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A change of command for the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers Mississippi Valley Division is slated for next week.

The Corps headquarters in Vicksburg, Miss., announced that Maj. Gen. Michael J. Walsh will transfer command of the division on Nov. 10 to Maj. General John W. Peabody.

Walsh was the Corps officer in charge of fighting the flood the past spring and summer on the Mississippi River. In addition to being in charge of Corp of Engineers operating along the river, Corp was the president of the Mississippi River Commission. Walsh gave the order for the May 2011 detonations of the Birds Point levee along He gave the order for the May detonations of the Birds Point levee along the Mississippi River during spring flooding.

Walsh has been assigned as the Deputy Commanding General for Civil and Emergency Operations for the Corps based in Washington, D.C.

Peabody has served as Commander and Division Engineer of the Corps' Great Lakes and Ohio River Division. He will be responsible for the Corps water resources programs in an area that includes 12 states from Candada to the Gulf of Mexico. Peabody will also be the president-designee of the Mississippe River Commission, the presidentially appointed agency that oversees the Mississippi River and Tributaries flood control project as well as

the Mississippi River and its tributaries.

The change of command ceremony will be held at the Vicksburg Convention Center.

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