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From the OSD Basing Office

Happy Holidays from the OSD Basing office! We hope that all joint base families took time to pause and reflect on their blessings during the Thanksgiving Holiday. After digesting our Thanksgiving feasts, we at OSD took a trip to Joint Base San Antonio (JBSA) where we observed many exciting initiatives underway. JBSA is our largest joint base, so it took us a full three days to sit down with all of the key mission partners and hear their perspective.

Now that December is here, we are beginning to reflect on the 2012 CPVF data reported from the joint bases. We will spend the next few weeks analyzing the data and looking for trends across the joint bases. This analysis will be presented at the Program Management Review, scheduled for January 30-31, 2013 at Joint Base Andrews-Naval Air Facility Washington.

With two full years of FOC operations at all 12 joint bases behind us, I am super excited for the innovations yet to come. I anticipate some exciting briefings from commanders at the PMR. Merging large installation support organizations is difficult, but now that we are a few years into it, I expect to see more re-organizations and efficiencies gained.

I look forward to hearing from the Joint Bases and ICSs at the PMR,

Charlie Perham, Col, USAF
Chair, Joint Base Working Group



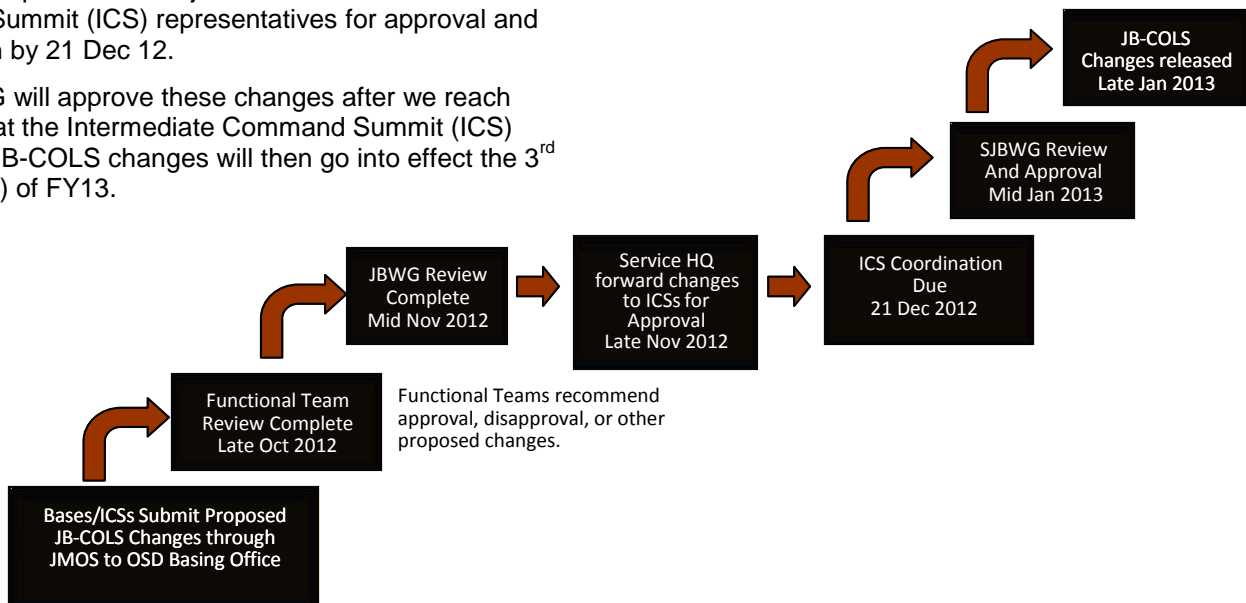
Policy Update

JB-COLS Changes

As part of the annual JB-COLS review process, the Senior Joint Base Working Group (SJBWG) decided to review Base Support Vehicles & Equipment (BSV&E), Child and Youth Programs, Security Services and Small Arms Range Management (SARM) JB-COLS.

The process began this summer when all levels (from base-level to OSD) were asked to provide any proposed changes. Not all recommendations were adopted, but each was considered by their respective OSD-led functional work group. This fall, the functional work groups (which include representation from each Service) reviewed and provided recommendations. The 2013 COLS changes recommendations were coordinated through the Joint Base Working Group and sent to joint base Intermediate Command Summit (ICS) representatives for approval and coordination by 21 Dec 12.

The SJBWG will approve these changes after we reach consensus at the Intermediate Command Summit (ICS) level. The JB-COLS changes will then go into effect the 3rd Quarter (Q3) of FY13.



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SPOTLIGHT: PROGRAM MANAGEMENT REVIEW UPDATE

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The Annual PMR will be held at the Jacob E. Smart Center at Joint Base Andrews-NAF Washington on January 30-31, 2013. The PMR Registration Website (<https://www.signup4.net/Public/ap.aspx?EID=2013543E>) will be available to conference participants starting on 12 Dec 12. The registration website will allow attendees to register for the conference and pay applicable costs. The conference website also includes important information on lodging, directions to the event and instructions for entering Joint Base Andrews NAF Washington. The deadline to register is January 15, 2013.

