

# USING THE NRM COMMUNITY FORUM.



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Natural Resources Management Gateway

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# ABSTRACT

This presentation demonstrates each step to access and use the NRM Community Forum. Various typical scenarios show the benefits and convenience of using this Gateway's tool's communication features and knowledge repository to help you do your job.



# TAKE-AWAYS

- 1) An understanding of how to access the NRM Community Forum.
- 2) An introduction to the features of the Forum including how to ask a question and how to research previous answers by topic.
- 3) Best Practices when posting in the Forum.



# THE FORUM VS. GLIMPSE

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| Discussion Title   | Submitted      | Replies | Views |
|--|----------------|---------|-------|
| <a href="#">Travel Status Reporting System</a>                                 | 12/1/14 15:10  | 1       | 26    |
| <a href="#">Sewer Odors</a>  | 12/1/14 15:04  | 1       | 28    |
| <a href="#">NRM User's Manual (version 1.00) - Expanded Public Access Page</a> | 11/21/14 11:22 | 2       | 22    |
| <a href="#">The 2014-2015 and 2015-2016 Budget for the Corps of Engineers</a>  | 11/18/14 15:53 | 2       | 38    |
| <a href="#">Water Supply Public</a>  | 10/23/14 11:57 | 2       | 29    |
| <a href="#">Sewer Odors</a>  | 9/23/14 15:20  | 2       | 48    |
| <a href="#">NRM Public Engagement Network</a>                                  | 7/22/14 15:12  | 1       | 43    |
| <a href="#">personnel directory</a>  | 6/25/14 15:04  | 2       | 24    |
| <a href="#">Energy Solutions for DLI</a>                                       | 6/9/14 11:24   | 1       | 33    |
| <a href="#">Watershed Council for the Corps of Engineers</a>                   | 6/9/14 15:00   | 2       | 48    |

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I am a registered user

The 33 Topics

**NRM Community Forum** -  
*2-way communication* – you  
can ask a question, get  
feedback, start a discussion

## NRM Gateway *Glimpse* into the future . . .

**28 September 2016**

### Articles for this issue

1. NRM Gateway URL Change
2. Corps Foundation Newsletter, Fall 2016

### NRM Gateway URL Change

We have to change the NRM Gateway URL from <http://CorpsLakes.usace.army.mil> to <https://CorpsLakes.ercd.dren.mil> because of the Department of Defense network that we use. USACE is on a Army network with different sets of protocols than DoD. Both URLs are active right now so that we can work through the change. There is a notice placed on the front page of the Gateway to indicate a change is coming.

