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REPLY TO ATTENTION OF:

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TO: Chiefs; Safety and Occupational Health Office, Chiefs of Operations, Operations Project Managers, District NRM POCs and MSC NRM POCs

SUBJECT: Upward Reporting of Recreational Visitor Fatalities

- 1. The Chief of Engineers has requested the Director of Civil Works, MG Don T. Riley keep him appraised of recreational visitor fatalities. To accomplish this, MG Riley has requested a weekly Commander's Critical Incident Report (CCIR) that provides USACE recreational visitor fatality data. The short-term solution to meet this requirement will be to use the Serious Incident Reports (SIRs) entered into ENGLink for the data. This is consistent with the Chief's directions to submit a SIR for all fatalities to include; employee, contractor, and recreational visitors. This will preclude a weekly data call to the field.
- 3. While many of you are currently using ENGLink and SIRs to report recreational visitor fatalities, many of you are not.
- 4. Therefore, for each recreational visitor fatality, ensure that your field operating projects submit a SIR, which includes the following data:
 - The victim's name (if known)
 - The victim's age (if not know indicate whether they were a child, teen, or an adult)
 - The project where the death occurred
 - The date the death occurred (if known)
 - In the narrative, please provide a short description of the circumstances under which the death occurred and the following information if it is known
 - The cause of death
 - o Primary language spoken (if known)
 - o If the fatality was water related include the following data
 - Whether recreating in designated swimming area
 - Whether a PFD was worn
 - Whether alcohol was involved
 - The activity at the time of the death

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- 5. We plan to provide the information to MG Riley for his staff meeting on the week of 18 July 2005.
- 6. The Operations and Safety Communities of Practice (CoP) are working together with the ENGLink team at CESAM and finalizing a long-term solution that will be issued shortly.
- 7. Thank you for your help and cooperation.

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