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Testing - Tactics - Training

83d FWS NDIA Brief



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- **WEG & 83 FWS Mission**
- Targets
- Air-to-Air Engagements
- Results
- **■**Future



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Provide a Tailored Force Development Evaluation on the overall effectiveness & reliability of DOD air-to-air weapons systems

Validate & expand air-to-air tactics, techniques, and procedures

Provide air-to-air missile experience to participating units



Targets



Adaptive Full Spectrum Threat-Realistic Expendable Target

- 3-Dimensional
 - Low OR High
 - Slow OR Fast
 - Level OR Highly Maneuvering
 - RCS/RF/EA/IR/Easily Seen



- Roles...
 - Fighter
 - Cruise Missile/UAS
 - Plus...Airliner, Cessna, Helo



Air-to-Air Engagement





COMBAT

Fluid, Dynamic, Un-constrained, Dangerous and Expensive!

TRAINING

Ideally, similar w/o real death & danger

...Fluid ~ Structured

...Dynamic ~ Repetitive

...Un-constrained ~ Bounded

...Expensive ~ Affordable

VALID

- Validated as we gather quantifiable data/info for analysis
- CUSTOMER Can I have it ready yesterday and again tomorrow?

TYPICAL COMBAT ARCHER SCHEDULED RANGES

- AIRSPACE
 - W151 A, B, D, E2, F
- TIME
 - 3 Hours



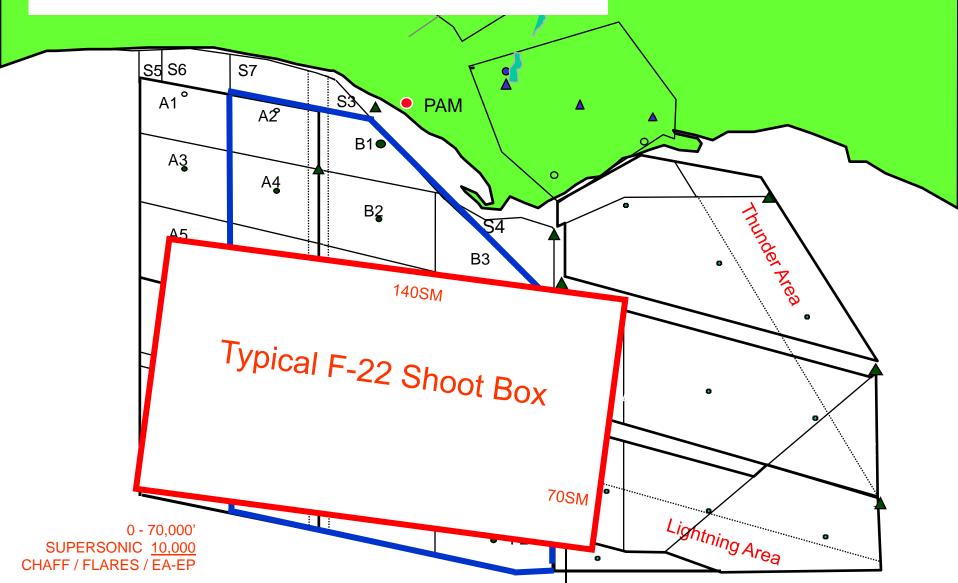
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- AIRSPACE
 - W151 A, B, D, E2, F
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SHOOT BOX REQUIREMENT 9800 SQUARE STATUTE MILES

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RESULTS

TACTICAL

■3-1, TTPs, SHOT-KILL

OPERATIONAL

- OPLANS
- ■IN-THEATER WEAPONS EFFECTS

STRATEGIC

- ■TO CSAF ANNUALLY FILTER TO OSD
- **CNO GROWTH**

DEFENSE INDUSTRY

WEAPONS – WPNS SYSTEMS - TARGETS



NDIA TAKE-AWAYS

TARGETS

- Evaluate Multi-Role Platforms (Combined WSEPs)
- Target Set Expansion!
- Incorporate New Weapons Systems (F22/F35/UAS)
- Incorporate New Weapons

RANGES

- Optimize Efficient Use across Users...Joint Ops
- Optimize Growth (Higher, Faster, Farther, +Data Fidelity)
- Play Well with others...
 - Civilian use...Business use...
 - Gov't (FAA) use...
 - **■** Continued Military use

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