

Hello Federal Colleagues:

It is with great pleasure that US EPA Region 10 announce to you the 2 facilities and programs that Region 10 has selected for our **2008 Champions of Environmental Leadership and Green Government Award** Program.

As you know, this year our criteria for nominations changed slightly. The criteria included: 1) participation in the *Federal Green Challenge*, 2) the requirement that the nominating facility must be beyond compliance in all regulatory programs, and 3) requirement that the nominating facility must be able to demonstrate results of project efforts or expected project results through measurement.

Additionally, the categories for nomination changed slightly as well and included: 1) Energy, 2) Transportation, 3) Waste, 4) Water, and 5) Overall Environmental Leadership and innovation. The below noted award winners met the above criteria and had entry in at least one of the categories. Please take a moment to read about their accomplishments and terrific ideas for reducing their carbon footprint as well as costs to their agencies.

**Congratulations to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Western Washington Fish and Wildlife Office (WWFWO), for their *WASTE* reduction program:**

**Program: The Recycling Team's Waste Reduction, Re-use, and Recycling**

**Project entitled "Cleaning Up Our Act".**

**Team Members: WWFWO Recycling Team - Mark Hodgkins (chair), Sally Butts, Nancy Brennan-Dubbs, Deanna Lynch, Jim Michaels, Karen Myers, Tim Romanski, John Stadler (NMFS), Joanne Stellini, Bernice Todd**

**Congratulations to the U.S. National Park Service, Kenai Fjords National Park for their *ENERGY* reduction programs and their overall Environmental Leadership:**

**Program: Establishing a Green Standard**

**Group Award for the entire Kenai Fjords National Park Staff.**

**If you would like more information regarding the *Federal Green Challenge* and how you can participate and receive recognition in 2009, please see the following websites:**

**[www.federalgreenchallenge.net](http://www.federalgreenchallenge.net) or [www.epa.gov/r10earth/federalgreenchallenge.htm](http://www.epa.gov/r10earth/federalgreenchallenge.htm).**

EPA Region 10's Federal partners are doing great things that positively impact our environment! We are excited to see what the next year of the *Federal Green Challenge* will bring and how much we can collectively reduce our carbon footprint! Keep up the great work and please join me in **Congratulating** the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Western Washington Fish and Wildlife Office *and* the U.S. National Park Service, Kenai Fjords National Park.