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MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDERS, MAJOR SUBORDINATE COMMANDS

SUBJECT: Request for Nominations for the American Recreation Coalition's Legends and Beacon Awards

1. The American Recreation Coalition wishes to honor an outstanding U.S. Army Corps of Engineers employee with the American Recreation Coalition (ARC) Legends Award. This award is presented annually to recognize an outstanding individual for his/her significant contributions to the enhancement of outdoor recreation resources, facilities and experiences on the nation's public lands.
2. The ARC will also present the Beacon Award to recognize the innovative use of technology to enhance visitor services and improve the management of recreation programs. Each recreation-related federal agency is asked to nominate two outstanding initiatives where technologies have provided improved, cost-effective solutions to the needs of recreation programs. A special panel from the ARC will make the final selection of the Beacon Award.
3. Award winners will be recognized and honored during Great Outdoors Week (4-8 June 2012) at a special ceremony in Washington, D.C. where the awards will be presented.
4. Nominations will be evaluated based on the enclosed selection criteria (Encls 1 and 3). Please submit nominations (one per Major Subordinate Command for each award) no later than 27 April 2012. The Legends Award nomination package should describe the significant personal contributions the nominee has made enabling others to enjoy quality recreational experiences in our great outdoors and the Beacon Award nomination should describe the innovative use of technology in visitor services and/or recreation management.
5. Major Subordinate Commanders should forward their nominations along with supporting documentation as described in Enclosures 2 and 4, to Ms. Heather Burke, National Senior Policy Advisor for Partnerships. She is my point of contact on this matter and may be reached at (503) 808-4313. Nomination packages of past winners are posted on the NRM Gateway <http://corpslakes.usace.army.mil/partners/awards.cfm> and provide good examples of the quality of work and achievements recognized since the development of this award program.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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