The future operating environment is characterized by increasingly complex threats, sustained operational tempo, limited resources, and the ability of adversaries to contest U.S. forces in all domains. Army AMD 2028 provides the overarching vision for the AMD force and, through its four lines of effort synchronizes Army’s AMD capability development, capacity, training, and international ally and partner initiatives. Through these LOEs, Army AMD forces of 2028 will be postured to deter and defeat adversary air and missile attacks through active and passive defense and support to attack operations. Properly enabled, they will be ready to deploy, fight, and win against any adversary, at any time, in a complex, multi-domain environment.

**LINES OF EFFORT**

- **LOE 1- Develop air and missile defense capabilities**

- **LOE 2- Build AMD capacity for Multi-Domain Operations**

- **LOE 3- Provide trained and ready air and missile defense forces**

- **LOE 4- Maintain forward presence and build partner capacity**
AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE IN SUPPORT OF MULTI-DOMAIN OPERATIONS

Air and missile defense is vital to the Army’s ability to conduct multi-domain operations. For the Army to succeed in large-scale combat operations, U.S. AMD forces must be able to execute three essential tasks across the MDO framework. First, AMD must protect maneuvering forces, and their fixed and semi-fixed assets. Second, they must defend critical assets in theater and operational support areas against complex, integrated attacks. Finally, AMD must converge to help the joint force commander create windows of superiority and opportunity in the air domain that the joint force can exploit.

VISION

The Army AMD Force of 2028 will provide combatant commanders with a flexible, agile, and integrated AMD force capable of executing MDO and defending the homeland, regional joint and coalition forces, and critical assets in support of unified land operations.

LOE 1

DEVELOP AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE CAPABILITIES

The Army needs to develop AMD capabilities to overmatch adversaries, prioritizing protection of maneuver forces and the ability to defeat complex, integrated attacks through the air domain. Continued modernization of missile defenses, including the development and fielding of the Lower Tier Air and Missile Defense Sensor, Maneuver Short Range Air Defense, Integrated Fire Protection Capability, and the Integrated Air and Missile Defense Battle Command System will result in a multi-mission force capable of providing protection throughout the MDO battlespace framework.

LOE 2

BUILD AIR AND MISSILE DEFENSE CAPACITY FOR MULTI-DOMAIN OPERATIONS

Investments in personnel and increased force structure must be commensurate with investments in capability. The force must be agile, rapidly tailorable, and able to defeat multiple complex, integrated attacks. Formations must seamlessly integrate horizontally and vertically with each other and with the supported force. Force structure must complement the MDO concept and provide commanders with the necessary flexibility and capability to counter the increasingly complex threat.

LOE 3

PROVIDE TRAINED AND READY AMD FORCES

The AMD force must be trained and ready to support MDO. Leaders and Soldiers must be masters of their craft, able to understand new doctrine underpinning the employment of new capabilities. Army AMD must fully resource institutional, operational and self-development training programs, and we need to enhance training ranges to enable realistic training and operational experimentation of integrated weapons systems. Leaders at all echelons must dedicate necessary time and resources to doctrine, training, equipment and Soldier and family readiness.

LOE 4

MAINTAIN FORWARD PRESENCE AND BUILD ALLIED AND PARTNER CAPACITY

Through extensive forward presence, Army AMD assures America’s allies and partners and provides a credible deterrent to its adversaries. The continued cooperation toward interoperability with allies and partners significantly increases the capabilities of the combined defense. The Army must continue to reduce the barriers of foreign disclosure, increase technical integration and interoperability, and emphasize the necessity of a shared commitment to a combined defense.

END STATE

Army AMD forces of 2028 prevent and defeat adversary air and missile attacks through a combination of deterrence, active and passive defense, and support to attack operations.