

Capabilities of U.S. Army 21st Century Control Systems

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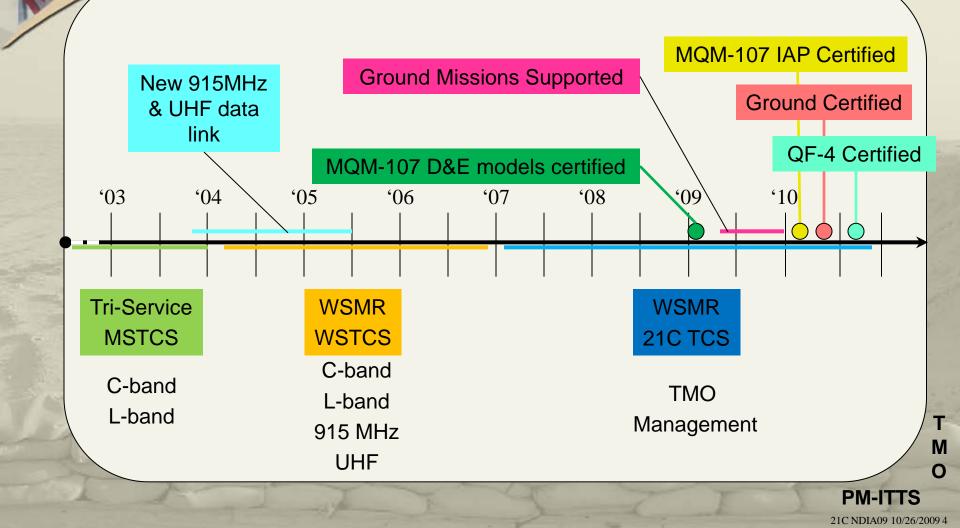
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- WSMR requires a remote control system for testing with both aerial and ground targets
- The existing control system, Drone Formation Control System (DFCS) developed in the early 70's using 70's technology
- Existing WSMR legacy remote ground control system is obsolete
- Upgrade to modular control system utilizing state-of-the-art technology

History

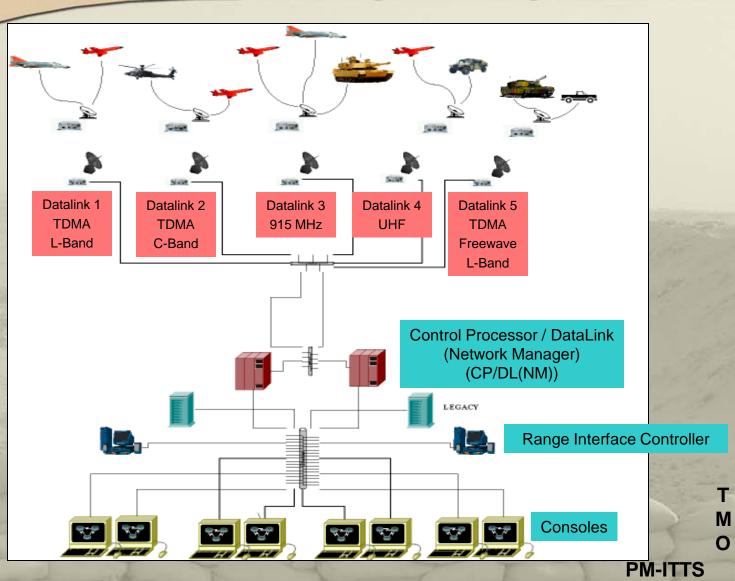




Description



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Description: Consoles



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Heads Down Display Console



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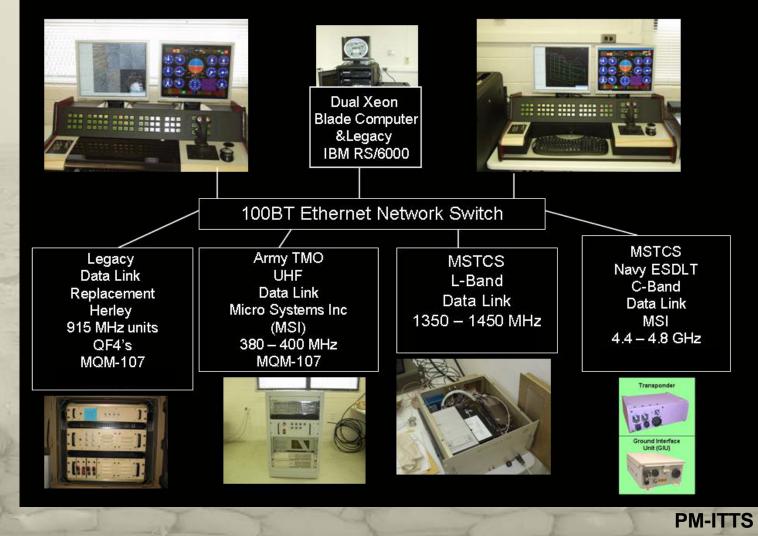
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Description : *Datalink*



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21st Century White Sands Target Control System

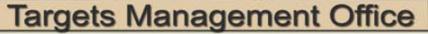


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Description: Aerial Target Control



Targets to be certified for flight:

MQM-107



Models: D*, E*, IAP Datalink: UHF

QF-4



Datalink: 915MHz

* MQM-107 D and MQM-107 E have been certified

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Highlights: Aerial Target Control



