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## **Holland becomes ERDC director and director of R&D, chief scientist for the Corps**

Dr. Jeffery P. Holland became the director of the U.S. Army Engineer Research and Development Center (ERDC) and the director of research and development (R&D) and chief scientist for the Army Corps of Engineers on Jan. 1.

As ERDC director, Holland will manage one of the most diverse research organizations in the world, with seven laboratories located in four states and more than 2,500 employees, \$1.2 billion in facilities and an annual program exceeding \$1.5 billion. He will be located at the center's headquarters in Vicksburg, Miss.

As R&D director and chief scientist for the Corps, he will develop policy, set direction and provide oversight for all Corps research efforts. He will also advise the commanding general of the Corps, Lt. Gen. Robert Van Antwerp, on matters of science and technology and will set conditions for success in all research programs conducted in the Corps.

Holland, a Bowling Green, Ky. native, has a bachelor's in environmental engineering from Western Kentucky University, a master's in environmental and water resources engineering from Vanderbilt University and a doctorate in civil engineering from Colorado State University. He began his ERDC career in 1979 in the Hydraulics Laboratory, now known as the Coastal and Hydraulics Laboratory (CHL), and has held a myriad of leadership positions within the organization including director of ITL and technical director for Hydro Environmental Modeling and Simulation in CHL. He held

the position of ERDC deputy director from November 2006 until accepting his new director position.

Throughout his career, Holland has been the recipient of multiple awards and honors, including the SES Meritorious Presidential Rank Award, the Army Research and Development Achievement Award, the Army Bronze Order of de Fleury Medal and the Federal Laboratory Consortium Award for Excellence in Technology Transfer. He has authored or co-authored more than 100 publications.