

Shaping Future Fights Through Research and Development

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CONNECTING THE DOTS TO INNOVATION



US Army Corps of Engineers



ERDC
ENGINEER RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT CENTER



ERDC Overview

Seven Laboratories in Four States

**ERDC
Headquarters**
Vicksburg,
Mississippi



**Coastal and
Hydraulics
Laboratory
(CHL)**



**Environmental
Laboratory
(EL)**



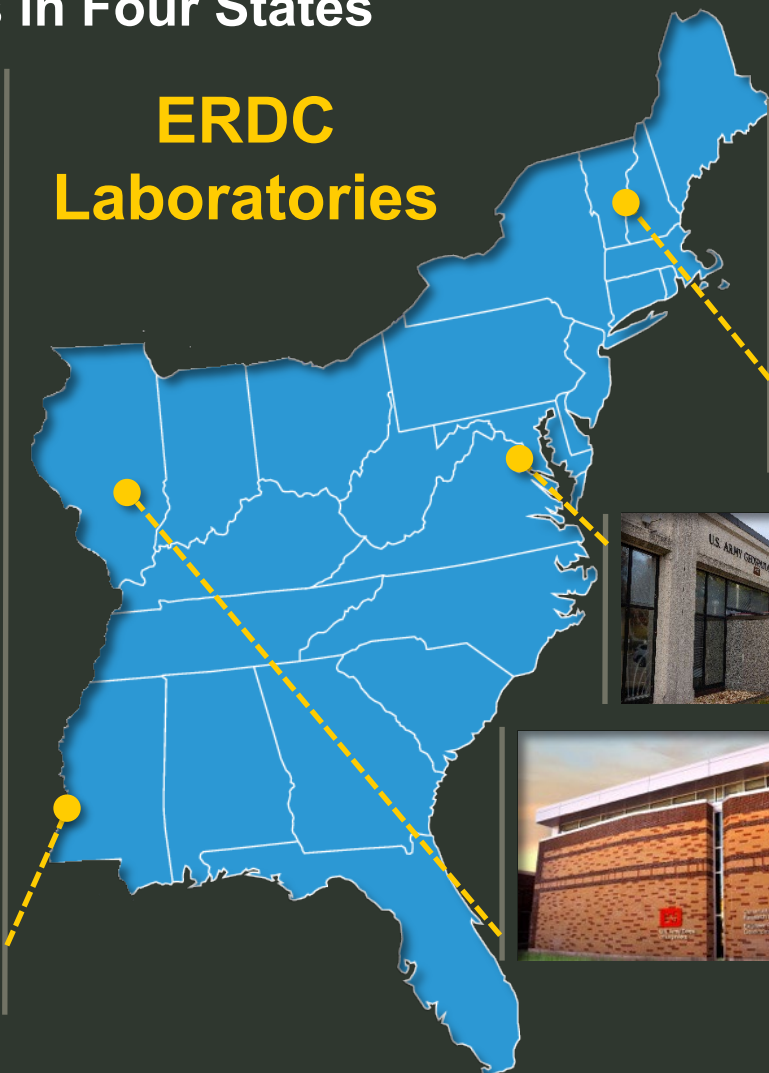
**Geotechnical
and Structures
Laboratory
(GSL)**



**Information
Technology
Laboratory
(ITL)**



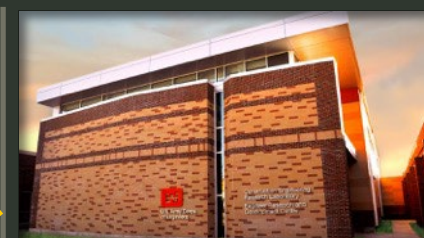
ERDC Laboratories



**Cold Regions Research and
Engineering Laboratory
(CRREL)**
Hanover, New Hampshire



**Geospatial
Research
Laboratory
(GRL)**
Alexandria, Virginia



**Construction
Engineering
Research
Laboratory
(CERL)**
Champaign, Illinois

Field Offices

**Permafrost Tunnel
Research Facility**
Fox, Alaska

Alaska Research Office
Fairbanks, Alaska

**Lewisville Aquatic Ecosystem
Research Facility**
Lewisville, Texas

**Contingency Base Integration
Technology Evaluation Center
(CBITEC)**
Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri

