



# JBER ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS



*673d Air Base Wing – Home of America's Arctic Warriors*



# JBER Environmental Policy



**Perform the mission while demonstrating strong practices to protect and conserve the environment**

**We accomplish this by:**

- Assessing our Environmental Management System (EMS) and continually improve or business practices
- Implementing the Enterprise Environmental, Safety, and Occupational Health Management Information System (EESOH-MIS)
- Integrating environmentally sound practices into daily operations
- Educating and training the workforce, and
- Implementing pollution prevention measures to minimize the use of hazardous materials

**The JBER Environmental Policy (JBER-30 JBER Environmental Management System) can be located at the following link:**

<http://www.jber.af.mil/shared/media/document/AFD-131029-064.pdf>



# Environmental Aspects



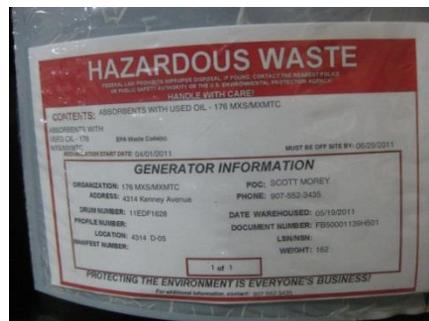
**Environmental aspects are how we interact with the environment (mission, probability, impact, and cost)**

## Top 3 Significant Environmental Aspects

- Hazardous material use



- Waste generation



- Spill Cleanup





# Implementing the Policy



**It's the responsibility of all JBER personnel (military, civilian, and contractors) to understand their potential impacts to the environment and implement the policy**

## **Our roles and responsibilities are to**

- Follow the Environmental Policy
- Know your environmental impacts and requirements
- Prevent pollution
- Continually improve
- When in doubt ask your environmental POCs





# Environmental POCs



## Unit Environmental Coordinators (UECs)

- Typically one E-5 or above per battalion/squadron
- Provide environmental guidance to units/shops
- Perform quarterly and spot inspections
- Help integrate pollution prevention measures



## Other POCs

- **Hazardous material manager** - manage chemical storage and flammable material cabinets
- **Hazardous waste manager** - manage waste collection, storage, and disposal areas
- **Organizational tank custodian** - monitor above ground storage tanks
- **Storm water manager** - conduct and document inspections



# Why Comply?



## Why comply with environmental regulations?

- It's the law
  - State and federal legislatures have enacted laws aimed at preventing significant impacts to our natural environment
  - These laws are enforced by state and federal regulatory agencies
- It's the right thing to do
- It saves money
  - Unused hazardous materials can become hazardous wastes and JBER has to pay to dispose of these wastes at regulated disposal facilities outside the state
- It protects JBER from fines, penalties and lawsuits
  - Violations of the law can result in fines that could impact mission readiness
  - Environmental cleanup is costly and time consuming
  - Lawsuits and restoration can be very costly



# Environmental Management



## Hazardous materials

- All hazardous materials must be approved prior to use on base
- Environmentally friendly or “green” materials must be purchased instead of hazardous materials when possible
- Only order what you need or can reasonably use

## Waste

- Keep hazardous waste separate from other waste
- Segregate waste properly so it can be recycled (i.e. paper, cardboard, used oil, batteries, aerosol cans)

## Energy

- Unplug electronics that are not being used
- Turn lights off when they are not needed

## Wastewater

- Wash equipment in designated areas to prevent pollutant discharges
- Use APPROVED cleaners/degreasers
- DO NOT use oil water separator units as a means of disposal – they are designed to capture incidental amounts of oils/fuel



# Recycling Program



## Recycling saves money

- JBER sells recyclable materials
- Recycling reduces the cost for solid waste disposal
- Money from recycling allows continued operation of the recycling program

## Opportunities on JBER

- Corrugated cardboard collection trailers located across JBER
- White office paper collection points in many buildings
- Drop-off locations for metals and other recyclables

## Off-Base Opportunities

- Full suite of recycling opportunities (mixed paper, plastic...)
- Curbside pickup service (Solid Waste Services, Alaska Waste)
- Several drop-off locations (Carrs, landfills, recycling center)



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# Environmental Issues



## Petroleum and hazardous material/waste spills

### ■ Report All Spills

- If less than 10 gallons of petroleum, oil or lubricants (POL) are spilled and the spill does not represent a safety, fire, or environmental emergency call 227-3512
- For all other spills of petroleum or hazardous waste/material to land or water call 911 immediately
- When in doubt call 911

## Environmental concerns and questions?

- Call your Unit Environmental Coordinator (UEC) or
- Call the Environmental Element
- Examples
  - Can this go down the drain?
  - Can I dig here?
  - How should I store my gas cylinders?





# Environmental Resources



**For more information visit our website**

<http://www.jber.af.mil/environmental/index.asp>

**General environmental guidance**

<http://www.jber.af.mil/shared/media/document/AFD-131029-094.pdf>

**EMS Coordinator**

**Phone: 384-0224**

**Record this Environmental Awareness training in your training log. Thank You!**

