

# N852 MINE WARFARE BRANCH

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## **Agenda**

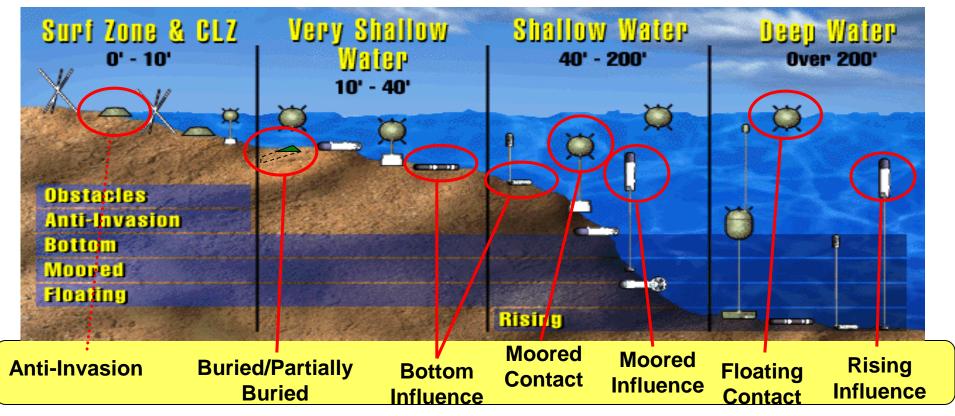


- Mine Threat to Access and Maneuver
- ➤ The Transition from Dedicated to LCSbased MCM
- MCM Mission Package Program Overview
- Near Future Challenges
- > Summary



#### The Threat to Assured Access





> The real goal of a minefield is Sea Denial, NOT the damage or destruction of a specific ship.

The Sea is a maneuver area. Navy goal is to assure Access, support STOM/OMFTS, NOT counter

every mine.



- Over 50 Countries Possess
- Low Cost but High effects
- Simple to Deploy
- Asymmetric 3

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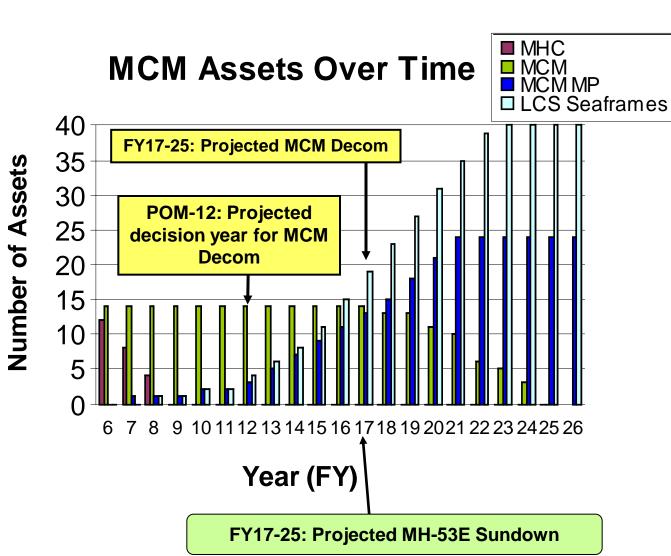


#### **Transition to LCS-based MCM**













#### **Changes Since Last ExWar Conference**



- New MIW systems installed in USS SENTRY
  - ☐ HF Wide Band Sonar successfully installed and tested in USS SENTRY
  - ☐ Expendable Mine Neutralization System (EMNS) installed also.
- COBRA Blk I Milestone C
  - Integrated in VTUAV
- ➤ Downselect of ABS Counter Mine System from 3 to 2 designs
- Tested RAMICS from a tower. Helo testing early next year.
- ALMNDS Contractor Testing
- ARVCOP, which is a part of ABS, successfully tested in AAV



