WATER POLLUTION CONTROL IN ARMY TABLE OF ORGANIZATION AND EQUIPMENT (TOE) MAINTENANCE OPERATION: OVERVIEW AND ASSESSMENT

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This report describes the principal design features of the Table of Organization and Equipment (TOE) unit maintenance operations concepts developed by the U.S. Army Construction Engineering Research Laboratory (CERL). It also describes the results of a limited survey and evaluation of newly constructed facilities at Fort Lewis and Yakima Firing Center, WA; these facilities were built based on CERL's concepts. Needed design modifications and hardware and concept developments are given.
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1 INTRODUCTION

Background
Since 1975, the U.S. Army Construction Engineering Research Laboratory (CERL) has helped develop new facility concepts to improve the performance of troop-related tactical vehicle maintenance operations. Among these new concepts are a centralized tactical vehicle wash facility with an associated, Army-maintainable, wastewater treatment system, and improved in-motor pool maintenance facilities for routine vehicle servicing such as maintenance cleaning, oil changing, and related wet maintenance operations. CERL also has published a compendium of facility information generally applicable to the design of new organization and support maintenance facilities.

The primary objective of these concepts is pollution abatement or source control instead of end-of-pipe treatment. Recently, CERL conducted a limited survey of newly constructed maintenance facilities at Fort Lewis and Yakima Firing Center, WA. The facilities at these installations were based on CERL’s concept suggestions.

Purpose
The purpose of this study was to (1) evaluate the performance of Table of Organization and Equipment (TOE) maintenance facilities using operation-based water pollution abatement strategies at Fort Lewis and Yakima Firing Center, and (2) identify ways such facilities can be improved.

2 REVIEW OF PRIMARY WATER POLLUTION SOURCES WITHIN TOE MAINTENANCE COMPLEXES

General
Water pollution generated at TOE maintenance complexes can be classified either by (1) the specific operation producing them, or (2) the characteristics of the wastewater discharges appearing at the maintenance complex boundary or sanitary collection system. Before any particular pollution abatement strategy can be selected for first classification, specific operational sequences and the conditions under which a given wastewater is being produced must be examined. If it is found that changes in operational mode, facility design, or equipment would considerably improve the efficiency of the operation and substantially reduce pollution control costs, these changes would be made as part of the overall pollution abatement concept. However, if end-of-pipe treatment methods are used for pollution control, no attempt is made to change existing methods of operation; the character of the wastewater discharges is the sole criterion for wastewater treatment system design.

In virtually all past and contemporary TOE maintenance complex designs, little attempt was made to design operationally efficient facilities that also minimized pollution control requirements. The net effect of this approach was stereotyped designs. More or less standard designs for existing vehicle washracks and grease racks are common; few of these standard designs include new and used oil transfer and storage facilities. Thus, any water pollution control must be provided by the installation Facility Engineer. Such controls usually are simple sand trap/oil separators that service vehicle washrack and maintenance shop drains.

Since the only facilities available in the maintenance complex for handling wet maintenance operations are

1 Consolidated Facilities for Washing Tactical Vehi-}

cles, Engineer Technical Note (ETN) 77-14 (Office of the Chief of Engineers [OCE], 10 August 1977); R. Fileccia et al., Pre-
the vehicle washrack and the wheeled vehicle grease rack, these operations are invariably conducted on the washrack or on any other part of the vehicle hardstand that is convenient. Under these conditions, the entire hardstand area has to be considered when pollution control requirements are defined. Since this is not practical, various pollution abatement alternatives were selected for concept development.

Classification of Water Pollution Sources by Operation

A brief review of the primary water pollution sources generated by TOE maintenance operations is needed to place in proper perspective the pollution abatement concepts addressed in this report.

Sources of water pollution common to all levels of TOE maintenance (organizational, direct, and general support) include:

1. Vehicle and equipment washing operations.
2. Heavy maintenance cleaning operations (before inspection or repair).
3. Oil changing and various lubrications.
4. New and used oil handling and storage.
5. Small parts cleaning.
6. Radiator flushing of water-cooled equipment.
7. Vehicle and equipment parking (particularly tracked equipment).

Although this list is qualitative and relatively complete for organizational unit maintenance, the amount of pollutants these sources generate varies widely among various units. As would be expected, units having large numbers of tracked vehicles have the greatest potential for creating pollution control problems. (A comparison of the potential waste oil generation rates of several TOE battalions is shown in Table 1.)

