

In the last year, Ron Schwartz has demonstrated a strong desire to help visitors recreating at the Big Bend Project. Countless times over the year he has not only done the routine duties associated with being a campground host, but he has gone out of his way to help our visitors. On June 20, 2015 a powerful storm with over one-hundred mile per hour winds hit the Big Bend campground. Several campers and vehicles were damaged in the event. Some injuries occurred when motor homes were flipped. Ron alerted campers of the approaching storm, and checked on the safety and health of everyone after the storm. S

Since it was father's day weekend, the campground was full weekend. With many poplar and cottonwood trees down, and an uncertain status of the campground's electrical system, it was necessary to close the campground. Ron was a big help in gathering campers and their belongings and helping them to get out of the campground safely. Over the next few weeks, Ron jumped right in to assist crews with clean up using his own ATV and trailer. Ron made several trips to the debris pile with branches left behind from the storm. The area has since been affected by several other storms, and Ron is always out and about alerting visitors where to take cover and helping to clean up.

Ron has been a great asset to the project. He has represented the Corp to the visitors in a very positive way, and is always willing to help out in any way he can.

I feel Mr. Schwartz is very deserving of this award.



