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Lt. Col. David E. Anderson HED Commander and District Engineer

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"You all own a piece of the successes of the past year. Be proud!"

Much Aloha to the entire Honolulu District Ohana for the welcome you have extended to my family and me. First, let me say Mahalo to Lt. Col. Dave Press and his family. The District is much richer for Dave's leadership and we all wish him and Heather the very best in Washington, D.C. and beyond.

baton on a well-trained relay team. The race goes on around you and the team's baton is smoothly handed off when the runners change. Dave Press gave me a great handoff and I am working hard to keep a tight grip on the baton during my first few strides of the race.

I would liken this edition of the Pacific Connection to a yearbook covering our last year. As many of you know, I was assigned to the Army's Congressional Liaison office for the past two years, where I provided interface between the Army and Congress on all matters related to military construction, installation support and real estate. Knowing that I had been slated to command this great organization, I watched most of the accomplishments highlighted in this emergencies, train to maintain our proficiencies in magazine, quietly from afar.

I closely tracked several key actions:

- The progress of the Environmental Impact Statement for the Army's 5th Stryker Brigade Combat Team;
- The Army's FY05 MILCON budget submission in Hawaii (\$311 million, or nearly 20 percent of the Army's entire MILCON budget);
- The status of critical land acquisitions in Hawaii, so that the proposed Stryker Brigade can train to standard;
- The privatization of utility systems at Aliamanu Military Reservation, at Schofield Barracks, and at the Pohakuloa Training Area on the Big Island;
- The privatization of military family housing in Hawaii; and

Progress on the largest environmental cleanup in **DoD under the Formerly Used Defense Site** (FUDS) program, at Waikoloa.

I toast you all for the accomplishments that Changes of Command should be like passing the are outlined in this "Year in Review" edition of the Pacific Connection. You all own a piece of the successes of the past year. Be proud!

> But we can't afford to reflect on the past for too long. There is a lot of good, meaningful, tough work ahead. Remember that \$311 million in military construction that I referred to? In the next year, we have to get all of it under contract.

The FUDS funding for Waikaloa will continue to flow in.

C-17s will soon be flying into Hickam AFB, where they and their crews will be housed, trained, and maintained in facilities that we will construct.

We will prepare to support FEMA in our professional skills, insure that our Nation's navigable waters are maintained and we will help develop her precious water resources without impacting the environment negatively.

We will learn from everything that we do and only get better at it.

The past year was indeed awesome for the Honolulu District. It's up to each and every one of us to make next year even better.

Before he left, Dave Press looked at me and said, "I wish that I could trade places with you and have two more years as the Commander of the Honolulu District." I can already see why.

May God Bless the Honolulu District Ohana, this great country and the Soldiers who are in harm's way, defending her today! Essayons!



Lt. Col. David C. Press Former Commander and District Engineer

"You should be very proud of your accomplishments. This District continuously did more than what was expected and did it with a smile."

Congratulations to the Honolulu District for another fantastic year serving the Army, Nation and the wonderful people of the Pacific.

As outlined in this special edition of the Pacific Connection, you have completed many important missions, projects, products and services. Your dedicated service and willingness to go the extra mile shines though in your work. I am enormously proud of your accomplishments and I am honored to have been your commander.

I am thankful for everything you did for my family and me while I was the commander and I am thankful that the Army has replaced me with such a quality officer like Lt. Col. Dave Anderson. He is a perfect fit for this command and I am sure he will serve with distinction.

There were certain themes that surfaced and resurfaced throughout the year, and I'd like to review those here:

Mission first and people always. You accomplished the mission by doing the right things, right. You took care of people—co-workers, family members, customers and all stakeholders. You lived the Army values. You did your work legally, ethically and honestly.

Leadership excellence in everything we do. You excelled. You developed leaders through training, coaching, mentoring and counseling. Training was METL-focused and the District and customers benefited from your enthusiastic support of leader development training and programs.

Stewardship. Accountability, security, safety and customer service was considered in all of your processes and actions.

You embraced PMBP and the Environmental Operating Principles. You helped attain a balance between economic development and environmental sustainability. You firmly supported the Command Supply Discipline Program and maintained 100 percent accountability of everything.

