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## Judith L. A. DesHarnais

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Judith L.A. DesHarnais (Judy) was selected as the St. Paul District's deputy for Programs and Project Management, with a dual assignment as chief of Planning, Programs and Project Management Division, in March 2001.

DesHarnais first served with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers as a temporary employee in 1982, after graduating Cum Laude from Washington State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in civil and environmental engineering. In 1983, she left to spend more than two years as a Peace Corps volunteer, building schools in Benin, West Africa. She returned to the United States and the Army Corps of Engineers in 1985.

Within the St. Paul District, DesHarnais has served as project manager for the Devils Lake Project and chief of the architect engineering and hazardous toxic radiological waste section within the Engineering and Planning Division. She has been a structural engineer, project engineer, engineer manager, technical manager and study manager for projects throughout the district. From September 1999 through March 2001, she served as chief of the Project Management Branch. During the periods of January to July 2001 and February to August 1998, she served as the acting deputy district engineer.

She is a registered professional engineer in Minnesota and a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers and the Society of American Military Engineers. She has received numerous Special Act and Exceptional Performance Awards. Project awards include the Chief of Engineers' Award of Excellence for Civil Works in 1996 and 1998.

DesHarnais served as the acting commander of the St. Paul District from July to October 2006.