



Survivable Vehicles for the Warfighters



# Systems Engineering and Logistics: Gunners Restraint

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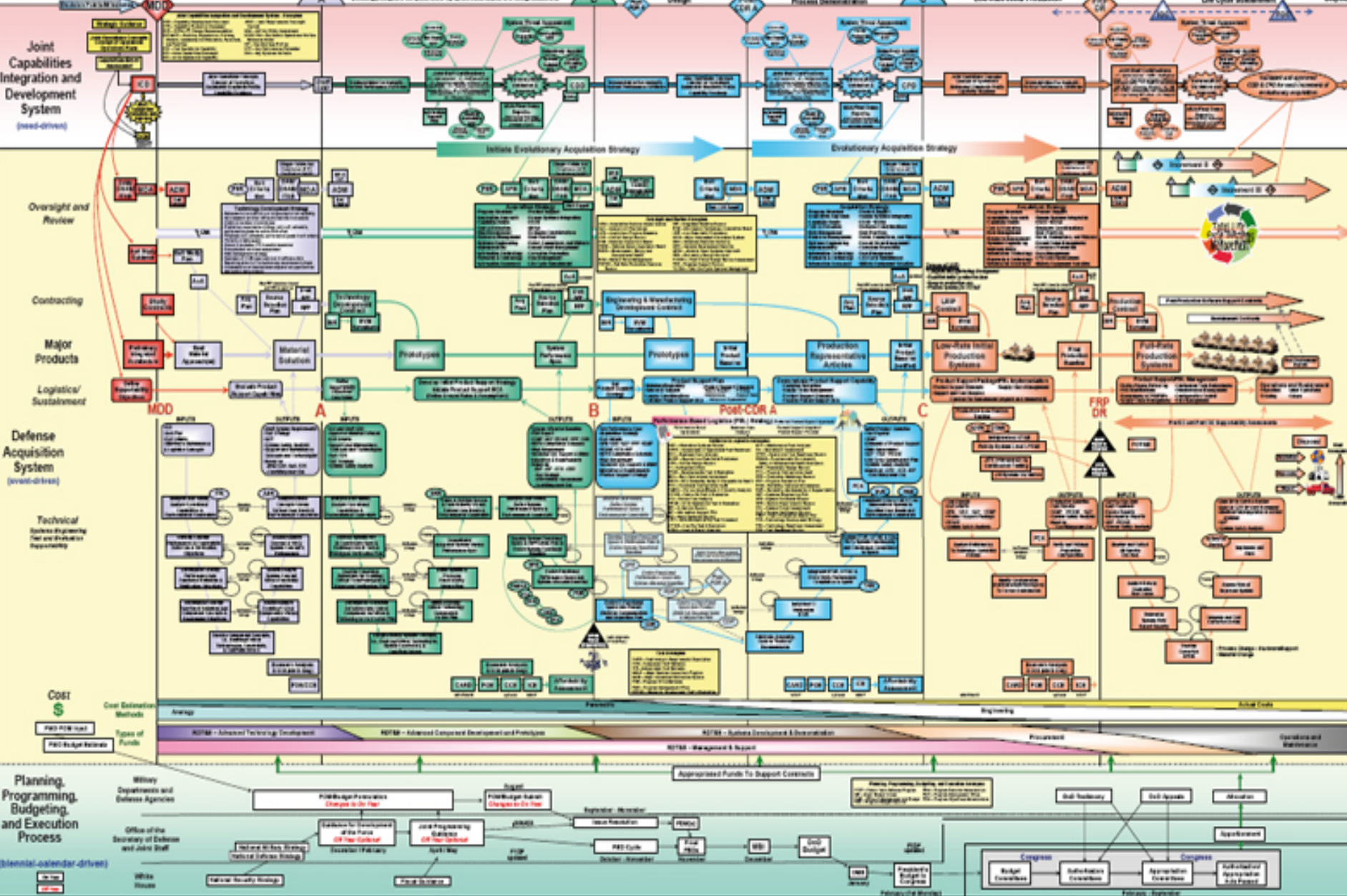
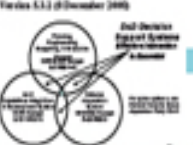
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# Integrated Defense Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics Life Cycle Management System



Following the Material Development Decision, the Milestone Decision Authority may authorize entry into the acquisition process at any point, consistent with phase-specific entrance criteria and statutory requirements.





