

## ® U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS

## Colonel John S. Hurley Commander, U.S. Army Engineering and Support Center, Huntsville



Colonel John S. Hurley assumed command of the U.S. Army Engineering and Support Center, Huntsville, July 29, 2016. The Huntsville Center executes more than 6,000 contracts valued at \$2.1 billion annually in engineering, construction and technical services in support of strategic national programs such as the design and construction of worldwide chemical weapons demilitarization facilities, Army and Air Force installation facility repair and renewal construction, national energy savings programs, nationwide environmental and ordnance remediation programs, Army medical facilities design oversight, and overseas contingency operations.

He joined the U.S. Army Engineering and Support Center, Huntsville, following command of the Japan Engineer District since July 9, 2013. Japan Engineer District provides quality, professional and comprehensive engineering, construction and other value-added services in support of peacetime and contingency operations in Japan and throughout the Pacific region.

Prior to the assignment to Japan Engineer District, Colonel Hurley served as the deputy commander of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Transatlantic Division (TAD). As deputy division commander, he was responsible for numerous aspects of the division's operations as TAD served as the lead design and construction agent for the Department of Defense in the 20 countries in the Middle East from Egypt through Pakistan. This multi-billion dollar program included military construction, contingency construction in Iraq and Afghanistan, and foreign military sales.

Colonel Hurley earned a bachelor's degree in aerospace engineering from the U.S. Military Academy and was commissioned in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in May 1989. He has held a variety of leadership, command and staff positions in the 14th Engineer Battalion at Fort Ord, California; the 65th Engineer Battalion (Light) at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii; and the 326th Engineer Battalion (Air Assault) at Fort Campbell, Kentucky. During these assignments, he deployed numerous times to include Operation Uphold Democracy in Haiti and Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Following graduate school at Northwestern University, Hurley was an instructor at the U.S. Military Academy, where he taught leadership and sociology. He also worked for the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) in Naples, Italy, where he was a member of an international team supervising the construction of a new Joint Forces Command headquarters for NATO. He worked closely with the Italian Air Force in a construction, contract and program management oversight role.

Colonel Hurley commanded the Buffalo District, USACE, from 2006 to 2008. In that capacity, he was responsible for navigation, flood risk management, regulatory and environmental remediation missions for USACE along the Lake Erie, Lake Ontario, and St. Lawrence River watersheds. Following command of this civil works district, he served as the military assistant and later executive officer for the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works from 2008-2010.

Colonel Hurley also holds a master's degree in sociology. He is a licensed Professional Engineer in Missouri, a registered Project Management Professional and is Ranger, Airborne and Air Assault qualified. He has attended Engineer Officer Basic and Advanced Courses, Combined Arms Service Staff School, and the Command and General Staff College.

He has been awarded the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Joint Service Commendation Medal, the Humanitarian Service Medal, the Silver de Fleury Medal and the Bronze Order of the de Fleury Medal.

Colonel Hurley and his wife Janetlee are native New Yorkers and were married in 1993. They have four children.