



**U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
NASHVILLE DISTRICT**

**Lieutenant Colonel
James A. DeLapp
Commander and
District Engineer**



Lieutenant Colonel Jim DeLapp assumed command of the Nashville District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers on June 24, 2011. As District Commander, Lieutenant Colonel DeLapp manages the water resources development and navigable waterways operations for the Cumberland and Tennessee River basins covering 59,000 square miles, with 49 field offices touching seven states and a work force of over 750 employees.

On the Cumberland River, the Corps operates and maintains ten multi-purpose projects for navigation, flood damage reduction, hydropower, environmental stewardship, and recreation. Nine of these projects generate hydro-electric power and four have navigation locks. In the Tennessee River Basin, the District partners with the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) and operates 15 navigation locks at 10 locations. Throughout both river basins the District carries out all regulatory activities, streambank protection, flood control, and operation and maintenance of all navigation facilities and the channels.

Lieutenant Colonel Jim DeLapp is from Barrington, Illinois. He earned his commission in the Corps of Engineers as a Distinguished Military Graduate from Kansas State University in 1994 with a Bachelor's of Architecture Degree. He earned a Master's of Science in Construction Management from Texas A&M University in 2003. Lieutenant Colonel DeLapp is a graduate of the Engineer Officer Basic and Advanced Courses, Combined Arms Services Staff School, and Command and General Staff College.

Lieutenant Colonel DeLapp's initial assignments were as a Sapper Platoon Leader in the 41st Engineer Battalion (Light) and Executive Officer of the 642nd Engineer Company (Combat Support Equipment). He also served as Aide-de-Camp to the Assistant Division Commander 10th Mountain Division during a deployment to Bosnia and Croatia. His subsequent tactical assignments included Operations Officer for the 18th Airborne Corps Staff Engineer Section; command of Bravo Company, 37th Engineer Battalion (Combat)(Airborne) during a deployment to Kosovo; and as the Operations and Executive Officer of the 864th Engineer Combat Battalion (Heavy) in Afghanistan from 2007-2008.

Lieutenant Colonel DeLapp's non-tactical assignments include Area Commander and later Deputy District Commander, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Los Angeles District with a deployment to Iraq in 2004; Congressional Fellow for Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton – New York and Senator Mark Begich – Alaska; and Legislative Assistant to the Chief of Staff of the Army, General George W. Casey, Jr.

Lieutenant Colonel DeLapp's awards include Bronze Star (1 Oak Leaf Cluster); Defense Meritorious Service Medal; Meritorious Service Medal (2 Oak Leaf Clusters); Army Commendation Medal (3 Oak Leaf Clusters); Army Achievement Medal (2 Oak Leaf Clusters), the Tennessee National Guard Commendation Ribbon; the Meritorious Unit Citation (1 Oak Leaf Cluster) and the Army Superior Unit Award. He has also earned the Ranger Tab, Army Staff Badge, Senior Parachutist Badge, Air Assault Badge, Venezuelan Parachutist Badge, and was recognized with the Bronze de Fleury Medal from the Army Engineer Association.

Lieutenant Colonel DeLapp is married to the former Angela Eichen of Wamego, KS. They have three children, Gabe, Sophia, and Luke.

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