



# Naval Air Weapons Station

## Environmental Policy

We are dedicated to providing the highest level of mission support and quality of life services for all operating forces and ashore support activities at NAWS China Lake. Our goal is to actively promote mission readiness.

Throughout the span of our activities, we consider environmental stewardship an integral part of productivity and providing quality services. The Commanding Office of NAWS has the authority for all land use decisions on the facility. In recognition of this responsibility to our sailors, customers, civilian personnel, neighbors, and others, we will:

### **Comply with Environmental Requirements**

- Be an environmentally responsible neighbor to local communities and tribal governments by ensuring public health, safety, and protection of the environment.
- Comply with and adhere to applicable environmental federal, state, and local regulations, and Department of Defense and Navy policies and regulations.
- Ensure compliance by all parties operating at NAWS China Lake through training, review of planned activities, and oversight of activities.
- In the event of potential or alleged non-compliance with this policy or provisions within, investigate, document, and hold accountable culpable parties as required.

### **Reduce Environmental Impacts**

- Develop and improve operations and technologies that minimize waste; prevent air and water pollution; minimize health and safety risks; and dispose of waste safely and responsibly.
- Protect and conserve natural and cultural resources throughout NAWS China Lake.
- Conserve natural resources by reducing, reusing, and recycling materials; and purchase products made from recycled materials.
- Ensure the responsible use of energy and water, including conservation and improved efficiency.

### **Continually Improve Our Environmental Programs**

- Work diligently to design and improve procedures for environmental protection while meeting mission requirements.
- Develop and implement pollution prevention technologies, knowledge, and methods.
- Increase use of sustainable resources to modernize facilities and the shore-side infrastructure.
- Ensure this policy is communicated to all military and civilian personnel, and contractors to ensure continual improvement throughout NAWS China Lake.

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