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- Certified UHF MQM-107 D & E Fall of '08*
 - Dual Formation
- Scheduled UHF MQM-107 Integrated Avionics Package (IAP) flights within next 6 months
- QF-4 testing FY10



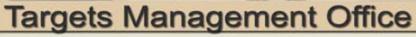
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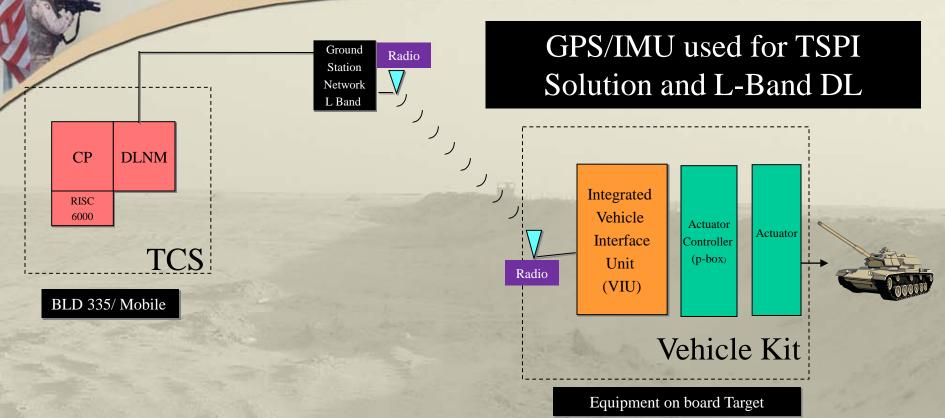


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- GPS/IMU based instead of legacy multi-lateration
- Radio Agnostic (L-band instead of 915 Mhz) based Solution

(From legacy VBS to state-of-the-art VIU)

Description: Ground Target Control

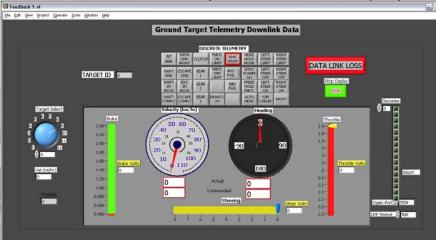
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New Control System Architecture

Compact Design



Vehicle Telemetry Information Display



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Description: Ground Target Control

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Vehicles Currently Configured













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Highlights: Ground Target Control



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- Demonstrated in Dec 2007 control of actuators for truck using older Vehicle Control Module (VCM) and 915MHz Vehicle Bourne Subsystem (VBS) on an M-60 tank.
- Demonstrated remote control of BMP and T-72 using updated Vehicle Remote Control (VRC) with 915MHz radio local/manual Line Of Sight (LOS) control with mobile van.
- Supported and continue to support testing missions:
 - Single target, dual target, formation control
 - 3-vehicle convoys BMP and T-72



Summary



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- Multiple datalinks supported
- Both ground and aerial control
- Currently supporting ground missions
- MQM-107 D & E models flight certified







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Path Forward



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- Complete Console Integration
- MQM-107 IAP Certification Flights
- Ground Target Certification
 T-72, BMP, 2S3, 5 Ton, Pickup
- QF-4 Certification Flights





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Questions???



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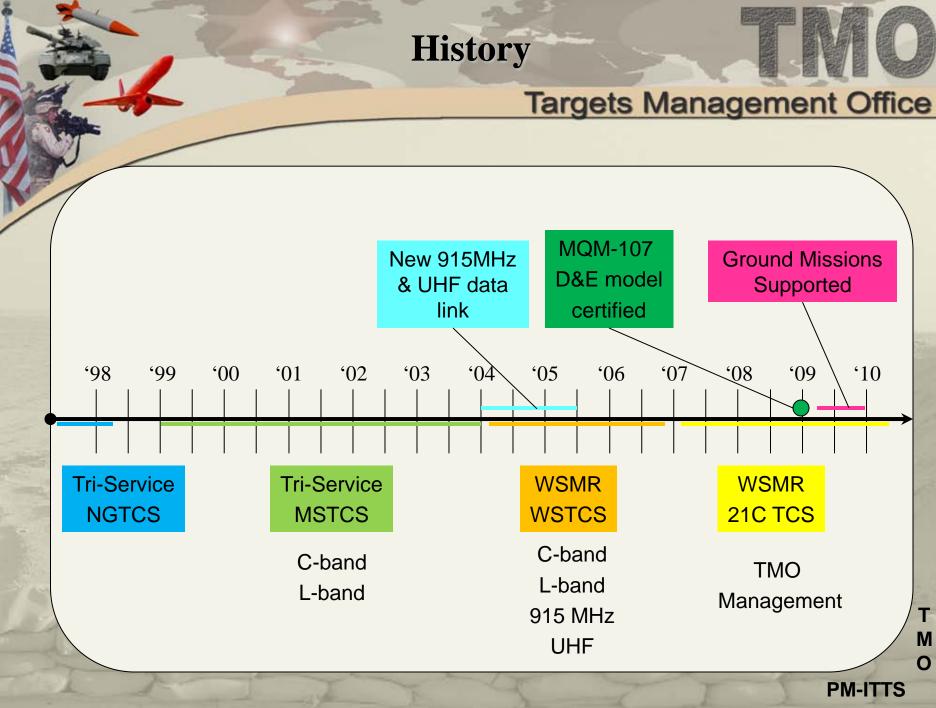


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Backup Charts



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