# **MCM Package System Status**

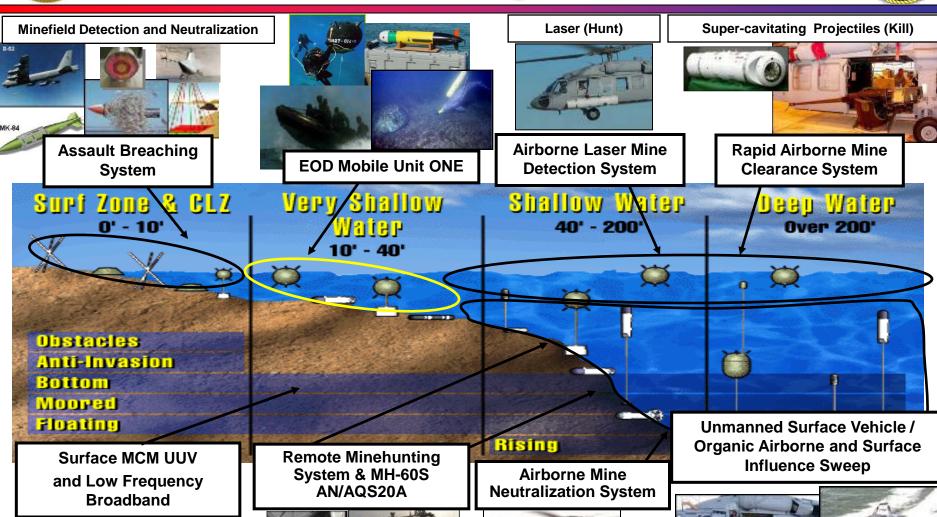


MCM Package Program	ACAT	Programmatics	Testing	Contractor	IOC
AQS-20A	2	In Low Rate Initial Production	<ul> <li>✓ TECHEVAL on MH-60S completed</li> <li>OPEVAL w/ MH-60S Jun 10 – Aug 10</li> </ul>	Raytheon	2011
AMNS	2	In Low Rate Initial Production	<ul><li>✓ MS C Approval Jan 08</li><li>DT Live Fire Ground Testing Jul 09</li></ul>	Raytheon	2011
ALMDS	2	In Low Rate Initial Production	<ul> <li>✓ Commenced WSIT CT on MH-60S Apr 08</li> <li>Commenced TECHEVAL 1st Qtr Fy11</li> </ul>	Northrop Grumman	2012
COBRA	3	Milestone C: Jan 09	<ul><li>✓ Started Performance Validation (MH-53E)</li><li>Integration flight tests on VTUAV Dec 09</li></ul>	Northrop Grumman	2012
OASIS	2	Milestone C: 3QFY10	<ul> <li>✓ Re-design PDR 12 Jun 08</li> <li>MH-53E OA 3<sup>rd</sup> Qtr FY10</li> </ul>	ITT Corp	2013
RMS	1C	In Low Rate Initial Production	<ul><li>✓ OP assessment completed on DDG-96 Sep 08</li><li>Reliability Growth Program Ongoing</li></ul>	Lockheed Martin	2013
US3	3	Milestone B: 4QFY11	<ul> <li>✓ Sweep Gear integration test on USV Jul 08</li> <li>End to End US3/USV/MP test Oct 08</li> </ul>	TBD	2015
UUV LFBB	TBD	Milestone B: 2QFY10	CDD pending N8 approval	TBD	2015
смѕ	3	Milestone C: FY14 Neutralizer final decision Fy12	<ul> <li>✓ SD&amp;D Contract awarded 24 Jul 08</li> <li>• Preliminary Design ReviewOct2009</li> </ul>	Boeing	2017
RAMICS	2	Milestone C: 4QFY10	<ul> <li>✓ MH-60 S Captive Carriage &amp; Jettison Oct 08</li> <li>MH-605 Gun fire test 3<sup>rd</sup> QTR FY10</li> </ul>	Northrop Grumman	2017



### MCM Coverage in 2018





Buried Mine Detection Sonar (

Sonar (Hunt)

Propelled explosive charges (Kill)

Magnetic Acoustic Influence Sweep



## **Near Future MCM Challenges**



#### All of our programs face inherent challenges:

- Sensor and Processing False Alarms
  - ❖ High False Alarms mean longer PMA & higher False Classification by PMA Operator
- LIDAR Performance
  - Environmental compensations difficult affected by surface effects and water turbidity
- Computer Aided Detection(CAD)/Classification(CAC) Improvements
  - ❖ Potential for real-time algorithms in the OAMCM Common Console
  - Fast and accurate CAD/CAC capability needed on OPMA
- Reliability
  - System Reliability needs to meet requirements
    - Operational Availability (Ao)
    - Mean Time Between Operational Mission Failure (MTBOMF)
  - All Subsystem Components (CSTRS, Common Console, Tow Cable, etc.) need improvement
- Plan for Obsolescence
  - \* Require modular, open architecture systems that are supportable long term
- > Opportunities for Industry:
  - UUV power generation / endurance
  - ❖ Not just Unmanned Systems but...Fully Autonomous Systems
  - Info Sharing and Cueing between Unmanned Systems



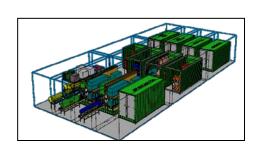


### **Summary**



- > The mine threat is real and not getting easier.
- > The transition to LCS-based MCM is challenging.
- > MCM Mission Package programs making steady progress and in the hands of Sailors now.
- ➤ Making wise investments to reduce false alarms, manpower demand, and improve reliability.
- ➤ Need solutions from Industry to meet system Initial Operational Capability of future systems.











