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A GREYBEARD'S PERSPECTIVE

The Army's Dilemma

How Many?
How Much?
How Modern?

What Happened to FCS ?

The LSI
Tech Maturity
The Insurgency (s)
The Soldier
The Message

What Does It Mean ?

- Current Capability vs.
 Near-Term Need vs.
 Future Requirements
- Connection to the Soldier
- Growth Potential
- Simplicity and Consistency of Concept and Message

Enduring Requirements

- Protection (in an IED environment) ... aka
 Protected Mobility
- Soldier and Crew Evacuation
- Mobility (on and off road)
- Deployability (for an Expeditionary Army)
- Lethality (on board and in support)
- Battle Command on the Move @ Echelon

Emerging Requirements

- Robotics "Mother Ship" Air and Ground
- Network Connectivity and Integration
- Growth Potential: Power, Energy, Weight, etc.
- On-Board Power Management
- Conditions-Based Maintenance
- Human-Centered Design
- Integrated Training

Random Thoughts

- Getting Left of the RFP Affordably
- Irrevocable Decisions
- Connection to the Soldier
- Full Spectrum 360 Degrees
- Reset Forward
- Organizational Design
- What is the M113 of the 21st Century?
- Affordability ... Affordability ... Affordability