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Mathew Walden is Afghanistan Engineer District-South's Bulldog of the Week

KANDAHAR AIRFIELD, Afghanistan — Bulldogs are renowned for the dependability; you can count on a bulldog to get the job done.

Mathew Walden, was selected as the South District's Bulldog of the Week for Feb. 26 to March 3 because he took on the highly responsible position of acting resident engineer after being at Shindand Air Base for only three weeks.

Additionally, he is the contracting officer's representative for 11 projects worth more than \$150 million. He supervises five project engineers and construction representatives and 11 Afghan quality assurance representatives.

Some his projects include work on the Afghan National Army's Regional Military Training Center, construction of a small-arms range, munitions storage area and several projects on the base's flight line.

"During this time, not only did he manage the 10 ongoing projects that were in the office, but he was also the construction representative and project engineer for two of those projects," said Maj. Reginald Maddox, Shindand Resident Office officer in charge. "He was also very instrumental in resolving a land issue that brewed up between the Afghan Commandos, their Special Operations Forces mentors and the Afghan National Army and Shindand Air Base."

"Matt took on a lot of responsibility early into his deployment," said Air Force Col. Benjamin Wham, South District commander. "His ability to resolve issues with our partners kept this very important project moving forward toward completion."

Walden arrived in Shindand Sept. 23 from the Seattle District. He works at Albeni Falls Dam, Idaho.



Shindand Air Base resident engineer Mathew Walden took responsibility for 10 ongoing projects just three weeks after arriving at the installation. He is the Afghanistan Engineer District-South Bulldog of the Week for Feb. 26 through March 3. (Courtesy Photo)

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