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IWR Employee Receives Army Superior Civilian Service Award for Sandy Work

ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA. Institute for Water Resources (IWR) employee Shawn Komlos was recently recognized with the Army Superior Civilian Service Award. Mr. Komlos was presented the award for his performance while assigned as the Hurricane Sandy Program Manager of the North Atlantic Division Regional Integration Team from February 12 to August 30, 2013.

While serving in this capacity, Mr. Komlos made significant contributions to the North Atlantic Division Regional Integration Team and Corps development of policy and guidance for implementation of actions related to the consequences of Super Storm Hurricane Sandy that were funded by Title X of the Disaster Relief Appropriations Act of 2013 (Public Law 113-2). The award recognizes his organizational and leadership contributions to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) vertical team during its efforts to hit critical milestones on a number of actions including development of Implementing Guidance of Hurricane Sandy appropriations, development of two Interim reports mandated by the Supplemental Appropriations Law, and the review of a Project Performance Evaluation Report.

Mr. Komlos was recognized during a town hall ceremony at USACE Headquarters in Washington, D.C. When asked about the ceremony and recognition, Mr. Komlos responded that, "... there are many great people serving on the team and working to expedite delivery of quality work products, without whom the progress we've seen would not have been possible."

Evidence of the vertical teaming was also emphasized with recognition of the Hurricane Sandy Project Agreements team that was instrumental to the expedited modification and drafting of study and project agreements. It too was honored during the ceremony and was presented with the Commander's Award for Civilian Service for facilitating rapid completion of 13 out of 17 Feasibility Cost Share Agreements and 4 of 18 Project Partnership Agreements in support of Hurricane Sandy Program recovery efforts, and for its development of a system to expedite processing and review of the agreements.

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