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2007 Corps of Engineers Workshop Enhances “Seamless Partnerships”

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(HONOLULU - NR-15-07) More than 200 local architects, engineers, construction contractors and others in related fields attended the 12th Annual U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Workshop April 11 at the Hale Koa Hotel.

The workshop provided local design and construction representatives the latest information on the Honolulu District’s project workload, technical information and administrative procedures that affect how the industry does business with the Corps.

This year’s workshop theme was, “Evolution of Transformation - Achieving Seamless Partnerships.”

As the Army is in the midst of a historic force reconstruction while continuing to support the Department of Defense’s number one goal of winning the Global War on Terror, the Corps continues to make transitions with the Army.

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2-2-2 2007 COE WORKSHOP

Information presented during the 2007 workshop allowed participants to better understand contracting methods and procedures, to be aware of new standards and codes affecting military projects, to learn about design, construction and legal implications of working with the Honolulu Engineer District (HED).

After welcoming remarks by Jon Nishimura, P.E., President-Elect, American Council of Engineering Companies of Hawaii, Honolulu District's Todd Barnes, chief, Engineering & Construction introduced James Bersson, Honolulu District deputy district engineer for Programs & Project Management.

Bersson's presentation focused on projected future construction work and how construction work comes to the Corps.

The luncheon speaker was Honolulu District Commander Lt. Col. Charles H. Klinge, whose spoke about the Workshop theme "Evolution of Transformation - Achieving Seamless Partnerships."

In his presentation Klinge highlighted how Corps and industry partners have a key role in supporting the Global War on Terror and reviewed the district's mission throughout the Pacific Region.

"Army transformation and the Global War on Terror are significant factors on military construction in Hawaii and throughout the Pacific region," Klinge said. "Your partnerships and construction efforts with the Corps make a huge difference in the effectiveness of our Soldiers abilities to train and fight."

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3-3-3 2007 COE WORKSHOP

The workshop and breakout sessions also provided opportunity for industry partners from the American Institute of Architects (Honolulu Chapter), American Council of Engineering Companies of Hawaii, General Contractors Association of Hawaii, Building Industry Association of Hawaii and the Associated Builders & Contractors of Hawaii to discuss issues one-on-one with Corps' employees in the spirit of partnership.

Corps functional area specialists made presentations during a wide variety of breakout sessions, covering everything from Honolulu District's Construction Quality Management to Military Construction Transformation.

Breakout sessions presented by Honolulu District staff included:

- MILCON Transformation Lessons Learned - Andrew Kohashi
- How to Prepare a Winning Proposal - David Kam & Duane Arakawa
- Construction Quality Control on Design Build contracts - Timothy Phillips
- Design and Construction Quality Issues and POH Initiatives - Erick Kozuma
- Fire Life Safety - Michael Yatsushiro
- BIM and Other Electronic Deliverables - Deborah Solis
- Safety - Jeff Cochran & Eric Bjorken
- LEED – How to Achieve Silver rating - Architects Hawaii
- Public Key Infrastructure (PKI) Certificate - Glenn Higuchi & Dennis Tanaka
(Naval Facilities Engineering Command)

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4-4-4 2007 COE WORKSHOP

The first annual Honolulu District 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 workshop site was changed to the Hale Koa Hotel, where it has been held ever since.

This year's workshop was co-sponsored by the American Council of Engineering Companies of Hawaii (ACECH), American Institute of Architects, Honolulu Chapter (AIA), General Contractors Association of Hawaii (GCA), Building Industry Association of Hawaii (BIA), Associated Builders and Contractors of Hawaii (ABC) in conjunction with Honolulu District.

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