# Agenda

- ❖ **MRAP Overview**
- ❖ **Systems Engineering and Logistics**
- ❖ **Implementation of Systems Engineering to save lives:  
Gunners Restraint System (GRS)**



# Tactical Response

❖ Change in enemy tactics generated an urgent Warfighter need for:

- Mine Resistant Ambush Protected Vehicle
- Large quantities

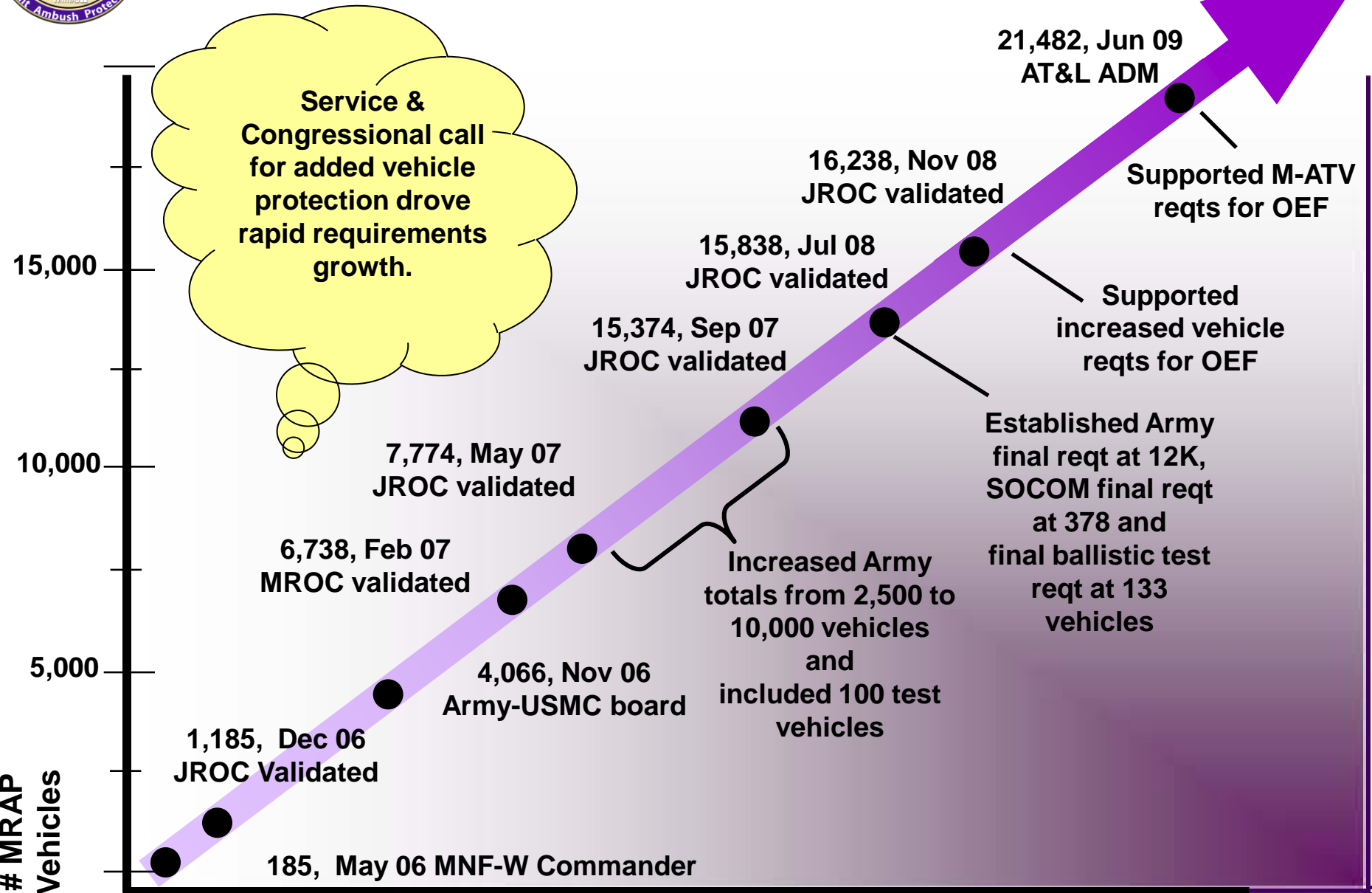
❖ MRAP Program is the response to this urgent need