Field Research Facility
Duck, North Carolina

Corbin Field Station
Woodford, Virginia

Extreme Exposure Station
Treat Island, Maine

**ERDC International
Research Office**
London, England

**A World-Class Research & Development Organization that Discovers, Develops and Delivers
New Ways to Make the World Safer and Better Every Day**



ERDC's People Are Our Biggest Strength

ERDC Workforce in FY23

Civilian FTE Employees

2,511*

Engineers & Scientist (E&S)

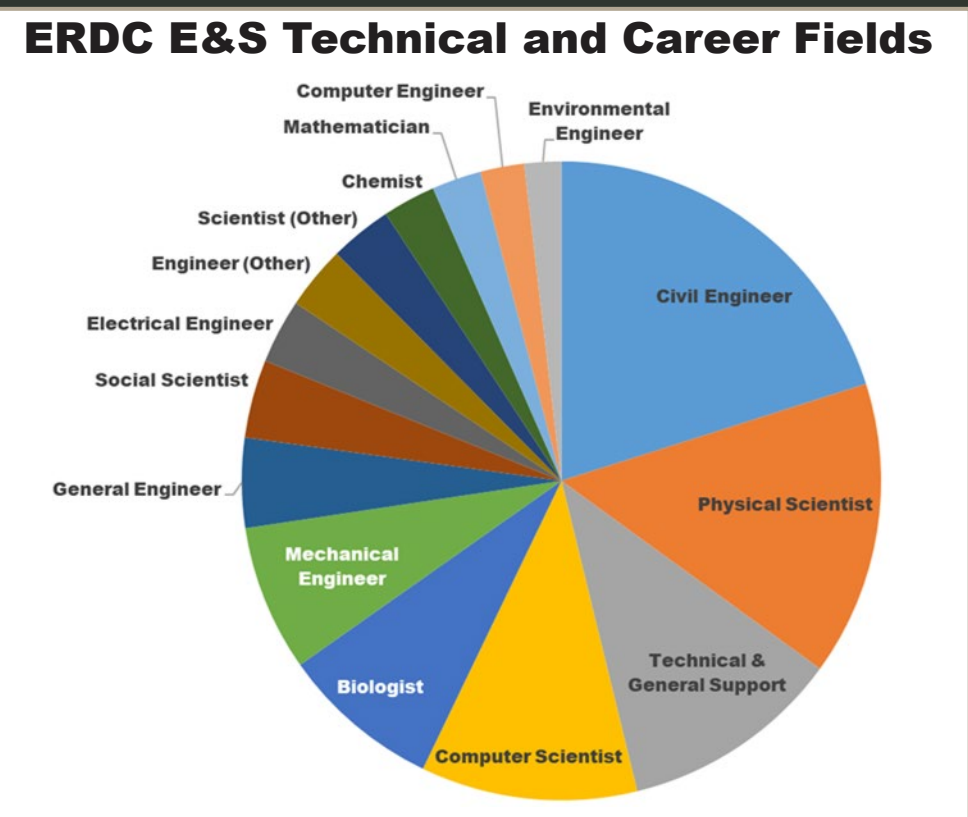
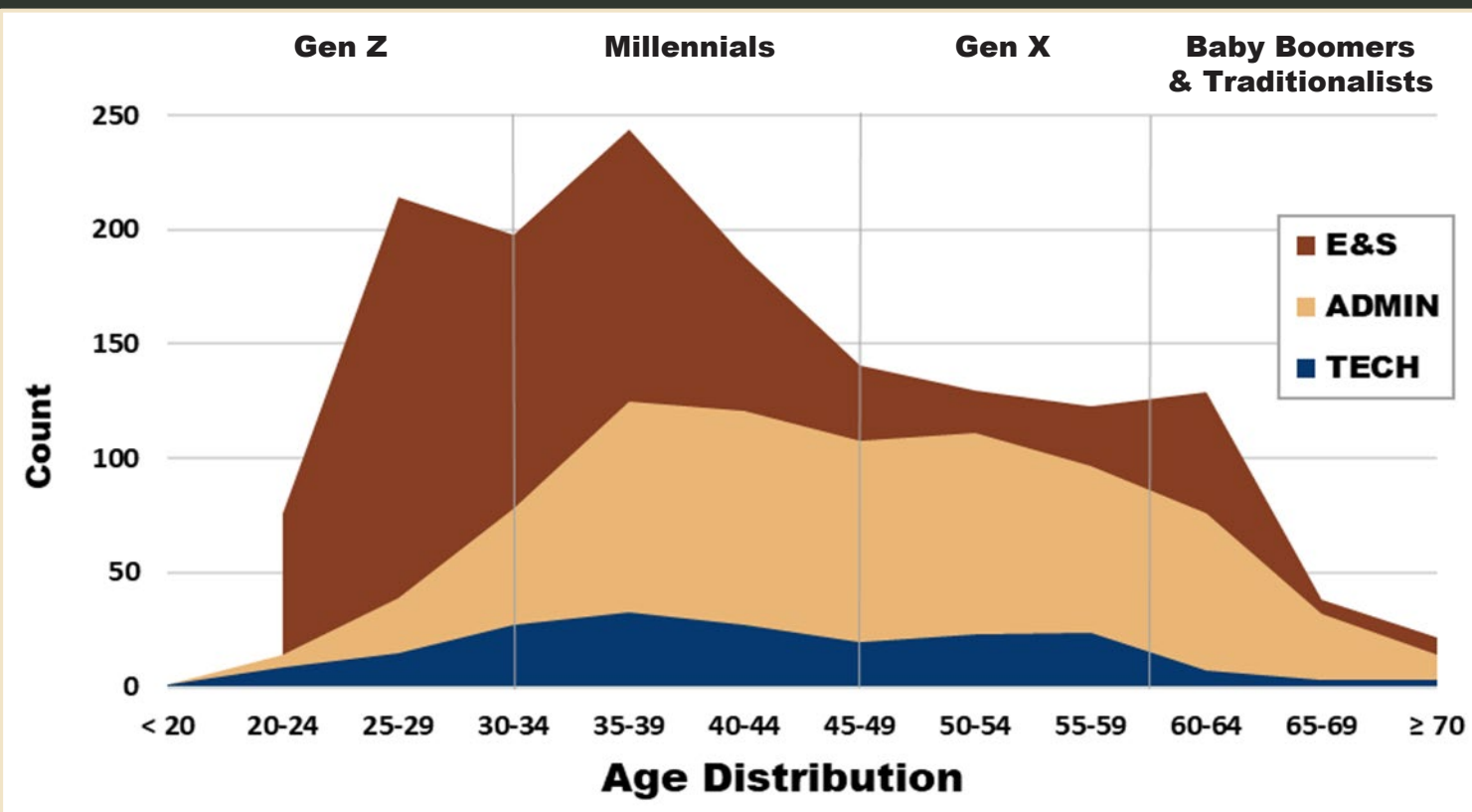
1,503

E&S w/Advanced Degrees

1,168

E&S w/PhDs

444



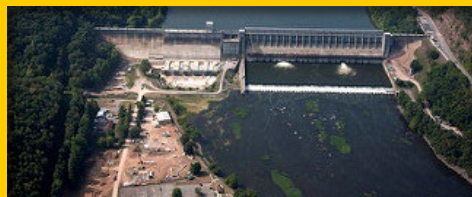
* Does not include other workforce population segments: student trainees, temp positions, active-duty military, AFP Interns, or contractors. Data reflects the End FY23, slide updated 12 OCT 2023.



