Marine Corps Awards BAE Systems Contract to Develop ACV Mission Variants

Marine Corps Systems Command awarded a contract to BAE Systems to produce and deliver the Amphibious Combat Vehicle.

ARLINGTON, Va. – The U.S. Marine Corps has awarded BAE Systems a contract to develop two variants of the Amphibious Combat Vehicle (ACV) and manufacture one of them.

Marine Corps Systems Command has awarded "a not-to-exceed [$67 million] modification for firm-fixed-price, cost-plus-fixed-fee contract for the development of engineering drawings, manufacture and test support for three [ACV] command-and-control Mission Role Variants (MRVs) and the development of engineering drawings for the ACV medium-caliber-cannon MRV," according to a Defense Department release.

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BAE Systems is building the ACV for the Marine Corps as an amphibious troop carrier to replace the four-decade-old Assault Amphibious Vehicle. The AAV7 is fielded in several variants, and the Corps plans to field the ACV in variants as well.

The command-and-control (C2) MRV will be the first variant of the

ACV. The C2 variant will be designed for a commander and staff and equipped with computer displays and communications systems to enable the commander to maintain situational awareness of the battlefield.

A variant with a medium-caliber gun atop the ACV will follow.

Work is expected to be completed by Sept. 30, 2022.