

## DAKOTAS AREA MANAGER RICHARD LONG



Richard Long is the Area Manager for the Bureau of Reclamation's Dakotas Area Office headquartered in Bismarck, North Dakota with additional offices in Rapid City and Pierre, South Dakota. Long oversees all aspects of planning, construction, operation and maintenance, resource and land management, fish and wildlife, and environmental matters involving the management, development and protection of water and related resources in the Dakotas. Long's office is also involved with U.S.-North Dakota/Canada international transboundary issues.

Long began his federal career with Reclamation as an Agricultural Engineer in McCook, Neb. in 1974. He worked in Reclamation's Great Plains Regional Office in Billings, Mont., for ten years, administering the Rehabilitation and Betterment Program, along with facility operations and maintenance programs. From 1987 to 1990 he was Water and Land Division Chief at the Grand Junction Projects Office in western Colorado. In 1990, he joined the Montana Area Office in Billings, as Chief, Water & Land Division, and has held various positions since that time as a supervisor responsible for water and land resource management, facility operation and maintenance and dam safety. Before coming to Reclamation, Long worked for two years as a surveyor for a contractor on the construction the McClusky Canal in North Dakota. He received a Bachelor of Science degree in Agricultural Engineering from North Dakota State University in 1972.

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