

Biography for Matthew T. Rea

Mr. Rea is a Program Manager with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Portland District, in Portland Oregon. He is currently the Corps' Manager of the of the Columbia River Treaty 2014/2024 Review Program. The Treaty Review is a series of studies intended to lead to a recommendation by September 2014 regarding the future of Treaty with Canada for Joint Development and Operation of the Columbia River. The Treaty Review is a joint effort of the Corps of Engineers and Bonneville Power Administration being conducted on behalf of the United States Treaty Entity. As the Program Manager, Mr. Rea leads an interdisciplinary team representing the Corps' Portland, Seattle and Walla Walla District and the Northwestern Division office evaluating flood risk management opportunities and issues under the Treaty.

Mr. Rea has a B.S. in Forest Resource Management from Oregon State University (1979). He has been with the Corps of Engineers for 32 years, the last two with Portland District and including other assignments with the Corps' Northwestern Division office and Headquarters in Washington D.C. For the majority of that time Mr. Rea worked as a planning project manager, conducting multiple purpose water resource studies throughout the Columbia River Basin. From 2000 to 2007 he served as the Willamette Basin Coordinator, involved in Corps' activities in that watershed, including Endangered Species Act Section 7 consultation and interagency coordination of reservoir system operations.

In his spare time, Mr. Rea is a volunteer ski patroller with the Mt. Hood Ski Patrol. He also enjoys fly fishing, camping, hiking, running and homebrewing. Matt and his wife Tina live in Portland with their 12-year old daughter, Kira.