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Prior to his Headquarters experience, Leigh conducted research for the Corps' Institute for Water Resources in such areas as planning methods and decision support, and he managed development and application of such software tools as IWR-PLAN for automating cost effectiveness and incremental cost analyses. Prior to re-joining IWR in May of 2006, Leigh was the Chief of the Socioeconomics Branch in Jacksonville District, where he worked for almost 4 years, mostly on the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan (CERP). Leigh was involved in plan formulation and evaluation for such CERP projects as the Indian River Lagoon – South, the Everglades Agricultural Area, and the C-43 Basin Storage Reservoir Project.

Prior to his Corps experience, Leigh worked at the National Geographic Society in Washington, DC, researching and writing for such books as “Discovering Britain & Ireland” and “Great Rivers of the World.” A native of Atlanta, Leigh graduated from the University of Georgia, where he attended both undergrad and grad school in Geography. Leigh currently enjoys the multicultural experience of living in downtown Washington, DC.