



169TH FIGHTER WING, MCENTIRE JNGB BASE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITMENT STATEMENT

McEntire Joint National Guard Base (JNGB) is committed to our mission, protecting human health, natural resources, and our environment. We will sustain mission capability, while incorporating environmental practices, improvements, and compliance with AFPD 90-8 Environmental, Safety and Occupational Health and Risk Management, federal, state and local laws and guidelines. Our goal extends throughout the 169th Fighter Wing and the tenant units assigned to McEntire JNGB. Protecting the environment at McEntire JNGB is everyone's responsibility irrespective of military, civilian, contractor status, rank, salary or experience. Collectively we will remain focused on our goals to effectively reduce impact on our environment. It is the responsibility of our entire workforce, to be privy to and abide by means of this announcement.

To support our environmental commitment, we will seek to:

Maintain partnerships with the local community through open communications concerning the environment and the protection and perseverance of natural, cultural and historical resources, air, water and land.

Minimize waste generation; maximize pollution prevention and energy efficiency by using our multi-discipline working groups to investigate and research innovative technologies, practices and procedures to integrate into our pollution prevention, waste management, recycling, waste disposal and energy conservation initiatives.

Meet continual improvement goals by using our multi-discipline working groups to set strong but realistic EMS policy, plans, objectives and targets; assessing them through internal and external inspections, reviews, and audits; and taking appropriate corrective actions to prevent or address potential noncompliance situations.

Exceed expectation by complying with and surpassing environmental laws, regulations, codes of practice and agreements; and providing excellent internal and external services with all stakeholders and partnerships.

Pursue continuous education & awareness by providing access to current data, documentation, materials and media resources; providing training and understanding of environmental roles and responsibilities at all levels; and encouraging continual improvement ideas through feedback and suggestions.

For additional information about the environmental management system at McEntire JNGB, please contact the Environmental Management Office at 803-647-8978/8535.

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