

F/A-18 & EA-18G Program

Capable, Affordable & Joint Interoperable...Today & Tomorrow



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F/A-18E/F Super Hornet: The world's most capable, affordable, and effective multi-mission fighter-attack aircraft operating from carrier flight decks through 2030.

With state-of-the-art sensors, pinpoint targeting, advanced computing and connectivity capabilities, and precision weapons, the F/A-18E/F and EA-18G are transforming the way the Navy fights (e.g. AAW, ASUW, NTISR and TST).

Next-generation capabilities -- cooperative, multi-moving, and multi-spectral targeting, Combat ID, IP-based networking, and networked enabled weapons -- are on the F/A-18E/F Super Hornet & the EA-18G Growler "Flight Plan."





Navy Carrier Strike Groups & F/A-18 Hornets

- Carrier flight decks operate only with Hornets, Super Hornets and USMC F/A-18A+ jets
- Boeing continues to produce and deliver aircraft 3 months ahead of schedule
- Super Hornet "Flight Plan" ensures Next Generation capability paces the threat well past 2024
- Super Hornets to fly from carrier flight decks until 2030
- Long term, low cost logistical support contracts in place
- Future Air Wing 'mix' will consist of Super Hornet, EA-18G, E-2D, F-35



The F/A-18E/F is the key element of the USN's long-term force structure





Program Performance





Cost as a Competitive Advantage F/A-18E/F Price and Capability







The Multi-Mission Super Hornet Flexible Air Power





F/A-18E/F Balanced Approach to Survivability







Large Payload Capability and Multi-Mission Flexibility













Precision Weapon Delivery

- Survivability
- Advanced Countermeasures

High Volume Precision Fires,

Largest Payload, Significant Mission Flexibility,

Network Enabled Weapons







The platform must seamlessly move its sensor and







Super Hornet Links the Power of the Network to the Warfighter



Paris Air Show 2007



Active Electronically Scanned Array (AESA)

- Most advanced air-to-air & air-to-ground radar available today
- Simultaneous missions (E/F) & decoupled cockpits (F)
- Electronic Attack & Surveillance
- Cruise Missile Defense
- Destroys targets with advanced AIM-120 AMRAAM
- Future mods include Advanced Sensor Fusion





Affordable
Low Maintenance Cost
Highly Reliable
8000+ flight hours
Operational today

Self-Generated Targeting Coordinates



AESA/JDAM/Link 16 Precision Strike Capability Over the Network

F/A-18E/F AESA SAR map and aircrew designated targets

Target designation received by Non-AESA aircraft via Link16 AESA precision self-targeting thru the weather in a networked environment

Integrated weapon system performance

AESA is a force multiplier

Thru link 16 network and future networks all joint forces have AESA capability

Major component of NCO strategy roadmap



Targeting coordinates sent over MIDS from AESA aircraft to non-AESA strike aircraft

Link 16

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Multiple target attack in single pass

Machine-to-machine targeting High volume precision fires



All four MK-84 JDAM hit their targets well within specification limits

ADVANCED TARGETING AND NETTED OPERATIONS



Multi-Spectral Air Dominance





F/A-18E/F "Flight Plan" Next Generation Capability Paces the Threat



Developed with Open Architecture Principles

Modular Design

Reusable Application Software

Life Cycle Affordability

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EA-18G Growler

Next-Generation Airborne Electronic Attack Aircraft

- Will provide critical support to ground forces in the Global War on Terror
- Protects current and future strike aircraft
- Ten major improvements over EA-6B predecessor
- Program on time, on budget, meets all requirements

DoD Airborne Electronic Attack future capability depends upon successful EA-18G program execution

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EA-18G Configuration





EA-18G Performance to Plan

- At 85% complete in SDD, the EA-18G Program is ahead of schedule and on budget
 - First flight 1 month early!
 - Last 2 software releases one month early!
 - Major software functionality pieces developed 7 months early!
 - Earned Value Cost Index is better than 1.0

• EA-18G is meeting all requirements

 All Key Performance Parameters and Technical Performance Measurands meeting required levels *with margin*

Testing is progressing well and verifying capability

- Successfully completed <u>initial operational assessment</u> in support of Low Rate Initial Production authority
- Transition to fleet and production commencing (2009 in IOC)

The EA-18G provides significant capability increases to the warfighter for Airborne Electronic Attack





Next Generation Super Hornet Land, Air and Maritime Combat





Questions?

PRIORITY: "<u>Build a Fleet for the Future</u> … balanced, rotational, forward deployed, and surge capable – the proper size and mix of capabilities to empower our enduring and emerging partners, deter our adversaries, and defeat our enemies" - CNO (CNO Guidance 2007)

