











## Project Manager, Maneuver Ammunition Systems

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## Where do we see Funding... Small Caliber

### **Present: Small Caliber**

- High volume products in relatively good position
  - Enjoying benefits of high commercial demand
- Boutique Items CCMCK, SRTA etc. are more dependent on other service buys – Risk Reduction strategy: Working with vendors and customers to keep buys steady

### Future: Small Caliber

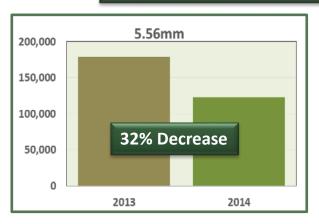
- Steady then decreasing by 10-20% by 2020
- New requirements under development:

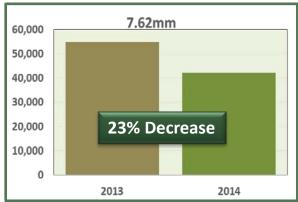
Better Lightweight
Tracers Ammo
Improved Reduce SDZ

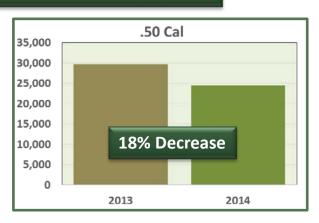


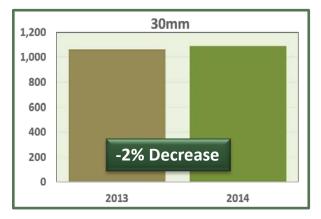
### **Direct Fire**

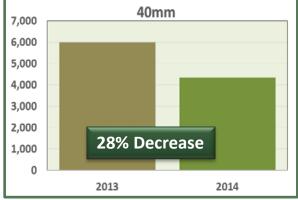
#### How Training Expectations have changed from last year to this year

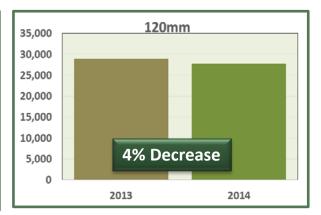












Small Caliber / 40mm shrinking in training 30mm/120mm holding steady













## Small Caliber Ammunition "Investing in the Future"



# Reliable, Precise, Lethal

### **Small Caliber Ammunition**

5.56mm, 7.62mm, .50 CAL., Pistol, Shotshell, .22 Long Rifle, DDI, CCMCK, GREM





### **BLUF**

- Enhanced capabilities
  - Close capability gaps
  - Achieve overmatch
- Maneuver Center of Excellence is developing/staffing Family of Ammunition Capability Development Documents
- Technology development & demonstration underway

Future of Small Caliber Ammunition taking shape NOW!



### **Small Caliber Ammo R&D Projects**

5.56MM, 7.62MM, .50 CAL, SNIPER, HANDGUN & FUTURE SYSTEMS

#### 5.56MM .50 Cal. 7.62MM FoA CDD - FY15 FoA CDD FY14 FoA CDD - FY16 One Way Luminescence (OWL) OWL Lightweight Small Caliber OWL LSCA Ammunition (LSCA) LSCA All Purpose Tactical Ctg.\* Reduced Range Training RRTA RRTA **Ammunition (RRTA)**

#### Precision (PSR)

#### FoA CDD - FY16

- PSR: Improved Performance Round (IPR), Anti-Materiel & Subsonic
- 7.62mm: IPR & Subsonic
- .300 WM: IPR & Subsonic

#### Handgun (MHS)

#### FoA CDD - FY17

Improved Performance Round

#### **Future Systems Ammo**

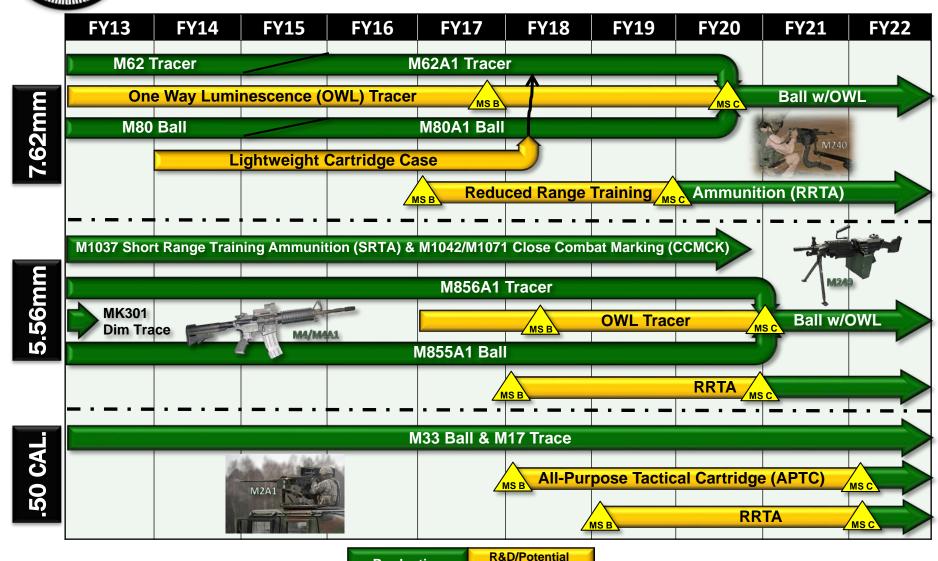
- Small Arms Ammunition Configuration Study
- Next Generation Squad Weapon
- Lightweight Dismounted Automatic Machinegun
- Externally Powered Weapon

