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Memorandum

To: All Employees

From: Elizabeth Klein 
Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary
Policy, Management and Budget

Subject: Recipient Announcement for the 2016 Department of the Interior Environmental Achievement Awards

I am pleased to announce the recipients of the 2016 Department of the Interior Environmental Achievement Awards.

These Awards recognize departmental employees and partners who attained exceptional achievements under Executive Order 13693 "*Planning for Federal Sustainability in the Next Decade*" and for cleaning up contaminated land. The Award categories are: Building the Future; Climate Champion; Environmental Remediation; Good Neighbor; Green Dream Team; Greening the Fleet; Green Innovation; Keeping It Clean; Lean, Clean and Green; Purchasing Power; Resilience Role Model; Ripple Effect; and Sustainability Hero.

An interdisciplinary panel of reviewers from the Department's bureaus and offices evaluated nominations to recommend Award recipients and honorable mentions. The Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance chairs the panel.

The 2016 Interior Environmental Achievement Award recipients are:

Climate Champion

Dr. Richard Bennett, North East Regional Office, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Massachusetts

Dr. Thomas Doyle, Wetland and Aquatic Research Center, U.S. Geological Survey, Louisiana

Mr. Ken McDermond, Region 4 Headquarters, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Georgia

Building the Future

Provo Area Office, Provo Area Office, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, Utah

Environmental Remediation

Crab Orchard National Wildlife Refuge Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act Project Team, Crab Orchard National Wildlife Refuge, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Illinois

Green Dream Team

National Wildlife Refuge System Sustainability Program Team, Headquarters Office, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, District of Columbia

Green Innovation

Solar Photovoltaic-Powered Refrigeration and Freezer Project Team, Midway Atoll National Wildlife Refuge, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Hawaii

Lean, Clean, and Green

Carl B. Hayden Visitor Center, Carl B. Hayden Visitor Center, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, Arizona

National Capitol Region Energy Savings Performance Contract Team, National Capitol Region, National Park Service, District of Columbia

Good Neighbor

Xanterra Lodges Glacier National Park, Glacier National Park, National Park Service, Montana

Please share the recipients' achievements throughout your organizations and encourage others to replicate their successes. Current and past recipients and honorable mentions create a network of professionals that are a resource for working across disciplines and locations to enable departmental sites and facilities nationwide to be strong stewards for the environment.

For more information about the recipients and to see the honorable mentions, visit the Greening the Department of the Interior website at <http://www.doi.gov/greening/index.cfm>. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Jeffrey Molony, Environmental Awards Coordinator at 202-208-7554 or jeffrey_molony@ios.doi.gov.

Please join me in recognizing these outstanding recipients.