



Colonel Eric R. Swenson assumed command of the St. Paul District July 28, 2022, becoming the district's 67th commander and district engineer.

The St. Paul District employs around 700 professionals that work at more than 40 sites in five upper-Midwest states. The district serves the American public in the areas of navigation, flood risk management, environmental enhancement, water and wetlands regulation, recreation sites and disaster response.

Since February 2024, Colonel Swenson has served as USACE's Recovery Field Office Commander for the 2023 Hawai'i Wildfire Recovery Mission.

Previous assignments include Battalion Commander, 1-345 Brigade Engineer Battalion, Camp Atterbury, Indiana; Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematical Sciences, United States Military Academy, West Point, New York; Battalion Executive Officer, 54<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion, Bamberg, Germany; Assistant Operations Officer, 18<sup>th</sup> Engineer Brigade, forward deployed to Afghanistan; Brigade Engineer, 3<sup>rd</sup> Brigade Combat Team, 1<sup>st</sup> Armored Division, Fort Riley, Kansas; Commander, A Company, 70<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion, Fort Riley, Kansas; Assistant Operations Officer, 937<sup>th</sup> Engineer Group, Fort Riley, Kansas; and Company Executive Officer and Platoon Leader, 4<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion, Fort Carson, Colorado.

Colonel Swenson holds both a Doctor of Philosophy and Master of Science in Industrial Engineering and Operations Research from Penn State University; a Master of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College; a Master of Arts in Strategic Studies from the Army War College, and a Bachelor of Science in Systems Engineering from the United States Military Academy.

Colonel Swenson's military awards and decorations include the Bronze Star (3 Oak Leaf Clusters), Meritorious Service Medal (5 Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Commendation Medal (3 Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Achievement Medal (2 Oak Leaf Clusters), Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary and Service Medal, Armed Forces Service Medal, NATO Medal, Combat Action Badge, Army Parachutist Badge, and Bronze Order of the de Fleury Medal.