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Central Ferry Park earns 'Top 100' honors

POMEROY, Wash. – Central Ferry Park, a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers-owned recreation area located along the Snake River near Pomeroy, recently earned a place on the list of the Top 100 Family Campgrounds in the United States.

This selection was made during May by ReserveAmerica – a leading recreation reservation and campground management service for thousands of campgrounds across the country.

“We are proud to honor these outstanding public outdoor recreation facilities that provide such a high level of service and dedication while protecting our beautiful natural areas,” said Seth Rosenberg, president of ReserveAmerica. “The Top 100 Campgrounds are a guide to help consumers plan their trips to America’s ‘hidden gem’ locations.”

Central Ferry Park was nominated for this award by Northwest Land Management (NLM), a private company that operates this campground as well as Chief Timothy Park for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers under a commercial concession lease.

“We feel that Central Ferry is an excellent example of the quality recreation experiences available in the Pacific Northwest.” stated Eric Mart, president of California Land Management, parent company of NLM. “We’re really pleased that a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers site was selected for this recognition.”

Almost 4,000 campgrounds were reviewed before the final list of 100 was determined. The selection criteria used was based on “family friendly” criteria such as educational programs, visitor centers, campground amenities, and natural beauty and scenery. A complete list of Top 100 Family Campgrounds can be viewed online at www.thecampingclub.com/zztop100/top100list.html.

“We’re thrilled that one of our recreation partners has earned Top 100 recognition for Central Ferry Park,” said Jana Brinlee, acting chief of Walla Walla District’s Real Estate Division.

Central Ferry Park has long been a popular destination in Eastern Washington. Located on an unusually level property for the Snake River canyon, the park features a long freshwater shoreline and two protected bays, a swimming area, shower facilities, launch ramp with a marine pump-out, picnic facilities, full hook-up campground, RV dump station and a concession building. In 2007, visitation at Central Ferry Park was 26,200.

For more information about Central Ferry Park or other Corps of Engineers campgrounds, go to www.ReserveAmerica.com or www.recreation.gov. Information about Corps recreation areas in the Walla Walla District can also be viewed at www.nww.usace.army.mil/corpsoutdoors/. For more information about Northwest Land Management, visit their Web site at www.clm-services.com/html/nlm.html.

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