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REPLY TO  
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**MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDERS, MAJOR SUBORDINATE COMMANDS AND  
DISTRICT COMMANDS, CHIEFS, CONSTRUCTIONS-OPERATIONS DIVISIONS**

**SUBJECT: Legends Award 2007 Selection**

1. Reference Memorandum, CECW-CO, 6 March 2007, subject: Request for Nominations for the American Recreation Coalition's Legends Award.
2. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has selected Mr. Keith W. Beecher, Operations Project Manager at East Brimfield Lake/Westville Lake/Conant Brook Dam in the New England District, as the recipient of the 2007 American Recreation Coalition's Legends Award.
3. Over the span of his career, Mr. Beecher has been with the Corps in New England for 22 years working for three projects: the Cape Cod Canal, the Naugatuck, and the Thames River Basins. He was instrumental in developing volunteer programs and partnerships at Buffumville Lake that earned it the Project of the Year Award in 2000. As a Park Manager, he has worked to build relations with community leaders resulting in the designation of a National Recreation Trail at Westville Lake that joins recreational trails from two towns. The rail-trail involved considerable volunteers and partnership support and promises to become an economic engine for the region.
4. The award winners from each agency will be honored at the Recreation Exchange Luncheon 12 June 2007 in Washington, D.C. during Great Outdoors Week. Mr. Beecher's accomplishments and efforts bring positive recognition to himself and the Corps. His commitment to excellence has established a distinguished standard for others to emulate.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

  
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