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## WENDI GOLDSMITH

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Wendi Goldsmith is founder and CEO of Bioengineering Group, a Salem, MA-based consulting engineering firm whose mission is "Building sustainable communities on an ecological foundation." She has often led interdisciplinary collaborative design teams to adopt multidimensional and innovative strategies to solve common problems. Ms. Goldsmith is known for building consensus among diverse and often antagonistic stakeholder groups to help advance some of the largest public infrastructure projects in history. Wendi has a successful track record in conducting research, and especially guiding effective incorporation of research into practice, having first served as the principal investigator on ERDC funded projects in 1992. She is currently leading multiple ERDC research projects featuring 1. ultra-low energy use on installations, 2. water conservation, and 3. integrated resource management for net-zero energy, waste, and water management. She has extensive experience in all phases of project planning, design, permitting, financing, and implementation for water, energy, waste, and transportation projects with a restoration and/or sustainability focus.

Ms. Goldsmith is recognized at the federal level as a leader in business as well as sustainable development practices. In 2008 Ms. Goldsmith was appointed to the National Women's Business Council, a bi-partisan federal government council that serves as an independent source of advice and counsel to the President, Congress, and the U.S. Small Business Administration on economic issues of importance to women business owners. Wendi's work as a pioneer in the field of restorative design and the application of sustainability principles to site planning, development, and restoration for the DoD projects, combined with her longstanding interagency committee involvement led to her current role as Contributing Editor for the *Sustainability News* section in the Society of American Military Engineers' publication "The Military Engineer."

Ms. Goldsmith holds a Master's in Plant and Soil Science from UMass, a Master's in Ecological Landscape Planning and Design from the Conway School, and two Bachelor's degrees from Yale, in Geology and Geophysics and also Studies in the Environment. She is a frequent lecturer at colleges and universities, as well as professional organizations as an active promoter of science, technology, engineering, math, and entrepreneurship to young people.