MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDERS, MAJOR SUBORDINATE COMMANDS AND DISTRICT COMMANDS, CHIEFS, OPERATIONS DIVISIONS

SUBJECT: Revisions to EC 1130-2-550, Chapter 9, Recreation Use Fees

1. Purpose. The purpose of this memorandum is to make interim clarifications to the EC 1130-2-550, Chapter 9 Recreation Use Fees.

2. These changes are effective immediately and will be incorporated in the subject ER and EP when they are revised.

3. Background. After the subject EC was published 30 November 2015, new implementation guidance on the Corps volunteer program was published 12 August 2016, specifically changing the policy on bonding of volunteer fee collectors.

4. Revisions.
   
   a. In Section 17.b. Remove the words "bonded and" from the last sentence.

   b. In Appendix B, Section B-2.d.(2)(a)iii shall be changed to read: “The contractor is fully bonded and insured. USACE policy for determining the amount of the bond or other authorized instrument is the greatest amount held at risk. It is the responsibility of the contract fee collector to provide an adequate bond to the Operations Manager prior to beginning work. Volunteers may also, but are not required to, provide a bond from a federally-approved bonding institution at their own expense. A bond is not a grant of relief for the volunteer nor does the USACE relinquish its rights against the bond or volunteer in a non-negligent loss case.”

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