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Memorandum

To: Assistant Secretaries
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From: R. Thomas Weimer R. Thomas Weimer
Assistant Secretary – Policy, Management and Budget

Subject: Recipients of the 2006 Department of the Interior (DOI) Environmental Achievement Awards

I am pleased to announce the recipients of the 2006 DOI Environmental Achievement Awards. This award recognizes DOI Bureaus, Offices, employees, contractors, and partners' exceptional DOI projects in the areas of: Waste/Pollution Prevention, Recycling, Green Purchasing, Environmental Management Systems, Sustainable Design/Green Building, Alternative Fuel and Fuel Conservation in Transportation, and Environmental Stewardship.

A panel of environmental and procurement experts from DOI Bureaus and Offices selected the award recipients. The panel is chaired by the Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance.

The 2006 DOI Environmental Achievement Award recipients are:

Individuals

- Dr. John Portnoy, Ecologist – Herring River Salt Marsh Restoration, Cape Cod National Seashore, National Park Service

Teams

- Students Against Global Abuse at Herndon High School Partnership with Minerals Management Service –Taking the Initiative, Reston, Virginia
- The California Bureau of Land Management Abandoned Mine Lands Team – Boston Placer Mine (Hydraulic Gold Mine) Sluice Tunnel Remediation Project, Red Dog, California, Bureau of Land Management
- JW Dalton Special Project Team – JW Dalton Legacy Well Cleanup Project, National Petroleum Reserve, Alaska, Bureau of Land Management
- Mark Sweeny, Refuge Manager and Team – Missisquoi National Wildlife Refuge "Green" Headquarters and Visitor Contact Station, Swanton, Vermont, Fish and Wildlife Service
- Northeast Regional Office Green Team and Rick O. Bennett, Deputy Regional Director, Hadley, Massachusetts, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Concessioners and Partners

- Doyon/ARAMARK Joint Venture, Concessioner – Planet EVERgreen: Protecting and Preserving "The Last Frontier," Denali National Park and Preserve, National Park Service
- Yellowstone National Park and Concession Employees, Montana and Wyoming Departments of Environmental Quality, and Environmental Protection Agency, Region 8 – Environmental Stewardship at Yellowstone National Park and the greater Yellowstone area, National Park Service

Attached is a summary of the DOI Environmental Achievement Award recipients' achievements.

Please distribute this memorandum throughout your Bureau or Office to share these success stories we can all learn from. Sharing this information will help build a network of professionals who can work together and emulate recipients' accomplishments at DOI sites and facilities nationwide.

For more information, visit DOI's greening website at www.doi.gov/greening, or contact Willie R. Taylor, Director, Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance, Willie_Taylor@ios.doi.gov on 202-208-3891 or Catherine Cesnik, Environmental Award Coordinator, Catherine_Cesnik@ios.doi.gov on 202-208-7877.

Please look for invitations to the upcoming DOI Environmental Achievement Award Presentation Ceremony in autumn 2006 (date to be announced). I hope you will join me in recognizing these outstanding individuals and teams.

Attachment

cc: Deputy Secretary
Chief of Staff
Deputy Solicitor
Deputy Assistant Secretary – Policy and International Affairs