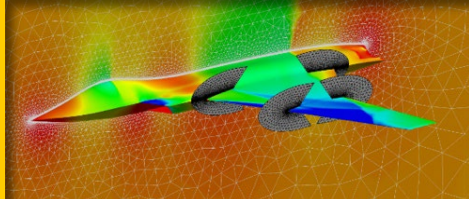
ERDC Delivers Innovative Solutions

ERDC'S Programmatic Approach Backed by Core Competencies for the Army

RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT AREAS



CIVIL WORKS



ENGINEERED RESILIENT SYSTEMS



GEOSPATIAL RESEARCH AND ENGINEERING



INSTALLATION AND OPERATIONAL ENVIRONMENTS



MILITARY ENGINEERING

CORE COMPETENCIES

SPECIALIZED ERDC KNOWLEDGE THAT ENABLES OUR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AREAS



BATTLESPACE TERRAIN MAPPING AND CHARACTERIZATION



BLAST AND WEAPONS EFFECTS ON STRUCTURES AND GEO-MATERIALS



CIVIL AND MILITARY ENGINEERING



COLD REGIONS SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING



COASTAL, RIVER AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING



COMPUTATIONAL PROTOTYPING OF MILITARY PLATFORMS



MILITARY INSTALLATIONS AND INFRASTRUCTURE



ERDC Partnerships

Hundreds of Government, Academia, Industry and International Partners



GOVERNMENT PARTNER EXAMPLES

USDA United States Department of Agriculture
USGS science for a changing world



ACADEMIA PARTNER EXAMPLES



INDUSTRY PARTNER EXAMPLES



INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS

ERDC International Research Office
London, England

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CONNECT: Mechanisms & Authorities



Other Transaction Authority (OTA)

Broad Agency Announcement (BAA) Authority

Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Units (CESU) National Network

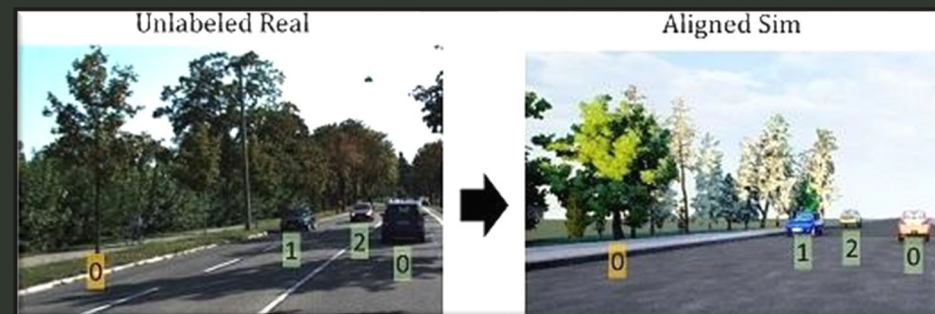
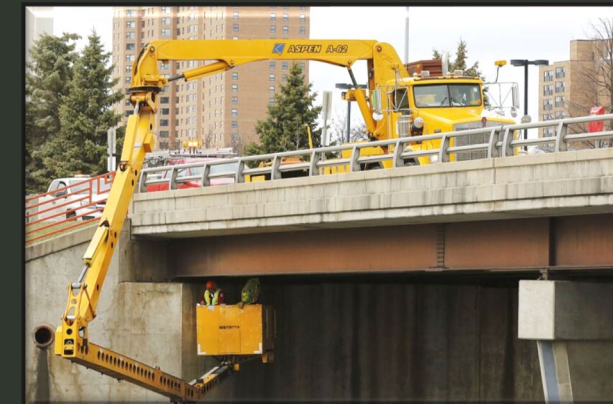