As with last year's PRM, attendance by the Joint Base and ICS participants will be limited to one representative per Joint Base or ICS plus one additional staff member. Additional participants will be approved on a case by case basis.

For the first day of the PMR (January 30), the Service Component Headquarters will host a combined Service meeting with specific agenda topics. That will be followed by Service-only meetings with the Joint Base, ICS and Service Component Headquarters attendees. Day 1 will conclude with an ice breaker social at the Sports Page on Joint Base Andrews-NAF Washington.

The Second Day of the PMR (January 31) will focus on realizing efficiencies, joint base performance, resourcing at the Joint Bases, and presentations from a few of the Joint Bases.

We look forward to the Program Management Review and encourage you to take this opportunity to participate in discussions that will impact the future of Joint Basing.

Airman 1st Class Patrick Russ, 8th Airlift Squadron loadmaster, marshalls a truck out of a C-17 Globemaster III aircraft, Nov. 5, 2012, in support of Hurricane Sandy relief efforts at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, N.J. For Russ and the rest of the C-17 crew from Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Wash., this was their third mission flying across the country in support of the relief efforts in just five days. (U.S. Air Force photo/Staff Sgt. Sean Tobin)



JOINT BASE ELMENDORF-RICHARDSON, Alaska -- U.S. Army Staff Sgt. Myron Wade, assigned to 2nd Battalion (Airborne) 377 Parachute Field Artillery Regiment, a native of St. Louis, Mo., packs his parachute in an aviator's kit bag after paratroopers of U.S. Army Alaska's 4th Brigade Combat Team (Airborne), 25th Infantry Division conduct a training parachute assault on Malamute Drop Zone on Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Tuesday, Nov. 13, 2012. The brigade recently returned from a ten-month tour in Afghanistan, and approximately 200 of the unit's Soldiers made the jump into their sub-arctic home installation. (U.S. Air Force photo by Justin Connaher)

Talking Points

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Sandy relief effort gets boost from Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst

Story by Carol Comegno, Courier-Post Staff

JOINT BASE MCGUIRE-DIX-LAKEHURST — This South Jersey military base is playing a key role in the effort to recover from Superstorm Sandy. The sprawling facility is coordinating the federal response to the storm in New Jersey and New York. As part of that effort, the Department of Defense has been bringing in personnel and other assets to help with the recovery effort. About 1,900 additional military personnel — from as far away as Nevada and Washington state — were supporting storm-relief activities from the base.

The military also is sending massive amounts of supplies, including generators and water-pumping equipment, food, fuel and clothing. One day last week, a defense department unit delivered a million meals to the joint base and to a military facility in New York for distribution to storm survivors.

"We want the American public to know we are here to help the affected region return to normalcy as quickly as possible," said Army Maj. Gen. Jeff W. Mathis III. He's leading the effort as head of the Joint Task Force Civil Support, a military unit deployed here from Virginia that specializes in rapid response and emergency aid.

Another agency, the U.S. Transportation Command already has delivered 354 power-restoration vehicles and 449 technical personnel from California, Arizona, Nevada, and Washington to the joint base and two sites in New York. Military cargo planes, from C-130s to C-5 Galaxies, have flown nearly 200 missions tied to storm-relief efforts. They've moved more than 700 passengers and about 3,000

tons of cargo. In some cases, military planes have flown in crews of utility workers from distant states.

Meanwhile, more than 7,100 National Guard personnel are providing critical assistance in an eight-state area. They are aiding local first responders at evacuation shelters and helping the Federal Emergency Management Agency with damage assessments, clearing roads and other assignments. And more than 2,000 New Jersey guardsmen are on state active duty supporting relief efforts. They've distributed more than 90,000 gallons of fuel to depots used by emergency responders. They've also distributed thousands of towels, blankets and cots throughout the state and are assisting law enforcement agencies in Monmouth and Ocean Counties.

Firefighters from the joint base helped rescue 250 people from Atlantic City and elsewhere along the Jersey Shore as Sandy pummeled the state with high winds and heavy rains. "It was incredible," said Capt. Len Dotson, a firefighter with the 87th Civil Engineer Squadron. "We were driving the boats down flooded streets, listening to pleas for help. It was sad, but we knew we had to focus."

Also, airmen from the joint base's 87th Logistics Readiness Squadron Fuels Management Flight delivered emergency fuel supplies to Naval Weapons Station Earle, after the storm knocked out fuel pumps at the Monmouth County facility.

