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#9 - Accelerating Mission Delivery Through Collaborative Contracting and Alternative Delivery Methods

Summary

The Department of War is transforming military infrastructure delivery through the Warfighting Acquisition System and Executive Order 14265. This session highlights how Design-Build, Early Contractor Involvement, and Integrated Project Delivery accelerate readiness. Case studies from Fort Bragg and NAS Sigonella showcase collaborative contracting, risk reduction, and schedule-driven success for mission-focused solutions.

Full Description

The Department of War (DoW) is undergoing a transformative shift in military infrastructure delivery, driven by the Warfighting Acquisition System (WAS) and Executive Order 14265. This session explores how Alternative Delivery Methods (ADMs), including Design-Build, Early Contractor Involvement (ECI), and Integrated Project Delivery (IPD), are reshaping federal acquisition strategies to support speed to field.

This presentation will use Conti Federal's experience with Warrior Lean® Construction Management System and formal Partnering frameworks to demonstrate how collaborative contracting support the Warfighting Acquisition System's transformation to enable mission focused, industry driven solutions. Case studies such as the Ft. Bragg Barracks Renovation and the Naval Air Station (NAS) II Sigonella illustrate the real-world impact of ADM approaches in accelerating readiness and reducing costs.

When the entire telecommunications design package at NAS Sigonella was descoped and reissued after design errors were identified, Conti Federal engaged with the IPD team to compress recovery time. The IPD team provided real-time feedback, enabled concurrent problem-solving to reduce down-time, minimize rework and maintain momentum.

During the one-year design-build renovation of three mold-contaminated barracks at Fort Bragg, ECI enabled early participation of key subcontractors. This early engagement

supported real-time facility assessments and scope development, expediting transition to fixed-price agreements. The result was a compressed design phase and reduced cost and performance risk across stakeholders.

Attendees will gain insights into how ECI is key to accelerating delivery through stakeholder alignment and schedule-driven mission success. The session will also highlight the role of the Warfighting Acquisition University (WAU) in building acquisition workforce capability.

This presentation is ideal for government and industry professionals seeking to understand how collaborative delivery models can meet the operational tempo of DOW missions.

Learning Objectives

- Understand the strategic imperatives driving ADM adoption in military construction.
- Explore collaborative contracting models and their impact on cost, schedule, and quality.
- Learn how formal Partnering enhances transparency and mission alignment.
- Identify policy and acquisition reforms needed to institutionalize ADM approaches.

Speakers

Robert Williamson is the European Regional Business Development Director for Conti Federal Services. He brings seven years of quality and safety leadership on U.S. government construction as well as six years of management experience in the public sector. He holds a BAAS in Business, Secret clearance, USACE CQM certification, and a Lean Six Sigma Black Belt. Robert's military construction experience includes critical infrastructure improvements in Italy and Taiwan. Robert champions Early Contractor Involvement and alternate contracting methods, leveraging collaborative planning to enhance cost, schedule, and quality.

A U.S. Marine Corps veteran, Robert translates actionable lessons from expeditionary operations into repeatable delivery practices for mission-critical infrastructure worldwide, aligning stakeholders and accelerating time-to-field for complex programs.