For maintenance operations conducted at the direct support level, additional water pollution sources that are encountered include battery shop operations and equipment painting, although this latter source is often present at the organizational level as well. At the general support level the highest ordered maintenance conducted at a Class I installation the list of potential sources increases considerably and can include paint stripping and other metal surface preparations; metal finishing by electroplating, chemical conversion coatings, etc.; and scrubber wastewaters generated by air pollution control equipment.

Of all these pollution sources, tactical vehicle exterior washing operations are the single most important source of water pollution by volume at Class I installations. Maintenance cleaning operations, also generally conducted at the vehicle washrack, account for significant portions of free and emulsified oils, mainly because poor cleaning equipment forces the use of solvents, diesel fuels, or other cleaning aids. Oil changing and various lubrications also produce oily waste, usually during rainfall, because there is no reliable way to store, handle, and dispense new and used oils and lubricants.

NEW FACILITY CONCEPTS FOR ACHIEVING WATER POLLUTION ABATEMENT AT EXISTING TOE MAINTENANCE COMPLEXES

Initial efforts to control water pollution at existing TOE maintenance complexes focused on upgrading existing vehicle washracks. This approach was abandoned and a decision made to develop a centralized tactical vehicle wash facility concept because:

1. A large number of individual wastewater treatment units would be required at each installation to meet the pollution control requirements of each washrack. (Table 2 lists vehicle washracks, compiled by installation from an inventory prepared in 1978, and indicates the magnitude of this problem.)

2. Existing vehicle washracks were the focal point for all major exterior washing and maintenance cleaning operations performed within a given motor pool. In some instances, they also were used for waste oil disposal, particularly when large tracked equipment was being serviced. Since most washracks had only low-pressure, high-volume wash equipment, washrack wastewaters contained high concentrations of suspended solids, free and emulsified oils, and biological oxygen demanding materials because of the various cleaning aids that had to be used to supplement the standard equipment. Under these conditions, relatively complex water pollution control equipment would have to be used to clean up wastewater discharges to the storm drainage or sanitary collection system. If this equipment were installed, it was virtually certain it could not be maintained by Facility Engineering personnel at their existing strength levels.
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*Rounded to next highest 100 gal (379 L).*
Table 2
Inventory of Vehicle Washracks for Selected Installations

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<td>Fort Hood, TX**</td>
<td>6(37)</td>
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<td>Total (Army in Continental United States)</td>
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*Installations visited by CIRL representatives.
**CIRL estimates a minimum of 37 wash platforms.
*CIRL documented 31 wash platforms.

3. Existing vehicle washracks invariably were built without a way to control storm water intrusion from adjacent hardstand areas. Therefore, existing facilities, if they were to be retained, would require considerable structural upgrading before wastewater treatment units could be installed.

Centralized Tactical Vehicle Wash Facilities

Establishing centralized tactical vehicle facilities at a given installation is the first step in achieving pollution abatement in TOE vehicle and equipment maintenance operations. Under this concept, existing vehicle washrack facilities within various motor pool areas are abandoned and replaced with one or two major vehicle exterior wash points. These central wash points are strategically located on the periphery of the cantonment area, where vehicles returning from training or maneuver areas must pass on their way to their respective motor pools.

The principal design features of these central facilities are:

1. Separate wash facilities for tracked and wheeled equipment. This design recognizes the fundamental differences in required wash capability, as well as the differing wastewater characteristics (mostly sediment quantities) generated by each equipment class.

2. Improved washing equipment for each equipment class. Vehicles can therefore be processed more efficiently using significantly less potable water and troop man-hours.
Principal Features of the Fort Lewis Design

Tracked Vehicle Washing Area

Special washrack components are provided in an area reserved for washing tracked vehicles. For exterior washing, a tank bath or spray stand may be provided for prewash and combined with individual wash positions. Prewash provisions were not constructed at Fort Lewis. Within the same area, additional individual wash positions are designated for interior washing only, e.g., personnel compartments and truck beds. The exterior and interior wash positions have hand-held hoses equipped with shut-off nozzles. Each exterior wash position has two hoses; each interior wash position has one hose. To prevent equipment damage, all hoses are supported above the washing surface by hose towers mounted on wash equipment islands. A tracked vehicle staging area is located in front of the facility to accommodate parked vehicles during peak-use periods.

