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**MEMORANDUM FOR:**

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**SUBJECT: Delegation of Authority under Section 213 of the Water Resources Development Act of 2000 to Enter into Cooperative Agreements with Non-Federal Public and Nonprofit Entities and Youth Service and Conservation Corps Organizations for Services Relating to Natural Resources Conservation or Recreation Management**

**1. References:**

a. Section 213 of the Water Resources Development Act of 2000, as amended (33U.S.C. 2339).

b. Secretary of the Army memorandum (Delegation of Authority to Enter into Cooperative Agreements with Non-Federal Public and Nonprofit Entities and Youth Service and Conservation Corps Organizations for Services Relating to Natural Resources Conservation or Recreation Management), 7 August 2024.

c. Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works) memorandum (Delegation of Authority under Section 213 of the Water Resources Development Act of 2000 to Enter into Cooperative Agreements with Non-Federal Public and Nonprofit Entities and Youth Service and Conservation Corps Organizations for Services Relating to Natural Resources Conservation or Recreation Management), 9 August 2024.

d. Commanding General, USACE memorandum (Delegation of Authority under Section 213 of the Water Resources Development Act of 2000 to Enter into Cooperative Agreements with Non-Federal Public and Nonprofit Entities and Youth Service and Conservation Corps Organizations for Services Relating to Natural Resources Conservation or Recreation Management), 18 September 2024.

2. The Secretary of the Army has delegated to the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works (ASA(CW)), who then redelegated to the Commanding General, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers the authority under Section 213 of the Water Resources Development Act of 2000, as amended (33 U.S.C. 2339), to enter into cooperative agreements with non-Federal public and nonprofit entities, including youth service and conservation corps organizations, for services relating to natural resources conservation or recreation management at USACE

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Civil Works projects (references 1.b. and 1.c.). The Commanding General redelegated this authority to all MSC Commanders on 18 September 2024 (reference 1.d.).

3. Subject to the provisions in section 213, as amended, I hereby delegate to District Commanders the responsibility and authority to enter into cooperative agreements with non-Federal public and nonprofit entities and youth service and conservation corps organizations for natural resources conservation and recreation management at USACE Civil Works projects. This authority cannot be further delegated.

4. This redelegation will not take effect until a record copy of the delegation has been provided through this office to the Administrative Assistant to the Secretary of the Army for archiving. Should conditions warrant, you will suspend the use of and/or rescind any redelegation of this authority, as appropriate.

5. Although not a limitation on the authority of any official named herein to act on my behalf as indicated, in those cases where a proposed action or decision represents a change in precedent or policy; is of significant White House, Congressional, Department or public interest; or has been, or should be, of interest or concern to me for any reason, an official designated by the DCW will brief me before taking any action or making a decision unless the exigencies of the situation prevent the briefing.

6. The supporting file for each instrument awarded pursuant to this delegation will document the basis for use of these authorities and the instrument's compliance with Department of Defense Directive 3210.06 (Defense Grant and Agreement Regulatory System (DGARS)). The supporting file will also include a record of legal review before solicitation and award.

7. This delegation will help accomplish critical natural resource conservation and recreation work at USACE Civil Works projects while providing meaningful work experience to the next generation of natural resource managers. This delegation of authority remains in effect until modified, suspended, or rescinded and replaces any prior delegations of the Section 213 authority from the ASA(CW).

8. The point of contact for this is Kathleen De Guzman, Program Analyst, CEPOD-PDC, (808) 835-4644, or email, Kathleen.M.DeGuzman@usace.army.mil.

Encl

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