1.2.2 Concepts of Operations. The Chinook supports the Army’s requirement to be strategically responsive across the full spectrum of operations. The Chinook enhances the Army’s ability to support the rapid response capability necessary for forcible and early entry contingency missions and the tactical and operational noncontiguous, simultaneous or sequential operations, which will be characteristic of future operations. The Chinook provides a heavy lift capability that enables the force to accomplish critical tasks across the Battle Functional Areas of maneuver, maneuver support and maneuver sustainment by conducting air assault, air movement, mass casualty evacuation, aerial recovery, and aerial resupply across the full spectrum of operations. The Chinook provides the means to continue the time sensitive transport of personnel, equipment, and supplies not available from other transportation systems. The High Level Operational Concept graphic, OV-1, which is in Figure 1 below, depicts the Chinook mission environment. OV-1 provides a description of the interactions between the Chinook and its operational environment and highlights the importance and complexity of interoperability for successful Chinook employment.

![Figure 1 - Chinook Operational Concept Graphic (OV-1)](image-url)