Wheeled Vehicle Washing Area

Special washrack components also are provided in the area reserved for wheeled vehicle washing. A wheeled vehicle bath (or an automated track-wash modified for Army use) is combined with exterior and interior wash equipment; the interior equipment for washing personnel areas such as truck beds may be placed ahead of the exterior wash positions. Exterior wheeled vehicle wash points have two hand-held hoses, and each interior wash position has one hose. A vehicle staging area is provided to handle excess vehicle flows during peak-use periods.

Wastewater Treatment

Wastewater collected from tracked or wheeled vehicle wash areas is first treated by passing it through a concrete preliminary sedimentation tank. This tank has an inclined access ramp (3:1 slope) for easy settled sediment removal,* and detains the wastewater long enough for free oil separation (2-hr detention at peak flowrate). The access ramp is designed so accumulated sediment can be removed conveniently by front-end loaders. Free oil is removed by skimmers. After the wastewater passes from each area’s individual sedimentation tank, the effluents are combined and discharged to a scraped, bentonite-lined, or otherwise sealed equalization basin. Ideally, all storm water flows from the curbed paved areas of the facility (exclusive of the active wash areas) are sent to this basin. Equalized wastewaters are then discharged periodically to an intermittent sand filter to remove residual fine sediment and dispersed oil. This filtered effluent then is directed to surface drainage for discharge to a final detention basin or wet well for direct recycle back to the washing operation. The preliminary sedimentation basin has an overflow rate of about 600 gal/day/sq. ft. (24 444 L/day/m²). Sediment storage of 6 months is provided.

Suggested Concept Modifications and Further Research Requirements

Concept Modifications

CERL conducted a post-construction evaluation of the centralized tactical vehicle wash facilities at Fort Lewis, WA, from 14 to 25 September 1981. It was decided that the only concept modification that should be considered was to drop the distinction between exterior and interior wash positions for both tracked and wheeled vehicle washing. Instead, all wash islands should be designed to perform both exterior and interior washing at one position. The wastewater collection system draining the wash islands then should be designed to hydraulically handle the s-lads-loading produced under worst-case conditions (i.e., during tracked vehicle exterior washing operations). If interior wash positions are retained, they must not be in a direct line with the exterior wash islands unless a by-pass lane is provided so washed equipment can move out of the vehicle wash area.

Further Research Requirements

Vehicle Baths. Priority should be given to the development of design criteria for the vehicle baths, particularly tank baths, used to preclean tactical equipment. A successful tank bath design would cut vehicle cleaning times significantly, reduce the number of exterior wash stations required, and lower overall water use and wastewater treatment costs. The first step in identifying such a design is to measure the cleaning-time effectiveness, water use profiles, and desludging capabilities of existing bath designs.

Exterior Vehicle Wash Equipment. The hose tower, wash hose, hose nozzle, and shut-off system designed for Fort Lewis must be improved. A top priority is identifying or developing a trigger-operated nozzle and shut-off system that can withstand hard treatment.
Wastewater Treatment System. The Fort Lewis wastewater treatment system appears to be functioning properly. But the extent to which it may be over-designed is not known. A thorough study of the treatment system at Fort Lewis and its use as a test bed for alternate treatment system components could resolve many questions and ultimately lead to standard design criteria for various wastewater treatment components. A U.S. Army Environmental Hygiene Agency (AEHA) report has detailed operational results of the treatment system during early operation.

Recycled Water Quality. The selection of an effective wastewater treatment process is closely tied to the level of acceptable recycled water quality. If treated washrack wastewater is to be directed to surface discharge or to an installation's sanitary collection system, effluent requirements must be fairly well defined. If acceptable recycled water quality could be quantitatively defined, and if it was found to be considerably less stringent than that required for surface discharge, wastewater treatment costs could be reduced significantly.

In-Motor Pool Tactical Vehicle Maintenance Facilities

The results of a survey of oil pollution sources within TOE maintenance complexes conducted during 1977 and 1978 indicated:

1. In general, storage and handling facilities for new oils and lubricants were extremely primitive.

2. Most TOE unit maintenance was conducted on the vehicle parking or hardstand area.

3. Far more maintenance operations were conducted at the vehicle washrack than just exterior vehicle washing.

4. No pollution control was available for any of the maintenance services performed on tracked equipment.

Because existing washracks were based on vague or unspecified design criteria, with little or no consideration for operation-based pollution control, only end-of-pipe treatment was historically attempted. Treatment facilities for exterior washing wastewaters in motor pool areas would be impractical at most installations because of size and operation and maintenance requirements. However, under the CERL concept, centralized tactical vehicle wash facilities would replace all existing in-motor pool vehicle washracks within the limits of economic acceptability.

