



# USARAK Support: Side-by-Side Mobility Analysis







# **Background**



- □ USARAK (1-40 CAV, 4<sup>th</sup> BDE, 25<sup>th</sup> IN) requests support for decision regarding potential scout equipment. COTF contacted Mobility team.
  - Reported the Up-Armored HMMWV (UAH) to not meet Scouts' needs
  - Interest in higher performing off-road vehicles (e.g., the Side-by-Side)
  - Felt that lighter vehicle would improve mission effectiveness
- □ AMSAA discusses with TARDEC the status of the response; much previous email discussion regarding units' lessons learned (e.g., force protection, rollover safety, SOCOM configuration and use, spare parts availability)
- □ AMSAA offer to support is well received by USARAK S&T Advisor and 1-40 CAV S-4; follow-on discussions highlighted several points
  - Unit requests comparison of several Side-by-Side vehicles with UAH
  - Anticipated to utilize COTS vehicles in upcoming (Oct) training exercise

AMSAA provides analytical support directly to Soldiers for materiel decision.



### **Vehicles of Interest**



- ☐ Vehicle baseline: UAH M1151.
  - Configuration still to be defined; anticipated to be lighter than "typical"
  - Approximately 12,000 to 16,000 lb with 190 hp.
  - In consideration of the open design of the alternatives, AMSAA recommends comparison also be made to unarmored HMMWV and/or the SOCOM GMV
- ☐ Multiple alternative vehicles requested (various fidelity of information):
  - HDT Storm
  - Polaris MRZR 4
  - CANAM

- HDT Sword
- Teryx 750 4x4 RUV
- Prowler C2
- Full spec range under investigation (est. 2,000 to 10,000 lb, w/ 50 to 150 hp)



**HDT Storm** 



MRZR 4



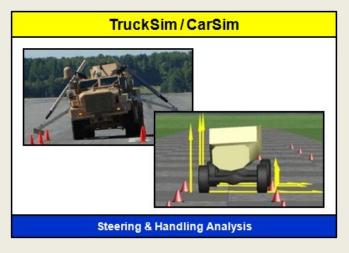
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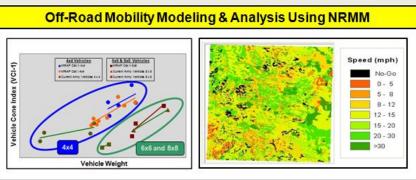


# **Scope of Effort**



AMSAA will perform a variety of mobility analysis to support the Soldiers' equipment decision.





Modeling / Analysis Task		Modeling Tool						
		TruckSim NRMM		FCPM	Power Audit			
Modeling	Speed & Acceleration (Top Speed, Dash Time); includes Coastdown validation	✓	N/A	N/A	N/A			
	Gradeability / Speeds on Grades (Indicator of Recovery and Towing Capability)	✓	✓	N/A	N/A			
	Steering / Handling (Rollover & safety comparision)	✓	N/A	N/A	N/A			
	Off-Road Mobility (trafficability, V <sub>XX</sub> speed, VCl <sub>1</sub> )	N/A	✓	N/A	N/A			
	Fuel Consumption Prediction (Based on VCI <sub>1</sub> and vehicle powertrain)	N/A	N/A	✓	N/A			
	Power Audit (Involves confirming power calculations from data provided by S4)	N/A	N/A	N/A	✓			
	Other Analysis (Potential for other considerations as efforts develop)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			





# Study Example – Analytical Comparison

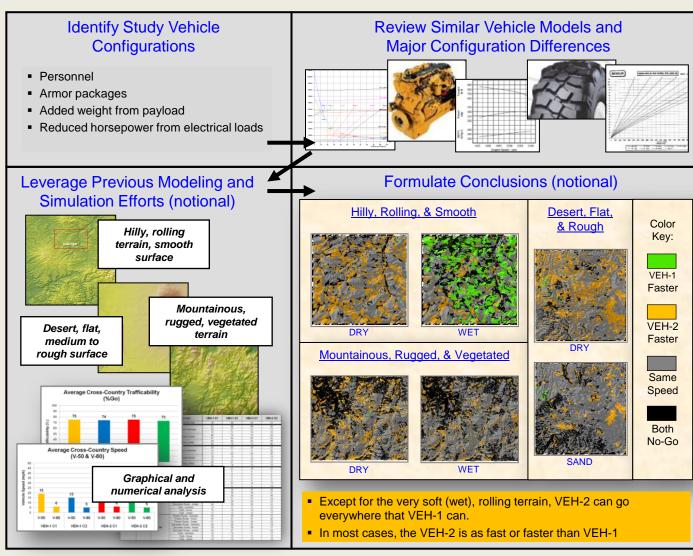


#### Problem

Various Program Managers request AMSAA Mobility analysis to support vehicle performance evaluation and procurement decisions.

#### **Impact**

AMSAA comparison of these vehicle characteristics were used to inform materiel procurement decisions.



AMSAA assesses a broad spectrum of mobility performance parameters.



### **Potential Issues and Concerns**



- ☐ Comparison of potential materiel to a program of record.
  - Involvement of PM LTV versus systems with no PM
  - Data availability / ease of access for measurement
- ☐ Performance focused comparison (limited to certain "-ilities").
  - Have already discussed implication of lightly/un-armored vehicle
  - Consideration of the log-tail associated with a new article (possible fuel needs)
- ☐ Obtaining vehicle data necessary for analysis:
  - Suspension kinematics and compliances, tire data, steering kinematics, etc.
  - Engine power and torque curves, driveline gearing, weight distribution, etc.
  - Some data will be easier to acquire than others



## **Work Schedule / Current Status**



	May	Jun		Jul	Aug	Sep		
Receive via COTF								
Review TARDEC response								
Offer to support accepted								
Kick-off with S&T and S4								
Analysis Planning				_				
Data Gathering								
Construct Models								
USARAK-IPR-1								
Execute Analysis								
Review Findings								
USARAK-IPR-2								
Document Results								
Delivery and Out-brief								

- ☐ Have established working relationship with TARDEC & USARAK.
- ☐ Upcoming tasks:
  - Refine scope with customer / further define vehicle configuration
  - Gather platform characteristics through "creative" means



### **Questions / Comments?**



- ☐ Thank you for the opportunity to directly support the warfighter with our analysis.
- ☐ Please contact the POC on cover if there are any questions or comments.