Ready to Purchase Commercial Solutions

Solve Today's Problems with Yesterday's Solutions

Commercial Solutions

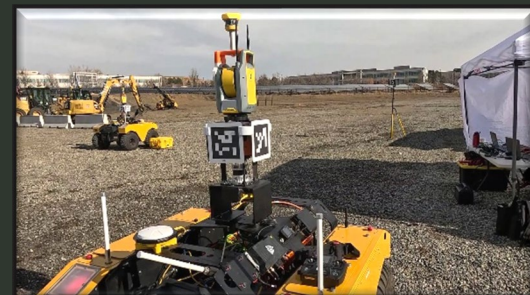
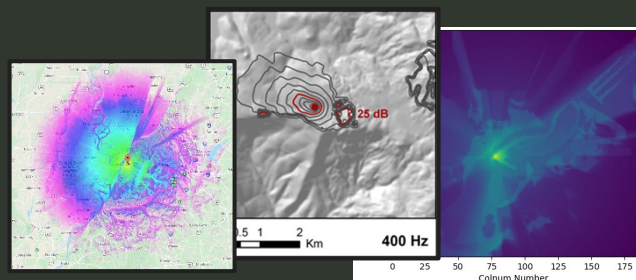
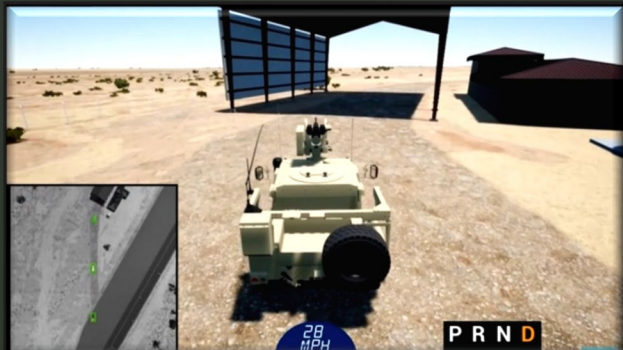
- Searchable solutions from many vendors
- Solve a specific problem or problems
- Minimal to no delay in acquiring the product
- Limited only to funding available to purchase
- Solves today's problem





Value of R&D for the Military

It Is Worth The Investment



Military R&D

- Allows for focused research into a specific area or problem
- Fills gaps in knowledge or capabilities
- Can be targeted for a military only application
- Is long-term focused to address future military needs and requirements
- Product focused, not profit focused



Drivers for Research

R&D Is Not Conducted In A Vacuum

Keys to Successful Execution

- ERDC conducts Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation (RDT&E) Programs at the Basic and Applied levels
- Successful execution of Military R&D requires close relationships with stakeholders, transition partners, and end users of the capability
- R&D is a long-term investment that is shaped by the multiple factors
- The ability to shift and adapt to those change factors is crucial



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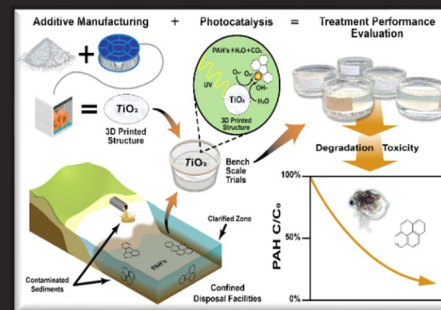


