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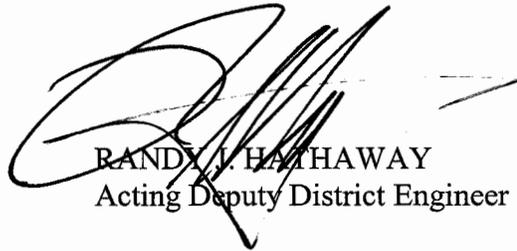
Project Operations
AUTHORIZED ROADS ON PROJECT LANDS

1. Purpose. The purpose of this policy is to establish guidance for authorizing roads on project lands.
2. Applicability. This regulation applies to all projects in the Little Rock District.
3. References.
 - a. ER 1130-2-540, Environmental Stewardship Operations and Maintenance Policies dated 15 Nov 96.
 - b. SWLR 1130-2-48, Shoreline Management at Civil Works Projects dated 6 January 2003
 - c. ER 405-1-12, Real Estate Handbook dated 20 November 1985.
 - d. SWLOM 1-1-25, Coordination of Civil Works Real Estate Actions dated 24 November 1992.
 - e. SWLR 1130-2-42, Boundary Line Maintenance of Fee Lands dated 7 October 1998.
 - f. SWLR 1130-2-45, Forest Management Guidelines and Procedures on Fee Lands dated 11 September 2000.
4. Objective - This policy provides clear and consistent guidance as to when roads crossing public lands may be approved, and it applies to Corps project requirements and those of our natural resources partners. Public access to the project shoreline and across project lands may be provided for authorized public uses.
5. Policy - Authorized roadways currently on project lands exist for two basic reasons. They were either present at the time the land was purchased for the project, or they were requested after operations began and outgranted to a public entity to fulfill a public need. New requests for roads that do not provide full and free access by the public will not be authorized. Former public roads that are restricted to private use should be closed to vehicular traffic at the public boundary line. Re-vegetation of the roadbed should be encouraged in these cases. Other roads on project lands may have been authorized through legitimate Real Estate Instruments. These roads should remain authorized through those instruments until such time as the lease expires or it is transferred and a new agreement is required, even though they may not provide for full and free access by the public. To assure that all future roads are authorized and fully meet the legitimate

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needs of the public, project and management staff will perform surveillance of the project boundary on an as needed basis and closely review new road requests for compliance with this policy.

6. Responsibilities - It is the responsibility of the Chief, Operations Division to make determinations regarding the availability of roads over public lands and to assure that project boundary surveillance and monitoring is being scheduled to detect unauthorized activities on project lands. Chief, Operations Division will further assure that unauthorized activity is promptly investigated and reported. Chief, Real Estate Division, will assure that encroachments are cured in a timely manner.



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