



U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS

® Major General Robert F. Whittle, Jr. Commander and Division Engineer Great Lakes and Ohio River Division



Major General Robert F. Whittle, Jr. assumed command of the Great Lakes and Ohio River Division (LRD), U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), July 12, 2019.

Whittle serves as the senior military officer in the division, headquartered in Cincinnati, Ohio, responsible for delivering engineering and water resource solutions for the Great Lakes and Ohio River region, which covers 335,000-square miles and encompassing portions of seventeen states. The division's civil works mission provides planning, construction, and operation of navigation structures and flood damage reduction, hydropower, environmental restoration, water management, recreation, and disaster response. Also, LRD executes military construction in Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana, Illinois and Michigan with design and construction of barracks, hospitals, airfields and family housing on military installations. LRD's seven districts are in Chicago, Detroit, Buffalo, Huntington (West Virginia), Louisville, Nashville, and Pittsburgh.

Before coming to LRD, Whittle served as the 97th Commandant of the U.S. Army Engineer School in Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri.

Other previous assignments include Platoon Leader and Executive Officer in the 40th Engineer Battalion, Baumholder, Germany. Company Commander in the 2nd Engineer Battalion, Camp Castle, Korea. Project Manager in the Philadelphia District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Deputy Chief of the Joint Visitors Bureau, Task Force Eagle, 1st Cavalry Division, Bosnia. Executive Officer to the Commanding General of the North Atlantic Division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. G3 Plans Officer in the 1st Infantry Division, during Operation Iraqi Freedom II. Battalion S3 of the 9th Engineer Battalion during Operation Iraqi Freedom II. Executive Officer of the 9th Engineer Battalion, Schweinfurt, Germany. Commander of Task Force Guardian, Schweinfurt, Germany. Battalion Commander of the 1st Engineer Battalion, Fort Riley, Kansas; deployed and commanded the 1st Engineer Battalion as part of Operation Iraqi Freedom 09-10. Action Officer and Division Chief, Strategic Plans, and Policy Directorate (J-5), Joint Chiefs of Staff. Commander of 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Cavalry Division, at Fort Hood, TX; deployed and commanded the 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Cavalry Division in Afghanistan as part of Operation Enduring Freedom. Executive Officer to the Commander of Operation Resolute Support in Afghanistan. Deputy Commander for the 1st Cavalry Division, at Fort Hood, TX.

Whittle, a native of Mystic, Connecticut, holds a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from the United States Military Academy, a Master of Science in Environmental Engineering from the University of Texas at Austin, a Master of Military Arts and Science from the School of Advanced Military Studies, and a Master of Strategic Studies from the Marine War College. He is a licensed Professional Engineer in the State of Virginia.

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