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Areas of Expertise

Program and Project Management, Construction Management, Personnel Management, Contract Administration, and Leadership Development

Mr. Chad McLeod is the Director of the Air Force Negotiation Center, Maxwell AFB, AL, where he is responsible for the design, development, and delivery of AF-wide training in conflict management as a core leadership competency for all Airmen (officer, enlisted, and civilian). Under the umbrella of conflict management, Mr. McLeod and his staff teach dispute resolution, negotiations, and mediation as an enterprise-wide capability for the Air Force.

Prior to joining the AFNC, Mr. McLeod worked for twenty years as an Army Civilian with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. He started as an intern with the Jacksonville District and Mobile District. He then spent seven years as a Project Engineer (2005-2012) with Savannah District, assigned to Fort Benning, Georgia managing construction projects for the BRAC program. During his time at Fort Benning, he delivered six projects valued at over \$80 million, providing direct oversight and acting as the Contracting Officer's Representative and lead negotiator for all contract change orders.

In 2012-2014, he was assigned to Daegu South Korea as a Resident Engineer and was responsible for more than 25 MILCON, O&M, and Host Nation Funded projects valued at \$200 million. His area of responsibility covered the southeast quadrant of Korea including Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine Corps installations. He executed contract actions and provided oversight of a staff of Project Engineers and Construction Representatives. He executed contract actions as an Administrative Contracting Officer with final approval authority on negotiated actions and modifications up to \$500,000.

In 2014, Mr. McLeod relocated to Alabama, serving first as a Resident Engineer in the Anniston and Birmingham region and then the Area Engineer responsible for the southern half of Alabama through 2018. He managed a program placing more than \$200 million in construction per year. Mr. McLeod also developed tasked order scopes of work and negotiated their awards, valued up to \$15 million and served as an administrative contracting officer, responsible for negotiating and approving modifications on those contracts. As the Area Engineer, he managed the construction programs at Fort Rucker, Maxwell AFB, Anniston Army Depot, and the surrounding areas. His projects included a wide variety of complex and unique facilities in support of the U.S. military and other federal agencies.

Mr. McLeod then returned to Korea as the Chief of Construction (2018-2021) managing all construction projects on military bases throughout the Republic of Korea. He provided oversite of a \$7 billion construction program with projects administered by his 150-person staff and provided oversite for projects administered by the Korean Ministry of National Defense. He led multi-party negotiations for the U.S. government with U.S. military component stakeholders and Korean military contracting authorities.

Mr. McLeod served as the Chief of Programs and Project Management Division and Deputy District Engineer from 2021 to 2022. As the lead civilian in a 450-person organization, he was responsible for all district operations of the \$11 Billion 5-year program including project management, construction, engineering, resource management, and operations. Mr. McLeod navigated the district through the completion of the \$10.7 billion Yongsan Relocation Program. He represented the U.S. in high-level negotiations on program management implementation plans, supplemental to the US-Korea Special Measures Agreement.

Education

M.S. in Strategic Studies, Air War College	2023
M.S. in Building Science; Auburn University	2011
B.S. in Civil and Coastal Engineering, University of Florida	2003
Advanced Course, Army Management Staff College, Fort Leavenworth	2014
Licenses and Certifications (Abridged)	
License – Georgia Professional Engineer (Civil), PE033211	2008
Certification – Level II Contracting, \$500,000 Warrant	2013
Certification – Level III Facilities Management	2019
Certification – Project Management Professional, #2790408	2020