
Engineering Bulletin Board

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Career Changes and Enhancements, January to June 2004

Geospatial Services and Technology Center (GSTC)—January retirements included Secondary Base Unit Leader **Don Olsen**, Program Coordination Analyst **Barbara Larsen**, and Civil Engineer **Paul Simmons** from the Advanced Systems Center from Reston, VA. **Reed Wheeler**, a GIS analyst, received a temporary promotion to Digital Production Unit Leader in the Digital Mapping Group, not to exceed 1 year. **Janice Whitehouse**, GSTC Secretary, became a purchasing agent for the GSTC Contracting Unit. **Trevor Lewis**, a Student Temporary Employment Program supply technician, was promoted. **Brittany Rhodes** is now a computer assistant in the IRM unit under the Student Temporary Employment Program.

Remote Sensing Applications Center (RSAC)—**Jule Caylor**, the inventory, analysis, and accuracy assessment program leader, retired in January after more than 33 years with the USDA Forest Service. **Karen Owens**, formerly with Red Castle Resources, joined RSAC as the assistant program leader for the training and technology awareness program and the national geospatial applications helpdesk manager. **Ken Brewer**, who was a remote sensing specialist with the regional engineering geospatial group in Missoula, MT, and the 2002 Engineering Applications Employee of the Year, was selected as the new Inventory Analysis and Accuracy Assessment Program Leader for RSAC.

Missoula Technology and Development (MTDC)—Two MTDC employees served summer details. **Maggie Pittman**, support program leader, is the acting Missoula District Ranger on the Lolo National Forest for 4 months. She will return to MTDC at the end of September. **Andy Trent**, a mechanical engineer, spent a 4-week detail as an air quality specialist at the Northern Region regional office.

The MTDC Wildland Fire Chemical Systems group has two temporary physical science technicians helping with burning and lab tests from April through October. **Jeff Kennedy** previously worked as a hydrologic technician for the USDA Agricultural Research Service in Tombstone, AZ; **Lance Collister** owns Creative Resources International in Missoula, MT, a firm that provides product design, development, marketing, consulting, and project management services.

San Dimas Technology and Development Center (SDTDC)—Civil Engineer **Jim Bassel** and Forestry Technician **Cecil Stinson** retired in January. In April, **Rhonda Zamora**, formerly with the USDA Agricultural Research Service, succeeded **Jackie Meeker** as the business management assistant. **Ralph Taylor**, fire program leader, retired in April. **Greg Napper** was promoted to GS-12 civil engineer.

Washington Office (WO)—**Susan DeLost** was detailed to the Southern Region to help with geospatial activities in mid-February and was temporarily promoted to acting deputy regional engineer in early May. According to **Elizabeth McMullen**, who is temporarily acting for Regional Engineer **George Kulick**, Susan did an awesome job as acting deputy regional engineer. Susan returns to the Geospatial Applications staff in mid-July.

Spring was a busy season in WO Engineering. In March, **Ed James**, formerly a program budget coordinator for engineering and recreation in the Pacific Southwest Region, as well as the 2001 Managerial Engineer of the Year, joined the Capital Resources staff. Also in March, former budget coordinator **Wilbur Martinez** transferred to the Environmental Compliance and Protection staff. **Dorothy Dorville**, from the Missoula Technology and Development Center (MTDC) budget shop, served a short detail in Wilbur's position.

April brought **Kathy Kreyns** from the San Dimas Technology and Development Center to the WO to continue budget support. In the same month, **Deb Beighley** moved from the Capital Resources staff to the Ecosystem Management staff.

Tom Reynolds was on loan from the Army Corps of Engineers to handle asset management issues through early May. **Tom Moore** shouldered those responsibilities, shedding his Environmental Compliance and Protection Program duties. The Northern Region's Computer Specialist and Infra Coordinator **Janet Kekich** helped out the WO Infra staff for the first 2 weeks in May. **Beverly Thackary**, a systems management specialist in the Pacific Southwest Region, assisted the Infra staff for the entire month of June. At the end of May, more interagency cooperation came from the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, when John Harding was detailed to the Capital Resources staff to help hammer out a sound transportation policy. Administrative Director of Technology and Engineering Support **Gary Campbell** resumed his duties after a 4-month detail with the U.S. Department of Defense. **Dave Aicher**, MTDC's manager, handled Gary's responsibilities during his absence.

In the summer of 2004, two more detailees agreed to help out in the WO Engineering budget shop for 3 weeks each: **Alex Gavrisheff** from the Northern Region and **Jerry Mortenson** from the Southwestern Region. WO Engineering Deputy Director **Sam Morigeau** became the Eastern Region regional engineer. **Gary Campbell** was named as his successor.