



# Engineer Update

**Transition from ARTEP/MTPs to CATS.** The U.S. Army has transitioned from using the Army Training and Evaluation Program (ARTEP) mission training plans (MTPs) as a collective training tool to using the combined arms training strategy (CATS). A CATS is a unit training strategy which, as an entity, takes the entire training planning process from the cradle to the grave. A CATS is developed from a unit's base table of organization and equipment (TOE) and Department of the Army-approved mission statement. They are designed using the training model of crawl-walk-run. Commanders will make the final determination as to which tasks should be trained and at what level the training should begin, since they will know their unit's training status. Included in CATS are the required training resources such as Class III and Class V materials and training aids, devices, simulators, and simulations (TADSS). The current ARTEP/ MTPs that are located on the Reimer Digital

Library (RDL) are scheduled to be removed from the RDL (TBD). CATS are located on Army Knowledge Online (AKO) on their own dedicated page. The planned end state is movement of CATS to the Digital Training Management System (DTMS) once it is fully fielded. Additionally, the Collective Training Division of the United States Army Engineer School developed a website on the Engineer Portal that will also have links to CATS and files available for download. The following links will take you to the AKO CATS site and to the Engineer Portal.

AKO CATS Link: <<https://Army Knowledge Online>>.

Engineer Portal Link: <<https://www.mwu.army.mil/portal/eng/index.php>>.

The point of contact at the Engineer School Collective Training Division is <[donald.durst@us.army.mil](mailto:donald.durst@us.army.mil)> or call (573) 563-6237.

**Engineer Doctrine Contact Update.** As of 15 August 2007, the Engineer School's Doctrine Division was consolidated at the Maneuver Support Center (MANSCEN) level to the MANSCEN Directorate of Training (MDoT) Doctrine Division. The Engineer Doctrine element still retains the lead for the Regiment's doctrine with only a few minor changes in physical locations and contact information.

The mailing address for written correspondence has changed to: Commandant, United States Army

Engineer School, ATTN: ATZT-TDD-E, 320 MANSCEN Loop, Suite 220, Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri 65473-8929. The telephone numbers remain the same: Doctrine Chief, (573) 563-8161; Senior Doctrine Analyst, (573) 563-7332 (DSN prefix, 676-).

The generic NIPR e-mail address for electronic correspondence has changed to <[leon.mdottddengdoc@conus.army.mil](mailto:leon.mdottddengdoc@conus.army.mil)>.

**Maneuver Support Center (MANSCEN) and Engineer School Lessons Learned Integration (L2I) Cell.** MANSCEN and the United States Army Engineer School L2I Cell need your help. To keep training, doctrine, and combat developments current and to prepare for the future, it is critical that the school continuously receive relevant engineer observations, insights, and lessons (OIL). The L2I analyst can derive information from a variety of sources: unit after-action reports (AARs); tactics, techniques, and procedures (TTPs) used by units in and returning from theater; Soldier observations/submissions to the Engineer School; and requests for information (RFIs). This information is used to conduct doctrine, organization, training, materiel, leadership and education, personnel, and facilities (DOTMLPF) gap analyses and

to determine solutions. These solutions are distributed to the Engineer Regiment via new doctrine and training products, *Engineer* (The Professional Bulletin of Army Engineers) and other publications, websites, and by answering RFIs. With the modular transformation in full swing, many engineer units are looking for sample tactical standard operating procedures (TACSOPs) for the new units being established. You can help by forwarding any of these materials from your unit's deployment to the L2I analyst. Unclassified information can be sent to <[michael.e.meyer@us.army.mil](mailto:michael.e.meyer@us.army.mil)>. Classified information can be sent by secure Internet protocol, routed (SIPR) e-mail to <[michael.meyer@us.army.smil.mil](mailto:michael.meyer@us.army.smil.mil)>. For more information, call (573) 563-3820.

**2008 Engineer Unit Directory.** The 2008 United States Army Engineer Unit Directory is available online in Adobe PDF format at <<http://www.wood.army.mil/engrmag/Engr%20Unit%20Dir/2007Directoryonline.pdf>>. Since many unit addresses have changed

recently, take a moment and see if your unit's listing is correct. Changes to the Unit Directory can be made by calling (573) 563-7644 or e-mailing <[leon.engineer@conus.army.mil](mailto:leon.engineer@conus.army.mil)>.