

TO: ALL NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT MSC, DISTRICT AND PROJECT OFFICES
FROM: CECW-ON

1. We have received numerous inquiries from Natural Resources Management field offices and districts regarding an appropriate way for Corps Park Rangers to show respect and support for the many Americans whose lives were lost or forever changed as a result of the tragic events of Tuesday, September 11, 2001. Uniformed employees from many agencies, including many state park systems and the National Park Service are allowed to wear a black band on their badges to show respect and support.

2. The wearing of a black band on the USACE Park Ranger Badge is authorized and optional at the ranger's discretion. The black band should be made of cloth or elastic material, be approximately 1/2 inches in width, and be worn horizontally across the center of the badge. The elastic material can be obtained from many local fabric stores and may be stapled together on the back side.

3. This authorization will continue throughout the entire period that the flags are to be at half mast which, according to current White House information will be sunset on 22 September 2001. Please see the White House web site for updated information on the half staff situation issued on 14 September. The address is:

<http://www.whitehouse.gov/news/releases/2001/09/20010914-7.html>

4. Please inform all Natural Resources Management uniformed employees of this message.

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