



# What is TechSolutions?



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turned into prototype solutions



within 12 months



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- Office of Naval Research Global initiative for turning requests from Sailors/Marines into prototype solutions
  - S&T solutions for high-impact, near-term needs from the deckplates
  - Development leveraging emerging/existing technologies, not off-the-shelf
- Prototype delivery & operational demo within 12 months
  - Submitter, command, and Science Advisors provide guidance and direction throughout the project
  - Final demonstration coordinated by, and with, end-users in an operational context, with leave-behind tech as deliverable

Rapid-response S&T solutions to current Fleet/Force needs identified by Sailors and Marines



# **Project Profile**



- Project avg. = \$750K
- Must be scoped to complete in 12 months
- S&T component to development we don't just buy stuff
- No focus on particular technology or mission area
  - Wide variety of technologies, for any mission, that changes annually based on warfighter requests





# NR&DE Developers

TechSolutions solicits and awards direct to NR&DE only







#### **Surf Observation Tool**



**US Naval Research Laboratory (NRL) and** 

**US Army Engineer Research and Development Center (ERDC) Partnership** 

#### **Operational Need:**

Marines need a better understanding of the dynamic surf conditions. It allows Commanders to make better risk decisions for littoral expeditionary access, leading to safer surf zone operations and mission execution.

#### **Solution:**

The Surf Observation (SUROB) Tool is a tactical decision support tool that gives Marines a comprehensive awareness of their operational environment by providing precise, accurate, and up-to-date surf zone conditions and effects on vehicle performance.





### **Energy Training Exercise (ETX) Game**



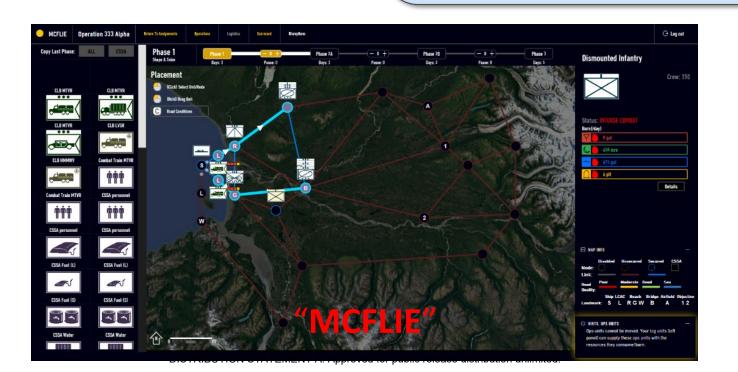
#### "Winner of 2019 USMC Commandant's Innovation Challenge"

#### **Operational Need:**

A learning tool to produce energy-informed planners for operational units, helping Marines to quickly and efficiently determine fuel logistics/operational energy needs.

#### **Solution:**

An interactive, web-based serious game prototype that teaches the principles of logistics and their trade-offs. Single players or small groups review operational plans provided and create a logistics plan to keep their units supplied





#### **2-Person Hide Sites**

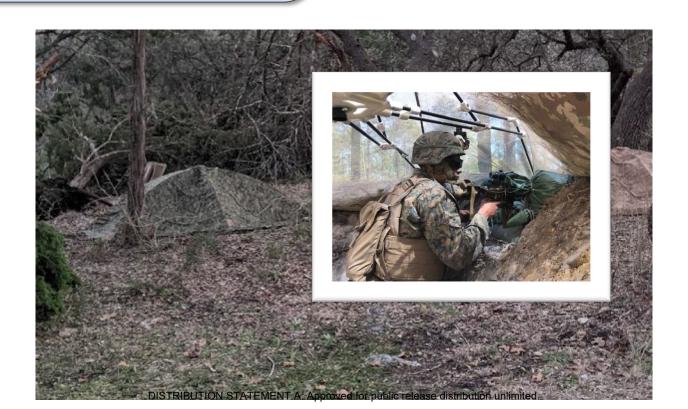


#### **Operational Need:**

Rucksack sized 2-person hide site that is lightweight and durable with protection from thermal IR detection for Marines both day and night

#### **Solution:**

IR-reflective hide site fabrics supported by NRL instant pop-up system with shaping to blend with background.





## **Expeditionary Littoral Enabler (ELE)**



#### **Operational Need:**

Marines need a fast, light, easily-deployable temporary pier reaching from shore to sea to load/offload logistical supplies in the littorals.

#### **Solution:**

A multi-panel assembly consisting of continuously-inflated drop-stitch panels with inflatable hinges to create a 'soft-robotic', articulating mechanism that folds out into a floating pier.





# **Small Unit Mission Planning (SUMP)**



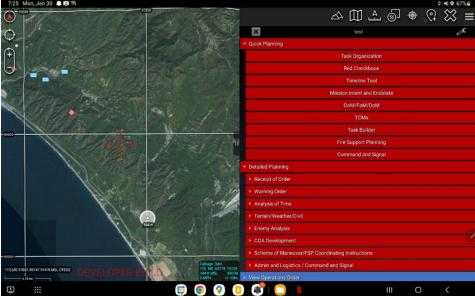
#### **Operational Need:**

Effective small unit planning at the company, platoon, and squad levels in timecompressed environments, at the tactical edge, with a doctrinally accurate digital planning tool based on the troop leading steps (B-A-M-C-I-S) to effectively plan and execute infantry missions.

#### **Solution:**

A hand-held Android Tactical Assault Kit (ATAK) planning tool with a user interface that will read in digital order data to create specific queries for a master database (DB) to populate the ATAK geographic display with red & blue unit data, available weapons systems and control measures.







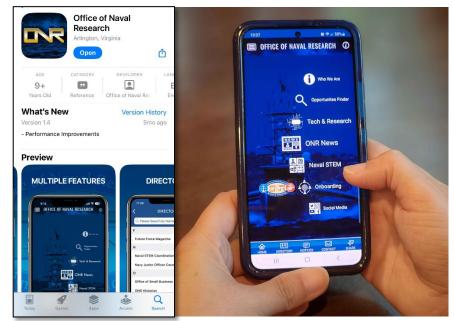
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Through the "ONR" app, Sailors and Marines, often the first to identify issues that may be helped by new technology, now have an easier way to communicate directly with TechSolutions – ONR Global's development program that quickly responds and produces prototype solutions to warfighter challenges. Sailors and Marines can email TechSolutions directly through a link available on the app





# **CONTACT INFORMATION**



Public Website: <a href="https://www.onr.navy.mil/techsolutions">https://www.onr.navy.mil/techsolutions</a>

Sample project videos: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/usnavyresearch">https://www.youtube.com/usnavyresearch</a>

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