



EBC Leadership Webinar
Update from the U.S. Army Corps New England District Leadership
Hot Issues & Ongoing Challenges

Tuesday, May 12, 2020

AGENDA

- 9:00 a.m. **Welcome:** Daniel Moon, President and Executive Director, EBC
- Program Overview and What You Will Learn**
- Christopher Barron, COL. (RET) USA., Program Chair & Moderator
Senior Consultant, GEI Consultants, Inc.
- 9:15 a.m. **Operational Overview of District Office**
- Scott Acone, P.E., Deputy District Engineer
Programs & Project Management
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District
- 9:45 a.m. **Environmental (HTRW) Program**
- Gary Morin, P.E., Chief
Environmental Project Management Branch
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District
- 10:15 a.m. **Break**
- 10:30 a.m. **Regulatory Program**
- Tammy Turley, Chief, Regulatory Division
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District
- 11:00 a.m. **Planning Program**
- John Kennelly, Chief, Planning Division
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District
- 11:30 a.m. **Final Questions for the Speakers**
- Moderator:** Chris Barron, GEI Consultants, Inc.
- 12:00 p.m. **Adjourn**

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Scott E. Acone, P.E., PMP, Deputy District Engineer for Programs & Project Management
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Mr. Scott Acone joined the Corps of Engineers as an Engineer Intern with the New England District in 1988. Upon completion of the intern program, he worked in the Water Control Branch as a hydraulic engineer. In addition to performing hydrologic and hydraulic analyses for planning and design, Mr. Acone managed the District's Periodic Inspection Program for the dams and hurricane barriers. He became the District's ice engineering expert, responding to numerous ice jam events during the 1990's.

In 1999, Mr. Acone moved from Engineering to Project Management as a project manager, eventually becoming the Chief of the Military and Environmental Project Management Branch in 2010. During his time as a Project Manager, several of his projects received significant awards, including the Eastland Woolen Mill Superfund Site, which was awarded both the National Honor Award for Engineering Excellence from the American Council of Engineering Companies in 2003 and the 2004 Build America Award for Environmental Remediation from the Associated General Contractors of America.

Other significant projects that Mr. Acone has been involved with include: the Elizabeth Mine Superfund Site in Vermont; the Central Artery and Tunnel Stem to Stern Safety Review of the Big Dig Project; and the Nacala Dam, where he provided engineering oversight and review to the MillenniumChallenge Corporation for a rehabilitation and raising of an earthen dam in Mozambique, Africa to provide additional clean drinking water to the region.

Mr. Acone was the Chief of Engineering and Planning Division from 2013 through the summer of 2016, where he led 140 technical and administrative professionals in the planning and design of water resources, environmental, and military projects across New England. Mr. Acone currently serves as the Chief of Programs and Project Management Division, leading the execution of about \$250M annually in projects across the Corps' business lines. He is a registered Professional Engineer in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and a Project Management Professional. He is a graduate of the North Atlantic Division, Executive Leadership Development Program (ELDP). Mr. Acone has received numerous awards, including the Joint Civilian Service Achievement Award, Superior Civilian Service Award, and has been recognized by other agencies with awards for excellence.

Mr. Acone is a member of the NAD Regional Management Board, the Corps of Engineers Urban Search and Rescue Program, and of the Society of American Military Engineers.

MODERATOR

COL (Ret) Christopher Barron, Senior Consultant
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Retired Colonel Christopher Barron served 26 years in the United States Army as an engineer officer, culminating with his final assignment as the Commander of the New England District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, with responsibility for Civil Works, Environmental Remediation, Military Construction and Regulatory processes for the six New England states. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Physics from Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology, a Masters in Military Operations, and was a Visiting Defense Fellow at Queens University in Canada. Previous assignments in the Army included

Command, Director and Staff positions, and his overseas experience include combat, reconstruction, humanitarian assistance and peacekeeping missions in Somalia, Haiti, Macedonia, Bosnia, Iraq and Afghanistan.

He now divides his time between training senior engineer leaders at the Army's Joint Readiness Training Center, and helping GEI provide key services in the federal market.

SPEAKERS

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John R. Kennelly joined the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in New England in 1979 on a part-time basis while attending college. He has spent his entire career within the Planning office in a variety of progressively more responsible positions and currently serves as the Branch Chief.

