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New Commander to take over Corps of Engineers' Fort Worth District

FORT WORTH, TX – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Fort Worth District will have a change of command ceremony July 27 at the Fort Worth Convention Center. Colonel Christopher W. Martin will assume command of the more than 900 military and civilian district employees from Colonel John R. Minahan, who has commanded the district since May 2003.

Minahan will become the deputy commander of the Corps' Southwestern Division in Dallas, Texas. Martin 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 manage the district's civil works mission which includes flood damage reduction, water supply, recreation, fish and wildlife mitigation, environmental restoration and stewardship. In addition to the military and civil works programs, 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.

For more information or to attend the ceremony call the Fort Worth District Public Affairs office at (817) 886-1306.

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