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MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDERS, MAJOR SUBORDINATE COMMANDS; CHIEFS, OPERATIONS DIVISIONS

SUBJECT: Engineering Circular 1130-2-550 Release for Implementation

- 1. ER 1130-2-550, Chapter 9, Recreation Operations and Maintenance Guidance and Procedures-Recreation Use Fees (Encl 1), has been revised and is being released as an Engineering Circular (EC). This EC is enclosed and is effective as of this date. The EC is marked as a pre-publication draft because it is still being set up for official posting on the USACE regulations website.
- 2. This EC includes policy requirements to implement WRRDA 2014 Sections 1047(a) (Special Uses) and 1048 (America the Beautiful Interagency Pass program) and the new procedures for handling of cash receipts.
- 3. Full implementation of the EC will occur as divisions, districts, and projects are able to train and incorporate new processes and procedures into their work systems.
- a. Implementation of the Special Uses and America the Beautiful Pass program will commence on 1 January, 2016. This will allow field personnel, including contractors and volunteers to be trained in the requirements of these two new programs. Training will be available in October and guidance on financial accounting for revenues is being developed.
- b. Divisions and districts must initiate actions to comply with the procedures related to the handling of cash at projects as soon as practicable, recognizing that the new policy will require working with project staff and the establishment of internal controls.
- 4. Standard Operating Procedures (Encl 2) have been developed that provide explicit procedures.
- 5. The point of contact for the recreation use fee program is Ms. Mary Coulombe, Chief, Natural Resources Management, (202) 761-1228 or until December, Ms. Roseana Burick, (202) 761-4558.

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