

# **Air Force Civil Engineer Center**





# USAF Airfield Innovations

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## **Overview**



- Who we are
  - R&D Team
  - Drivers
- Program Areas
  - Rapid Airfield Damage Repair (RADR)
  - Pavement Preservation
  - Preventive Maintenance Planning
  - Construction And Repair





## **AFCEC Mission**

Provide Civil Engineering services & enterprise lifecycle leadership to Air Force installations that enable the warfighter

## **AFCEC Vision**

Lead the way in delivering Civil Engineering enterprise solutions

## **AFCEC Goals**

- 1) Provide Trained & Diverse AFCEC Community
- 2) Provide Enterprise Wide Sustainable Products & Solutions
- 3) Continuous Improvement



## **Operations Directorate**



#### Mission

 Provide direct technical, managerial & training <u>expertise</u> to the Air Force <u>civil engineer community</u> with emphasis on <u>Operations & Maintenance</u> of the built environment

### Areas of Responsibility

- Engineer Subject Matter Experts (24 of 34 total)
- Asset Visibility & Airfield Pavement Evaluation Team
- Operations Maintenance
- Force Development / Career Field Management
- CEMIRT Civil Engineer Maintenance, Inspection & Repair Team including Industrial Control Systems



#### Who We are



#### Subject Matter Experts

- Shepherd the State of the Art and Practice
- Identify Gaps and Opportunities
- Advocate for Research & Development
- Mentor R&D Execution
- Guide Technology Transfer

#### Drivers

- Lessons Learned
- New Aircraft (JSF, OSPREY, RPAs) & New Threats
- Mission Constraints: Budget, Manpower, Logistics
- Emerging Technologies & Industry Trends
- Congressional Mandates



#### R&D Team



- AFCEC & Air Force Research Laboratory AFRL
- Army Corps of Engineers USACE
  - Engineering Research & Development Center ERDC
  - Transportation Systems Center TSC
  - Army Research Lab ARL
- Naval Facilities Engineering Command NAVFAC
  - Expeditionary Warfare Center EXWC
- Navy Air System Command NAVAIR
- Academia, USAFA, AF Institute of Technology (AFIT)
- International Project Agreements
- Trade Organizations & Industry



# Airfield Damage Repair (ADR)



- ADR Modernization Program
  - Rapid Airfield Damage Assessment System RADAS
  - Recovery of Airbases Denied By Ordinance RADBO
  - Airfield Operating Surfaces (Includes RADR)
- Capabilities for Each Force Module
  - Open the Base
  - Establish the Mission
  - Expand the Mission
  - Sustain & Maintenance the Mission
  - Recover the Mission
    - RADR is one of 4 Airfield Surface Related Mission Requirements





#### RADR 1.0 Fielded

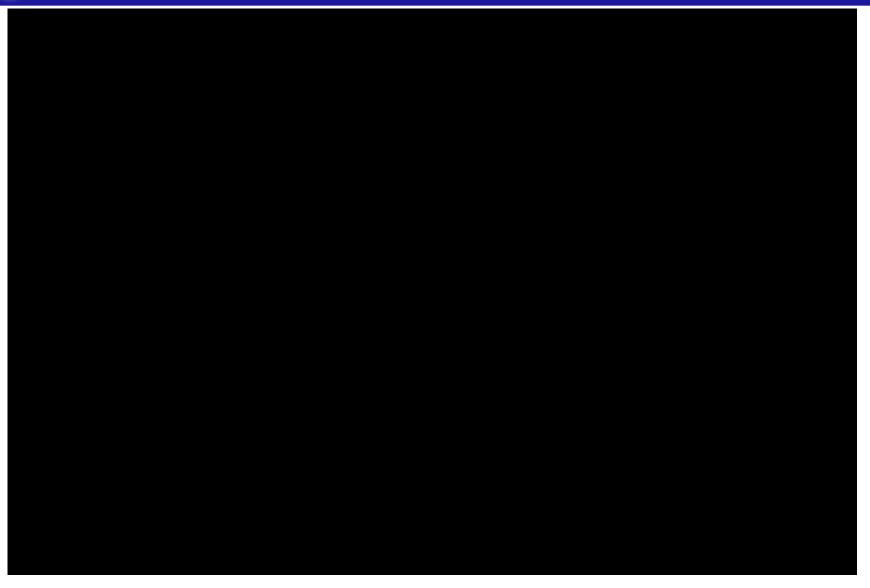
- Complete & Traffic (120) 2.5 m X 2.5 m in 6.5 hours
- Sustain 3500+ sorties or fighters & heavies
- Day/night, -10F to 120F, rain or shine
- Combines rapid set concrete/flowable fill & HMA
- Used: Ascension Island, Qwest Iraq to retake Mosul
- Sustainment Pavement Repair (SuPR) Kit
  - Shop in a box (Five C-130 Transportable Conexts)
  - Using in SWA and Qwest Iraq to retake Mosul





















RADR 2.0 R&D Underway – Lighter & Leaner

Reduced Back Fill Requirements

Smaller Equipment Footprint

Improved Productivity

2 hr Return to Ops







- RADR 2.0 R&D Underway Lighter & Leaner
  - Foam Backfill Pump System



System Weight:	1,800 lb
Dimensions:	6' W x 7' L x 34" H
Production Rate:	30 gpm (20 ft³/min of expanded material)
Average Power Consumption:	11 kW (14-hp)
Motor Control:	Independent VFD, Automated Operation







## **Pavement Preservation**



- Keeping Good Pavement in Good Condition (Making Bad Pavements Less Bad)
  - Asphalt
    - Seal Coats
    - Slurry Seals
    - Microsurfacing

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- POL Removal (Stain Remover)
- Seals: Sodium Silicate, Methyl Methacrylate (MMA), Polymer, others
- Heat Resistance



## **Preventive Maintenance Planning**



- Determine when Rubber Removal Needed
  - Friction Measure via Cell Phone App
- PAVER
  - Preventive Maintenance Planning Tools
  - Translation Tool
    - French: Ministère des Transports du Québec
    - Italian, German, Arabic, Portuguese, Spanish, Greek
- Project Development
  - Defining Risk and Uncertainty
  - Buying Down Risk and Uncertainty



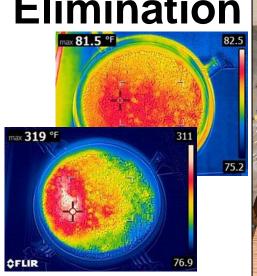
# Construction/Repair



- Accelerated ASR Susceptibility Test
  - 3 day test vs DoDs 28 day ASTM C1260
  - 3 independent labs
  - Good correlations for reactive aggregates
  - Fine tuning for borderline aggregates

Early Age Spalling Elimination

- Not-So-Cold Patch
  - HMA in a Bucket
  - Inductive Heat







## **Contacts**



## Whole Building Design Guide www.wbdg.org

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# Construction/Repair



- Post Paver Air Entrainment
- Joint & Crack Sealing
- Drainage
- Alternative ASR Mitigation Methods
- Quality Measures
- Grinding Tolerance