Communication. You told the District, Division and Army stories. You maintained excellent relationships with each other as well as customers and all stakeholders. You created "synergy" in order to get the nation's work completed.

These themes should sound familiar to you since they are not new within the Army or the Corps and have been the centerpiece of my Command Philosophy. I sincerely appreciate your support of these themes during my tenure as commander. Keep up the great work!

You should be very proud of <u>your</u> accomplishments. This District continuously did more than what was expected—and did it with a smile.

As I move on to my new position in the Pentagon, I can't help but think about the wonderful people in the District. You are the hardest working, most dedicated, professional and nicest Americans with whom I have served in over 25 years of service.

I salute you and will miss you more than words can say. Mahalo once more for your outstanding service to the Army, Nation and the people of the Pacific.

On the Cover:

Hanalulu District Commandan

Left: former HED Commander, Lt. Col. David C. Press inspects equipment in Iraq while serving as Director, Restore Iraqi Electricity Directorate, GRD. Right: POD Commander, Brig. Gen. Larry Davis (left) presents the USACE flag to incoming HED Commander, Lt. Col. David E. Anderson during the July 16 Change of Command ceremony.

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The ongoing "DoD in the Schools" program has benefited 30 schools in Hawaii with large populations of military dependents. HED manages the planning, design, solicitation and construction of all the projects. Photo left: Moanalua High School students enjoy their newly-renovated Science classroom. Since FY 2000, HED has completed numerous improvements such as restroom and classroom renovation and new computer labs.

Aug. 4: New tool bag for Tripler Army Medical Center (TAMC) work available - the new Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) Construction contracts for medical facilities are awarded.

Aug. 6: HED is recognized by the U.S. Small Business Administration for outstanding contract support and utilization of the 8(a) program.

Aug. 6: The Tern Island Shore Protection plan, an International Interagency Service (IIS) project contract for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, is awarded. This unique project to protect sea and bird life on the island is awarded to Healy-Tibbits at a base schedule of \$7 million.



Aug. 2: The Ho'okupu Ohana, HED's Booster Club, raises over \$900 in proceeds from a silent auction of over 80 items including a special car wash. The Ho'okupu Ohana provides a wide range morale-boosting activities for HED employees.



Radford High School teachers try out their new computer lab. Radford received the new lab as part of the ongoing "DoD in the Schools" program.

September



Sept. 9: Grand opening of Tripler Army Medical Center's (TAMC) new Chemotherapy Treatment Center. Contractors and staff from HED were instrumental in the improvements which provide Military members and their families better medical care.

Sept. 2: HED's Emergency Management Division (EMD) deploys a damage assessment team to the Big Island in response to Hurricane Jimena.

Sept. 11: Members of Programs and Project Program Management (PPM) welcome the newly-appointed Civilian Aide to the Sec. of the Army (CASA) for Guam, Mr. Frank Bias.

Sept. 11: HED awards Whole Barracks Renewal contract, phase 3A, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii for \$54.9 million.

Sept. 12: Isabel, a Category-5 hurricane, devastates the U.S. East Coast from North Carolina to Maryland with winds of 160 MPH. HED's EMD sends a team to assist with response and recovery efforts working out of FEMA Region III Headquarters.

Sept. 24: The Kaumalapau Harbor breakwater repair Project Cooperation Agreement is signed in an official ceremony. The \$15 million project will repair the Kaumalapau Harbor on Lanai and will include the casting and placement of Core-Locs, concrete armor units, to repair the existing breakwater built in the 1920s. (L-R, seated) Mr. Rodney Haraga, Director of the Hawaii State Department of Transportation; Lt. Col. David C. Press; (L-R standing) Mr. Riki Hokama, Maui County, Lanai Council member; Mr. Aaron G. Leong, Honolulu Legislative Staff Member for Senator Inouye.

Sept. 9, 2003: A medical technician at TAMC works in the newly-renovated pharmacy.





October



Oct. 1: Technical Support Branch/Regional Technical Center (TSB/RTC) becomes fully functional serving all Districts within Pacific Ocean Division (POD). The TSB/ RTC, the first of its kind in USACE, helps POD to ensure consistent level of design and construction quality across the Pacific Region. Photo left: Civil Engineer Harley Rowe inspects re-bar matting at Schofield Barracks to verify contractor compliance with construction specification requirements.

