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Dr. David Teter

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Dr. David Teter became deputy laboratory director for management and operations and chief operating officer in 2025. In his role at Idaho National Laboratory, he has overall leadership responsibility for effective implementation of major functional management and business transformation efforts.

As INL scales up its research, development and demonstration activities to meet national and global needs, Teter guides transformation to modernize the lab's infrastructure, improve and streamline processes, and develop the workforce to ensure success. He is also responsible for partnering with local and regional stakeholders to enhance the communities surrounding the lab.

Prior to INL, Teter spent nearly 30 years at Los Alamos National Laboratory, where he had extensive experience in strategic planning, managing largescale infrastructure projects, engaging stakeholders and managing people.

Most recently, Teter served as associate laboratory director for infrastructure and capital projects at Los Alamos, managing a \$1.2 billion annual portfolio and leading over 150 campus transformation projects. His leadership demonstrates excellence in project planning, management, execution and operational leadership.

After earning his doctorate in metallurgical engineering from the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Teter joined Los Alamos as a postdoctoral researcher. He built his career in materials science, eventually overseeing 280 staff members as division leader of materials science and technology. He then dedicated his efforts to enabling research and development through efficient operations, becoming director of the Weapons Infrastructure and Planning Office at Los Alamos.

He is married and has two daughters. As an avid skier, fly fisherman and mountain biker, he enjoys eastern Idaho's unique outdoors opportunities.

