New Hire Environmental Policy Orientation - State Employee

The Texas Military Department (TMD) has established, implemented and maintains an Environmental Management System (EMS) in order to improve the environmental performance of the agency.

You or someone you supervise may be among many who participate directly in the EMS. At a minimum, you must be aware of the TMD Environmental Policy and its commitments to:

- Compliance with all applicable laws and regulations
- Prevention of Pollution
- Continual Improvement of environmental performance and management practices

TMD has established various documented procedures to control and guide effective environmental management. The organization identified its significant environmental aspects or elements of its activities that can potentially or actually cause a significant negative impact to the environment. The current top four most significant impacts to the mission include:

ACTIVITY	MISSION IMPACTS
Use of Electricity	High Cost Utility Bills
Use of Water	Water Restrictions
Use of Hazardous Materials	Spills, Contamination, Waste Disposal, Personnel Safety
Use of Petroleum, Oils and Lubricants /Fuels	Spills, Contamination, Waste Disposal, Personnel Safety

You may be assigned to a job where one or more significant aspects are reflected in your duties. You must know the environmental impacts of your activities and how to manage those activities properly. You must be competent based on appropriate education, training or experience.

The EMS procedures for controlling actual and potential environmental impacts are referred to as "Operational Controls." You are required to be familiar with operational controls established in your work place, to include Standard Operational Procedures (SOPs), environmental waste management plans, spill prevention plans, etc., that apply to significant environmental aspects and potential emergency situations. If your work processes change significantly, such as when you begin new activities, be sure to ask your supervisor if any existing operational control procedures need to be updated or if new operational controls need to be developed.

You may be assigned to participate in Action Plans to achieve goals established for control of our significant environmental activities. Progress on achieving objectives is monitored by senior leadership. For questions on the environmental management system, please contact the TMD EMS Management Representative, Ms. Robin Howard at 512-782-6929 or <u>robin.a.howard12.nfg@mail.mil</u>.



Texas Military Department

DIRECTIVE

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SUBJECT: Texas Military Department (TMD) Environmental Statement

References: See Enclosure

1. PURPOSE.

a. Directs all TMD organizations to implement, maintain, and communicate TMD's Environmental Statement to all military and civilian employees, and supporting contractors.

b. Promote an ethic within TMD that takes the department beyond environmental compliance to sustainability.

2. <u>APPLICABILITY AND SCOPE.</u> This directive applies to all TMD personnel and supersedes TMDD 4700.01, Texas Military Department (TMD) Environmental Statement, dated 30 October 2017.

3. DEFINITIONS. NA

4. DIRECTIVE.

a. The TMD is committed to sustainability and stewardship of our environment and natural resources. The TMD commits to fully comply with applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations and other requirements for protection of the environment, prevention of pollution and continual improvement of our environmental performance. To meet these commitments, TMD, with involvement of all levels of supervision and command, will:

1. Implement an environmental management system in accordance with references a through d, ensuring all regulatory requirements are properly met and maintained.

2. Assess strategic decisions for balance between environmental considerations and mission requirements to ensure future sustainment of resources and readiness.

3. Integrate environmental considerations at the earliest stages of the decisionmaking process into operations, training, maintenance, construction activities, and plans and programs to meet mission requirements. 4. Establish measurable environmental goals and objectives for prevention of pollution, conservation of energy, water and other resources, promotion of recycling, and minimization of waste generation.

5. Develop, fund and implement action plans and management programs to achieve environmental goals and objectives, including providing for the training, equipment and supplies necessary for their accomplishment.

6. Ensure that relevant environmental training is included as a part of scheduled team and individual training every year.

7. Establish and fully support committees and teams comprised of personnel who are involved in the day-to-day decision making process, working to meet the requirements of the environmental management system and accomplish these objectives.

b. This directive is designed to assist TMD with stewardship of the environment, meeting sustainability goals and improving results. Our commitments will help develop and maintain operating processes and practices that will optimize training lands and TMDs ability to meet mission readiness requirements for current and future national defense needs.

5. <u>RESPONSIBILITIES.</u> All members of TMD will ensure this directive is implemented throughout all operations and activities of the organization.

6. <u>INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS.</u> Environmental Management System program information can be found on the <u>Environmental Branch Lone Star Portal</u> page.

7. RELEASABILITY. Unlimited.

8. <u>EFFECTIVE DATE.</u> This directive will expire two years from the effective date of publication unless sooner rescinded or superseded.

9. <u>POINT OF CONTACT</u>. Point of contact is the Environmental Management System, Management Representative at 512-782-6929.

Encl References TRACY R. NORRIS Major General, TXARNG Adjutant General

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Enclosure

References

(a) Army Regulation 200-1, Environmental Protection and Enhancement, 12 Dec 2007

(b) National Guard Bureau Memorandum, ARNG Environmental Management System (EMS) Installation Guidance, 06 FEB 2017

(c) Air Force Policy Directive 90-8, *Environment, Safety & Occupational Health Management and Risk Management*

(d) Lenderman, Brig Gen Laura L., Commander, Joint Base San Antonio. To All Commanders and Wing Staff Agencies. Memorandum. Subject: JBSA #87, Environmental Management System (EMS) Policy Statement, 28 September 2018.



