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MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDERS, MAJOR SUBORDINATE COMMANDS AND
DISTRICT COMMANDS; CHIEFS, OPERATIONS DIVISION

SUBJECT: 2011 Excellence in Partnerships Award Selection

1. I'm pleased to announce that the Friends of Caesar Creek (FOCC) in the Louisville District (LRD) has been selected as the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers recipient of the 2011 Excellence in Partnerships Award. The FOCC was chosen due to their excellent partnership support of programs like the Junior Ranger Program, the FOCC Book Cart, interpretive programming, trail guides, BioBlitz, and environmental stewardship activities. All were outstanding!
2. This year's award is co-sponsored by the Corps of Engineers Natural Resources Foundation (CENRF) in recognition of exceptional contributions to the recreation and environmental stewardship programs at a Corps project. The award will be presented at the Association of Partners for Public Lands Conference in March 2012 at the Las Vegas Hilton, Las Vegas, NV.
3. All of the nominees for year's award made significant contributions to their partner projects and are deserving of special mention. They are: Lake Ouachita Citizen's Focus Committee (MVD), Friends of Lake Sakakawea (NWD), Fairbanks North Star Borough, Parks and Recreation (POD), Dan River Basin Association (SAD), Sonoma County Water Agency (SPD), and Ozarks Rivers Heritage Foundation (SWD). I sincerely appreciate your efforts to nominate top quality partners for this significant award.
4. Please pass along my congratulations to the Friend of Caesar Creek as the 2011 overall winner and to all of the nominees for their many achievements! My point of contact for this award is Mr. Allen Gwinn, who can be reached at (814) 658-6810.

FOR THE COMMANDER:



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