



UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS  
MARINE CORPS BASE  
QUANTICO, VIRGINIA 22134-5001



## Environmental Policy

As "The Crossroads of the Marine Corps," Marine Corps Base, Quantico offers a broad spectrum of operational, training, education, and administrative facilities for active and reserve Marine and Naval units, as well as national, state, and local agencies. We utilize almost 60,000 acres of land and natural resources to enhance readiness by providing operational and training support, infrastructure, and community services that are responsive to tenant command and activity requirements and the needs of our military members, families, and civilians. Sustaining current and future operations and ensuring the Base maintains its live fire capabilities requires that we continuously improve how we manage and conserve resources Base-wide at all activities, functions, and residences.

To that end, I need all individuals that train, live, and/or work aboard the Base to conduct their mission planning, decision-making, training, and daily operations in a manner that demonstrates a firm commitment to:

- ❖ Improving Quantico's environment in a manner that enhances Quantico's value as a premier support and training facility;
- ❖ Complying with all applicable environmental laws, regulations, and policies in order to sustain our capacity to train and to support our Marines, Sailors, Civilian Marines, and their families;
- ❖ Reducing energy and water consumption through conservation and efficiency to meet Federal energy and water reduction mandates and reduce utility costs;
- ❖ Preventing pollution and spills, while minimizing the use of hazardous materials, reducing waste sources, and ensuring a safer and cleaner environment. If spills do occur, immediately report and clean them properly;
- ❖ Minimizing soil erosion, fire hazards, and other threats to our cultural and natural resources.

I ask all Commanders and leaders to enhance awareness of this policy and actively participate through designated representatives in the Marine Corps Base, Quantico Environmental Management System to make Marine Corps Base, Quantico a cleaner, safer, and more sustainable place to live and work for our Marines, Sailors, Civilian Marines, and their families.

Semper Fidelis,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "DAVID W. MAXWELL".

DAVID W. MAXWELL  
Colonel, U.S. Marine Corps  
Commander  
Marine Corps Base, Quantico  
Date:

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