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# Naval Aviation's Future: Leadership & the Challenges

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# Outline

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- Philosophy and Vision
- Change
- TacAir Integration
- Marine Aviation Way Ahead





# Philosophy

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## Naval Solution

- One Team
- One Vision



# Six Functions of Marine Aviation

- Offensive Air Support
- Anti-Air Warfare
- Electronic Warfare
- Assault Support
- Control of Aircraft and Missiles
- Reconnaissance







# Marine Aviation's Role



Operational Flexibility for  
Expeditionary Maneuver Warfare



# Change within ACE Concept of Operations





# ACE Initiatives ISO EMW

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## • Strategic Agility

- Rapid Self Deployment Capability of Aircraft—TacAir, MV-22, KC-130J
- Capable of both land-based Expeditionary operations and Sea-Based operations

## • Operational Reach

- Modern Aircraft enable substantial increase in Range, Payload & Survivability over Legacy Aircraft
  - JSF, KC-130J, MV-22, H-1(Y/Z), CH-53X
  - KC-130J extends Combat Range/Radius of JSF, MV-22 & CH-53E

## • Tactical Flexibility

- Versatility of Platforms across Full Spectrum of Conflict



# ACE Initiatives ISO EMW

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- Support and Sustainment
  - Aircraft and Munition Neckdown Strategy—J-Weapons
  - Commonality of Platforms
    - MV-22, KC-130J & CH-53X Engines
    - UH-1Y and AH-1Z Engines & Avionics
  - Marine Aviation Logistics Support Program
    - Enables rapid and sustained support to the ACE
- Joint/ Multinational Enabling
  - Scalable ACE with Joint/ Combined C2 Plug-in
  - Common Aviation Command and Control System(CAC2S)—Modular and Scalable with joint interoperability



# Change

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Harness Change in order to  
Retain our Culture  
within  
Expeditionary Maneuver Warfare





# What Change?

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## **Change Period: 2003-2015**

- TacAir Integration
- Legacy to Modern Transition
- MACCS Modernization
- New Basing Requirements
  
- AAV
- LW-155
- New Infantry Weapons

**How We Change will Dictate the Marine Corps' Future for the Next Half Century**



# TacAir Integration





# Tasking

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- Answer Defense Planning Guidance Tasking:  
“...conduct a comprehensive review to assess the feasibility of integrating all Naval aviation force structure. Naval Aviation structure must continue to provide flexible, responsive, interoperable and expeditionary forces that support Combatant Commanders and joint forces. The integration of aviation capabilities should seek both effectiveness and efficiencies.”



# TacAir Integration

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- Retains our Culture—This is not a New Concept
- Smaller, More Capable, More Affordable Force
- Ensures TacAir Support to the MAGTF
  - Allows Global Sourcing of all DoN TacAir Assets
  - USMC CAS Expertise on Every Carrier
- Increased Combat Capability Forward
- In Concert with Sea Basing Concept
- Reinforces Expeditionary Ethos



# Aircraft Transition

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- KC-130J
- F-18 E/F
- F-18 C/D
- MV-22
- JSF
- H-1Y/Z
- CH-53X
- EW





# KC-130J





# F/A-18E/F





# F/A-18C







# F/A-18D





# MV-22







# JSF





# UH-1Y







# AH-1Z





# CH-53X





# EA-6B







# The Challenge is Maintaining Readiness & Warfighting Relevance



**Throughout the Transition from Legacy to Modern Platforms  
in support of Expeditionary Maneuver Warfare**





# USMC Platform Roadmap

F-4  
 RF-4  
 F/A-18 A/B/C/D  
 A-6E  
 OA-4  
 A-4M  
 AV-8B

EA-6B

KC-130 F/R/T

CH-46 D/E  
 CH-53A/D

CH-53E

OV-10D  
 AH-1 J/W

UH-1N

F-35 JSF

EA-6B/  
EF-35

KC-130J

MV-22

CH-53X

AH-1Z

UH-1Y

**T/M/S reduction: 23 → 7**



# MACCS Modernization



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CLAWS



CAC2S



CTN



ASPARCS



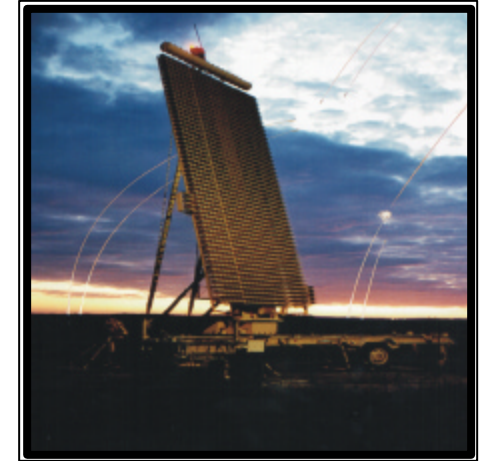
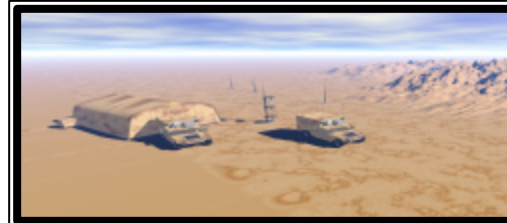
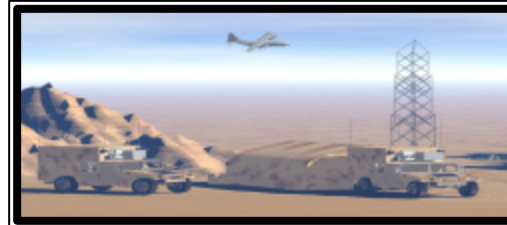
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***Convergence of Marine Aviation's MACCS capabilities to support Expeditionary Maneuver Warfare***