Oct. 1-9: The newly-formed TSB/RTC sends a team to provide technical and construction support for the 121st Hospital in Yongsan, Korea.

Oct. 9: Logistics upgrades the conference room in Bldg. 230.



Oct. 3: Grand opening held for Radford High School's new computer lab. As part of the "DoD in the schools" program, HED completed several projects at Radford and other area schools to improve the quality of education for Hawaii students. Renovations included such things as locker removal, lighting upgrades and a new chilling system.



Oct: 17: World Water Monitoring Day gives Washington Middle School students the chance to learn about water sampling, data collection tools and the relationship between upstream activities and the ocean. Experts from HED along with various government agencies helped the 7th and 8th graders collect samples at Makiki Stream as part of the event.



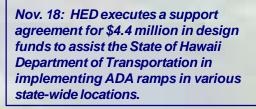
Nov. 3-7: The 4th Annual POD Civil Works Summit, held at Sheraton Moana Surf Hotel, offers employees from HED, HQUSACE, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works, Alaska District and POD a chance to share ideas, information and problems as well as practice their team working skills. Nov. 5: The Safety/Occupational Health Office and the Small Business Office combined efforts with Dick Pacific to provide quarterly training to over 25 contractor personnel.

Nov. 14: HED awards the Multiple Award Task Order Contract (MATOC) for designbuild and design-bid-build construction services for various locations in Hawaii. Seven contracts were awarded, three to small business 8(a) contractors. Total MATOC capacity is \$250 million.

Nov. 25: Lupit, a Category-5 Super Typhoon, threatens Guam and Micronesia. HED deploys an advance party to support the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

■ Nov. 20: Safety Training for HED/POD employees. Gary Shimabukuro, noted educator from Laulima Pacific Inc., conducts "Ice the Violent Reality" training session.

Nov. 24: HED awards MCA \$18.8 million Whole Barracks Renewal Contract, (phase 2C1) for Schofield Barracks.







Nov. 17 - 18: Small Business Conference (SBC) held in Crystal City, Virginia. Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (SADBU) Officer, Monica Kaji (right), attends the 7th Annual SBC sponsored by USACE and the Society of American Military Engineers.

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December



Dec. 3: Town Hall, District awards ceremony and Regional Leadership Development Program (RLDP) graduation. Deputy DE for PPM, Ray Jyo, briefs the assembly on USACE 2012.

Dec. 3: Annual Awards Ceremony:

 The Project Delivery Team (PDT) for
 the TAMC Labor and Delivery Room receives
 the HED Hui O'I Loa PDT award for their
 outstanding teamwork performance and
 exceeding the customer's expectations.

• Vincent Faggioli receives the Leader of the Year award;

• Gordon Kuioka receives the Project Manager (PM) of the Year award;

• Lynette Kwock receives the Professional Employee of the Year award;

• Steven Takeguchi receives the Technical Employee of the Year award; and

• Malai Tubtim receives the Administrative Employee of the Year award.

Dec. 3: The first RLDP class graduates from the year-long program.

Dec. 5: Special Emphasis Program Committee (SEPC) sends gift boxes to USACE employees in Iraq and Afghanistan.

■ Dec, 12: HED and POD employees attend Fire Marshall training.

Dec. 12: Bldg. 600, Wheeler AAF, is complete and turned over to DPW and DOIM.

Dec. 22: Support agreement executed for Kagman waste-water collection system in Saipan. This top priority project was the first under the Northern Marianas Capital Improvement Program.

Dec. 30: Wailupe Stream design agreement is executed, a first for HED under the specifically authorized program between the State of Hawaii and City and County of Honolulu.

Dec. 11: Logistics employee Clifford Olivera wins second place in the Fort Shafter Christmas card contest. For the past five years, Olivera has singlehandedly designed and painted HED's contest entry. He has won two first-place and three second place ribbons.





Dec. 22: Real Estate employees spearhead a food drive to feed the island's homeless. HED and POD employees donated hundreds of pounds of nonperishable food items.



Jan. 5: Super Typhoon Heta hits American Samoa with winds of 184 MPH. HED's EMD sends a team to assist FEMA and assess damage to the Poloa Shore Protection Project built by HED.