- Unprecedented effort
- Unprecedented speed
- Unprecedented Gov / Industry Teamwork





# Operational Demand Signal





# MRAP Vehicle Variants

- ❖ To meet the requirement as quickly as possible 5 IDIQ contracts were awarded.
- ❖ Requirements were written to the capability industry had at this time

GDLS RG-31 CAT I/EM



BAE SOCOM (RG-33) CAT I /Plus



Navistar MaxxPro CAT I /Plus/Dash



FPI Cougar CAT I/Plus



BAE-TVS Caiman CAT I/Plus



BAE RG-33L CAT II/Plus



BAE HAGA CAT II/Plus



FPI Cougar CAT II/Plus





# Systems Engineering and Logistics

- ❖ **As we support the operations in OIF/OEF it is critical that we continue to integrate logistics into our SE process closely**
  
- ❖ **Specific processes are in place bringing logistics in at the front end of engineering decisions**
  - **Requirements Decomposition**
  - **Design**
  - **Feedback from the Warfighter**

**Systems Engineering and Logistics Cannot Be Separated**



# MRAP Integrated SE and Logistics

- ❖ **Only PdM with a Chief Systems Engineer for Logistics**
- ❖ **PdM Logistics has implemented a planning cell that uses SE processes to accomplish each levied requirement**
  - **Integrated Master Schedule/Critical Path analysis**
  - **Risk analysis and Mitigation Strategies**
  - **Roles and Responsibilities**
  - **End to end Life Cycle Analysis (example: follow-on roll over trainers)**
- ❖ **Logistics is a heavily weighted factor in the requirements management process to include commonality, install level and theater of operation**

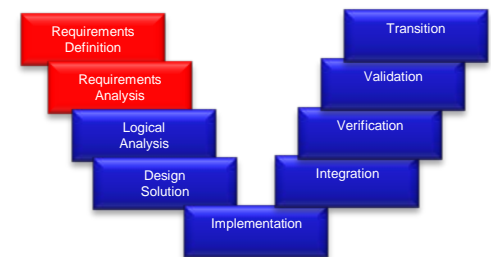




# GRS SE/LOG that Saves Lives

## ❖ Requirement/Requirements Analysis:

- MRAP vehicles are more prone to rollover due to their weight and higher center of gravity
  - Gunners were being thrown from the vehicle due to rollover
- Sept. 20, 2008 during a visit to Bagram Air Field in Afghanistan Secretary of the Army Pete Geren was informed that the MRAP didn't have a gunners restraint like other tactical vehicles.
  - All MRAPs received a GRS
  - All GRSs were fielded by February 1 2009





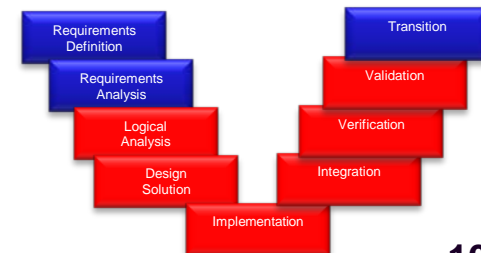
# Design/Integration/Verification/Validation

- ❖ 24 September 2008 RDECOM was tasked to design a GRS for MRAP in 72 hours.
  - Integration of the existing gunners restraint of the BAE M1114
  - Systematic approach to designing the minimum amount of A-Kits for 9 different variants.
  - No CAD of any of the MRAP vehicles.



❖ Design Completed and User Jury conducted at TARDEC before sending to test at ATC

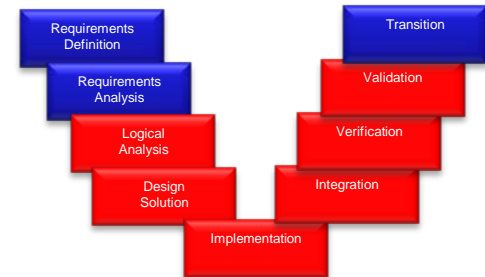
- ❖ ILSC tech writer sitting side by side with designers to produce install instructions and parts and special tools list.





