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USACE member recognized for providing vital infrastructure improvements for the Iraqi people

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TALLIL, Iraq – Chuck Comeau was honored for "exceptionally meritorious service" as a resident engineer for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in Iraq.

Comeau was recognized for his work as Dhi Qar Province Resident Engineer, in the Adder Area office of USACE's Gulf Region South District, at a ceremony during which he was presented the commander's award for civilian service.

The citation lauded Comeau's efforts during protracted combat operations in support of Operation Iragi



Sgt. 1st Class Christopher Golden presents Dhi Qar Resident Engineer Chuck Comeau with going away gift. (USACE Photo by Barry Bragg)

Freedom, saying he managed 42 projects worth over \$155 million and closed nine of those valued at more than \$42.5 million over a six-month period.

These projects "provided vital infrastructure improvements for the Iraqi people in areas such as water and electricity," the citation said.

"In every respect, Chuck's professionalism, initiative, attention to detail and caring attitude are exemplary," the citation said.

"His dedication is in keeping with the highest standards and brings great credit upon himself, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and the nation," added the citation, signed by Col. Stephen Hill, GRS commander.

In addition to his regular duties, Comeau helped his wife back home with a program she launched that collected hundreds of pairs of shoes for distribution to needy Iraqi children.

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