**Glimpse** –  
*1-way communication* –  
newsletter style way to get  
the message out nationally

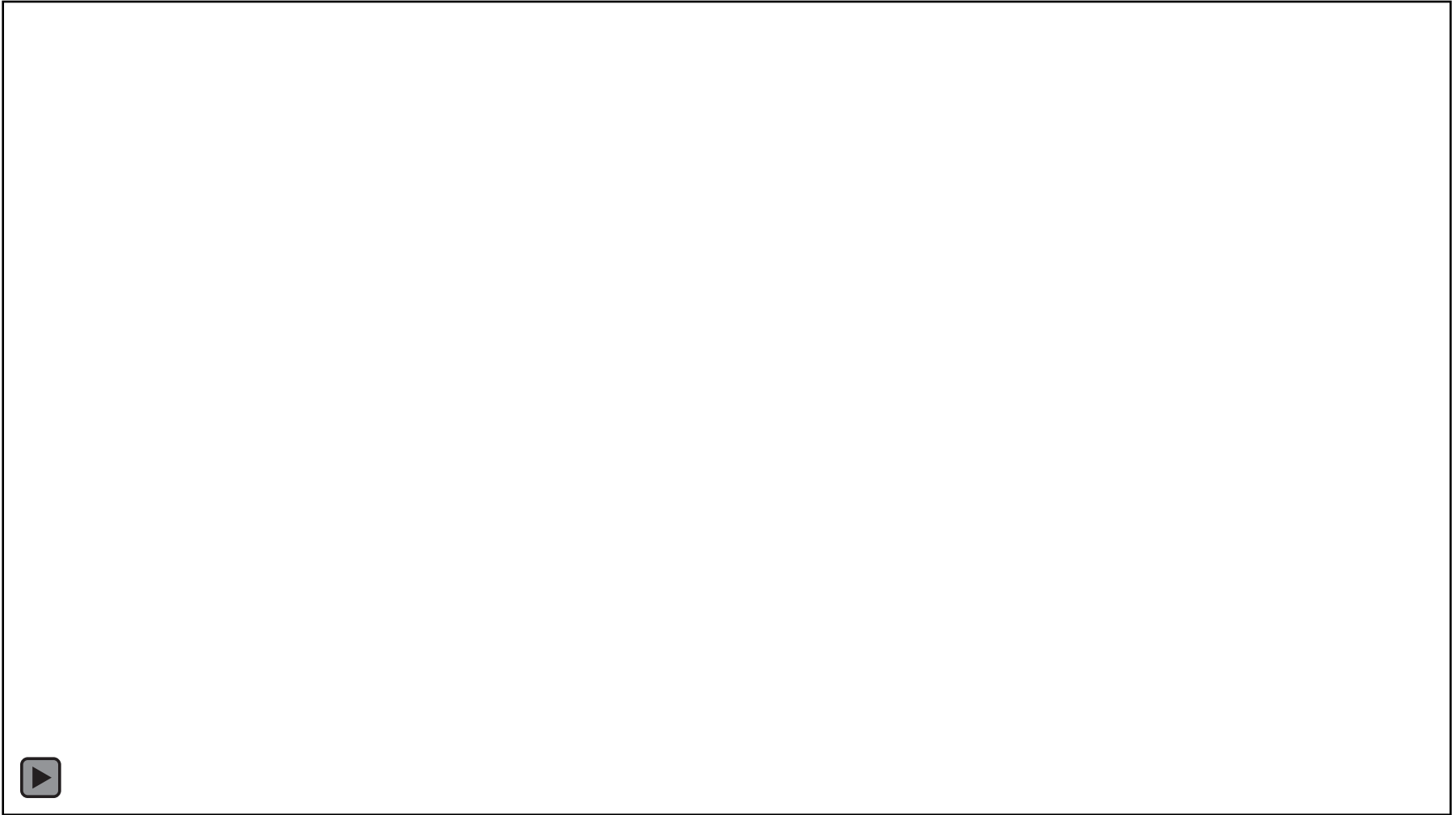
# MUST HAVE CAC TO OPEN FORUM



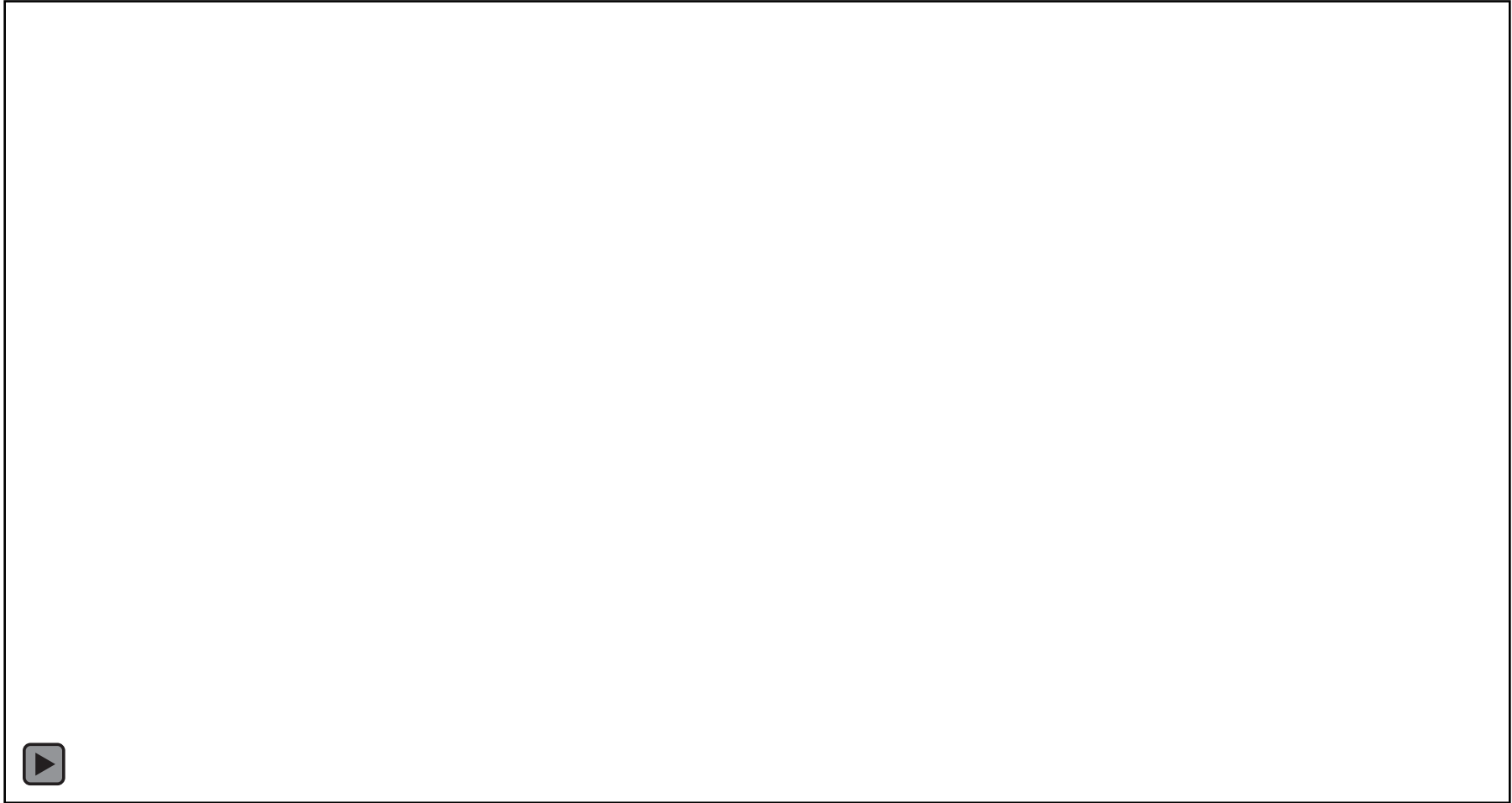
# THE WAYS TO THE FORUM: (1) TAB



# THE WAYS TO THE FORUM: (2) LINK



# SUBSCRIBE FOR EMAIL NOTIFICATIONS OF NEW POSTINGS





# UNSUBSCRIBE BY USING LINK IN EMAIL NOTIFICATION



Wed 7/12/2017 1:46 PM

CorpsLakes@usace.army.mil

NRM Community Forum - New Discussion

To Bryson, Bonnie F CTR CEERD CEERD (US)

For ALL links below, copy and paste AND put [https://](https://gateway.ercd.dren.mil) in front of gateway.ercd.dren.mil



**Discussion Topic: Miscellaneous**

Posted by [scott.d.sunderland@usace.army.mil](mailto:scott.d.sunderland@usace.army.mil)

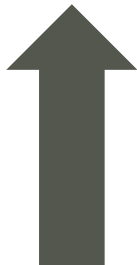
**Agreement with local fire/rescue organization**

One of the local fire and rescue groups that we deal with here at Blue Marsh Lake has approached us about getting reimbursed for expenses they have when responding to an incident on Corps property. They are a small rural all volunteer fire department with a small budget. I have done my research and found the section in ER-1130-2-550 section v. which references Title 42 USC Section 1856a which allows the Corps to enter into agreements for reimbursement of cost associated in providing fire protection (and rescue services). I checked with my operations chief and office of counsel and they are willing to look into this issue. My question is.. does anyone have an agreement to reimburse costs? How do you make payment? Does anyone have an example that we could use as a baseline to develop our agreement? I did check and they is no one in North Atlantic Division that is doing this, so it is new ground for us. I am moving very slowly on this issue, because if I do it for one dept, the other 3 departments that surround the lake will be waiting in line with their hands out also. Thanks in advance,

