

**BRIAN WILSON** recently joined the Headquarters team serving as the new National Program Manager for Environmental Compliance, Energy and Sustainability in the Natural Resources Branch of the Operations and Regulatory Division. Brian is responsible for overseeing and executing the Corps' Environmental Compliance and Sustainability Programs, including business line and budget management for the Sustainability program in coordination with the MSCs and Districts; national policy review and updates; strategic planning; developing and delivering training.



Here is some biographical information to help everyone get to know Brian.

**Corps Work History:** I began my Corps career in 2008 working as a Regulatory Project Manager with the Portland District, Eugene Field Office. In 2010 I was selected for Leadership Development Program and upon completion, I transitioned to Operations as the Environmental Compliance Coordinator for the Willamette Valley Projects. In 2015 I participated in the Career Assignment Program (CAP) with HQUSACE working for Operations and Military Programs learning higher headquarters process. After returning from D.C., I accepted a position with Seattle District as the District Program Manager for Environmental Compliance and Sustainability developing programs, conducting assessments and delivering spill response training. In 2017 I was deployed to Puerto Rico as a Zone Engineer overseeing and supervising a Debris team operating across the island. Then in 2020, I was selected to serve again at HQUSACE on detail as the National Program Manager overseeing 2808 Border Wall NEPA compliance, followed by an 18-month deployment to the Middle East working for Transatlantic Division and Army Central Command serving as the Chief of Environmental Branch with Task Force Essayons. I was fortunate enough to travel throughout Iraq, Syria, Kuwait and Qatar executing the environmental compliance program, supervising a team of CORs and ECCs while delivering training to combatant commands and developing program management plans. I also serve as an accredited Field Force Engineering Instructor for the Environmental Support Team (EnvST), am a Certified Environmental Specialist, as well as a HazMat and Spill Response Instructor.

**Major Projects Involved In:** As I settle into my new role with HQ, I find myself engaged on several different initiatives and projects delivering a broad spectrum of programs for Civil Works. Some of the major projects I'm involved with and support include updates to the Corps' Sustainability Plan and implementing guidance, reviewing new goals and requirements set forth in Executive Orders, managing the Electric Vehicle and charging station initiatives, acting as the PFAS Program Manager for Civil Works, facilitating the Environmental Review Guide for Operations (ERGO) program, and tracking all Civil Works facility energy data. In addition, I provide guidance and training for the field on environmental compliance and sustainability programs working with a team of highly dedicated professionals to ensure sound and accurate information is clear and concise for execution.

**Time Consuming Tasks at HQ:** My days typically start early in the morning on meetings with various stakeholders and coordinating with teammates from HNC, ERDC, and the HQ Sustainability team working updates and initiatives following release of the new Executive Order pertaining to sustainability and climate change resilience. We spend hours discussing and updating the Corps Leading Metrics tracking Greenhouse Gas Emissions, fuel and water consumption, NTV fleet, and solid waste diversion across all CW facilities. We're also in the

process of updating the Corps Sustainability Plan and OPORD as well as reviewing implementing instructions from OMB and CEQ. We just finalized the FY22 budget tracking and execution to include validating associated work package lists, preparing for the FY23 and FY24 budget builds and kicked off the Administration's aggressive goals for Electric Vehicles and charging infrastructure. In addition, I also work with the EM-CX folks and the NRM CoP on the ERGO program and training requirements, updates to policy and ensuring internal control programs are executed. If all this wasn't enough, I also provide support to the Field Force Engineering program providing expertise to deployed forces on environmental compliance and sustainability for Combatant Commands, Big Army and the COCOMS sharing my own deployed experience and lessons learned.

**Hobbies and Interests:** I'm a dedicated outdoorsman who loves hunting, camping, and hiking, but also traveling and spending time with family and friends, more so now after getting back from deployment. My wife and I have four grown children and one grandson, who of course is our favorite. I am truly grateful to be part of the USACE team and working in a field I thoroughly enjoy.