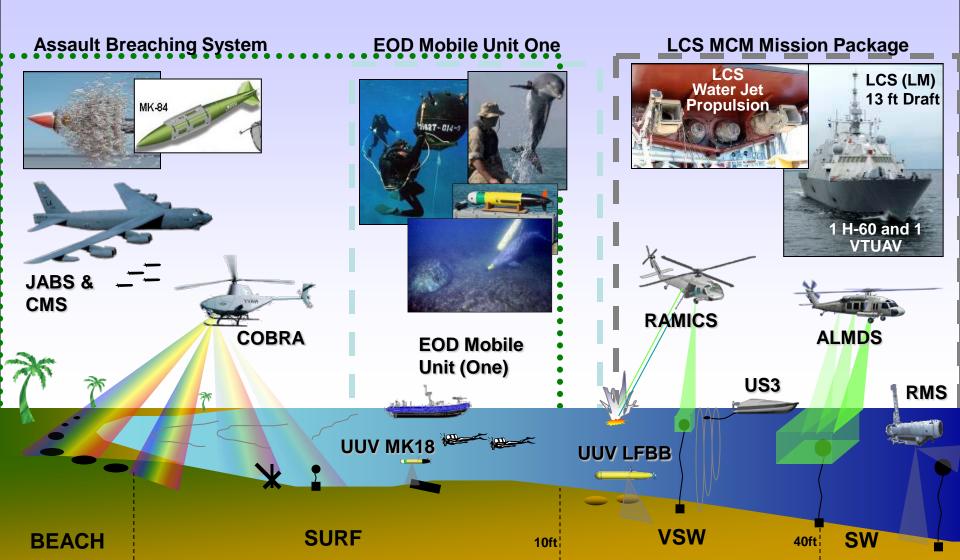
# **BACK-UP**



#### **Shallow Water to Beach Zone**



#### **Developing Solutions to Support OMFTS and STOM**





#### LCS MCM Mission Package System Coverage



Detect			Engage	
Battlespace Preparation	Minehunting (Detect/Classify/ Identify)		Neutralize	Sweep
VTUAV+ COBRA	1	Surface Near Surface	ABS, EOD Mobile Unit 1	
k	ALMDS	<b>↓</b>	RAMICS	
	AQS-20	Volume	AMNS	OASIS US3
	AQS-20	Close-Close-Close-	AMNS	OASIS US3
SMCM UUV	AQS-20	Tethered  30 ft  Bottom  Bottom  Bottom  Bottom	AMNS	OASIS
LFBB		* NOTE : Depth Coverages Vary with System and	Mine Town	
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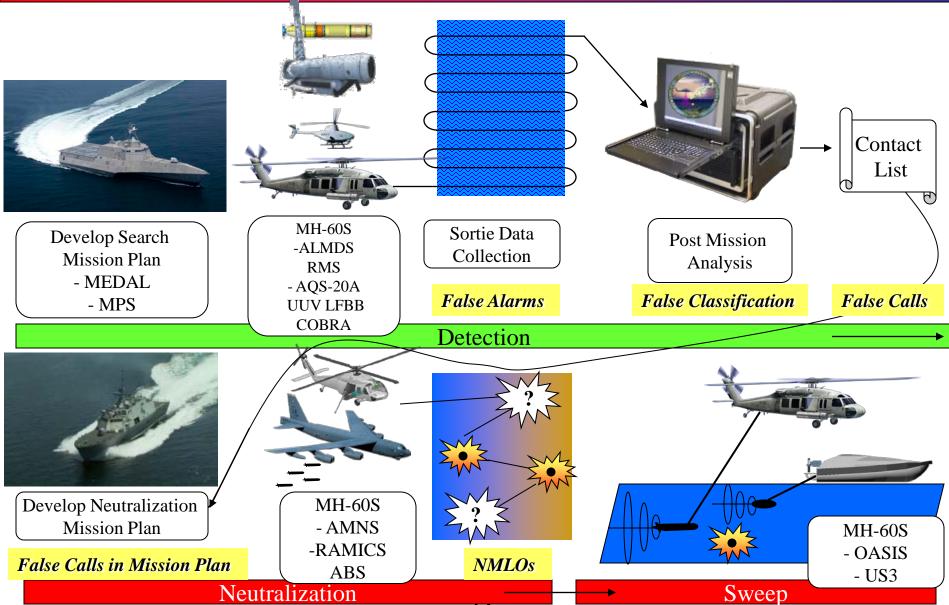
NOTE: Depth Coverages Vary with System and Mine Type

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# False Alarms Lengthen Kill Chain







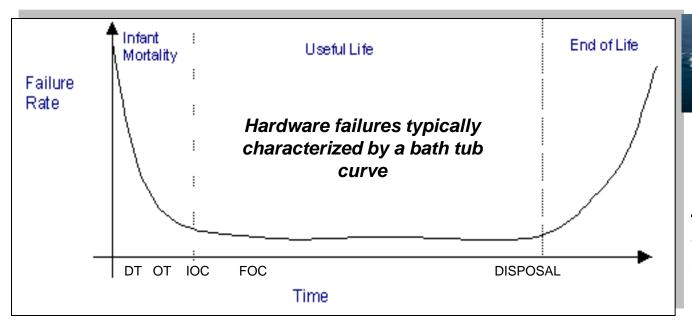
## Reliability



$$Ao = \frac{Uptime}{Uptime + Downtime} = \frac{MTBF}{MTBF + (MTTR + MLDT)}$$

Mean Time to Repair & Mean Logistics Delay Time:

Number of systems on LCS and O to D level maintenance philosophy



#### **MCM Mission Package**

2 RMMV 1 AMNS

3 AQS-20A 1 US3

1 ALMDS 1 COBRA

1 OASIS 1 VTUAV

1 RAMICS 1 MH-60S

All MCO timelines are driven by required MTBF, so we must improve upon reliability to meet the requirements and increase useful life!