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### MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDERS, MAJOR SUBORDINATE COMMANDS AND DISTRICT COMMANDS, CHIEFS, CONSTRUCTION-OPERATIONS DIVISIONS

SUBJECT: Announcing Registration for National Public Lands Day 2005

1. National Public Lands Day (NPLD) is an opportunity to showcase our nation's public lands and the importance of protecting natural resources through responsible use and volunteerism on lands managed by Federal agencies. This event, sponsored by the National Environmental Education and Training Foundation, Inc. (NEETF), will be conducted throughout America on Saturday, 24 September 2005.
2. Registration is currently ongoing for this year's NPLD. The enclosed registration form and more information can be found at: <http://www.npld.com>. Registration is being done directly through NEETF so application forms should be faxed or emailed to them or completed online. NEETF would like to have as many sites as possible registered by the end of March so they can prepare enough printed material for all events.
3. Nearly 80,000 volunteers pitched in to build trails and bridges, restore wetlands, remove invasive plants that threaten fragile native vegetation, as well as numerous other projects. Volunteers worked at 600 sites in all 50 states. It is estimated that volunteers and their community partners contributed \$11 million in improvements to their Federal, State, and local public lands.
4. I have been very impressed with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers involvement in NPLD since 1996. Every year, the Corps attracts more volunteers at more sites than any other agency. In 2004, 15,500 of the NPLD volunteers participated from 116 Corps sites hosting the program. I commend you for your active involvement in last year's celebration and encourage your participation again this year. My goal is to increase the number of participating sites and volunteers this year, and I am expecting participation from all districts. If you have any questions, my POC on this is Ms. Debra Stokes, Senior Policy Advisor for Partnerships. She may be reached at (202) 761-1736.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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DON T. RILEY  
Major General, USA  
Director of Civil Works

**National Public Lands Day**  
**September 24<sup>th</sup> 2005**  
Site Registration Form

Name of site: \_\_\_\_\_

State of site: \_\_\_\_\_ Host Agency where site is located: \_\_\_\_\_

**Site manager contact information: (No P.O. Boxes Please)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of nearest metropolitan area and approximate distance to site

\_\_\_\_\_

Website address for site: \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated number of volunteers: \_\_\_\_\_

How many commemorative posters would you like for volunteers as a giveaway? \_\_\_\_\_

How many brochures would you like? \_\_\_\_\_ (Packed in 25's)

How many promotional posters would you like? \_\_\_\_\_

How many certificates would you like? \_\_\_\_\_

Work projects planned for volunteers: (Details will make website listing more useful).

Describe any special features about the site or activities (e.g., celebrity presence, entertainment, etc.) that may be useful in promotion

Please complete the form and return it to:  
The National Environmental Education & Training Foundation  
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