

COMMANDING OFFICER, MARINE CORPS BASE HAWAII

STATEMENT ON ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

As the Commanding Officer, Marine Corps Base (MCB) Hawaii, I am committed to environmental excellence and minimizing impacts to our ability to support readiness and global projection of our operating forces. Being good stewards of our land and resources is imperative to sustain and enhance mission readiness and maintain access to training areas. Reflective of my commitment, MCB Hawaii will:



- Continually improve its environmental performance through a systematic environmental management program, which will be an integral part of our dayto-day decision-making and long-term planning.
- Continue to assess our activities to determine their impacts on the environment and actively seek opportunities to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of our environmental management.
- Protect our natural and cultural resources to the maximum extent practicable. We will meet this challenge with a dedication and focus to conserve the natural and cultural resources with which we have been entrusted. We will work to identify and clean up contaminated sites.
- Integrate a pollution prevention ethic into all activities through source reduction, resource recovery and recycling. Sound pollution prevention practices improve the efficiency and effectiveness of our operations while preserving the environment. We shall rely on energy-efficient solutions and position our base as an energy conservation leader.
- Maintain strong community relations by partnering with our neighbors and regulatory agencies to enhance stewardship of the environment, create goodwill, and build trust. The environment affects everyone.

Compliance with environmental laws is critical to maintaining our readiness. I ask that all personnel, no matter what your capacity at MCB Hawaii, take responsibility to comply with environmental laws, regulations and policies to ensure that we have done all that we can to meet our responsibility of good stewardship of our environment.

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