

# **RAH-66 Comanche**

## Comanche Process Improvement Vision and Initiatives 26 JAN 04

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#### Purpose

 To describe the Comanche Process Improvement (PI) vision, activities and status

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## **System Description**



## Comanche Software Source Lines of Code (SLOCs)



### Comanche Software Growth Cumulative Software



Data current as JUN 02 Data from CARD

## **Comanche Program Schedule**



## **Process Improvement History**

 2002: In response to various independent program assessments, Comanche PM launches a process improvement initiative focusing on acquisition processes

Independent Assessments

- Identified lack of Systems Engineering as a program weakness
- Identified acquisition process as a target for improvement
- Recommended review of contractor processes by Software Engineering Institute (SEI)
- 2003: ASA (ALT) launches the Army Strategic Software Improvement Program
- 2003: OSD improvement initiatives mandated by the Bob Stump National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2003, Sec. 804. for Improvement of Software Acquisition Processes

## Our challenge:

Find a way to to improve acquisition processes, meet requirements and minimize impact to the Comanche PMs while answering the mail at Army, OSD and Comanche (internal) levels

#### How Comanche PI Fits into the Process Improvement Environment



## Why Are We Doing This?

Improving Comanche Acquisition Processes will:

- Instill Discipline Into Acquisition Processes
- Capture Comanche Best Practice Expertise Before It's Gone
- Enhance Internal And External Communication
- Maximize Efficient Use Of Constrained Resources
- Expand The Scope Of Risk Management Efforts
- Achieve Predictable Project Cost And Schedules
- Reduce Project Cost And Schedule Variances
- Comply With Section 804



### Comanche Removes Steps from the Traditional Strategy



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## Comanche Process Improvement Strategy Details

- The Systems Engineering Division owns process
  improvement
- SEI Capability Maturity Models (CMM) provide framework for Process Improvement
  - Software Acquisition CMM (SA-CMM) Level 2 & 3 key process areas provide organizational framework
  - Relevant Systems Engineering CMM (SE-CMM) practices and existing Comanche practices are mapped into SA-CMM framework key process areas

### Comanche Process Improvement is a "Do-It-Yourself" Effort

- Comanche Personnel are involved in every step
- Software Engineering Institute (SEI) and AMRDEC Software Engineering Directorate (SED) provide consulting services
- ASSIP benchmark data/recommendations are integrated into the Comanche process improvement effort

### **Comanche PI Vision and Authority**



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FOR Honorable Claude M. Bolton, Jr., ASA (ALT), 103 Army Pentagon, Washington, DC 20310-0103

SUBJECT: Comanche Project Management Office (PMO) Process Improvement Initiative

1. References:

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a. Memorandum, Army Acquisition Executive, 11 April 2002, subject: Software Engineering Institute (SEI) Reviews of Cornanche, Crussder, Mansuver Control System (MCS), and Force XXI Battle Command Brigade and Below (FBCB2).

b. The 2003 Bob Stamp National Defense Authorization Act, Section 804, Acquisition of Software Intensive Systems.

 Following receipt of the memorandum identified in reference 1a, the Comanche PMO reviewed the current status of their contractors and concluded that further assessment was unnecessary given that both primes were already working to achieve a Capability Maturity Model (CMM) Lovel IV certification in 2003. It was also decided at that time to establish a plan to implement a similar process improvement effort within the PMO.

3. Comanche initiated an effort in January to improve systems engineering and acquisition processes within the project office. The Comanche FMO will base their acquisition and systems engineering process improvement effort on the Copability Matarity Model Imegration (CMMI - Systems Engineering) and the Software Acquisition (SA-CMM) process improvement frameworks developed for Department of Defense (DeD) by the SEL. These process improvement frameworks developed for bepartment to be applicable to the project office's mission and operation.

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5. The path Comanche has started down is consistent with the guidance received in March per reference 1b. We are working with the Army Strategic Software Improvement Program to ensure our internal efforts are performed in conjunction with the activities of this Office of Secretary of Defense chartered team.

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Strategic Acquisition Process Improvement Plan Signed by COL Michael Cantor PM Comanche 28 AUG 03 Comanche Operational Approach to Acquisition Improvement



Shaded Tasks with a Check Mark are Complete, and without are In-Progress Clear Tasks are not begun

## **Fact-Finding Methodology**

### Context Analysis (Quick Look)

- Interviewed selected managers
- Identified Level 2 & 3 KPAs that are
  - Likely to rate as Satisfied
  - May rate as Satisfied
  - Likely to rate as Unsatisfied

## • Gap Analysis (Deeper Look)



- Each Level 2 and Level 3 KPA briefed to Acquisition Improvement Group (AIG) over 3 full days
- Open Discussions of each KPA leading to a real-time rating by AIG for each commitment, ability, activity, and measurement
- Data review to estimate rating that would be received during an assessment
  - <u>Satisfied (Green)</u> effective implementation of one or more practices
  - <u>Partially Satisfied (Yellow)</u> a partial implementation of one or more practices
  - <u>Not Satisfied (Red)</u> an ineffective implementation of an applicable practice or failure to implement an acceptable alternative.

## SA-CMM Gap Analysis Stop Light

as of 18 DEC 03



## Gap Analysis Summary Recommendations/Next Steps

#### Organizational Policy

- Continue to maintain senior level commitment and sponsorship of process improvement down to project level (e.g., senior verification)
- Develop and promulgate policies ASAP

#### Project Planning and Documentation

- Develop and Improve artifacts Directives, Process Descriptions, Procedures to be applicable to model
- Develop and implement repository and start collecting data ASAP
- Provide reviews of all projects for quality, consistency, adherence to procedures/templates (to include IPTs), and "can they be used to manage the project"

#### Measurement & Verification

- Measure PI progress and operational improvement
- Measure and verify management of projects critical to PI success

#### Paradigm Shift

 Improve the culture to one that understands the concepts of internal management for all projects as opposed to contractor management



Blue, Bold & Italic Font Indicates Completed Milestones

## Summary

Comanche is:

Developing the most SW intensive Army Aviation System

The Comanche Process Improvement Effort is:

- Using proven SEI capability maturity models
- Ongoing according to plan and schedule
- Complying with Section 804 and ASSIP