

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

ICRI'S DELTA FORCE



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As members of the U.S. Army's elite Special Operations unit known as Delta Force, highly trained soldiers answer the call to duty anytime, anywhere, and with apparent disregard for their own safety and well-being. The vast majority of the unit operatives are recruited from the United States elite Ranger battalions and Special Forces groups. All are hand-picked for their combat readiness, and many are chosen because of some specific skill set necessary for the unit to accomplish the mission dispatched to them.

"The mission of the International Concrete Repair Institute is to be a leading resource for education and information to improve the quality of repair, restoration, and protection of concrete and other structures in accordance with consensus criteria." To accomplish this mission, certain core activities, objectives, and goals have been established. One of these core activities is our technical committees. Not totally unlike the Army's elite Delta Force, our units (committees) are led (as Chairs) by some of the most knowledgeable, well-trained operatives in the concrete repair industry. Meet ICRI's Delta Force:

1. Kevin Michols—Technical Activities Committee;
2. David Rodler—Committee 110, Guide Specifications;
3. Scott Greenhaus—Committee 120, Environmental Health and Safety;
4. Brian Daley—Committee 130, Procurement Methods and Relationship Arrangements;
5. Paul Tourney—Committee 140, Life Cycle Performance & Cost;
6. Rick Edelson—Committee 150, ICRI Notes on ACI 562 Repair Code Requirements;
7. Stephan Trepanier—Committee 160, Sustainability;
8. Tanya Wattenburg Komar—Committee 210, Evaluation;
9. Pat Winkler—Committee 310, Surface Preparation;
10. Fred Goodwin—Committee 320, Concrete Repair Materials and Methods;
11. Gregg Blaszk—Committee 330, Strengthening and Stabilization;
12. Michael Tabassi—Committee 410, Masonry;
13. Graeme Jones—Committee 510, Corrosion; and
14. Mark Nelson—Committee 710, Coatings and Waterproofing.

Each of these individuals gives extensive amounts of their own time and energy, knowledge, and leadership skills to accomplish the ICRI mission. Each of these individuals deserves a thunderous amount of applause and gratitude from each of us. As good as they are, however, they would still be unable to complete all the required work without the help of other committee members. It takes a very intense, conscientious effort of all committee members to produce the materials required to make ICRI "the leading resource for education and information." Participation on one/any of these committees will increase your own personal knowledge of our industry and enable you to stay on the cutting edge of best industry practices. Membership will also instill in you copious amounts of pride by realizing that you are an integral part of such a great organization. Be a Delta Force member—sign up to serve on a technical committee!