



COMMANDING OFFICER'S STATEMENT ON ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND CONSERVATION



The natural environment is a key asset in the training and support mission of Marine Corps Air Station, Cherry Point. To this end, it is the policy of MCAS Cherry Point to protect, preserve, and enhance our land, air, and water resources, and we will strive to adhere to the following:

- Comply with all environmental laws, regulations, and policies.
- Continue minimizing risk to the mission by integrating sound environmental practices into all operations and business decisions.
- Conserve and enhance natural and cultural resources.
- Implement pollution prevention and waste minimization initiatives.
- Review all proposed activities for potential environmental impact in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act.
- Promote the cleanup of contaminated sites.
- Communicate environmental commitments to all levels of the Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point organization, and its tenants to increase awareness of this environmental protection policy.
- Sustain our partnership with the local community and regulatory agencies to continue a proactive environmental compliance and protection program.
- Educate our Marines, Sailors, and civilian Marines about their responsibility to protect the environment and recognize them for outstanding participation.

MCAS Cherry Point will sustain and enhance mission readiness through compliance with applicable environmental laws and regulations, prevention of pollution, and continual improvement of the environmental management system.

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