

Official Charter
Alternative Restoration Technology Team (ARTT)
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Purpose. The Alternative Restoration Technology Team has been established as an advisory group to the IR Managers Workgroup to promote the use of innovative technologies and methodologies in the Navy Installation Restoration Program, with the ultimate purpose of achieving protection of human health and the environment in a cost-effective and timely manner.

Scope. The ARTT is responsible for performing the following tasks as they relate to the Navy Installation Restoration Program:

1. Identifying barriers that inhibit implementation of innovative technologies and methods.
2. Recommending process changes to the IR Managers to eliminate or minimize barriers to implementing technologies and methods.
3. Proposing policies and recommending procedures and guidance for implementing innovative technologies and methods.
4. Developing and recommending initiatives and strategies that will support use of innovative technologies and methods.
5. Identifying potential sites and innovative technologies for demonstration projects.

Group Composition. The working group is composed of representatives from CNO, CMC, NAVFACENGCOM, NFESC, EFDs, and EFAs. Each organization is responsible for assigning team members as appropriate.

Roles and Responsibilities. CNO, CMC and NAVFACENGCOM will provide policy, guidance, and funding to support the use of new innovative technologies.

In operating the Navy Installation Restoration Program for CNO and CMC, NAVFACENGCOM will advocate and implement the ARTT recommendations as appropriate to facilitate the use of innovative technologies and methods.

On a rotating basis, the host EFDs/EFAs shall serve as the Host for the meeting. The Naval Facilities Engineering Service Center (NFESC), as the ARTT facilitator, is responsible for: coordinating meetings, providing a facilitator, maintaining meeting records, interfacing with other organizations, supporting the development of technical products, and ensuring that recommendations developed by the working group are organized and forwarded to the IR Managers and NAVFACENGCOM for review as appropriate.

As the primary implementers of innovative technologies, EFDs and EFAs are encouraged to provide specific input regarding installation restoration requirements that could use new technologies and methods to reduce costs or expedite cleanup.

In an effort to encourage free and open discussion of Navy specific issues, the group shall not include representatives from the private sector. However, the team may ask representatives from the private sector to provide informational presentations and participate in focused discussions as appropriate.

Resources and Funding. Each participating organization is responsible for providing funding through existing channels to support attendance at meetings or to perform technical tasks between meetings. If requested and approved by the IR Managers, NAVFACENGCOM may provide funding for specific projects to support the ARTT.

Limitations. The ARTT is an advisory group to the IR Managers. The team has not been given authority to establish or implement policy. Prior to pursuing process change recommendations that may be controversial or labor intensive, ARTT shall advise the IR Managers of the need for such process changes and obtain approval for proceeding. Individual representatives may, however, act to implement policies that are within their respective scope.

Meetings and Coordination. Meetings, video teleconferences, or telephone conference calls will be held as necessary at NAVFAC CONUS locations or NAVFAC sponsored events on dates established by the team.

Definitions

Technology Implementation: A process that includes expansion of stakeholder awareness, information dissemination, development of standard procedures and protocols, development of cost and performance reports, and other actions that encourage technology users to evaluate, procure, install, monitor, and operate previously unused or underutilized technologies.

Innovative Technology: A technology which is significantly better, cheaper, or faster than existing technologies, that is not broadly applied due to limited knowledge or established standards within the engineering community; and those that are not commercially available from one or more vendors which are proven, but may not be in common use; however, design and cost information are available.

Technology Transfer: Transfer of a government developed technology to private and/or commercial applications for the purpose of stimulating commercial activity and national technology leadership.