

CAPT Don Montoro Prospective Sector Commander U.S. Coast Guard Sector Lake Michigan

Captain Don Montoro most recently served as the Deputy Sector Commander, San Diego where he was responsible for all U.S. Coast Guard missions in San Diego and Imperial Counties out to 200 nautical miles offshore, as well as Arizona, southern Utah, and southern Nevada.

Captain Montoro's previous assignments include: Chief of the Boards, Promotions, and Separations Branch, Officer Personnel Management, Personnel Service Center, Washington D.C; Chief of Response, Sector San Francisco; Chief of the Command Center, Sector San Francisco; Chief of Force Readiness Branch, U.S. Coast Guard Pacific Area Command; Commanding Officer, USCGC ORCAS (WPB 1327), Coos Bay, OR; Commanding Officer, Gulf of Mexico Regional Fisheries Training Center, New Orleans, LA; Executive Officer, USCGC PEA ISLAND (WPB 1347), St. Petersburg, FL; First Lieutenant, USCGC ALERT (WMEC 630), Astoria, OR; and Assistant Surface Operations Officer, Group Astoria, OR.

Captain Montoro enlisted in the United States Coast Guard Reserve and graduated from Enlisted Basic Training in September 1992 and is the third generation in his family to serve in the United States Coast Guard. He is a 1996 graduate of Officer Candidate School after receiving his Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry from the University of California, Davis. He holds a Master of Arts in Defense and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College, a Master of Marine Affairs from the University of Rhode Island and a Master of Public Administration from Golden Gate University.

Captain Montoro's personal awards and honors include the advanced Boat Force Operations Insignia, Coast Guard Meritorious Service Medal, Coast Guard Commendation Medal, and the Coast Guard Achievement Medal.

Captain Montoro married Leslie Teeters in 1997 and they have three children.