CERL's tracked vehicle maintenance facility concept was designed to minimize overall water pollution control requirements, and at the same time effectively meet the wet maintenance requirements of tracked equipment. Primary wet maintenance operations were defined as:

1. Maintenance cleaning of engines, engine packs (engines plus transmissions), engine compartments and other large vehicle components;
2. Fine cleaning of vehicle exteriors before painting; and
3. All oil changing operations associated with tracked equipment. CERL's concept design met the wet maintenance requirements of all wheeled equipment in the Army's current inventory. A plan of the facility as designed for use at Fort Lewis is shown in Figure 2.

Centralized Tracked Vehicle Maintenance Facility Concept — Principal Design Features

The tracked vehicle maintenance facility has a canopied service platform raised above the hardstand area to preclude most storm water intrusion from adjacent hardstand areas. It also protects troops and vehicles from inclement weather.

Service Platforms

The service platform is divided into an oil changing area and a maintenance cleaning area. As designed, all oil changing is done in a lighted service pit equipped with a sliding waste oil collection funnel. The funnel, which is sized to contain a quality of oil equal to the maximum combined crankcase and transmission capacity of an M-88 tracked vehicle, discharges into a collection trough mounted on the sidewall of the service pit. This trough is connected by rigid piping to a 100-gal (3790-L) underground waste oil storage tank.

The sliding waste oil collection funnel was designed so it has limited movement within the service pit. This lets it act as a vehicle positioner for the M-60 tank. Vehicle position is important when servicing this vehicle type because the engine pack can only be removed after the gun has been rotated. The vehicle must be positioned correctly to protect the canopy columns from being damaged when the gun turret is rotated. A desirable modification would be the elimination of the center columns shown on the Fort Lewis platforms.

Maintenance cleaning can be done either with the vehicle in position over the service pit or in the maintenance cleaning area proper. The service pit area is used mainly to clean engine compartments and wheeled
vehicle undercarriages. The main maintenance cleaning area is used for equipment inspection cleaning, and to prepare exterior vehicle surfaces before painting or for cleaning engine packs and other large components. Engine packs are moved from the service pit to the adjacent maintenance cleaning area by a 7-1/2-ton (6795-kg) capacity traveling bridge crane. Cleaning equipment is located on a raised service island which includes a waste receptacle for used filters, worn parts, and other litter generated during vehicle servicing.

**Cleaning Equipment**

The facility has a commercial hot water washer modified for Army use. This washer, which can be used in a hot or cold water mode of operation, is an electrically driven, kerosene-fired unit rated at 3.5 gal (13.3 L) per minute at 700 psi (4828 kPa). It was modified by removing the piping and valves associated with its chemical injection system, removing the oil burner adjustment knob, and adjusting it to deliver wash water at 160°F (71°C). Instead of a potable water feed system that incorporated an air-break for backflow prevention, a reduced-pressure principle backflow preventer was used in conjunction with a cold water pressure regulator system. The entire exposed cold water feed system up to the boiler inlet has a thermostatically controlled heat trace to allow all-weather operation.

**Wastewater Treatment**

A packed gravity separator wastewater treatment unit was selected for use at Fort Lewis. The unit consists of a rectangular concrete basin separated into two distinct areas: a presettling area for the separation of readily separable solids and free oils, and an area housing a corrugated plate interceptor package* for removal of fine solids and dispersed oils. Separated oils contained

*Manufactured by FRC/Lancy, Inc., St. Paul, MN.
on the surface within the basin to a depth established by the elevation of an adjustable skimmed oil weir are conveyed by pipe to an external skimmed oil holding tank. Effluent from the unit is conveyed by gravity or pumped to the sanitary collection system.

Design standards included (1) a design overflow rate not to exceed 60 gal/day/sq ft (2444 L/day/m²) of effective surface at maximum flow, and (2) a combined sediment storage capacity of not less than 68 cu ft (2 m³). These criteria were necessary to meet the effluent standards listed in Table 3.

