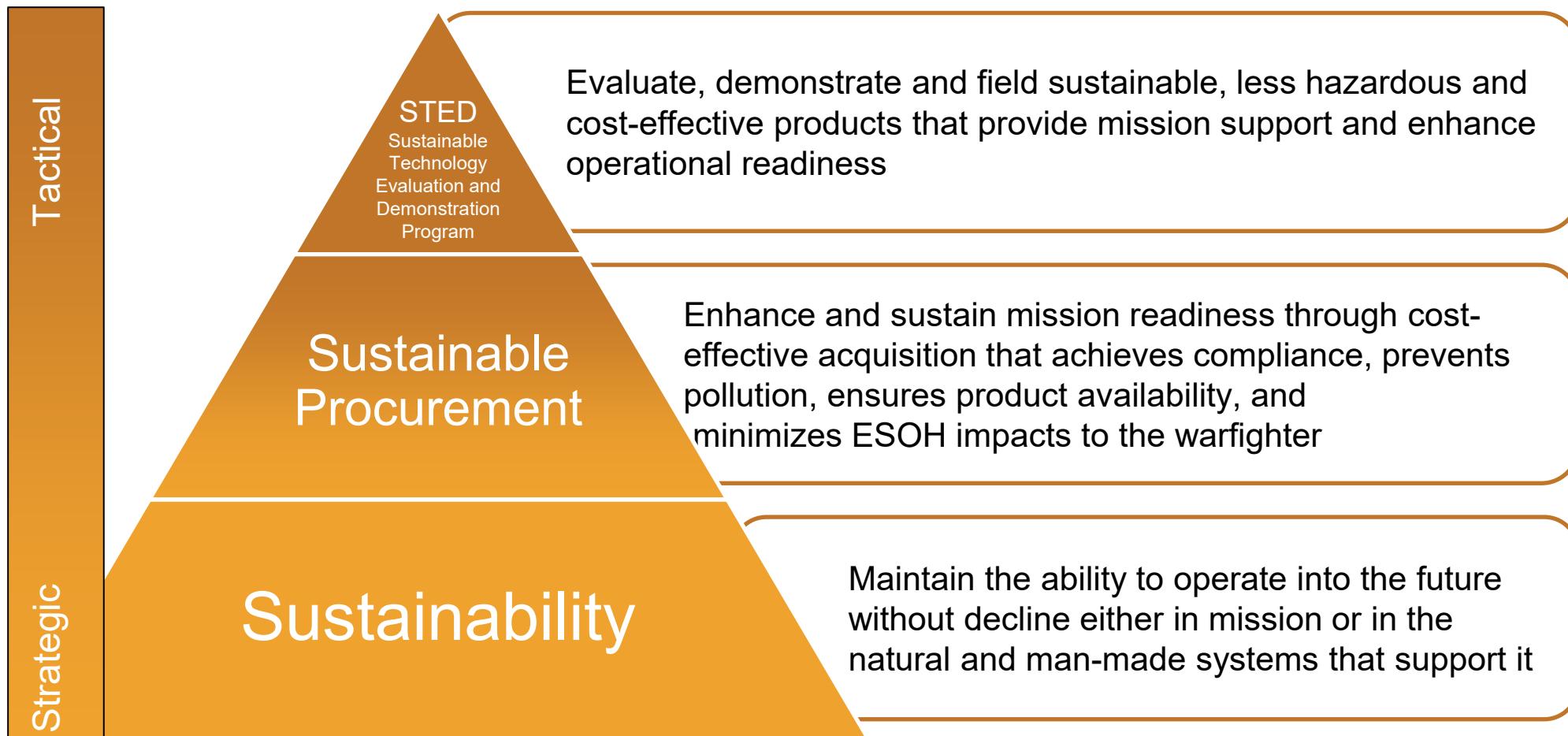
- DoD spends more than \$439 billion (Fiscal Year 2020) on goods and services; the most of any Federal agency
- Both Congress and the President have directed Federal agencies to use their purchasing power to expand market offerings and standardize the use of sustainable products and services
- Can meet this requirement while also supporting and enhancing the mission





# DoD Sustainable Procurement (Cont.)

- Initiatives include:





# DoD STED Program

- **Established To:**
  - Identify and demonstrate sustainable alternatives to government requirements with end users at DoD installations
  - Validate performance and cost effectiveness
  - Increase awareness and use of sustainable alternatives across the Federal Government
- **Benefits:**
  - Mission performance
  - Price versus Cost over life cycle – better value
  - Material availability
  - Reduced health and environmental impacts



**Biobased Hydraulic Fluid Demonstration  
MCMWTC**



**Biobased Sorbent Demonstration  
MCAGCC 29 Palms**



# DoD STED Program Demonstrations

## Ongoing Demonstrations

- Biobased Sorbents
- Biobased Cleaner, Lubricant and Preservative (CLP) for Weapons
- Biobased Rifle Bore Cleaners
- Biobased Brake Cleaners
- Biobased Multipurpose Lubricants
- Biobased Corrosion Inhibitors
- Hand-Held Laser Depainting
- Biobased Tires
- Biobased Dust Suppressants
- Portable On-Demand Hypochlorous Acid Disinfectant Cleaners
- Energy-Efficient Building Access Controls
- Energy Efficient Doors
- LED Chem Light Alternatives
- Safer Choice Sidewalk Deicers
- PFAS Free Disposable Food Service Ware

## Completed Demonstrations

- Biobased Motor Oils
- Biobased Greases
- Biobased Traffic and Road Marking Paints



# Biobased CLP Demonstration

## Technology Description

Biobased Cleaner, Lubricant, and Preservative (CLP) for weapons and weapons systems qualified to MIL-PRF-63460 Type B and listed on Qualified Products List (QPL).

### Potential Impact

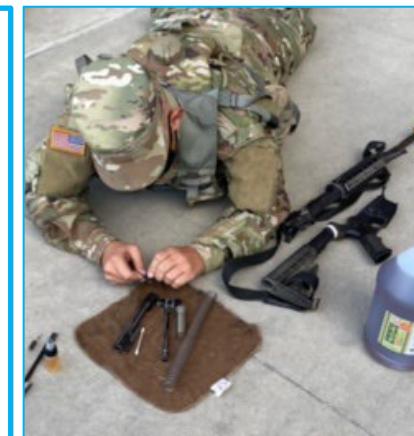
- Weapons stay lubricated longer and maintain rate of fire with less CLP required per application - reduces amount of CLP used and frequency of lubrication by 35%.
- Improve carbon removal and decrease buildup - reduces cleaning time by 30%.
- Reduce waste generation from cleaning processes by 30%.
- Reduce smoke – tactical advantage and operator health benefit.
- Low odor – improved cleaning room environment and operator health benefit.
- Increase confidence in weapon reliability.

### Benefits

- Improves cleaning and operation.
- Replaces petroleum-based CLP currently used at installations.
- U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) BioPreferred Certified Product manufactured in USA.

### Demonstration Sites

- Ft. Jackson
- Ft. Benning
- ANAD
- JBLM
- Edwards AFB
- NASA WSTF
- NASA AFRC



Ft. Jackson Basic Combat Training (BCT)



# Outreach & Communications: Installation Sustainability Expos

- **Expos bring sustainable product manufacturers/vendors to Installations and educate stakeholders about the STED Program**
- **Benefits:**
  - Identify installation needs and requirements, expand relationships and stimulate future sustainable technology demonstrations
  - Connect installation personnel to sustainable technologies, unique to STED
  - Build partnerships with regional agencies and surrounding communities
  - Train installation personnel on sustainable procurement requirements and how sustainable products/services support the mission



Mojave Desert Region DoD Sustainability Expo and Workshop – July 2022



# Summary

- **DoD sustainability initiatives strive to:**
  - Ensure resilience and mission capabilities
  - Improve operational performance
  - Enhance environmental security
- **ESOH and Sustainability in DoD acquisition process critical to:**
  - Reduce personnel exposure risks
  - Ensure availability of chemicals/materials to operate/maintain weapons systems
  - Meet energy demands in operational challenged environments
- **The DoD STED Program:**
  - Validates that sustainable technologies can meet DoD performance requirements in the field
  - Provides viable sustainable alternative opportunities to end users, increasing use across the Department and Federal Agencies
  - Supports Federal Acquisition Regulations, E.O.s, and high priority Administration goals

*“When we operate more sustainably, we become more logically agile and ready to respond to crises.”*

SECDEF Statement for the Leaders Summit on Climate, 22 April 2021



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# DoD Sustainability and DoD STED Program



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