Influx of Many New R&D Programs Expected in Future

<sup>\*=</sup> Will include OWL and LSCA



## Small Caliber Ammunition Roadmap

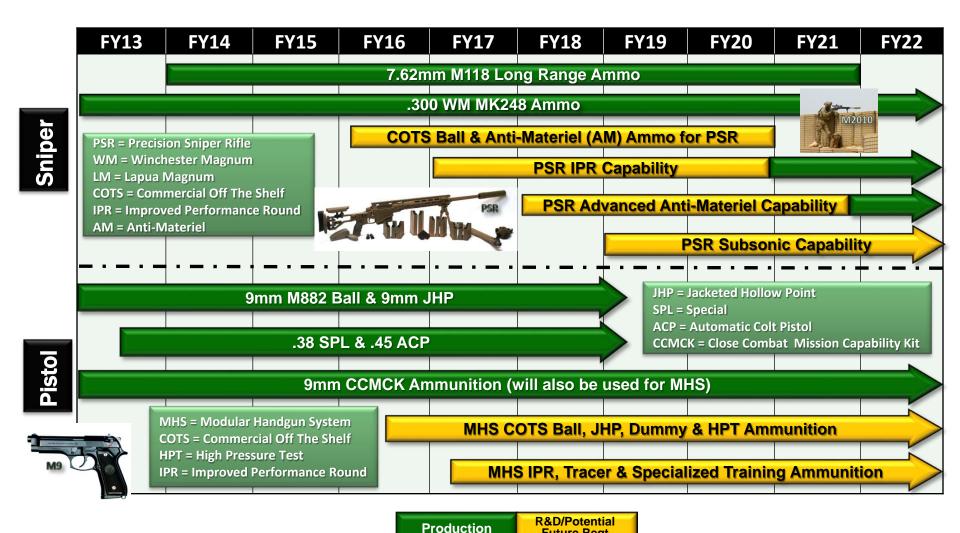


**Future Regt.** 

**Production** 



## **Small Caliber Ammunition** Roadmap



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## **One Way Luminescence (OWL)**

#### **Program Description**

- Objectives:
  - Develop and demonstrate non-pyrotechnic tracer technology that eliminates shortcomings of current tracers
  - Full Day/Night trace capability
- Strategy: Competitive Prototyping
  - Industry tracer concepts via Defense Ordnance **Technology Consortium (DOTC) effort**
  - USG concept development

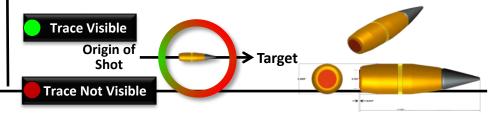
#### **Status**

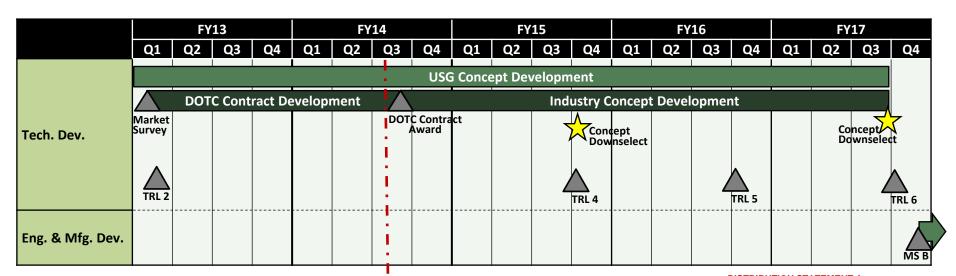
- Development and testing of Government concepts ongoing
- Preparing to award two DOTC contracts for industry concepts

Challenges

- Achieving visibility out to required ranges under all light (bright sunshine) & background (snow) conditions