# Joint/Multinational Enabling: Aviation Command & Control



## MACCS

- Interoperability
- Modern Info Technology
- Expeditionary Packaging
- MAGTF "Info Warrior"
  - Operator
  - Maintainers

## CAC2S

- Scalable
- Modular
- Joint
- Common Hardware
- Defense Information Infrastructure (DII)
- Common Operating Environment (COE) Complaint Software



# Aviation Ground Support Enabling Expeditionary Marine Air

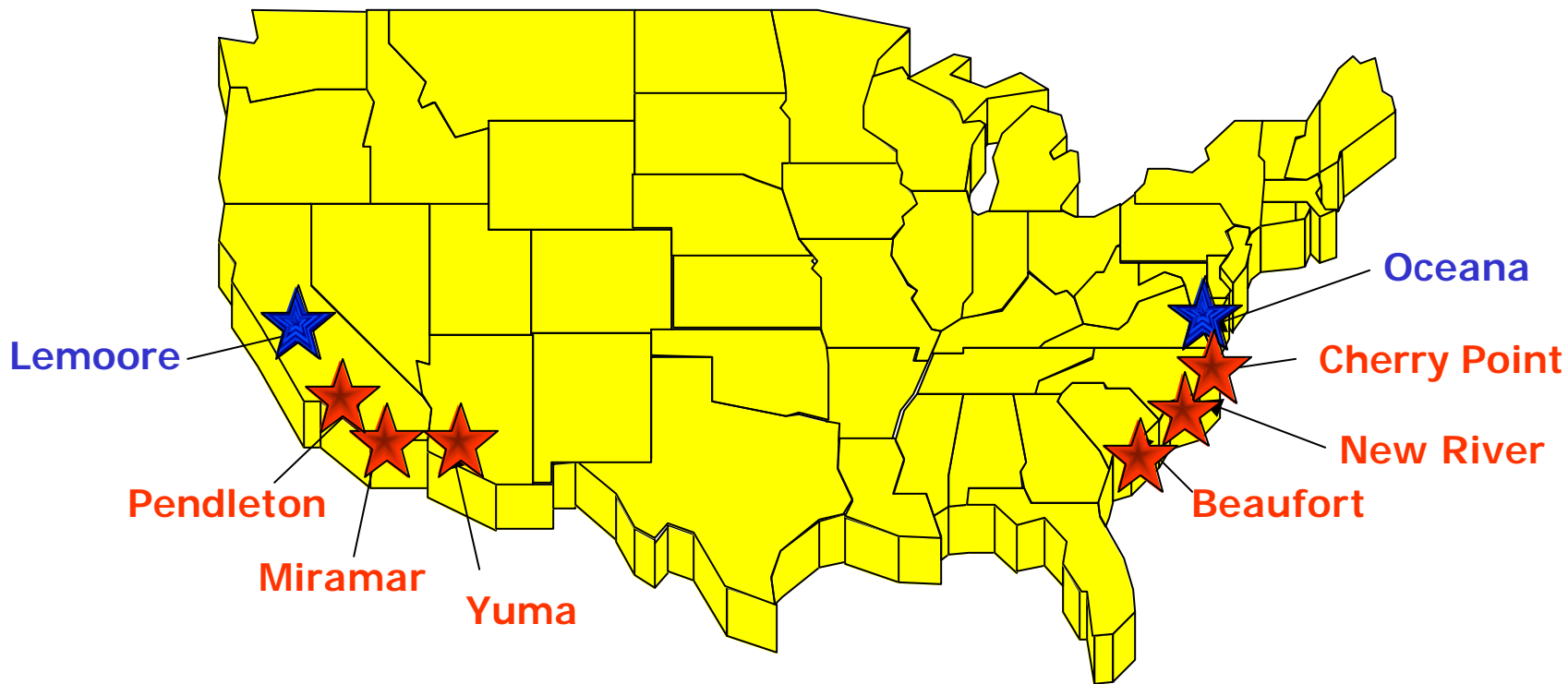


MWSS makes the ACE Expeditionary





# Basing Challenges



Pendleton—Miramar—Yuma—Cherry Point—New River—Beaufort

Lemoore—Oceana



# Future Bases & Stations

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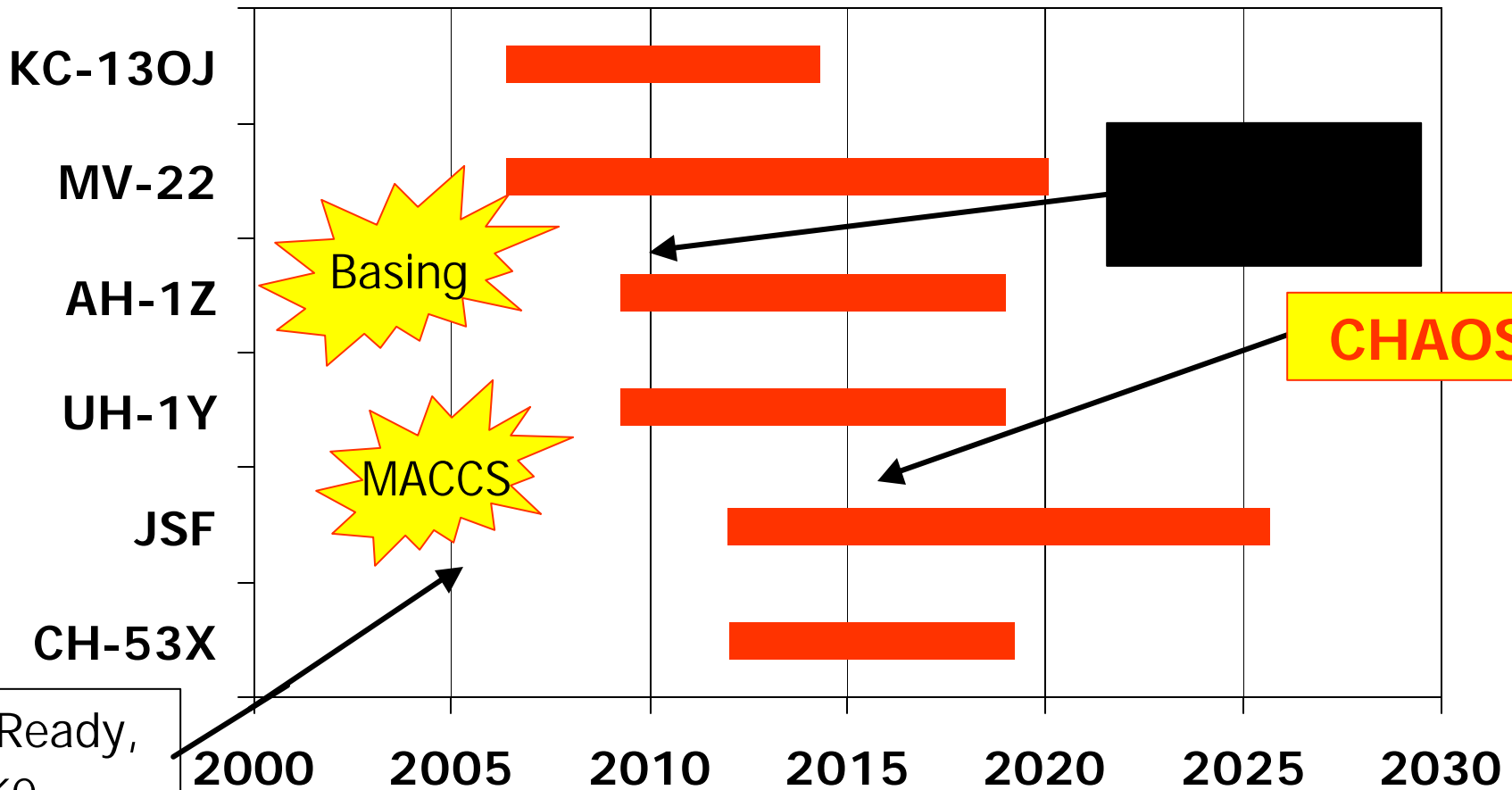
- Strategic Reachback
  - Worldwide Access to Info & Analysis
- Enhance Networked Sea base
  - Counter to Anti-access and Area Denial Strategies
  - Minimizes Footprint Ashore
  - Enhanced Force Protection
- Strategic Sustainment for Deployed Forces
- Networked Foundation for Joint Training

Minimizing Overhead, Resourcing Warfighters



# Legacy to Modern Transition Chaos

## IOC to FOC



Be Ready,  
Make  
Decisions

**CHAOS**



# The Way Ahead



- Execute TacAir Integration within Concept of Expeditionary Warfare & Maneuver from the Sea
- Transition from Legacy to Modern Aircraft (STOVL Force)
- Integration of All Naval Aircraft with Naval C4I





# 2003-2008

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- Aviation & Ground Safety is Primary Focus
  - Preserve our Most Important Assets—  
Marines, Sailors & Equipment
- Transition Plan
- Budget
- Readiness

**We Must Maintain Combat Readiness**





# Philosophy

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**Our Mission Remains the #1 Priority**



# Questions