Contested Logistics



Understanding Materials & Manufacturing

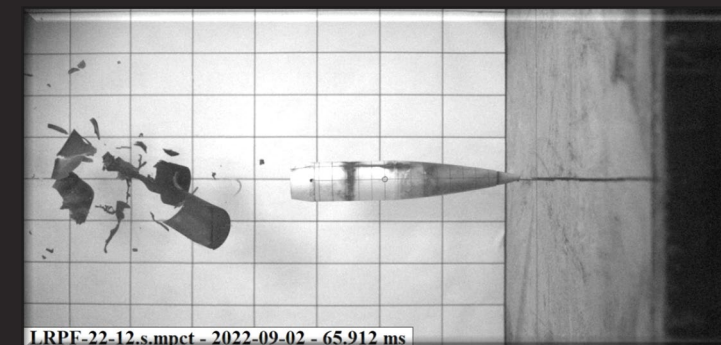
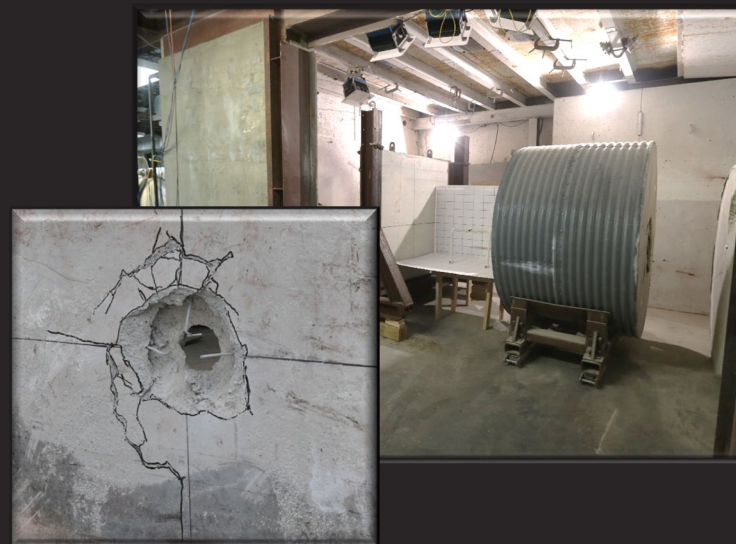
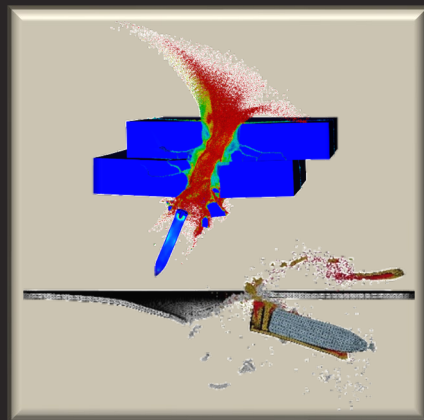
- Materials Science
- Additive Construction
- 3D Printing
- Advanced Manufacturing
- Sustainable Materials
- Construction Materials-By-Design
- Repair and Retrofit Materials
- Manufacturing Process Optimization
- Advanced Computational Modeling





Weapons Effects

- Projectile Penetration
- Ballistic Research
- Fragment Simulation
- Blast Load Simulation
- Perforation Testing
- Damage Assessment
- Material Modeling





Increasing Mobility in Theater

- **Understanding Route Characterization and Degradation**
- **Assessment of Rail Lines**
- **Conventional and Expeditionary Airfields**
- **Port Facilities**
- **Civilian and Military Bridging MLCs**
- **Infrastructure Assessment**

