Lieutenant Colonel Richard "Dick" Osterberg
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LTC Richard "Dick" Osterberg is the Commander of Devens Reserve Forces Training Area. He comes to Devens from Headquarters, US Army Corps of Engineers in Washington, D.C., where he served as Chief, Army Built Infrastructure Branch. He was responsible for all Army Major and Minor Military Construction and Sustainment, Restoration, and Modernization worldwide. He is married to Lesley, and they have three daughters.

LTC Osterberg began his career in the National Guard, while attending the University of Minnesota, where he graduated with a B.A. in American Studies. He completed Officer Candidate School and transferred to the Army Reserve. In 2009 he deployed to Iraq as a Bridge Platoon Leader with 401 Multi-Role Bridge Company. Upon redeployment he was the First Army military bridging subject matter expert and designed culminating training exercises for deploying engineer units at Ft. McCoy, WI and Ft. Leonard Wood, MO. In 2012 he deployed to Afghanistan managing real property transfers to the government of Afghanistan, serving at US Forces Afghanistan Headquarters, Joint Engineers. In 2016 LTC Osterberg deployed to Kuwait as Commander of 461 Engineer Company (Vertical) conducting troop construction in Kuwait, Iraq, Afghanistan, UAE, and Jordan.

LTC Osterberg has held all the typical positions typical of an Engineer Officer of his rank. Other unique or relevant positions held include Chief of Current Operations at the 88th Readiness Division at Ft. Snelling, MN, Instructor at the US Army Reserve Readiness Training Center at Ft. Knox, KY, and National Program Manager – Military Construction Army Reserve at Headquarters, USACE in Washington, DC. Professionally, he is a Project Management Professional and has manufacturing and facilities management experience. Educationally, in addition to his BA, LTC Osterberg has a Masters in Business Administration from the Carlson School of Management (University of Minnesota) and is an Advanced Operations Course graduate.

LTC Osterberg's previous Joint experience includes Six months deployed to Afghanistan with the USFOR-A JENG (mentioned above). Eighteen months as a Joint Planner with the US European Command J4 in the Plans and Exercises Division, completion of Joint Engineer Operations Course, Joint Exercise Planner Course, and Joint and Combined Warfighting School – Hybrid. He is JPME-II complete.

LTC Osterberg's military awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (4 Oak Leave Clusters), Joint Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal (2 Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Achievement Medal (2 Oak Leave Clusters), Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal (4 Oak Leave Clusters), National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal (2 Campaign Stars), Iraq Campaign Medal (1 Campaign Star), Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Armed Forces Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal with M and Silver Hour Glass Device, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon with Numeral 2, Army Reserve Component Overseas Training Ribbon with Numeral 2, NATO Non-Article 5 Medal, Basic Army Instructor Badge, and Bronze de Fleury Medal.