

## DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

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## MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDERS, MAJOR SUBORDINATE COMMANDS

SUBJECT: Civilian Inmate Labor Programs at Army Civil Works Projects - Delegation of Approval and Execution Authority

## 1. References.

- a. Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works memorandum, Subject: Civilian Inmate Labor Programs at Army Civil Works Projects Approval of Model Agreements for Acceptance of Federal, State, and Local Civilian Inmate Labor Services and Delegation of Approval and Execution Authority, dated March 12, 2020.
- b. Secretary of the Army Memorandum, Subject: Delegation of Authority to Establish Civilian Inmate Labor Programs at Army Civil Works Projects, dated February 5, 2020.
- c. Department of the Army, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Inmate Labor Plan for Federal and State/Local Inmate Labor at Army Civil Works Projects, dated March 2, 2020.
- d. Model Memorandum of Agreement for Federal Civilian Inmate Labor, dated March 2, 2020.
- e. Model Memorandum of Agreement for State/Local Civilian Inmate Labor, dated March 2, 2020.
- 2. The enclosed guidance document, reference 1.c., establishes guidelines for the Department of the Army, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Civilian Inmate Labor Program and prescribes policies, procedures, and responsibilities for using civilian inmate labor at Army Civil Works projects.
- 3. Pursuant to reference 1.a., I hereby delegate approval of inmate labor agreements that do not deviate from the approved model agreements (references 1.d. and 1.e.) to division commanders. Division commanders may further delegate signature authority to a district commander, once an agreement is approved by the division commander.
- 4. District commanders shall provide a copy of all executed memorandums of agreement to the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works (OASA (CW)) through Operations and Regulatory Division, Natural Resources Management

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Branch (CECW-CO). All non-substantive deviations from the approved model agreements require approval of the Director of Civil Works. All substantive deviations from the approved model memorandum of agreement template require OASA (CW) approval. District Counsel shall periodically review the memorandums of agreement to determine if the conditions of the documents are still current.

5. I trust that you will exercise sound judgment in keeping me informed of any action under this delegation that will have significant White House, congressional, Department of Defense or public interest, or would represent a significant change in Army precedent or policy. If such a circumstance arises, coordinate with me as soon as possible to ensure that I can provide appropriate guidance.

6. My point of contact for this action is Jeffrey F. Krause, Chief of Natural Resource Management Branch. He may be reached at jeff.f.krause@usace.army.mil or (202) 761-1228.

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