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## Logistics program, prepositioned stocks top quarterly update

ROCK ISLAND ARSENAL, Ill. – An expanded role for a logistics program that ensures Army scalability and flexibility regardless of operational tempo was discussed by Gen. Gus Perna, commanding general, Army Materiel Command, during an Aug. 14 quarterly update here with leaders of the Army Sustainment Command. Such an expansion along with ensuring usability of preposition stocks and other reforms support warfighter needs, Perna said, adding “Our responsibility is to the warfighter. We must drive ourselves to a high output for the Army.”



## Army industrial base leaders synchronize readiness efforts

DETROIT ARSENAL, Mich. – Leadership from Tank-automotive and Armaments Command's headquarters, manufacturing arsenals and maintenance depots gathered Aug. 14-15 to discuss readiness efforts with Gen. Gus Perna, Army Materiel Command's commanding general. Presentations included readiness initiatives from Red River Army Depot, Sierra Army Depot, Anniston Army Depot and Watervliet Arsenal. “I’m happy with the progress,” Perna said during the briefings. “It’s clear to me that everybody’s head is in the game.”



## Career programs develop Army Civilian professions

REDSTONE ARSENAL, Ala. – Career Programs oversee the individual and collective training and development needs of a diverse, global workforce of nearly 330,000 Army Civilians serving in more than 540 career fields. Army Civilians serve next to uniformed service members, providing essential operational, logistical and administrative support to the Army's mission worldwide. Civilians provide critical technical skills, management and leadership in a variety of career fields. (Editor's note: This is the third in a four-part series on the Army Civilian workforce.)



## Tobyhanna takes on task of sustaining CATR kits

TOBYHANNA ARMY DEPOT, Pa. – Team Tobyhanna is helping an Army organization sustain information gathering equipment designed to give Soldiers a clear understanding of the battlefield. Electronics worker Will Fobes confirms Army Close Access Target Reconnaissance kits are fully mission capable prior to use in the field. There are thousands of kits in stock with multiple versions to support multiple missions, such as surveillance and information collection. Some of the first kits built when the program began in 2005 are still being used today.



## Contracting team provides operational support to joint forces

JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO-FORT SAM HOUSTON, Texas – Members of the 902nd Contracting Battalion from Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington, provided operational contract support from June 6 to August 15 to U.S. Indo-Pacific Command forces training as part of the Talisman Sabre/Hamel 19 exercise in Australia. The exercises are bilateral training activities designed to strengthen the partnership between the United States and Australia and posture the alliance for future operations across the Pacific region.



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## Depot expands project management initiative, reaps benefits

TOBYHANNA ARMY DEPOT, Pa. – Tobyhanna recently expanded its implementation of Project Management, allowing another 29 employees to gain industry-standard training and streamlining operational processes across the organization. Project Management principles sort system processes into five phases – initiation, planning, execution, monitor and control, and closure – and can be applied to a project of any size to drive efficiency.

## JMC's quality assurance engineers get a hands-on experience

ROCK ISLAND ARSENAL, Ill. – The Joint Munitions Command's quality directorate manages ammunition quality and reliability to ensure it is safe to use. As part of this important responsibility, the quality engineers need to understand the relationship between ammunition and the arms that fire that ammunition.

## Gibbons takes command of Letterkenny Army Depot

CHAMBERSBURG, Pa. – Col. Gregory Gibbons became the commander of Letterkenny Army Depot Aug. 15 when he accepted the Letterkenny flag and the responsibility of command from the Aviation and Missile Command's Executive Deputy to the Commanding General William Marriott. Gibbons is the depot's 50th commander. He said he looks forward to serving with the Letterkenny team.

## Sierra Army Depot mechanics produce hit video

HERLONG, Calif. – Sierra Army Depot equipment mechanics inadvertently created a hit YouTube video demonstrating their foam tire removal process tool. At last count, the video produced by the Sierra Army Depot Directorate of Information Management had garnered more than 7 million views on the social media platform. The nearly 12-minute video shows the tire removal process with a wheel and tire placed on a modified tire mounting machine.

## USASAC recognizes program manager with quarterly award

REDSTONE ARSENAL, Ala. – Maj. Gen. Jeffrey Drushal, commander of the Security Assistance Command, recognized Michael "Kyle" Crawford as the Employee of the Quarter for the second quarter of fiscal year 2019 at a town hall July 22. Crawford was the country program manager for Indo-Pacific Command, Southern Command and Northern Command regions and managed foreign military sales cases for 10 countries that are valued at over \$2.4 billion.

## Building pride: AMCOM engineer sees bigger picture

REDSTONE ARSENAL, Ala. – Golden shovels, ceremonial hard hats and nearly four decades of engineering awards are among Claudinette Purifoy-Fears' highest career honors. "But the best recognition is knowing the difference I've made for the men and women who serve our country," Purifoy-Fears said, an Aviation and Missile Command engineer. "That impact is monumental."

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