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Appropriation/Budget Activity 1319: <i>Research, Development, Test & Evaluation, Navy / BA 2: Applied Research</i>	R-1 Program Element (Number/Name) PE 0602651M / <i>JT Non-Lethal Wpns Applied Res</i>
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COST (\$ in Millions)	Prior Years	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025 Base	FY 2025 OCO	FY 2025 Total	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	Cost To Complete	Total Cost
Total Program Element	0.000	6.458	7.419	7.719	-	7.719	8.081	8.512	8.682	8.864	Continuing	Continuing
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A. Mission Description and Budget Item Justification

The DoD Non-Lethal Weapons (NLW) Program was established by the FY96 National Defense Authorization Act. The Office of the Secretary of Defense designated the Commandant of the Marine Corps (CMC) as the DoD NLW Executive Agent (EA). The EA exercises centralized responsibility for joint research and development of nonlethal weapons and technology through the Joint Non-Lethal Weapons Program (JNLWP). The Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment (A&S) serves as the OSD Principal Staff Assistant and oversees, in consultation with the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy and the DoD NLW Executive Agent.

The efforts described in this Program Element (PE) reflect science and technology (S&T) investment decisions by the Joint Non-Lethal Weapons Integrated Product Team, a multi-service flag level corporate board that provides executive oversight and management for the JNLWP for the CMC. This direction is based on the requirements and capabilities sought by the Services and the Coast Guard, as identified in the DoD's Non-Lethal Weapons Joint Capabilities Based Assessment Document. This coordinated joint S&T development approach addresses mutual capability gaps and assures the most relevant non-lethal technologies, capabilities and equipment are provided to the operating forces while eliminating duplicative service S&T investment. These applied research initiatives feed non-lethal capabilities which directly support the National Defense Strategy (NDS) objective of strategic competition by providing options to the joint force in pursuit of national objectives in legal or policy constrained scenarios, as well as complementing the use of lethal effects in complex combat scenarios, for example, in urban environments with large civilian populations. Ongoing NLW Intermediate Force Capability (IFC) studies, analyses and exercise efforts with NATO and Allies also support NDS objectives to strengthen alliances and partnerships. Resulting capabilities facilitate a fully integrated non-lethal competency as a complement to lethal firepower, providing force application options for below lethal threshold engagements.

This program funds the applied research, study, assessment, and demonstration of technologies that could provide a non-lethal capability or target effect. Investment areas include applied research related to: non-lethal directed energy weapons (lasers, millimeter wave and high power microwave) for counter-personnel and counter materiel missions; non-lethal acoustic and optical technologies; advanced non-lethal materials (including materials for vehicle/vessel stopping and counter-facility applications); associated human effects and effectiveness for new non-lethal stimuli; injury potential and effectiveness of directed energy, electric incapacitation, ocular, and acoustic based non-lethal technologies; and developing models of crowd behavior and dynamics.

This PE funds Applied Research, which is the systematic study to understand the means to meet a recognized and specific need. Most of the work in this PE can be classified between Technology Readiness Level (TRL) 2 (technology concept and/or application formulation) and TRL 4 (component and/or breadboard validation in laboratory environments).

Due to the number of efforts in this PE, the programs described herein are representative of the work included in this PE.

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B. Program Change Summary (\$ in Millions)	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025 Base	FY 2025 OCO	FY 2025 Total
Previous President's Budget	6.659	7.419	8.090	-	8.090
Current President's Budget	6.458	7.419	7.719	-	7.719
Total Adjustments	-0.201	0.000	-0.371	-	-0.371
• Congressional General Reductions	-	-			
• Congressional Directed Reductions	-	-			
• Congressional Rescissions	-	-			
• Congressional Adds	-	-			
• Congressional Directed Transfers	-	-			
• Reprogrammings	-	-			
• SBIR/STTR Transfer	-0.201	0.000			
• Program Adjustments	0.000	0.000	-0.371	-	-0.371

Change Summary Explanation

Funding: No significant change

Technical: No significant change

Schedule: No significant change

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B. Accomplishments/Planned Programs (\$ in Millions)

