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IAC Employee Receives Statewide Recognition

Darrell Jennings, an 8-year employee of the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation, received the 2004 Young Professional Award from the Washington Recreation and Park Association.

Jennings was recognized for his work with the association, which included serving as chair of both the Higher Education and the Constitution and Bylaws committees, as well as serving on several conference committees.

"The roles he's chosen are not the flashy ones, but are really important for moving our association forward," said Brit Kramer, the association's executive director. "His work has been invaluable. This award is one of the highest recognitions our association can bestow upon deserving candidates. Darrell has the qualities and talents that will eventually put him into top leadership."

The award recognizes the contributions of future leaders in the recreation and parks profession who are 35-years-old or younger and have a minimum of five years experience in the parks and recreation field. Jennings received the award in April at the association's annual meeting in Spokane.

The 1,200-member Washington Recreation & Park Association, based in Lacey, is a non-profit association that formed in 1947. Its mission is to provide resources for the public and its members who create community through people, parks and programs.

The Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation is a state agency that was established in 1964 by citizen initiative to finance recreation and conservation projects throughout the state.

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