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The Air Force's Perspective



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Requirements and Test Training Today

Limited formal requirements training currently available

- Limited formal training for some key AF test domains
 - Space Vehicles
 - UAVs
 - Weapons
 - Sensors, EW, IO, and C4ISR
 - Integrated systems and systems of systems
- Available training is stovepiped and fragmented
 - No centralized or coordinated oversight of training
 - No formal process for reviewing training requirements



Requirements and Test Training A Better Way





Test Fleet

Fleet representative A/C essential to meaningful testing

Current test fleet composition

- Limited fleet representative A/C (54%)
- Organic fleet largely made up of aging A/C
- Significant number of borrowed A/C

■ The future of the AF test fleet – a new paradigm

- Program for A/C to support test requirements (F/A-22)
- Borrow A/C from depot for follow-on testing (RQ-4)
- Borrow A/C from field for follow-on testing (C-130)



Test Support Fleet

A/C must be fleet representative for supportability

Current test support fleet

- Limited fleet representative A/C (40%)
- F-16 Coral Phoenix only supportable for 5-7 years
- T-38 A/B not supportable long-term
- C-12 no GPS
- The future of the AF test support fleet?
 - Next generation technology will drive support fleet needs
 - Upgrade / replace aging test support A/C
 - A/C must be fleet representative to keep costs in line



Test / Test Support Fleet

- Challenges on the horizon will require a new paradigm
- AF must include test fleet in force structure programming
- CAF / MAF commitment needed for continued success



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T&E Infrastructure

T&E requires costly / specialized infrastructure

Facilities

- Airfield pavements
- Mission support and training facilities
- Unique structures to house specialized equipment

Equipment

- Wind tunnels
- Climatic and anechoic chambers
- Simulators and high-powered computers



T&E Infrastructure Challenges

- Numerous studies conclude recap rate is inadequate
 - Warfighting technology evolving more rapidly then ever
 - AF recap standard is 67 years ... T&E may require 36-year recap
- Existing infrastructure has limitations
 - Large footprint weapons (DE, super- / hypersonics, etc...)
 - Larger bandwidth requirements
 - Systems of systems
- Next wave of new systems will only add to the stress
- Changes to T&E programming rules
- Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC)



T&E Infrastructure

- Protecting T&E funding for Indirect costs is essential
- Plan for current / future systems (space / hyper-sonics / DE)
- BRAC may drive consolidation and present opportunities



Range Requirements Future Weapons





Range Requirements Weapon Footprint





Range Requirement Resolution

Immediate Need

- Small Diameter Bomb (SDB)
- Joint Air-to-Surface Standoff Missile (JASSM)
- AFMC Studying Alternatives
 - Defining Requirement
 - Analyzing Alternatives
- Hq AF will staff proposed solution



PBD 703: Direct Funding

- FY2003 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) changes T&E charging policies.
- Starting with FY2006, institutional and overhead costs for Major Range and Test Facility Bases (MTRFB) transferred from customer to institutional T&E accounts.
- Approximately \$270M transferred from customer to institutional accounts in FY06.

FY 07	FY 08	FY 09	FY 10	FY 11
\$277M	\$287M	\$297M	\$307M	\$318M



PBD 703: National Full-Scale Aerodynamic Complex (NFAC)

- The NFAC is comprised of two wind tunnels (40'x80' and 80'x120') at NASA Ames Research Center, CA.
- NASA mothballed NFAC in FY 04.
- PBD 703 provided FY 06-11 funds for the AF to "initiate upgrades, restore the NFAC to full operational capability in FY 07, and sustain the facility thereafter."
- Funding profile is:

	FY 05	FY 06	FY 07	FY 08	FY 09	FY 10	FY 11
TOTAL	\$5.0	\$14.0	\$16.0	\$14.0	\$11.0	\$11.0	\$11.0

- Current Status:
 - AFMC will execute NFAC reactivation through AEDC.
 - Congressional new start notification is in coordination.
 - Initial planning discussions between AEDC and Ames are ongoing.



Seamless Verification Philosophy

- Full collaboration between AF Requirements-Test-Acquisition
 - Requirements written by user, testers and acquirers--together
 - Capabilities-focused, realistic and testable
- Testers assume higher level of responsibility for success
 - DT develops technology/reduces risk—demo system performance
 - OT responsible for "vectoring" program to a successful IOT&E
 - IOT&E Becomes a capstone "graduation event"
- Fully Integrated T&E—more than just Combined DT/OT
 - All T&E stakeholders (CT, DT, OT) integrate efforts from Day 1
 - More DT/OT integration = <u>blurring of traditional lines</u>





Test Requirements vs Warfighter Needs

A Prudent Balance

Global Hawk Predator Sniper/Lightning JDAM Mk 82