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Afghanistan Engineer District-South recognizes Ken Bright

KANDAHAR AIRFIELD, Afghanistan— Recognizing employees for excellent work and contributions to the mission is the reason Air Force Col. Benjamin Wham, commander of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Afghanistan Engineer District-South, instituted the “Bulldog of the Week” program.

“Selecting a mascot to represent Afghanistan Engineer District-South meant identifying the attributes of our team members that make our district a great place to work,” said Col. Wham. “The bulldog naturally comes to mind as it is loyal, friendly, determined, and resilient. The bulldog has been a symbol of courage and strength for many years and the AED-South team is comprised of many such men and women.”

Ken Bright was select for the week of Aug. 21 through 27, because in just three weeks as Water and Infrastructure Branch chief, he quickly became involved with several projects to be awarded using money from the Afghanistan Infrastructure Fund and the Commander’s Emergency Response Program. He helped secure the necessary funding to make contract awards before fiscal yearend to meet U.S. commitments to improve infrastructure for the Afghan people. Mr. Bright revised project management plans and reworked acquisition strategies that will enable several large power projects to be contractually awarded quickly. His efforts were critical to insuring that these projects stayed on schedule for contract award this fiscal year.

“We are proud of our district and proud of the work our team accomplishes every day,” said Wham. “I salute our Bulldog of the Week.”



Ken Bright, deployed to the Afghanistan Engineer District-South at Kandahar Airfield from USACE’s Memphis District is the Bulldog of the Week for Aug. 21-27. (USACE Photo/Karla Marshall)

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USACE’s Afghanistan Engineer District-South provides design and construction services throughout southern Afghanistan to support the International Security Assistance Force and U.S. Forces-Afghanistan. The work is carried out in Regional Commands South, Southwest and West with the goal of achieving counterinsurgency effects and bolstering the Afghan Government’s services to its people.

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