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Corps waives recreation area day-use fees on Veterans Day

WALLA WALLA, Wash. – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will waive day-use fees for veterans and active, Reserve and National Guard service members and their families at its recreation areas nationwide on Veterans Day, Sunday, Nov. 11.

In the Walla Walla District, veterans will find the no-fee Veterans Day benefits at the following Corps-operated recreation areas:

- Swallows Park, along the Snake River near Clarkston, Wash. – open year-round. Facilities: day-use and boat ramp. Getting there: travel 1 mile south of Clarkston, Wash., on Highway 129; located at Snake River Mile 142, on the west riverbank.
- Greenbelt Ramp, along the Snake River near Clarkston, Wash. – open year-round. Facilities: day-use and boat ramp. Getting there: located just north of the Interstate Blue Bridge in Clarkston, Wash, at Snake River Mile 140, on the west riverbank. The trail runs south along Snake River one-half mile to the Southway Bridge.
- Turner Gulch – boat ramp open year-round. Once parking lot is full, please use Barclay Bay parking lot. Do not park on pavement or any environmental feature. Facilities: day-use, boat ramp. Getting there: travel 12 miles east of Boise, Idaho, on State Highway 21, turn right on road over the dam and proceed 1 mile to the park; located at Boise River Mile 64, on the south riverbank.

The day use fee waiver for Corps-managed recreation areas includes boat launch ramp and swim beach fees. Fees for camping and camping related services, as well as fees for specialized facilities such as picnic shelters, will not be waived.

The Corps is one of the largest providers of outdoor recreation, operating 2,625 recreation areas at 423 project sites (mostly lakes) and leasing an additional 1,867 recreation area to state or local park and recreation authorities or private interests.

The Corps hosts about 371 million visits each year at its lakes, beaches and other areas, and estimates that 25 million Americans visit a Corps recreation site at least once a year.

Information about Corps recreation areas in the Walla Walla District can be found at www.nww.usace.army.mil/corpsoutdoors/. Additional information about the Corps' recreation program is available at <http://corpslakes.usace.army.mil/visitors/visitors.cfm>.

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