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# CREATE A WORLD OF DIFFERENCE...

## WITH A CAREER IN CONTRACTING

Perhaps it comes as no surprise that Judy Hackney views the Corps of Engineers primarily as a "contracting organization." A contract specialist in the Savannah District, Judy believes that both the engineering and constructing aspects of the Corps are accomplished only through her kind of specialty. "When you look at the Corps this way," she says, "it puts a contract specialist in the center of activity. Plus you always have the opportunity to see a tangible product result from your paperwork."

Judy's specific duties relate to defense environmental restoration programs on both active

*"This teamwork that is such a buzzword in business today is something that the Corps of Engineers has*

*always done. If you want a career where you are always part of a multidisciplinary team, look no further than the Corps."*

Judy Hackney  
Contract Specialist



and inactive air, naval and army bases. The formerly-used defense sites (also known as FUDS) were turned over to private or civic interests with what Judy described as a "legacy of environmental damage." Contracting clean-up projects for FUDS is an especially complicated process because it entails environmental as well as construction details.

But for Judy, the final results are always worth the painstaking contractual requirements. She is particularly gratified by a Corps project at an ammunition plant in Tennessee, where forty years of pollution by explosives nearly contaminated the ground water source for the city. "We are interceding ahead of the curve of danger for the citizens there," said Judy. "We are pumping the water out, treating it and pumping it back in using the latest technology. The level of complexity is challenging and rewarding."

Judy's 15-year career with the Corps began as a student aid when she was in high school. Prior to becoming a contract specialist, she was a civil engineering technician. In 1993, she was named "Supervisor of the Year" in her district, an honor she attributes to her own Corps supervisors. "From them I learned to be in a learning mode as much as a get-the-work-done mode. At the Corps, learning and moving ahead always go hand in hand."



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