

Branches pull, pool together

Efforts by engineers save time and money

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The people in the civil engineering planning branch of the 2849th Civil Engineering Squadron have decided it's time to regroup and reorganize.

In April, as a quality effort to save time and money, the branch underwent a sectional reorganization that will pull together the talents of civil, electrical and mechanical engineers and architects, according to Bob McKenzie, chief of the engineering branch.

The reorganized sections are what used to be engineering and construction management. Prior to the reorganization, each of those two sections had their own separate units of each engineering discipline.

Before the change, the engineering section created the design and specifications for required projects. Their work was then sent to the Directorate of Contracting and Manufacturing to solicit contractors' bids. Once a contract was awarded, the construction management section took charge of the project.

Mr. McKenzie said the method created some problems in establishing "ownership" of a project. Engineers were unable to see their projects worked in the field, and the construction managers were not involved in the design of the projects they managed. When problems crept up, the two sections found themselves

divided and pointing fingers, he said.

In order to give customers more specialized attention, the two sections were combined and reorganized into two teams.

Each of the new teams includes people from all engineering disciplines. They are separated into functions based on program funding. Mr. McKenzie said, "Engineers not only get to design the program, they also get to manage the construction in the field and actually see their design come into play."

He said the teams get a chance to establish the ownership that never took place before.

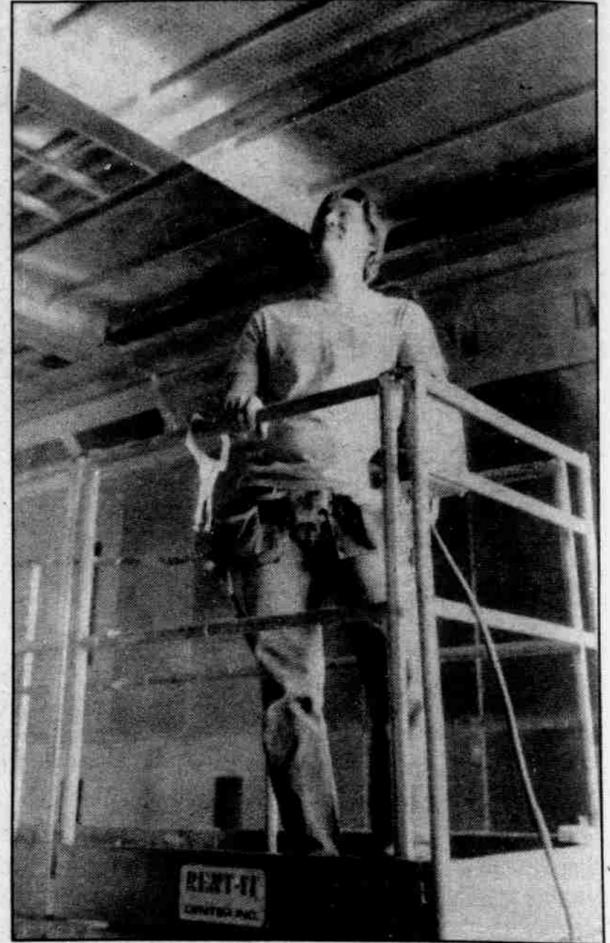
Before the reorganization, if a person did not put in the best effort possible, someone else had to spend time ironing out the problems. "For example, now if a team does a poor design, they will have to spend a lot of time in the field resolving the problems," Mr. McKenzie said.

The newly reorganized units are called operations and maintenance and military construction projects.

O&M is funded by the Ogden Air Logistics Center Comptroller. They are responsible for the base's infrastructure. They maintain, build and repair roads, water lines, and anything that supports most base missions.

The MCP section handles projects dealing with housing for military families, and tenant projects. They also monitor new major construction projects.

Capt. Leslie Koch, deputy chief of engineering, said, "Over time they get to know the organizations and get educated on the needs and requirements of those customers. It's a lot easier to design and construct something for a customer when you really know what's going on."



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