  Must also be visible through vision devices







## Lightweight Small Caliber Ammunition (LSCA)

#### **Program Description**

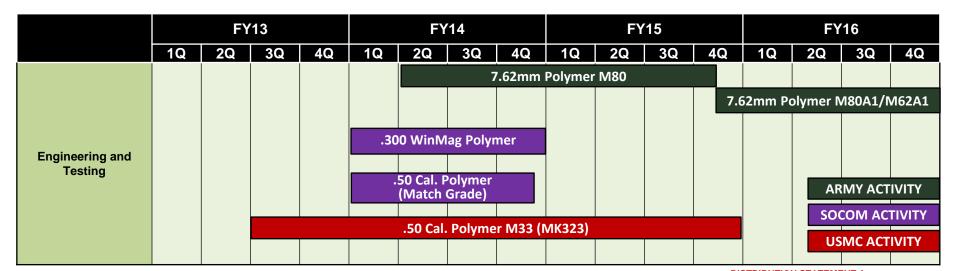
- Objectives:
  - Demonstrate and qualify lightweight cartridge case technology
  - Draft Requirement (Cartridge Weight Savings): 10% (Threshold), 50% (Objective)
- Strategy: Joint Service Cooperative
  - Army DOTC effort to demonstrate 7.62mm polymer cased ammunition
  - Monitor other service efforts for possible adoption
  - Joint Service IPT synchronizes case efforts

#### **Status**

- Army awarded DOTC contract for development & demonstration of 7.62mm polymer cased M80
- USMC continuing toward qualification of .50 cal.
   MK323 polymer cased cartridge
- USSOCOM .300 WinMag and .50 Cal. polymer cased ammunition efforts ongoing

#### **Challenges**

- Achieving full functionality in multiple weapons
- Cost comparable to (preferably less than) brass cases





## Reduced Range Training Ammunition (RRTA)

#### **Program Description**

#### Objectives:

- Develop and qualify training ammunition that has trajectory match to combat ammunition for qualification ranges with significantly shorter surface danger zones (SDZ)
- Provide effective solution for 360° collective training

#### Strategy:

 Envision competitive prototyping of Government and Industry concepts

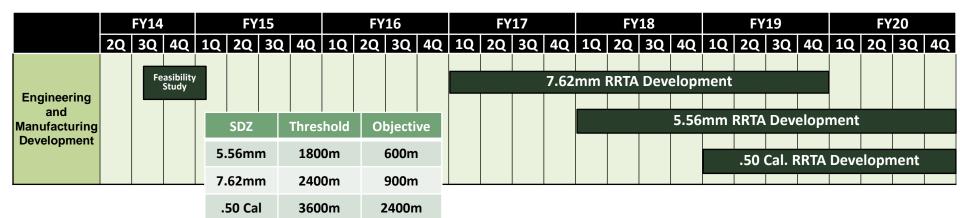
#### **Status**

- Preparing to initiate Feasibility Study
  - Develop Initial concept designs
  - Perform initial performance verification simulations

#### **Challenges**

- Performance goals (max range/effective range) may be difficult to attain simultaneously with geometric modifications (fins, etc.) to projectiles
- May require non-conventional technologies to achieve goals

#### **Notional Schedule**





## .50 Caliber All-Purpose Tactical Cartridge (APTC)

#### **Program Description**

- Objectives:
  - Develop a multi-purpose tactical cartridge capable of defeating the full spectrum of target sets typically engaged with .50 cal. machineguns
  - Replace all current .50 cal. tactical ammunition
- Strategy: Competitive Prototyping
  - Compete Government and Industry concepts

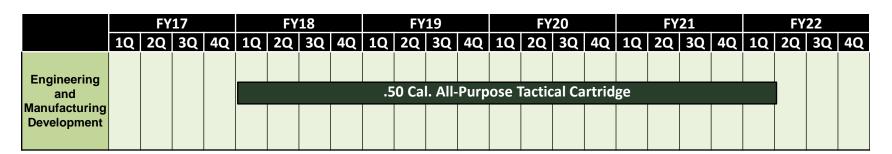
#### **Status**

 Awaiting approval of .50 Cal. Family of Ammunition Capability Development Document to proceed with program of record

#### **Challenges**

- Achieving robust capability against a broad spectrum of target types
- Cost

#### **Notional Schedule**





## Future Ammunition for Precision Sniper Rifle (PSR)

#### **Program Description**

- Objectives:
  - Develop advanced capability ammunition to replace cartridges fielded with PSR
    - Improved Performance Rounds
    - Advanced Anti-Materiel Cartridge
  - Introduce additional capability Subsonic Ammunition
- Strategy: Competitive Prototyping
  - Compete Government and Industry concepts

