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## **Hyatt becomes new Operations Project Manager at J. Strom Thurmond Project**

**SAVANNAH, GEORGIA** – The [Savannah District U.S. Army Corps of Engineers](#) recently selected Scott Hyatt as the new Operations Project Manager at the [J. Strom Thurmond Dam and Lake](#) Project, following the retirement of Thurmond's previous project manager, Ken Dial.

In his new role, Hyatt will be responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Thurmond Project, including the operation of the power plant. He will oversee the Thurmond Project's extensive recreation program – one of the largest recreation programs in the Corps with more than 30 Corps-operated recreation areas and more than 7 million visitors each year. Hyatt will also oversee Thurmond Project's wildlife management program and other environmental activities on Thurmond's 70,000 acres of water and 80,000 acres of land. Additionally, he will have responsibilities for managing the New Savannah Bluff Lock and Dam, located 13 miles downstream of Lake Thurmond near Augusta, Ga.

Hyatt has served as the Deputy Chief of Savannah District's Operations Division since April 2007, where he played a major role in ensuring the successful execution of the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (ARRA), also known as the Stimulus Package, as well as providing leadership of the District's recreation, natural resources, navigation and hydropower missions.

A graduate of North Carolina State's College of Natural Resources, Mr. Hyatt has worked with or managed almost every Corps-operated lake in the Southeast. Before joining the Savannah District, Hyatt completed a temporary assignment as the Resource Manager at Lake Seminole; was the Recreation Program Manager for the Mobile District; served briefly in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, as the Assistant Operations Project Manager of the Black Warrior Tombigbee River Lakes and the Alabama River Lakes; and was a Park Ranger at Lake Sidney Lanier.

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