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"Global response in the 21st Century" - 2005 Corps of Engineers Workshop

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HONOLULU - April 22, 2005 – (NR-08-05): Over 220 people attended the 10th annual Corps of Engineers Workshop April 19, 2005 at the Hale Koa Hotel.

The workshop provided architects, engineers, contractors and others with the latest information on the District's project workload, technical information and administrative procedures that affect how the industry does business with the Corps.

After opening remarks by Glen Lau, president of the American Council of Engineering Companies of Hawaii, James Bersson, chief of the Honolulu District's Engineering and Construction Division, told the audience about projected future work and how work comes to the Corps.

The theme of the workshop was, "Global response in the 21st Century." The Department of Defense's number one goal is winning the Global War on Terrorism.

The luncheon speaker was Lt. Col. David E. Anderson, Honolulu District Engineer and Commander. His presentation was, "Keeping Pace with a Changing World."

In his presentation, Anderson highlighted how Corps and industry partners have a key role in the Global War on Terror, detailed how the Army is transforming from a division-centric to a brigade-centric organization and what effect transformation will have on installation military construction.

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"This is not a time when we are doing business as usual. We are a nation at war, and everyone with whom we do business has an important role to play in winning that war. I thank the employees of the Honolulu District and our industry partners. It is important that we work together, now more than ever," Anderson said.

The information presented during the workshop allowed participants to better understand contracting methods and procedures, to be aware of new standards and codes affecting military projects and to learn about design, construction and legal implications of working with the Honolulu Engineer District (HED).

It was an opportunity for industry reps to discuss issues with Corps' employees in the spirit of partnership.

"I really enjoyed the workshop and I learned a lot about filling out Form 330 for Architect-Engineer Qualification," said Julie Chen, marketing coordinator for SSFM International. "I liked the way that Duane Arakawa explained the process. I plan to come back next year."

There was a wide variety of breakout sessions covering everything from HED's Contracting Methodology to Construction Quality Management. Corps functional area specialists participated and there was ample time for questions and answers.

The sessions presented by HED staff included:

- **Honolulu District's Contracting Methodology** - Kent Tamai and Monica Kaji
- **Design Quality Management** - Erick Kozuma and James Tamura
- **Customer Feedback Panel** - in which Olson Okada led a panel discussion with Col. Floyd Quintana, outgoing Director of the U.S. Army Hawaii's Directorate of Public Works; Don Ritenour, outgoing Chief of the Engineering Division of HQ U.S. Air Force Pacific; Martin Okabe, Hawaii State Highways Division and Eric Hirano, chief engineer of the Hawaii Dept. of Land and Natural Resources
- **Legal Aspects of Construction Claims** - Richard Totten
- **Mold / Mildew – Humidity Control is Key** - Erick Kozuma and Lori Arakawa
- **Construction Quality Management Updates** - Allyn Tabata and Kevin Araki
- **Form 330 for A-E Qualifications – One Year Later** - Duane Arakawa

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- **SPIRiT & LEED A Comparison of Projects** - David Bylund and Emile Alano
- **An Overview of the Corps Regulatory Program** - George Young and Alec Wong

The first annual HED Workshop was in 1996 at the Pagoda Hotel with the Consulting Engineers Council of Hawaii. Since then, they have changed their name to the American Council of Engineering Companies of Hawaii. In 1998 the workshop expanded to include the American Institute of Architects. In 2000, it again expanded to include the General Contractors Association, the Building Industry Association and the Associated Builders and Contractors Association.

In 1999, due to the increasing number of participants, the site was changed to the Hale Koa Hotel where it has been held ever since.

This year's workshop was managed by the American Council of Engineering Companies of Hawaii in conjunction with HED.