Jan. 10: The 25th Infantry Division, one of HED's largest customers, begins deploying to Afghanistan and Iraq.
 Jan. 12: The Resource Management Office (RMO) and the Safety Office purchase automated external defibrillators. Classes are conducted to train select personnel on its proper use.
 Jan. 12: Regional Leadership Development Program (RLDP)

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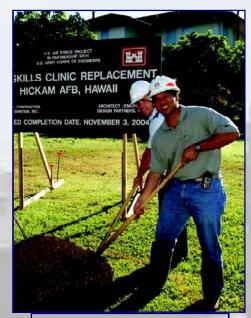
■ Jan. 12: Phase II of the Tripler Army Medical Center's sewer replacement project completed.

Jan. 20: Members of HED/POD participate in the Hawaii Job Summit to inventory the workforce and equipment needs for public, military and private construction projects.

Jan. 22: Rep. Neil Abercrombie visits POD and HED to receive updates on current Military and Civil Works projects.

■ Jan. 22: Corps of Engineers Enterprise Infrastructure System (CEEIS) installs a new rack of Corps Communications equipment. CEEIS provides world-class corporate data processing, electronic mail, global networking and enables the Corps' command and control missions, programs and business processes while maintaining a secure and cost-conscientious culture.

Jan. 26: Bldg 600, Wheeler Army Airfield ribbon cutting ceremony. HED renovated the Directorate of Information Management's building while preserving its historical significance.



Jan. 6: USACE Civil Engineer Edwin Yago (right) helps break ground for the new Life Skills Clinic on Hickam AFB.



Jan. 9: U.S. Delegate to American Samoa, Eni Faleomavaega (right), visits HED to receive updates on USACE projects in his congressional district such as Aunuu Small Boat Harbor, Leloaloa Shoreline Protection, Pago Pago Airport, Tau Small Boat Harbor and Tutuila Harbor. He is joined by (left) Mr. Gene Ban, POD SES and Lt. Col. David Press.

February



Feb. 6: Design Branch hosts its annual garage sale to raise money for various morale-building events.



Feb. 7: Single military members move into the newly renovated bachelor quarters in Kwajalein. The \$1.8 million project improves the quality of life for Soldiers.



Feb. 9: HED prepares for the launch of P2 with a three-day "P2 Boot Camp--A Manager and Executive Overview". This new state-of-the-art information management system replaces PROMIS and allows USACE employees to use one automated tool, eliminating redundant systems.

■ Feb. 13: HED's Real Estate Division (RE) supports its Air Force customer by successfully removing numerous encumbrances from Hawaii Land Court property on Hickam AFB, clearing the way for the Air Force to execute a 50-year, multi-billion dollar contract with Actus Lend Lease to privatize base housing.

■ Feb. 27: KD Construction completes the Gate Alignment Project between Schofield Barracks and Wheeler AAF for \$2.8 million.



Feb. 21: HED employees volunteer to assist with the Oahu "Mathcounts" competition which builds high school students' math skills and sharpens their analytical abilities.

March 11: Contract for Kuntz Gate and Road renovation on Hickam AFB awarded for \$3.3 million. Utilizing the MATOC, the initial task order was issued in support of the C-17 Beddown Program.

March 15: Brig. Gen. Larry Davis hosts a joint POD/POH Town Hall meeting.

■ March 17: P2 is launched, allowing project delivery teams and managers the ability to make strategic decisions through the use of a wide variety of reports and management tools.

March 23: Feasibility Cost Sharing Agreement executed between the County of Hawaii and USACE concerning Waiakea Stream. This milestone provides the basis of moving into the feasibility project stage.

March 30: HED Base Development Team (BDT) converts to an Infrastructure Assessment Team (IAT) to support POD. The IAT is an information sharing organization allowing military members to reach back for technical expertise.

March 31: HED's Resource Management Office develops SOPs that cover regionalization of: the Army suggestion program, mission organization, supervision and administration reporting and direct funds - funding authorization document processing.



March 2: HED's Civil Works Technical Branch coordinates the dredging of Honolulu Harbor with the U.S. Navy and Hawaii Dept. of Transportation. HED and POD employees are treated to a tour of Portland District's dredge Essayons.