Centralized Wheeled Vehicle Maintenance Facility – Principal Design Features

The wheeled vehicle maintenance facility concept provides a weather-protected area where general wheeled vehicle maintenance tasks other than routine exterior vehicle washing can be performed. A plan and section of the facility as designed for use at Fort Lewis is shown in Figure 3.

The facility has an elevated grease rack co-located with a curbed and canopied maintenance cleaning pad. Like the tracked vehicle maintenance facility, it has two primary functional areas: oil changing and maintenance cleaning.

Oil Changing Area

Oil is changed on the elevated grease rack’s horizontal section for all wheeled equipment capable of being driven onto it. This section has two fixed waste-oil collection funnels and is lighted overhead and at working level for 24-hour operation. The funnels have hinged, two-section covers and drain into an underground waste-oil storage facility with a minimum capacity of 300 gal (1136 L). (If a unit does not have a tracked vehicle maintenance platform, the waste-oil inlet shown in Figure 4 should be put in the maintenance cleaning slab.)

Maintenance Cleaning Area

For wheeled equipment, maintenance cleaning can be performed either with the vehicle elevated on the horizontal section of the grease rack (for under-carriage cleaning) or with the vehicle parked on the adjacent maintenance cleaning pad. Wastewater is conveyed to the treatment unit in the nearby maintenance facility area.

Cleaning Equipment

The wheeled vehicle maintenance facility uses the same cleaning equipment as the tracked vehicle maintenance facility.

Wastewater Treatment

The wheeled vehicle maintenance facility should have a wastewater treatment arrangement similar to that used for the tracked vehicle maintenance facility. Although no specific design criteria are available, it is likely that the overflow rates and sediment storage allowed for pretreatment of wastewater discharges from tracked vehicle maintenance operations could be reduced to meet established wastewater pretreatment requirements.

Recommended Design Changes

CERL conducted a post-construction evaluation of the new in-motor pool maintenance facilities at Fort Lewis from 14 to 25 September 1981. Based on that evaluation, it is recommended that the following changes be made to the tracked vehicle maintenance facility:

1. A raised and covered waste-oil inlet should be included in all facilities of this type constructed in the future (Figure 5). The inlet should be in the center of the section of the maintenance changing area serviced by the overhead traveling crane. The interior pit dimensions should be about 42 X 42 in. (1070 X 1070 mm) to accommodate oil removed from the M-60 tank when oil is changed with the engine pack in the vehicle.

Table 3

Effluent Requirements for Pretreated Wastewaters From Vehicle Maintenance Facilities

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<td>pH</td>
<td>6.0 to 9.0</td>
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<tr>
<td>BOD₅</td>
<td>400 mg/L (maximum), 300 mg/L (average)</td>
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<td>Other</td>
<td>Effluent shall not contain any visible sheen nor interfere in any respect with an installation’s or other domestic wastewater collection and treatment plant processes.</td>
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Figure 3. Wheeled vehicle maintenance facility. (Source: D. Seman, KPFF Engineers, Inc., Seattle, WA.)
2. The sliding waste-oil collection funnel in the pit area should be designed to allow 48 in. (1219 mm) of funnel centerline travel rather than the 5 in. (127 mm) allocated in the present design.

3. The service pit depth should be increased to 60 in. (1524 mm). The present pit depth is 46 in. (1168 mm).

4. The present sliding waste-oil collection funnel cover assembly should be redesigned so oil can be caught and transferred for disposal from 21 in. (530 mm) on either side of the funnel centerline. This would accommodate oil removed from the M-60 engine pack inside the vehicle if no raised waste-oil inlet is included in the facility design.

Further Research Requirements

1. A self-propelled, universal engine pack dolly would increase the effectiveness of “Q” servicing of the M-60 tank (and of the M-1 tank when it is deployed). When developed, this dolly would be placed on an installation’s Table of Distribution and Allowances (TDA) list; it would not be part of a particular unit’s TOE.

2. Design criteria must be developed for the pretreatment of wastewaters from wheeled vehicle maintenance facilities.

3. A full evaluation of the “Q” servicing requirements of various organizational units must be made and compared to the capabilities of the tracked vehicle maintenance facility.

