

Current Focus Areas Under WSMR's EMS

(Significant Aspects)

1. Improve Environmental Impact
(National Environmental Policy Act
(NEPA)) Procedures
2. Improve Waste Management
 - Hazardous Waste
 - Solid Waste & Recycling (Diversion)
3. Reduce Energy Usage
4. Improve Water Management
5. Apply EMS Requirements to Contracts
6. Improve Hazardous Materials Management

What you need to know

- How your day-to-day operations affect the environment
- How to reduce the environmental impact of your job
- How EMS is used in an organized way to solve environmental issues
- How to contact the Environmental Office for answers to your questions regarding the environment or EMS:
Call 678-2225 or come by Bldg 163



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Environmental Management System (EMS)

Key Elements of WSMR's Environmental Policy

- Support the Mission
- Comply with laws and regulations
- Practice Pollution Prevention
- Minimize environmental impacts through continual improvement



What is EMS?

- EMS is a tool that helps us look at our activities in a more organized way
- EMS helps us control the environmental impacts of our day-to-day activities
- EMS helps us comply with current environmental requirements and manage future issues
- EMS helps us identify areas for continual improvement based on the standards of ISO 14001
- EMS helps us improve our environmental performance

Seven Questions and the Answers You Need to Know

1. Where can you find WSMR's Environmental Policy?

- WSMR's Website:
<http://www.wsmr.army.mil/gar/Pages/welcome.aspx>
- Posted on organizational bulletin boards
- Environmental Division, Bldg 163, WSMR, (575) 678-2225

2. How is WSMR's Environmental Policy implemented?

- The Policy is implemented through the EMS and Unit Environmental Officers
- You implement the policy through your daily business practices

3. How can you help implement the Environmental Policy at WSMR?

- Immediately clean up oil spills with absorbent
- Shake "empty" toner cartridges and put them back in for longer use before replacing, then recycle cartridges
- Avoid idling vehicles or running equipment needlessly
- Turn off lights and equipment when not in use and at night
- Purchase recyclable products made with recycled materials
- Reuse products as appropriate
- Recycle what you can

4. How do you manage and/or control your impact on the environment?

- Follow procedures, i.e. Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs), maintenance requirements, etc.

5. Where do you find SOPs and other procedures?

- Check with your supervisor
- Check next to equipment
- Check on Bulletin boards
- Check in office/shop files or library

6. What happens when you follow the procedures?

- The job gets done in a timely manner
- You only have to do the work once
- You minimize impacts to the environment

7. What if you see changes that should be made while performing your daily duties that will improve your operations and protect the environment?

- Use your supervisory channels
- Contact your unit Environmental Officer or the Environmental Division at 678-2225 to assist you