March 25: Command Sgt. Maj. Franklin Ashe (left) and Maj. Gen. Eric T. Olson case the 25th Infantry Division (Light) colors to prepare for the division headquarters deployment to Afghanistan. U.S. Army Photo by Michelle Cain.





March 12: Sam Song, deputy chief, Engineering and Construction, is presented the "Secretary of the Army Award for Outstanding Achievement in EEO." Left to right, Acting Secretary of the Army, Les Brownlee, Sam Song and then Vice Chief of Staff, Army, Gen. George Casey.

March 27: Lt. Col. David C. Press (right) deploys to Iraq to serve a threemonth tour as Director, Restore Iraqi Electricity Directorate. In his absence, Maj. Adrienne Eckstein served as Acting Commander.

March

April



April 1: Project Manager, DoD Branch, Brad Scully, leaves Baghdad for Basrah to work with various agencies to ensure Iraq's citizens have plenty of fresh water.

April 1-2: ISO auditors find zero non-conformities in the District during the ISO 9001-2000 audit.

April 5: Bldg. 503A Barracks renovation, Fort Shafter, is complete.

April 12: Logistics Management (LM) team deploys the Containerized Tactical Operation Center (CTOC-02) equipment (over 2,000 pounds) from Honolulu to Guam in support of Typhoon Sudal.

April 12: Rolando Castillo of LM supports the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) to deploy USACE employees to Yap.

April 13: HED celebrates its 99th birthday. Every year HED employees honor the District's beginning and its first District Engineer, 1st Lt. John Slattery.

April 14: The 9th Annual Corps of Engineers Workshop is held in Waikiki.

April 19-30: HED's Resource Management Office sponsors HQDA Resource Management Budget course. Twenty-eight employees from Hawaii, Korea, Japan and Alaska attended.





April 12: Typhoon Sudal hits Guam and Yap in Micronesia. USACE deploys 20 members and the Containerized Tactical Operations Center (CTOC-2) with satellite communications equipment which is crucial to FEMA's operations. USACE also assisted with GIS mapping, generator assessment/installation, technical assistance and development of the debris management plan for Yap.



April 24: Volunteers from HED and other agencies celebrate Earth Day at Kapi'olani Park. Festivities began with a scavenger hunt, displays, live entertainment, trolley tours of the Ala Wai watershed, alien algae removal, catfish round-up and picnics.

April 30: The new cold storage facility in Kwajalein Atoll is completed at a cost of \$10 million. The contract also called for repair of three water tanks. 

■ May 1: Capt. Reyn Landreth deploys for a three-month TDY to the Phillipines to provide engineer support for the Joint Special Operations Task Force-Philippines.

■ May 2: IM begins converting workstations from Microsoft Windows 2000 to Windows XP.

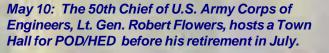
May 10-15: HED hosts Engineer Week.

■ May 17: The Special Emphasis Programs Committee sends Hawaiian coffee and assorted items to USACE employees deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan.

May 27: EEO hosts an Asian Pacific American Heritage Celebration.

■ May 31: Completed Whole Barracks Renewal Phase 4A, Schofield Barracks, Design-Build, \$48.3 million.

HED completes the repair of four floodcontrol projects on the Island of Hawaii: Alenaio, Wailoa, Waiakea Uka and Pa'auau.





May 11: Employees share their favorite ethnic dishes at the multi-culture cookoff. The Special Emphasis Committee (SEPC) hosts the annual event to promote diversity awareness.



May 18: The Safety and Occupational Health Office kicks off the 10th Annual Safety Day with a fun walk/run.

June



June 7: Ribbon cutting ceremony for the \$5.7 million renovation to convert Fort Shafter's Bldg. 503 (Favreau Hall) from double to single-person occupancy. (L to R) then U.S. Army Pacific Commander, Lt. Gen. James L. Campbell; Cpl. Favreau's niece, Patricia Martin; Deputy District Engineer for PPM, Ray H. Jyo; and First Sgt. John Fleming, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, USARPAC; cut the ribbon to officially open Favreau Hall.