NEW TOE MAINTENANCE SHOP DESIGN CONCEPTS

The new in-motor pool maintenance facilities described in Chapter 3 were developed to make up for the lack of functional design considerations within existing TOE maintenance shops. Ideally, if new TOE maintenance shops were designed so all wet maintenance operations could be performed in a covered area under controlled conditions, the concept of centralized vehicle wash facilities would resolve all the major water pollution control problems of TOE unit maintenance.

To guarantee effective pollution abatement, existing standard facilities such as the vehicle washrack and the wheeled vehicle grease rack must be replaced. New shop structures must be developed that incorporate highly efficient maintenance bay areas in their design. This will require detailed research into individual TOE unit operations so the new maintenance areas are as operationally flexible as possible. The scheduled and unscheduled maintenance bay area concept appears to have considerable merit and should be evaluated. Under this concept, one highly developed maintenance bay concept appears to have considerable merit and should be evaluated. Under this concept, one highly developed maintenance bay concept appears to have considerable merit and should be evaluated. Under this concept, one highly developed maintenance bay concept appears to have considerable merit and should be evaluated. Under this concept, one highly developed maintenance bay concept appears to have considerable merit and should be evaluated.
Figure 5. Waste oil collection funnel -- tracked vehicle maintenance platform. (Source: D. Seman, KPFF Engineers, Inc., Seattle, WA.)
Scheduled Maintenance Bay

The scheduled maintenance bay would handle the wet maintenance requirements of four large tactical vehicles (wheeled or tracked) simultaneously (Figure 6). It would have two identical service pits running virtually the full length of the maintenance bay, two central service islands, and two runways for servicing engine packs. Lift capability would be provided by a 7.5-ton (6795-kg) traveling bridge crane and fixed or portable floor jacks. Each service island would have a hot water washer, a large parts washer, and space for tool chests, solid waste receptacles, small parts storage, and other, ancillary equipment. Each service pit would be lighted, and have electrical outlets for trouble lights, etc.; a movable waste-oil collection funnel; and a floor drain to accept wastewaters from the cleaning of engine compartments, heat shields, and wheeled vehicle undercarriages, etc. The two engine pack runways would contain one or more raised used-oil drops and a wastewater inlet. Fluid dispensing equipment and compressed

Figure 6. Scheduled maintenance bay.
air would be provided overhead at each service pit. Bulk fluid would be stored outside the maintenance shop in underground containers. Separate drainage systems would collect used oils and spent solvents and discharge them to underground waste holding tanks. Engine packs would be ground-hopped at the four entrance doors.

**Unscheduled Maintenance Bay**

Each company would have an unscheduled vehicle maintenance bay in which to inspect vehicles, adjust fluid levels, paint equipment, and make minor repairs (Figure 7). The bay’s service pit would occupy about one-half of the length of the bay and a clear forebay area. The service pit would be equipped with a sliding waste-oil collection funnel; it would also have a floor drain so the pit area could be cleaned periodically. No major hot water wash equipment would be provided, but the service pit area would have a small parts washer and an overhead fluid dispenser. Lift capability would consist of floor or portable jacks in the clear bay area and movable, A-frame, manually operated lift stands.

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**Figure 7. Unscheduled maintenance bay.**
5 CONCLUSIONS

This report described the principal design features of CERL's TOE unit maintenance operation water pollution control concepts and described the results of a limited survey and evaluation of newly constructed facilities at Fort Lewis and Yakima Firing Center; these facilities were built based on CERL's concepts.

For the centralized tactical vehicle wash facility concept, it was concluded that the design must be modified to include:

1. A single wash position for exterior and interior washing.
2. Wastewater collection systems hydraulically flushed to handle the solids-loading of exterior tracked vehicle washing.
3. Improved vehicle baths and exterior wash equipment that can optimize water pollution control.
4. A standard wastewater treatment system that can guarantee effluent quality.

For the tracked vehicle maintenance facility concept, it was concluded that the design must be modified to include:

1. A raised and covered waste-oil inlet.
2. Interior pit dimensions of at least 42 X 42 in. (1070 X 1070 mm).
3. A sliding waste-oil collection funnel in the pit area that allows 48 in. (1219 mm) of funnel centerline travel.
4. A service pit at least 60 in. (1524 mm) deep.
5. A sliding waste-oil collection assembly that allows oil to be caught and transferred for disposal from 21 in. (530 mm) on either side of the funnel centerline.

In addition, the following should be developed:

2. Design criteria for wastewater pretreatment.
3. Criteria for "Q" servicing.
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