



**Commanding Officer
Naval Base Ventura County**

**ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY
STATEMENT**



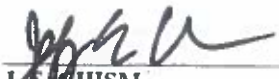
We are dedicated to providing the highest level of mission support and quality for all Navy operating forces and ashore support activities at Naval Base Ventura County (NBVC).

Our goal is to provide environmental services that enhance mission readiness and are protective for the environment by coordinating and minimizing environmental constraints to the military mission, ensuring compliance with environmental regulatory requirements, providing sound stewardship of natural and cultural resources, and working closely with the local community.

Throughout the span of our activities, we consider environmental stewardship an integral part of productivity and providing quality services. In recognition of this responsibility to our Sailors, customers, civilian personnel, neighbors and others, we commit to:

- Be an environmentally responsible neighbor in the communities where we operate, and act promptly to correct incidents or conditions that endanger health, safety, or the environment.
- Use sustainable resources to modernize facilities and the shore-side infrastructure.
- Conserve natural resources by reusing and recycling materials, and purchasing products made from recycled materials.
- Develop and improve operations and technologies that minimize waste; prevent air, water, and other pollution; minimize health and safety risks; and dispose of waste safely and responsibly.
- Ensure the responsible use of energy and water, through conservation and improved efficiency.
- Share appropriate pollution prevention technologies, knowledge, and methods.
- Participate in efforts to improve environmental protection and understanding in our communities.
- Review all practices that may have significant environmental aspects and develop objectives and targets to minimize environmental impacts.
- Adhere to applicable environmental federal, state, and local regulations, and Department of Defense, and Department of the Navy policies.
- Ensure this policy is communicated to all military and civilian personnel, and contractors to encourage continual improvement within the Ventura County area.

Our success depends on continual improvement as outlined in the objective above. Fulfilling our mission in an environmentally sound manner is of fundamental importance, and your complete support is necessary to help create a healthier and safer environment for all persons at NBVC.


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