



ODOT names four new division engineers

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Following several retirements and promotions of longtime employees in 2014, the Oklahoma Department of Transportation has announced the selection of leaders for four engineering divisions at the agency's headquarters in Oklahoma City.

Steve Jacobi was named Division Engineer for the Bridge Division which oversees the design, inspection, maintenance and performance of highway bridges statewide. He began his career with ODOT in 1986 as an Engineer in Training and became a Professional Engineer I in the Bridge Division in 1990. He has been an Engineering Manager II in this division since 1997.

Jacobi was born in Denver and holds a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from the University of Colorado. He is the School Advisory Council President for Bishop John Carroll School and the School Advisory Council Vice President for Bishop McGuinness Catholic High School. Jacobi and his wife, Annette, reside in Oklahoma City and have two children.

John Leonard is the new Division Engineer for the Construction Division which provides oversight of ongoing construction projects statewide. He began his career with ODOT in 1981 and worked in several capacities at the Stillwater Residency before becoming Resident Engineer at the Enid Residency in 1998 and then moved to the same position at the Perry Residency in 2000. He served as Assistant Construction Division Engineer from 2006 until promotion to his current position. He is a member of the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) Subcommittee on Construction, the Oklahoma Highway Construction Materials Technician Certification Board and the ODOT Right-of-Way Relocation Appeals Board.

Leonard was born and raised Oklahoma City and served two years in the U.S. Army. He earned a degree from Eastern Oklahoma State College in Wilburton and became a registered professional engineer in 1995. He lives in Edmond with his wife and has three grown children and three grandchildren. His wife, Kimberly, works for ODOT's Office Engineer Division and his son, Ryan, works in the Traffic Engineering Division. Leonard enjoys spending time with his grandchildren and traveling.

Scott Seiter was chosen as the Division Engineer for the Materials and Research Division, which is responsible for research programs, testing, analysis and inspection of highway construction materials to ensure they meet quality and performance standards. He joined ODOT in 1986 and held several engineering positions in the Materials Division, most recently serving as Assistant Division Engineer. He serves as Chairman of the Oklahoma Highway Construction Materials Technician Certification Board, chairs the AASHTO Subcommittee on Materials Technical Section 1c – Aggregates and is a member of the Highwaymen Toastmasters Club.

Seiter was born in Norman and graduated from high school in Nebraska. He returned to Norman and earned a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from the University of Oklahoma and became a registered professional engineer in 1990. He and his wife, Janet, have three grown children and live in Edmond. His hobbies include hunting, fishing, bicycling and reading.

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Anthony Delce was named Division Engineer for the Office Engineer Division, which oversees the preparation and evaluation of bids on construction contracts. He was previously Specifications Engineer for the agency. Delce began his career with ODOT in 1999 as an Engineer in Training with the Roadway Design Division.

Delce was born in Oklahoma City. He holds a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from Oklahoma State University and became a registered professional engineer in 2003. He and his wife, Athena, live in Oklahoma City and have three children. Delce is a licensed minister and his hobbies include basketball, volunteering and speaking engagements.

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Bridge Division Engineer Steve Jacobi



Construction Division Engineer John Leonard



Materials and Research Division Engineer Scott Seiter



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