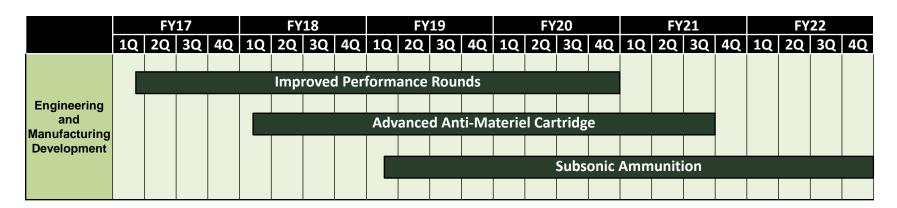
#### **Status**

- Government concepts being tested
- Awaiting approval of Precision Family of Ammunition Capability Development Document to proceed with programs of record

#### **Challenges**

- Achieving anti-materiel performance comparable or better than current .50 Cal. capability in a smaller caliber
- Improving both precision and terminal effects at extended ranges

#### **Notional Schedule**





### Ammunition for Next Generation Small Arms

- Projected Timeframe: Post FY25
- Potential Weapon Systems
  - Next Generation Squad Weapons
    - Automatic Rifle
    - Carbine
    - Squad Designated Marksman's Weapon
  - Lightweight Dismounted Automatic Machinegun
  - Externally Powered Weapon
- Guided sniper ammunition
- Calibers/Configuration: TBD













## Non Standard Ammunition (NSA)





## Non-Standard Ammunition (NSA) Mission

### **Definition – Non-Standard Ammunition**

Not in US Army supply base

Not type classified or safety certified for use by US Army

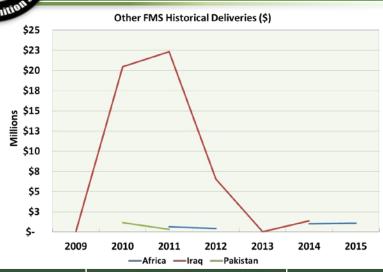
Not produced using technical data packages managed by US Army

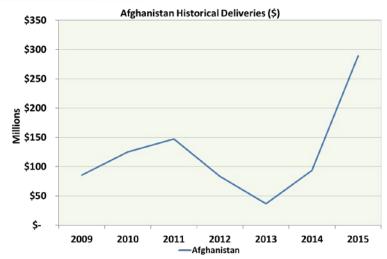






## PD NSA FMS Dollars and FMS Quantity History

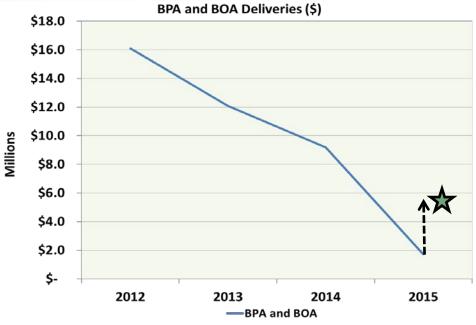




—Africa —Iraq —Pakistan			Argnanistan				
Qty	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Aircraft Munitions	13,299	7,350	92,903		19,123	60,660	39,606
Artillery		7,000	8,793	5,474		28,063	55,870
Launched and Hand Grenades	463,335	430,516	303,782	74,390	70,000	50,000	350,000
Medium		10,000	565,000	3,737,174	374,336		3,240
Mortars	200	240,606	227,173	113,280	96,924	97,129	269,990
Other	293						
Rocket Propelled & Recoiless Rifles	281,727	123,600	227,465	198,618	5,000	457,148	370,748
Small	94,687,958	187,571,067	219,607,471	49,633,532	5,383,061	4,170,401	262,290,711
Tank		250					
<b>Grand Total</b>	95,446,812	188,390,389	221,032,587	53,762,468	5,948,444	4,863,401	263,380,165



## PD NSA Other Customer Dollars and Quantity History





Qty	2012	2013	2014	2015					
Aircraft Munitions		304							
Artillery		20	50						
Launched and Hand Grenades			250						
Medium		15,691	896						
Mortars	6,525	2,580	2,550	1,992					
Other			5						
Rocket Propelled & Recoiless		6,092	380	220					
Rifles		6,092	360	220					
Small	10,765,554	1,785,067	5,874,300	480,000					
Tank	2,143	1,949	9						
Grand Total	10,774,222	1,811,703	5,878,440	482,212					



### **Summary**

### Summary

- Training projections for the future go down or hold steady
- A lot of potential new R&D programs in the next few years
- Non-Standard demand is increasing in the near term
- More R&D efforts than we've seen in the past 30 years

#### Points to Ponder

- Strategic positioning of the small caliber base for the long term –
   How do we keep the multiple source base?
- How will these R&D programs affect the IB?