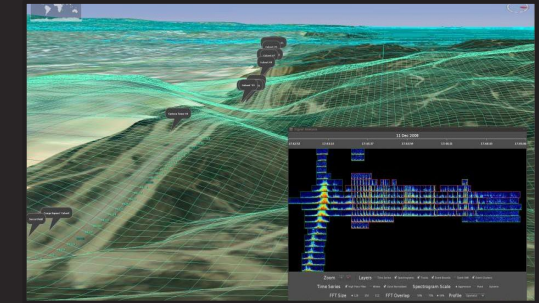
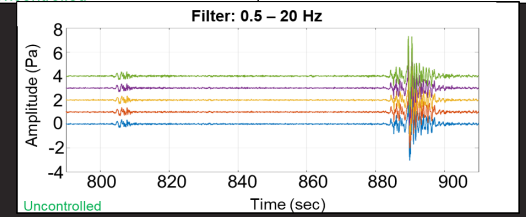
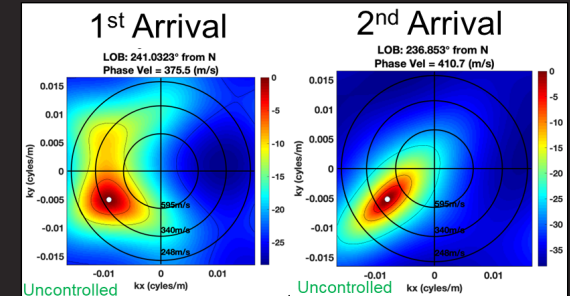
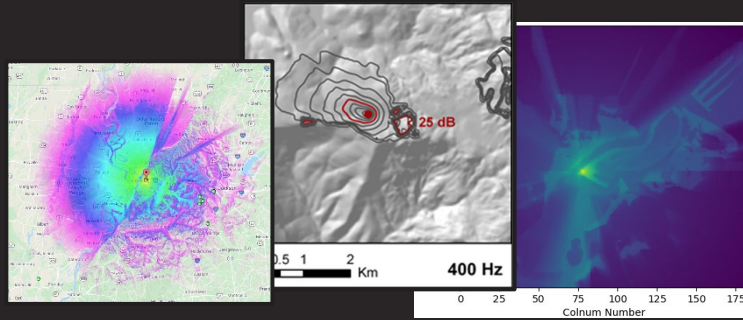




Understanding Through Sensing

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- Situational Awareness
- Remote Assessment of Infrastructure
- Analysis of Threats
- Terrain Analysis
- Perimeter Security
- Void Detection and Monitoring



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ERDC Presentations

Combat Logistics Stream C, 0900 – 0930 Day Three

Speakers: **Mr. Dan Harder** and **Dr. Danielle Whitlow**, both Research Civil Engineers at the US Army Engineer Research and Development Center (ERDC)

Title: Effective Use of Transportation During War

Overview: How planning tools and modern repair methods act as force multipliers to ensure adequate transportation infrastructure (airfields, bridges, railroads, seaports, etc) to move forces into and across theater

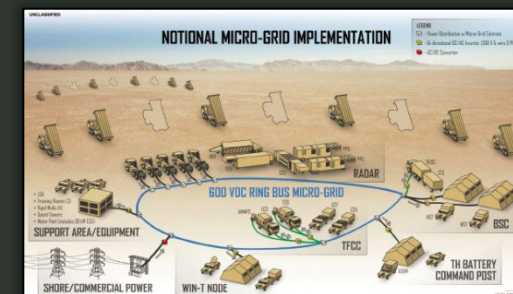


Combat Engineer Stream B, 1115 – 1145 Day Three

Speaker: **Mr. Bjorn Oberg**, Research Electrical Engineer at the US Army Engineer Research and Development Center (ERDC)

Title: Power Operations and Microgrids in Austere Environments

Overview: Using modern equipment to increase efficiency in power generation, distribution, and use through active monitoring and storage of electrical power on contingency bases



Combat Engineer Stream B, 1115 – 1145 Day Two

Speaker: **Dr. Genevieve Pezzola**, Research Civil Engineer at the US Army Engineer Research and Development Center (ERDC)

Title: Structural Hardening and Survivability Against New Threats

Overview: Modern methods to harden structures and protect critical infrastructure and Soldiers from threat weapon systems



Combat Engineer Stream A, 1445 – 1515 Day Three

Speaker: **Ms. Emily Stickney**, Research Civil Engineer, and **Ms. Kate Staebell**, Research Physical Scientist at the US Army Engineer Research and Development Center

Title: Military Hydrology – Total Hydrologic Awareness for Advanced Decision Making

Overview: Why understanding water on the battlefield is critical for mobility and counter-mobility plans and operations





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New ways to make the world safer and better

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