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To: All State Directors
Director, Office of Fire and Aviation
Attn: All State Engineers

From: Director, National Applied Resource Sciences Center

Subject: FY 2000 to FY 2002 Architectural - Engineering
Assistance

DD:9/10/99

In November 1998, NARSC requested that State Engineers identify Architectural-Engineering (A-E) projects that we could assist them on during FY 1999-2001. As a result of that request, NARSC received approximately 75 requests. To date, we have completed and/or are working on approximately 50 of those requests. Some of the projects remaining have been deferred until FY 2000-2001, some were dropped by the requesting State, and others are being completed through the State Engineers. We feel this process was very successful in FY 1999 and was instrumental in helping assess and prioritize A-E work in FY 1999.

Again, we request that your office identify any A-E services and/or projects that you would anticipate needing assistance on during FY 2000 to FY 2002. This information will be helpful in coordinating NARSC's workload and assisting you in meeting the your work demands over the next few years. This request is being made earlier this year to help the Bureau complete design work on projects that need to be constructed or awarded by the FY 2000 summer construction season.

As you are aware, the Bureau has committed to completing its deferred maintenance backlog in timely manner, and NARSC is available and very willing to assist you in fulfilling this obligation. In addition, we are committed to assisting the Bureau in meeting its expanding construction program needs. In order to provide the Bureau with more flexibility and timely

service, NARSC has contracted with an A-E firm to provide nationwide architectural and engineering services. We feel this contract is particularly well suited towards larger projects, such as recreation sites, visitor facilities, and administrative complexes but is available for the small projects as well. More information about the nationwide contract will be made available to the State Engineers during the September EAT Meeting in Anchorage, Alaska.

Requests for A-E services, regardless of funding source, for this purpose should include the following items: Deferred Maintenance, New Construction, Fire Facility Construction, Title 5 LWCF Construction, Demonstration Fee Site Construction, and the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument. Requests for A-E services should be submitted on the attached A-E Assistance Request Form. We ask that you use a separate form for each request and be as descriptive as possible in defining the services requested.

Please understand that requests at this time are only preliminary, and final decisions on project assignment will be determined after all requests are evaluated. NARSC will entertain requests for additional services throughout the year, and we encourage your office to contact us when we can be of assistance.

It is requested that all A-E Assistance Request forms be returned to NARSC by September 10, 1999. We will make every effort to process your requests in a timely manner. If you have any questions, please contact me at (303) 236-6454 or Robert Hart at (303) 987-6864.

Signed by:
Lee Barkow
Director

Authenticated by:
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1 Attachment

1 - A-E Assistance Request Form (1 p)

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