	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025 Base	FY 2025 OCO	FY 2025 Total
Title: (U) Joint Non-Lethal Weapons	6.458	7.419	7.719	0.000	7.719
FY 2024 Plans: Continue: -Research and investigation of intermediate force effects and emergent technologies with the potential to further address the Joint Requirements Oversight Council (JROC)-approved non-lethal counter-personnel and counter-materiel capability gaps. Results will support the transition of viable technologies to higher levels of development and demonstration to further mitigate the JROC-approved joint non-lethal effects capability-gaps. -Explore new non-lethal effects and evaluate alternative innovative applications of existing technologies to address future non-lethal capability needs as escalation of force platforms. -Conduct counter-personnel research addressing further optimization of non-lethal human effects, and enhanced understanding of human target behavioral effects. -Conduct applied research to characterize Non-Lethal Weapons (NLWs) and Intermediate Force Capability (IFC) phenomena, and to assess target human effects and weapon effectiveness, including the development of dose response and injury correlates for new Non-Lethal Weapons (NLW) technologies. -Assess and study new technologies related to NLW effectiveness and behavioral response, such as advancing the understanding of Flash Bang effects on humans to support novel non-explosive alternatives to pyrotechnic non-lethal devices. -Conduct counter-materiel research to include the investigation of novel intermediate force capabilities for increased					

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B. Accomplishments/Planned Programs (\$ in Millions)

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<p>delivery and employment options for applications such as vehicle and vessel stopping, and the further optimization of intermediate force materials for integration into future escalation of force platforms.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Conduct feasibility and design studies for high peak power radio frequency directed energy sources and other high power microwave directed energy technologies (e.g., lasers, millimeter-waves) with extended range applications and longer duration of effect. -Investigate and conceptual design research of high power microwave technologies to enable improved performance and reduce overall size, weight, power consumption, thermal cooling requirements, and overall system costs (SWAP-C). - Research and investigation of novel NLW and IFC effects (such as novel dazzlers, flashbang, smoke, sting ball, and directed energy (DE) capabilities) to ultimately integrate onto future manned, unmanned, and autonomous weapons delivery platforms. <p>FY 2025 Base Plans:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Continue research and investigation of intermediate force effects and emergent technologies with the potential to further address the Joint Requirements Oversight Council (JROC)-approved non-lethal counter-personnel and counter-material capability gaps. Results will support the transition of viable technologies to higher levels of development and demonstration to further mitigate the JROC-approved joint non-lethal effects capability-gaps. - Continue to explore new non-lethal effects and evaluate alternative innovative applications of existing technologies to address future non-lethal capability needs as escalation of force platforms. - Continue to conduct counter-personnel research addressing further optimization of non-lethal human effects, and enhanced understanding of human target behavioral effects. - Continue to conduct applied research to characterize Non-Lethal Weapons (NLWs) and Intermediate Force Capability (IFC) phenomena, and to assess target human effects and weapon effectiveness, including the development of dose response and injury correlates for new Non-Lethal Weapons (NLW) technologies. - Continue to assess and study new technologies related to NLW effectiveness and behavioral response, such as advancing the understanding of Flash Bang effects on humans to support novel non-explosive alternatives to pyrotechnic non-lethal devices. - Continue to conduct counter-materiel research to include the investigation of novel intermediate force capabilities for increased delivery and employment options for applications such as vehicle and vessel stopping, and the further optimization of intermediate force materials for integration into future escalation of force platforms. 					

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<p>- Continue to conduct feasibility and design studies for high peak power radio frequency directed energy sources and other high-power microwave directed energy technologies (e.g., lasers, millimeter-waves) with extended range applications and longer duration of effect.</p> <p>- Continue conceptual design research and investigation of high-power microwave technologies to enable improved performance and reduce overall size, weight, power consumption, thermal cooling requirements, and overall system costs (SWAP-C).</p> <p>- Continue research and investigation of novel NLW and IFC effects (such as novel dazzlers, flashbang, smoke, sting ball, and directed energy (DE) capabilities) to ultimately integrate onto future manned, unmanned, and autonomous weapons delivery platforms.</p> <p>FY 2025 OCO Plans: N/A</p> <p>FY 2024 to FY 2025 Increase/Decrease Statement: No significant increase from FY24 to FY25.</p>					
Accomplishments/Planned Programs Subtotals	6.458	7.419	7.719	0.000	7.719

C. Other Program Funding Summary (\$ in Millions)
N/A

Remarks

D. Acquisition Strategy
N/A