

2026 Current Fiscal Year Report: U.S. Army Science Board

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1. Department or Agency	2. Fiscal Year
Department of Defense	2026
3. Committee or Subcommittee	3b. GSA Committee No.
U.S. Army Science Board	389

4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?	5. Current Charter	6. Expected Renewal Date	7. Expected Term Date
No	05/20/2026	05/20/2028	

8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?	8b. Specific Termination Authority	8c. Actual Term Date
No		

9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year	10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?	10b. Legislation Pending?
Continue	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

11. Establishment Authority Agency Authority

12. Specific Establishment Authority	13. Effective Date	14. Committee Type	14c. Presidential?
Department of Defense	12/08/1977	Continuing	No

15. Description of Committee Scientific Technical Program
Advisory Board

16a. Total Number of Reports No Reports for this Fiscal Year

17a. Open 0 **17b. Closed** 0 **17c. Partially Closed** 0 **Other Activities** 0 **17d. Total** 0

Meetings and Dates

No Meetings

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00

18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18c. Administrative Costs (FRNs, contractor support, In-person/hybrid/virtual meetings)	\$0.00	\$0.00
18d. Other (all other funds not captured by any other cost category)	\$0.00	\$0.00
18e. Total Costs	\$0.00	\$0.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.00	0.00

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The Army Science Board (ASB) shall provide independent advice and recommendations on matters relating to (a) the Army’s scientific, technical, manufacturing, acquisition, logistics, and business management functions; (b) environmental and water resource management issues involving the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), to include the Military Program and the Civil Works Program; and (c) other Department of the Army-related matters as determined by the Secretary of Defense, Deputy Secretary of Defense or the Secretary of the Army, as the

Board's sponsor.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

The Board shall be composed of not more than 20 members who are prominent authorities in one or more of the following disciplines: science; technology; manufacturing; acquisition; logistics; business management functions natural (e.g., biology, ecology), social (e.g., anthropology, community planning), and related sciences; and other matters of special interest to the Department of the Army. The ASB is balanced across both the technical specialties needed to perform ASB studies, and across the sector in which they work, with a view to obtaining a balance across small businesses, medium to large businesses, Federally Funded Research and Development Centers and non-profit organizations, and academia.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

The Army Science Board holds a General Membership Meeting each year for all current members to discuss the annual study topic and form into panels to tackle the work involved in researching the issue and formulating a report. Additionally, the annual General Membership Meeting is the forum to educate new members about administrative requirements, to update member knowledge of current Army activities, and review report findings and recommendations. Teleconferences are also used to reduce travel costs. All physical meetings are carefully planned in advance with published agendas to ensure mission focus and judicious use of the time available.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

The Secretary of Defense has determined that no other DoD advisory committee can provide the independent advice provided by the board to the Secretary of the Army on complex scientific and technical issues facing the Department of the Army.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

Meetings are not closed to the public unless the Department of Defense determines that items on the planned agenda meet the closed meeting provisions of 5 U.S.C. § 552b(c-1). Pursuant to DoD policy, closed meetings can only be authorized by the Secretary of the Army as the Board's DoD Sponsor and after consultation and approval of the Office of the Army General Counsel.

21. Remarks

Due to the Secretary of Defense's pause of all advisory committee operations effective March 7, 2025 and the conclusion of all committee member appointments effective April 25, 2025.

Designated Federal Officer

Ellen L. Holthoff Deputy Director, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Research and Technology (DASA R&T)

Narrative Description

The Army Science Board provides independent advice and recommendations on matters relating to the Army's scientific, technical, manufacturing, acquisition, logistics, and business management functions, as well as other Department of the Army

related matters as determined by the Secretary of the Army.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

	Checked if Applies
Improvements to health or safety	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Outcome Comments

N/A

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

	Checked if Applies
None	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unable to Determine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Under \$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$100,000 - \$500,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Over \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cost Savings Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Cost Savings Comments

N/A

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

3,828

Number of Recommendations Comments

In Fiscal Year 2025, the board submitted 13 recommendations. The Army adopted 8 of those 13 recommendations, and the status of the remaining 5 is currently under review.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

65%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

This is an approximate percentage based upon the best information that we have. Often, the concepts and capabilities recommended in studies take time to be evaluated and to gain traction within the agencies that will ultimately act upon these recommendations.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?

25%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

This is an approximate percentage using the best information available. Often, the concepts and capabilities recommended in studies take time to be evaluated and to gain traction within the agencies that will ultimately act upon these recommendations.

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes No Not Applicable

Agency Feedback Comments

The Army Science Board (ASB) Secretariat receives input from the study sponsors in the Army Secretariat, Army General Staff and Army Commands regarding the ASB activities. The public can obtain agency feedback to committee recommendations in the official unclassified meeting minutes.

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>

- Proposed legislation
- Approved grants or other payments
- Other

Action Comments

N/A

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

Grant Review Comments

N/A

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

- Contact DFO
- Online Agency Web Site
- Online Committee Web Site
- Online GSA FACA Web Site
- Publications
- Other

Access Comments

N/A