Readiness and Environmental Protection Initiative (REPI)

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Situation: Military Test and Training Capabilities Remain at Risk

- Realistic training requires realistic training environments
- Readiness is perishable: skills must be maintained
- Encroachment constrains training and testing activities and ultimately affects military readiness

We must train as we fight because we will fight as we train
Purchase or withdrawal of more land for military use is difficult in today’s environment.

Question: So how do we then protect Training and Testing activities without purchasing land?

Answer: DoD developed the Sustainable Ranges Initiative (SRI) and Congress provided authority for the Readiness and Environmental Protection Initiative (REPI).
SRI Tool: The Readiness and Environmental Protection Initiative

- Enacted by Congress in December 2002 and codified at 10 USC 2684a
- Promotes the twin imperative of readiness and conservation
- Authorizes agreements with partners to acquire interest in real property from willing sellers
- DoD does not own the land
- Limits incompatible development and preserves high-value habitat

Since 2003, REPI authority has protected over 215,000 acres outside 60 locations in 24 states.
REPI Accomplishments

REPI multiplies taxpayer dollars: For each REPI dollar, return was ONE Service dollar and TWO partner dollars.

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