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New Commander Announced at Corps of Engineers Fort Worth District

FORT WORTH, TX – Colonel Charles H. Klinge, Jr., will assume command of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Fort Worth District, during a 1 p.m. ceremony June 27 at the downtown Fort Worth Hilton Hotel.

Klinge succeeds Colonel Richard J. Muraski, Jr., who has commanded the District since July 2009. Muraski's next assignment will be as the Deputy Division Commander, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Southwestern Division, Dallas.

During Muraski's tenure, the Fort Worth District completed 40 percent of the Army's Base Realignment and Closure Act 2005 work, along with key military construction projects to include, the Fort Bliss Expansion Program and the San Antonio Military Medical Center, each valued at more than \$4 billion. In Fiscal Year 2011 the district executed more than \$1.6 billion worth of contracts, the largest amount of any district. Additionally the district was involved in several major civil works projects which include the San Antonio River Improvement's Mission Reach, the largest eco-restoration in an urban environment, Dallas Floodway Extension, Trinity River Corridor and Trinity River Vision.

Upon assuming command of the District, Klinge will manage one of the Corps' largest military construction programs, which encompasses all design and construction on Army and Air Force installations in Texas and parts of Louisiana and New Mexico. He will also supervise the operation and maintenance of the district's 25 lakes, which furnish 35 percent of the state's water supply and provide outdoor recreation opportunities for millions of visitors annually.

Klinge's last assignment was as the Deputy Division Commander, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Southwestern Division, Dallas.

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Editors Note: See the attached Biography and photo of Col. Klinge, visit the Fort Worth District web site at www.swf.usace.army.mil/pubdata/bios/.

About the Fort Worth District: The Fort Worth District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers was established in 1950. The District is responsible for water resources development in two-thirds of Texas, and design and construction at military installations in Texas and parts of Louisiana and New Mexico. Visit the Fort Worth District Web site at: www.swf.usace.army.mil and SWF Face book at: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Fort-Worth-District-US-Army-Corps-of-Engineers/188083711219308>

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