Season’s Greetings Volunteers, Partners, and Donors:

As this exciting year ends, our Park Ranger staff here at The Dalles Dam would like to tell you about the programs we were able to do this year thanks to your participation and generosity.

In 2012 your involvement allowed us to:

- Host a *Take A Warrior Fishing* event that let several local veterans get out on the Columbia River and enjoy the day relaxing by fishing with their families. This was a great way to show our appreciation to these honorable soldiers.

- Host a Family Fishing Clinic at Spearfish Lake that coincided with National Get Outdoors Day. Your donations aided us by supplying staff support, fish, bait, poles and prizes!

- Host our second annual The Dalles Dam Eagle Watch. Thanks to your efforts in providing staff support and programming, it was a success.

- Conduct our third annual 6th grade Water Safety Poster Contest. Your donations and support continue to keep our youth active in learning how to be safe around water.

- Restore native vegetation and remove invasive species at Spearfish Lake and other public areas.

- Promote public safety and beautify our public lands by removing litter and debris and through trimming trees.

- Promote public safety through the donation and installation of several new Life Jacket Loaner kiosks in our parks.

- Promote public education of Corps missions through donations of interpretive materials.

- Participate in The City of The Dalles Children’s Fair teaching water safety techniques to families.

- Makeover the Historic Seufert Rose Garden through removal of weeds, laying new landscape fabric, pruning and mulching.

Thank you for assisting us by offering your support and contributions. Looking ahead in 2013, our resolution is to continue promoting health and wellness through recreational opportunities, water safety education and to encouraging environmental stewardship through public outreach events. We hope you will join us again in 2013 to make that happen! It has been a great year. Thank you and happy holidays!

Sincerely,

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