- View this discussion thread: [gateway.ercd.dren.mil/nrm/rangers/nrmforum.cfm?Option=View&Id=247&Login=No](https://gateway.ercd.dren.mil/nrm/rangers/nrmforum.cfm?Option=View&Id=247&Login=No)
- Post response to this thread: [gateway.ercd.dren.mil/nrm/rangers/nrmforum.cfm?Option=Comment&Comment=Add&Id=247&View=0&Login=No](https://gateway.ercd.dren.mil/nrm/rangers/nrmforum.cfm?Option=Comment&Comment=Add&Id=247&View=0&Login=No)
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**Useful Links:**

- NRM Community Forum: [gateway.ercd.dren.mil/nrm/rangers/nrmforum.cfm?Option=Start&Login=no](https://gateway.ercd.dren.mil/nrm/rangers/nrmforum.cfm?Option=Start&Login=no)
- Unsubscribe to this Forum at any time: [gateway.ercd.dren.mil/nrm/rangers/nrmforum-subscribe.cfm?Step=UnsubscribeEmail&Login=No&Email=bonnie.f.bryson@usace.army.mil](https://gateway.ercd.dren.mil/nrm/rangers/nrmforum-subscribe.cfm?Step=UnsubscribeEmail&Login=No&Email=bonnie.f.bryson@usace.army.mil)



# ANYONE WITH CAC CAN READ – MUST REGISTER TO COMMENT....



# USE FORUM TO FIND PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS ON TOPIC



# SEARCH HISTORICAL ARCHIVES



# FORUM BEST PRACTICES

- ANSWER THE QUESTION IN THE FORUM NOT IN AN EMAIL! Otherwise not everyone can see the answer.
- If you post a question and receive answers via email, consolidate and post on the thread for others' use.
- You must register to start a new discussion thread or answer a current question.
- Job postings - If it is a promotion opportunity, post a job announcement in the Forum so many will see. If it is a new position (i.e. GS-4), the target audience will not be on the mailing list.



# BEFORE YOU COMMENT OR START NEW THREAD:

- *Is your question strictly a local issue that could be answered at your lake/district?* – Ask locally before asking nationwide.
- *Is it strictly work-related?* – No politics, fundraising, or other prohibited topics.
- *Are your remarks professional?* No critical remarks about the agency or personnel; no foul language.



# GATEWAY SME'S: BRING FORUM CONTENT INTO YOUR PAGE

- Periodically review Forum Q&A's for items related to your Gateway subject matter.
- If any new discussion thread has 0 replies, respond or refer to someone who can answer if it in your area of expertise.
- For items worthy of broader posting, copy and paste into a Word document; send the document to Ginny with instructions on location where to post.

# YOUR COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE

**Submit/Share**  
**Learn**  
**Connect**

- GETS
- **Forum**
- Lessons Learned
- Calendar
- Photo Album
- SmartBooks
- SMEs

**Your Legacy –  
Preserve NRM knowledge for  
the CoP's future, don't take it  
out the door when you retire...**



David Rigg





# WANT TO LEARN MORE? – GATEWAY KM VIDEO LIBRARY

- \* NRM Gateway Interactive Knowledge Management Video Library under development
- \* Offers a Library of screen-capture PPT/videos of Gateway how-to's as the first postings.



# WANT TO LEARN MORE? – GATEWAY WEBINARS

- \* Gateway 101 (completed & posted)
- \* Recreation (completed & posted)
- \* NRM Community Forum
- \* Visitor Page
- \* Environmental Stewardship
- \* Submissions
- \* How to make it work for Me? (Focus on data input prior to OMBIL updates)
- \* SmartBooks



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