A 1980 graduate of the University of Lowell, Mr. Kennelly holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering.

Gary Morin, P.E., Chief

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Mr. Gary Morin is the Chief of the Environmental Project Management Branch of the Programs/Project Management Division. His responsibilities include leading the District's efforts on all Environmental programs including the Base Realignment and Closure Program, Formerly Used Sites Remedial Action Program, Formerly Used Defense Sites, and the EPA Superfund Program. Mr. Morin directs a diverse group of Project Managers who manage the individual projects within each program.

Mr. Morin began his career with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in 1989 as an Engineering Intern and subsequently worked as a Project Manager leading multi-disciplined teams for numerous complex environmental remediation projects on both Emergency and Remedial Actions under the EPA Superfund Program. He also deployed in response to several natural disasters including Hurricanes Bob and Andrew.

In 2001, Mr. Morin assumed the role of Construction Project Engineer at the Fort Devens Resident Office and was responsible for contract administration and construction management of several concurrent military environmental restoration projects. He subsequently was a Project Manager for five years managing projects in support of the EPA Superfund Program including managing the District's efforts on one of the most complex Superfund projects in the region. Mr. Morin then was named Program Manager where he was responsible for the overall leadership, management, coordination and integration of District activities and technical functions on the Formerly Used Defense Sites environmental restoration program.

Mr. Morin is a 1989 graduate from the University of New Hampshire where he earned his B.S. in Civil Engineering. He is also a registered Professional Engineer in the state of New Hampshire.

Tammy Turley, Chief

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In 1998, Ms. Turley began her Corps of Engineers career in the Huntington District Regulatory Program with responsibilities in Ohio, West Virginia and Eastern Kentucky. As a Project Manager she evaluated controversial and complex energy, transportation and mitigation projects. She also served as Chief, Regulatory Division for the Nashville District from 2012-2019. In this position, she administered the Clean Water Act Section 404 and Rivers and Harbors Act Section 10 Regulatory Program throughout the Nashville District Regulatory boundaries (portions of KY, TN, AL, MS and VA).

Ms. Turley temporarily served as the Acting Chief of the Regulatory Program, HQ U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, administering and enforcing the USACE Regulatory Program (Dec 2018 - June 2019) and led the development of Regulatory Program regulations, policies and guidance including a diverse number of enterprise and Administration initiatives in close collaboration with other functional program offices and agencies.

Ms. Turley currently serves as Chief, Regulatory Division for the New England District. In this position, she administers the Regulatory Program throughout the six New England states (Clean Water Act Section 404; Rivers and Harbors Act Section 10; and Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act Section 103). Ms. Turley provides programmatic oversight to the division regarding policy and regulatory challenges to ensure compliance with environmental statutes, regulation and policy. She currently oversees a staff of 45, including the main regulatory office in Concord, MA and field offices in Maine and Vermont. She also serves as a PROSPECT Instructor presenting NEPA, Scope of Analysis and Cumulative Effects Analysis in the Regulatory Program, and teaches Watershed Concept/Cumulative Effects in the Water in the Watershed PROSPECT Class sponsored by the Hydrologic Engineering Center in Davis, California.

Ms. Turley received a B.S. and M.S. in Environmental Biology from Marshall University in Huntington, West Virginia.

UPCOMING EBC PROGRAMS

MAY 2020

May 13: Ocean & Coastal Resources Webinar – Drones - More than Photo Documentation

May 18: Water Resources Committee Virtual Program Planning Meeting

May 19: Dam Management Program – Dam Dewatering

May 20: Climate Leadership Webinar – MA Climate Programs & Priorities for 2020 – EEA David Ismay

May 22: Climate Change Webinar Series – City of Boston 2019 Climate Action Plan

May 27: Ocean and Coastal Webinar – Flood Insurance and Resilience

May 27: Leadership Webinar – EFCG Special Briefing – Impacts of COVID-19 on Environmental Firms

May 29: Solid Waste Webinar – Impact of COVID-19 on the Solid Waste Industry in New England

JUNE 2020

June 1: New Hampshire Chapter Virtual Program Planning Meeting

June 5: Building Resilience – COVID-19 and Climate Change

June 8: Energy Resources Committee Virtual Program Planning Meeting

June 8: Dam Management Committee Virtual Program Planning Meeting