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Installation Sustainability Program

Fort Hood's Sustainability Program came on-line in June 2001 and has been making strides ever since. We've baselined our environmental aspects; hosted an Executive Sustainability conference with more than 220 in attendance, selected our top 25-year strategic sustainability goals; hosted a Commander-directed Environmental Summit where State, Federal, and other key stakeholders attended; and have nearly completed the first 5-year increment of our 25-Year Strategic Sustainability Plan. We've integrated sustainability into our daily activities and have tied our sustainability efforts to the installation's triad ... Mission, Environment and Community.



“A sustainable Army wins battles while laying the foundation for our future success and gives both these guys their best shot at a healthy, happy life”

Fort Hood's 25-Year Sustainability Goals

- Fort Hood will use sustainable products and services, with active regional involvement, to minimize waste and environmental impact
- Fort Hood will actively reduce its impact on regional air quality from all sources.
- All infrastructure and energy systems are planned, designed, constructed, and maintained to be sustainable and secure.
- Training landscapes managed to support current and future mission requirements while sustaining cultural, natural and land resources.
- Provide high quality potable water and reduce consumption while maintaining mission readiness and quality of life.

Fort Hood and its partners will continue to work together for the safekeeping of our natural and cultural resources by fostering cooperation, sharing information, and coordinating 25-year plans.

Fort Hood's infrastructure will continue to be planned, designed, constructed, and managed to remain sustainable and secure.

The end result will be an installation that fully supports mission requirements while preserving the environment. We can meet the needs of the pre-



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Fort Hood EMS

Fort Hood is in the process of implementing an Environmental Management System (EMS). This management system will help us become more proactive in dealing with environmental laws, regulations and issues while enabling Fort Hood to accomplish its mission efficiently. The Department of Defense and U.S. Army have developed an EMS implementation timeline to assist us in our efforts. We are meeting these target dates and are on track to meet the Executive Order completion milestone of December 2005.

Fort Hood has designated a Management Representative and EMS Coordinator to oversee and facilitate putting the EMS in place. We have also formed a multi-discipline EMS workgroup that meets weekly for coordinating actions and developing the required documentation required under the ISO 14001 standard.

Currently, we are in the process of identifying environmental aspects and their potential impacts on the environment. Once this is complete we will set objectives and targets to reduce and eliminate them where possible. Additionally, an implementation plan is being developed along with awareness training for our Soldiers, civilians and community stakeholders.

“Preserving natural resources increases our ability to train Soldiers, therefore environmental management and sustainability are part of Fort Hood’s mission.”

James E. Simmons
Major General, USA

To focus our efforts we have developed the following Mission and Vision statements for our EMS.

MISSION:

Improving training opportunities by protecting the environment.

VISION:

The Army’s premiere fully sustainable training installation and community.

Fort Hood’s EMS policy has recently been signed by Major General Simmons, the Fort Hood Commander. From this policy we have created an acronym and logo to assist everyone in knowing what our EMS is all about.

Our long term goal is to make Fort Hood a fully sustainable installation.

Our Environmental Management System will help us make this goal a reality.

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