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Colonel Ronald Light Takes Command of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers – Sacramento District

(Sacramento, CA - August 4, 2004) Colonel Ronald N. Light has taken command of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Sacramento District. Light became the 28th Commander of the Sacramento District on July 9, 2004.

Light will command an organization of 950 engineers, scientists and support staff working in all or parts of eight western states. The Sacramento District is responsible for military design and construction, civil works, international and interagency support, real estate services to the Army and Air Force, regulatory work, environmental services and emergency management. The District is one of the largest in the Corps, responsible for more than 2 million acres and 300,000 miles of waterways with an annual budget of over \$400 million.

In taking command Colonel Light announced his desire and willingness serve the people and partners of the Sacramento District saying, “I view this opportunity to lead as a public trust, and I accept command fully understanding that the Sacramento Engineer District exist for one purpose, and that is to serve.”

The Sacramento District is currently working on the American River Project a multi-year, multi-million dollar civil works project in Sacramento, military projects at Hill Air Force Base in Utah, Support for the Global War on Terrorism, regulatory permit programs in Colorado and Nevada, environmental restoration and flood management projects across California.

Light takes his new command after serving at the Naval War College in Newport Rhode Island. Previously Light was also the Commander in the Corps of Engineers, Honolulu District. Light has a Bachelors Degree from Pennsylvania State University in Environmental Science and a Masters Degree in Environmental Engineering from the University of Virginia.

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CUTLINE: Colonel Ronald N. Light – Commander U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Sacramento District.