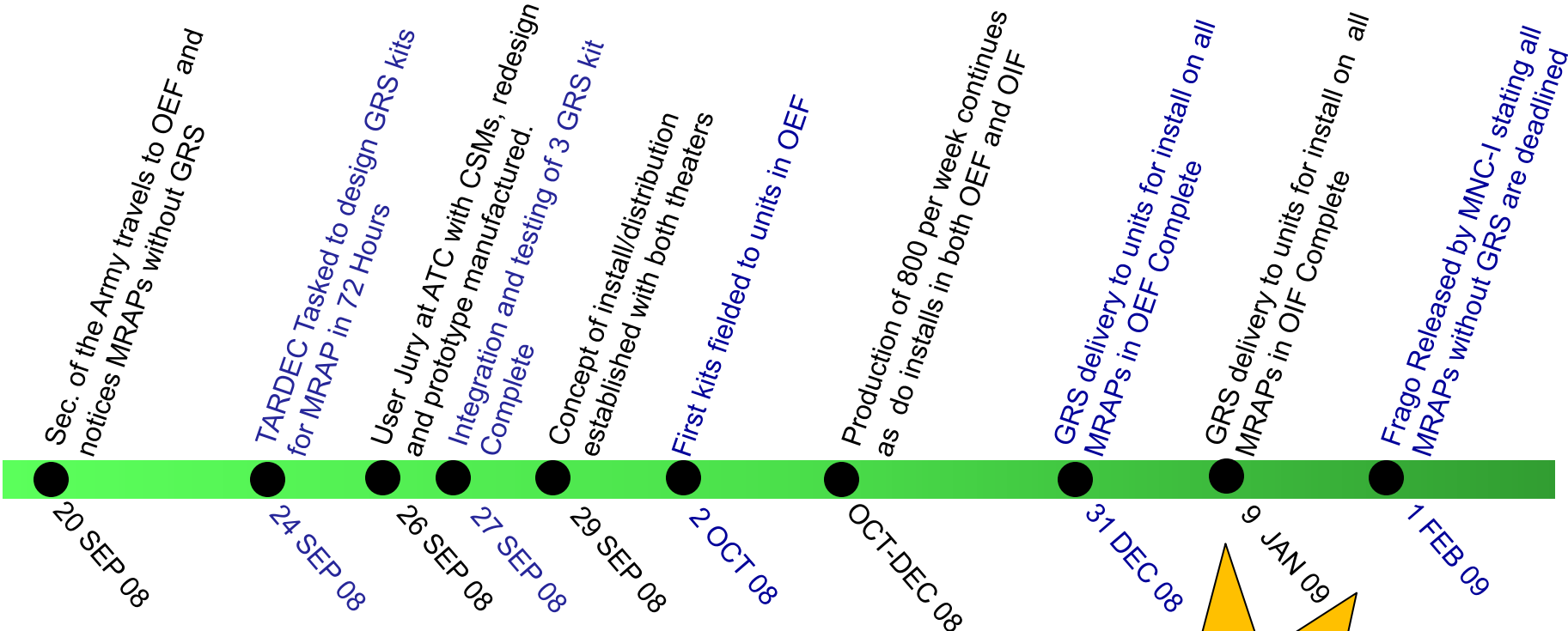
# Design/Integration/Verification/Validation, cont.

- ❖ Upon arrival at ATC, redesign was required due to a human factors issue
- ❖ All parties pulled together to analyze the issue, redesign/update the drawings and prototype the part for test over night.
- ❖ Testing completed on 3 variants by Sept 27 allowing production to begin at Rock Island Arsenal and Blue Grass Army depot. The remaining variants following closely behind.



**Design/Integration/Verification Completed in less than 72 hours**

# GRS Timeline



Over 9,500 GRS Systems Delivered in 110 Days





# Summary

- ❖ **MRAP's use of systems engineering principles in logistics lead to fielding MRAP as quickly as possible.**
- ❖ **Integrating Logistics into the SE process early is critical to support the Warfighter**



# MRAP “the Ultimate Team Sport”



## Questions?

