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Army Corps of Engineers to use one website for volunteer opportunities in 2020

WASHINGTON – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers announced today that beginning Jan. 1, 2020, the agency's Volunteer Clearinghouse website will no longer be operational. All future volunteer opportunities at USACE-managed recreation areas will be posted to only the federal interagency website www.volunteer.gov.

"USACE has been posting to two websites for the past 17 years, but now plans to solely advertise volunteer opportunities on the <u>www.volunteer.gov</u> website. The volunteer.gov website provides enhanced cyber security, modern collection and management of volunteer data, and first-rate engagement with volunteers," said Heather Burke, USACE national partnership and volunteer program manager.

"USACE wants and needs volunteers, so we encourage the public to search volunteer listings and apply for volunteer opportunities at our recreation areas and facilities via the <u>www.volunteer.gov</u> website," added Burke.

The volunteer.gov website launched in 2002 and is used by the 10 major federal land-management agencies as a "one-stop shopping" site for all volunteers.

For more information or questions, call toll free at 1-800-VOL-TEER (865-8337) or e-mail volunteer.gov@usace.army.mil.

USACE is one of the nation's federal leaders in providing outdoor and water-based recreation hosting millions of visits annually to its more than 400 lake and river projects. It's estimated that 90 percent of the USACE-operated recreation areas are within 50 miles of metropolitan areas, offering diverse outdoor activities for all ages close to home.

To discover a USACE recreation site near you, please visit <u>www.corpslakes.us</u> or <u>www.recreation.gov</u>

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