

ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY AND COMMITMENT STATEMENT

Carderock Division

The Naval Surface Warfare Center, Carderock Division (NSWCCD) is committed to the protection of our environment by integrating environmental compliance and pollution prevention into every aspect of our business. We will preserve our natural and cultural resources through conservation, recycling, and applying environmental consciousness to mission planning and the use of our facilities.

Every employee at NSWCCD is a steward of the environment. We will promote environmental responsibility among all employees through training and communication. We will make our goals and objectives widely known and will clarify each employee's individual roles and responsibilities in achieving those goals.

We will use environmental management systems aligned with ISO 14001 principles as a focal point to pursue active and aggressive procedures, that emphasize partnering and encourages participation by each employee. Through this system we will:

- Comply with environmental laws and regulations by integrating environmental compliance and protection into all our business practices;
- Ensure compliance and continual improvement by monitoring our environmental performance through rigorous self-evaluation of our environmental management system, operational processes and work practices;
- Review environmental objectives and targets to ensure continual improvement while supporting our mission requirements;
- Consider environmental protection and pollution prevention factors in all planning, budgeting, contracting, and operating decisions;
- Preserve our natural resources and sustain the sensitive balance of ecosystems on our land and adjacent waters through proper planning, contracting, building and operations;
- Ensure employee and contractor awareness through education programs, information exchange sessions and frequent publications;
- Promote open communication, cooperation and involvement with the community and all regulatory agencies; and
- Reach out to our local communities and schools to educate and inform the public on issues affecting our environment.

We are committed to the preservation of the environment; it is an important component of the Navy's primary mission to preserve national security.

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