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Talking Points, Continued

Joint Base Lewis-McChord Members Team up to Provide Hurricane Support

Story by Staff Sgt. Sean Tobin 62nd Airlift Wing

After airlifting more than 20 electrical utility vehicles to the East Coast Saturday to aid in Hurricane Sandy relief efforts, McChord Field airmen were back at it again Sunday, transporting much-needed relief back east. Only this time, instead of utility vehicles, this cargo belonged to the Army's 227th Preventative Medicine Medical Detachment from Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Wash.

Tasked with testing the safety of drinking water, air, food and other resources in the areas hit by the storm, the small preventative medicine team deployed from JBLM to Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, N.J., on a C-17 Globemaster III aircraft, operated by the 62nd Airlift Wing. "Whenever there is a natural disaster of this scale, there is also a breakdown in basic sanitation in the area," said Army Maj. Jason Faulkenery, 227th PMMD commander. "Working alongside the Food and Drug Administration, we will help to ensure the safety of residents affected by the storm as well as those helping with the cleanup efforts."

Along with the passengers, onboard the aircraft were enough vehicles and equipment for the team to be mobile and self-sustained in the area for up to a month. For the C-17 crew transporting the equipment and passengers, this mission was their third trip back and forth across the country, transporting crews and cargo to the area in just five days. "Emotionally and physically it can be draining," said 1st Lt. Daniel Siemen, 8th Airlift Squadron pilot. "But knowing that the people and equipment absolutely have to get where they're going, you have to press on. You just have to make sure you are well rested."

When taking into consideration the gravity of the missions being flown, it's easy to look past the discomfort, he said. "Being a part of this is awesome," said Siemen. "Obviously, the situation back east is not ideal, but it is definitely great to be able to help the people in need." Before the mission's departure, a four-hour maintenance delay meant the crew had a decision to make as to whether they were going to postpone the mission or continue with it. After a certain number of hours on alert status, it is the up to the crew's discretion as to whether they should continue.



JBMDL, From left, U.S. Army Maj. Gen. Jeff Mathis, deputy commander of Joint Forces Land Component Command, is briefed by U.S. Air Force Col. Jon Proehl, Nevada Air National Guard, while U.S. Army Maj. Gen. Kenneth Dowd, director of logistics operations for the Defense Logistics Agency is briefed by U.S. Navy Capt. William Bulis, deputy commander of Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, N.J. Nov. 2, 2012. (U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Parker Gyokeres)

"We talked about it as a crew and decided that we were all well rested and could safely push forward with the mission," said Senior Airman Steven Varner, 8th AS loadmaster. "We are helping people who are in need and they're in our own backyard. We really needed to get these guys out there so they could get to work." And that's just what they did. After a five-hour flight to New Jersey and once on the ground at McGuire Field, crews quickly unloaded the aircraft of its cargo and passengers and the crew was back in the air just an hour and 40 minutes later – heading home to start the process all over again, if needed.

McChord Field airmen will continue to remain on alert, waiting to answer the call and jump into action whenever and wherever it is needed. "We press forward because of the gravity of the situation on the East Coast dictates we do," said Capt. Matt Battle, 8th AS pilot. "We're happy to provide this assistance, knowing it's helping to ease the discomfort of many of our neighbors back east."



Service members and volunteers offloads toys from "Fat Albert," the Blue Angels' C-130 Hercules, Dec. 3, 2012, at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, N.J. Fat Albert flew in with a cargo bay full of toys from the Marine Toys for Tots campaign. Toys R Us, Hasbro and Lockheed Martin were among the many contributors to the cargo that was intended for children in the tri-state area affected by Hurricane Sandy. The toys were loaded into trucks for distribution throughout the region. (U.S. Air Force photo by Wayne Russell/Released)

From the Basing Directorate

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Newsletter Topics for Lessons Learned Spotlight

Each month, the Joint Basing Newsletter will spotlight lessons learned in joint base execution. The following list includes suggested topics for future newsletters. If you have any other suggestions or comments, please contact us at jointbasing@osd.mil.

Call for Articles

If you would like to prepare an article for the Joint Basing Newsletter, please contact us at jointbasing@osd.mil. Some suggestions for articles include reporting a success story at your joint base, detailing a functional issue or concern and how your joint base overcame it, or discussing the impact of Joint Basing on your military community. Articles should be no longer than 600 words.

Joint Basing in the News

- [FEMA supports Northeast from JB MDL](#)
- [DoD and National Guard Response to Hurricane Sandy](#)
- [JBLE continues recovery efforts after Hurricane Sandy](#)
- [Joint Base San Antonio websites unite](#)
- [New child development center opens at JBPHH, Ford Island](#)

Joint Basing Website

We update the Joint Basing website on a daily basis, and email weekly updates to the website to all members of the group. We made the following updates during the month of November:

- Official Signed DUSD (I&E) PMR Invitation
- 2013 Joint Base PMR Logistics Package