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Integrated Training Area Management

Agenda

- ITAM Program / Introduction
  - Historical
  - Mission
- Monitoring
- Land Rehabilitation and Maintenance
- GIS Products and Services
- Outreach
- Final Thoughts
ITAM is one of two DA G3 “Enabler” programs - the other, RTLP – that supports the objectives of the Army Sustainable Range Program (SRP) to maximize the capability, availability, and accessibility of ranges and training land (AR 350-19)

**Strategy:** Recognize inherent requirement to train on land, the effects of training on the land, and the Army’s need to sustain its training land assets and its responsibility for environmental stewardship.

**Intent:** Execute ITAM within operations and training channels

**Components:**
1. Land Rehabilitation and Maintenance
2. Range and Training Land Assessment
3. Training Requirements Integration
4. Sustainable Range Awareness
   - Geographic Information System

Managing the Army’s Training Land “Platform” to Sustain its Future Use for Training
Integrated Training Area Management

ITAM Mission

- Land Rehabilitation and Maintenance
  - Initial Focus: JMRC Hohenfels (‘87 Flood)
  - Check Dams / Retention Basins (‘90s)
  - 3K Acres Reseeded Annually (‘90)

- Land Condition Monitoring
  - Land Condition Plots Monitored Annually (‘86)
  - Annual Satellite Imagery (‘86)
  - Runoff Monitoring Stations (‘93)

- Geographic Information System (GIS) Data Acquisition
  - Aerial Orthoimagery (‘92)
  - LIDAR (Sub-Meter Elevation Models) (‘03)
  - NAVTEQ (‘04)
Range Training Land Analysis (RTLA)

Traditional Perspective

RTLA is used to characterize and monitor natural resources, geospatially and temporally. RTLA assessments generate installation-specific ecological information that is used to evaluate the impacts of training and testing activities.

USAREUR Perspective

The USAREUR RTLA program identifies and tracks the distribution of land cover types using satellite imagery interpretation.

2006

2008
Traditional Perspective

- LRAM projects were dominated by the concept of “sustainability” with a focus on the construction, repair and maintenance of a training area’s erosion control infrastructure.
- Currently the state of USAREUR’s Training Areas infrastructure is strong, and, in some cases, the roads and maneuver space are in a condition far superior to that of the Contemporary Operating Environment (COE).
In the Future!

- USAREUR ITAM will place a higher priority on projects that enhance training realism by attempting to create realistic training environments.

Select observations from the Afghanistan OE:

- Agriculture / pastoral land use surrounding villages
- Narrow passages
- Obstacles to walk over or hide behind, curbs, roofs, trash, low hanging wires.
- Lack of developed roads
- Recovery of vehicles
- Mountain, dismounted, rough terrain, little mounted
Traditional Standard Product Line:

**Hard Copies**
- Soldier Field Cards
- Installation Special Maps
- Map Atlases
- Raised Relief Maps
- Military Installation Maps (MIMs)

**Online**
- SRP Website
- Army Range Mapper

**DVD**
- ITAM Viewer
- Flight Simulator
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• Public support is critical for mitigating range encroachment challenges that can restrict or shut down training activities. **Much of the public is not aware of how or why the U.S. Army trains.**

• USAREUR ITAM plays an active role in supporting community outreach events, including dissemination of informational products detailing USAREUR’s environmental commitment.
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Supporting 7th Army

Integrated Training Area Management
Sharing with Multinational Partners

Swaziland

Romania

Tanzania

Malawi
Questions?

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