June 3: Completion of Phase 4A (quad F) of the Whole Barracks Renewal Program, Schofield Barracks by Nan. Inc.

■ June 4: Real Estate Division (RE) executes the real estate transfer of documents that officially privatizes the Schofield Barracks Waste Water Treatment Plant for the next 50 years.

■ June 4: Engineering and Construction Division's Scott Mochizuki is nominated for the R.B. Maynor Memorial Quality Assurance Evaluation Award for his services on the Historic Schofield Barracks Health Clinic Campus project valued at \$21 million.

■ June 7: SBTC #5 Record of Decision is signed by the USARPAC Commander. HED successfully completed the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

■ June 8: Three members of HED and an HED Project Delivery Team are among the nominees in the 48th Annual Excellence in Federal Government Awards luncheon.

June 8: HED completes the Tern Island Shore Protection Project.

■ June 18: Aloha Boxes with Hawaiian items arrive in Iraq to boost the morale of Corps employees.

June 28: Monica Kaji right, is named USACE Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (SADBU) Specialist of the Year.



■ June 21: "Upward Bound" students arrive for work. HED employees served as mentors to six students participating in the Leeward Community College program for exceptional high school students.

■ June 22: Rep. Neil Abercrombie's assistant, Maj. Gen. Eugene Imai, U.S. Army, retired, visits HED and is briefed on Civil Works and military projects.

■ June 24: Derek Chow co-hosts a press conference with Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) concerning the proposed Ala Wai flood prevention and ecosystem restoration project.

■ June 25: MATOC-03 task order is awarded to Kiewit Pacific for the construction of C-17 Flight Simulator, Consolidated Maintenance Complex and utility support in the amount of \$28 million.



June 25: HED employees gather for Org. Day at Ala Moana Park in Waikiki.



July 12-13: CTOC-2 Training. USACE's CTOC -2 plays a vital role in communication during natural disasters and other emergency situations.



July 16: Lt. Col. David E. Anderson addresses approximately 200 guests at the Change of Command ceremony. Lt. Col. Anderson arrives from Washington D.C. where he served as the Army's liaison officer to the House and Senate Armed Services Committees on all matters related to military construction, installation support, real estate and housing privatization.



July 16: Honolulu District hosts a Change of Command ceremony at Palm Circle Parade Field, Fort Shafter, Hawaii. From left to right: former HED Commander and DE Lt. Col. David C. Press; Pacific Ocean Commanding General, Brig. Gen. Larry Davis and HED's new Commander and DE, Lt. Col. David E. Anderson.

- July 1: HED completes the Child Development Center expansion project on Aliamanu Military Reservation (AMR).
 July 4: Schofield Barracks' Richardson Pool renovation is complete in time for the holiday.
- July 9: Kaumalapau Harbor contract awarded, \$7 million.
- July 14: The secondary electrical system at AMR is replaced.



July 23: Upward Bound Program participants thank HED members for serving as mentors.

"Building a foundation for democracy and stability"



Brad Scully (right) and an armed security guard inspect the Khor Az Zubai-Nasiriyah water treatment plant.



Capt. Richard McPhillips returns to HED after serving in Iraq and the Philippines.

Welcome Back: <u>From Iraq</u>: Brad Scully, Capt. Rich McPhillips and Lt. Col. David Press <u>From Afghanistan</u>: Bernie Rall <u>From the Philippines</u>: Capt. Reyn Landreth and Capt. Rich McPhillips <u>From Honduras</u>: Capt. Ina Lee

HED sends its best wishes to those currently deployed: <u>To Iraq:</u> Dennis Chung, Ignacio (Ike) Borja and Capt. Steve Rhudy <u>To Afghanistan</u>: Wayne Birgado and Bobby Dickerson



USACE members serving in Iraq receive a bit of Aloha from HED/ POD employees.



Lt. Col. David Press at the Mullah Abdullah Power Plant in Northern Iraq.

Thanks to all who volunteered their time and talents to help build a foundation for democracy and stability. USACE Gulf Region Division (GRD) and the Afghanistan Engineer District (AED) are helping the war on terrorism by providing engineer and technical support, providing temporary base camps for over 100,000 Soldiers as well as repairing the damaged infrastructures, providing educational assistance and destroying captured enemy ammunition.

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