

## **Appendix N**

# **Environmental Issues**

### **AWARENESS AND COMPLIANCE**

N-1. ARs 200-1 and 200-2 explain the Army's environmental programs. Appendix A, in both regulations, references the additional documents that should be reviewed. TC 5-400 provides a comprehensive listing of all items of interest in the preparation for operating near and avoiding environmentally sensitive areas. Another good reference for environmental issues is GTA 5-8-2.

### **ARMY ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE ASSESSMENT SYSTEM**

N-2. Compliance of environmental regulations is a command responsibility. All maintenance units must be aware of the regulations and publications governing environmental protection. All aviation maintenance units handle HW and HM. Each maintenance unit, company and above, must designate, in writing, a HW Coordinator. The units must comply with the ECAP protocol and will be periodically inspected. The units can attain the ECAP protocols from ED/DPW or by calling the Army Environmental Hotline at 1-800-USA-3845 or DSN 584-1699. Environmental awareness training should ensure that all personnel know to report any notice of tax, penalty, fee, fine, sanction, or other compliance order arising from local, state, or federal environmental requirements or enforcement activities. They will also report alleged violation of any local, state, or federal environmental law or regulation. These violations will be reported to the commander, environmental division or the environmental law attorney, Office of the Staff Judge Advocate.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE OFFICER/NCO**

N-3. The HW coordinator may also serve as the environmental compliance officer/NCO. This person is the unit POC and is responsible for environmental education, SOP updates, preparation of environmental risk assessments, and incident reporting. Commanders, along with the HW coordinator and the environmental compliance officer/NCO, must—

- Ensure all unit personnel have had or are scheduled to receive environmental awareness training.
- Designate, in writing, an environmental compliance officer/HW coordinator and ensure they are properly trained and qualified.
- Ensure the unit environmental compliance officer interfaces with appropriate environmental personnel and that unit is in compliance with environmental laws and regulations.
- Meet with battalion S3, S4, and installation personnel who deal with environmental issues.
- Identify requirements concerning ECAP inspections that may affect the unit and how to avoid or protect environmentally sensitive areas.

- Ensure the unit SOP addresses environmental issues/procedures and coordinate environmental requirements with appropriate installation/chain of command personnel.

**PLANNING**

N-4. Advanced preparation is key to successful completion of missions and the same holds true for environmental awareness and protection. Environmental awareness can be incorporated into the unit training program with minimal additional planning. Most topics can be reviewed by contacting the ED, NRB, SJA, and/or Range Control. In most cases, ED and NRB are located under the DPW.

N-5. Figure N-1 is a general point of contact matrix to assist personnel with environmental concerns:

<u>TOPIC</u>	<u>POINT OF CONTACT</u>
Air pollution	Environmental Division
Archeological and historic sites	ED and NRB
Clean and safe water	ED
Legal Consideration	Environmental Law Attorney, OSJA
Hazardous material and waste	Directorate of Logistics, Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office, ED, and the fire department.
Noise pollution	ED, Range Control (Directorate of Plans, Training, and Mobilization)
Range clearances and restrictions	Range Control (DPTM)
Standing operating procedures	ED
Spill reporting	ED
Threatened/endangered species	NRB
Water pollution	ED
Wetland protection	NRB, Range Control
Wildlife management	NRB, Range Control

**Figure N-1. Environmental POC Matrix**

N-6. When overseas, refer to the U.S. agencies providing liaison with the equivalent of the above listed points of contact. If there is no host nation equivalent, all training and maintenance will be conducted under U.S. policies and requirements. Units should coordinate with these organizations to provide a briefing prior to deployments.

## **UNIT LEVEL ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS**

N-7. There may be several types of environmental programs at the unit level. TC 5-400 gives additional information about the following environmental programs:

- HM Programs.
- HW Programs.
- HAZCOM Programs.
- Pollution Prevention and HAZMIN Recycling Programs.
- Spill Prevention and Response Plan Programs.