

TO: ALL NRM MSC, DISTRICT AND PROJECT OFFICES
FROM: CECW-ON (AUSTIN)

SUBJECT: 2001 National Association for Interpreters (NAI) Workshop, Des Moines Iowa, 06-10 November 2001

Following is an electronic version of the signed memorandum regarding the upcoming NAI Workshop and announcing a Corps Visitor Center Initiative (VCI) pre-workshop meeting to be held in conjunction with the NAI Workshop on 6 November 2001.

The VCI Taskforce has been chartered to review the Corps visitor centers and to provide recommendations on how our Visitor Center Program can be improved. During the VCI pre-workshop session, the taskforce will provide an update of their activities and will be looking for feedback from all in attendance. The pre-workshop session includes a field trip to the Lake Red Rock and Saylorville Lake visitor centers. This will be an extremely beneficial session for all who are interested in or involved with visitor centers.

Please insure the widest distribution of this memo and encourage attendance at both meetings.

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24 September 2001

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MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDERS, MAJOR SUBORDINATE COMMANDS
AND DISTRICT COMMANDS

SUBJECT: 2001 National Association for Interpreters Workshop

1. The National Association of Interpreters (NAI) will hold it's annual workshop in Des Moines, Iowa, 06-10 November 2001. Over the years, many of our team members have become members of this professional organization and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has benefited as a whole from the professional training opportunities it offers. In keeping with the Commander's vision of continued professional excellence, I encourage attendance at this workshop.

2. In conjunction with the NAI this year, the Corps is hosting a pre-workshop meeting on 6 November 2001. The workshop includes tours of two Corps visitor centers and a Visitor Center Initiative (VCI) workgroup meeting. The VCI workgroup meeting is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. Departure from the Des Moines Downtown Marriott, the primary host hotel for the NAI Workshop, will be at 7:30 a.m. The VCI Taskforce will provide an update of their activities and solicit feedback and recommendations on how the Visitor Center Program can be improved.

3. Participation at the NAI Workshop and the VCI session is strongly encouraged. For complete details and registration for the VCI session, please contact Kelly Ulrick by e-mail at kelly.d.ulrick@usace.army.mil. Information regarding the NAI Workshop can be found at <http://www.interpnet.com/>. Please share this information with your project offices.

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