Commanding Officer's
Environmental Policy Statement

Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton is the Marine Corps' premier amphibious training base and is one of the Department of Defense's busiest installations. The base offers a broad spectrum of training facilities for many active and reserve Marine, Army, and Navy units, as well as national, state, and local agencies.

Our mission is to operate a training base that promotes the combat readiness of Operating Forces and the mission of other tenant commands by providing training opportunities, facilities, services, and support responsive to the needs of Marines, Sailors, civilian employees, and their families.

Camp Pendleton occupies approximately 125,000 acres of coastal Southern California, employing more than 42,000 military personnel and 4,000 civilians. For over 65 years, Camp Pendleton's mission has proven its compatibility with the maintenance and conservation of open space, coastal access, varied terrain, and natural resources required to provide a high quality, training environment. I am personally committed to continuing this legacy.

To that end, I charge all personnel that train, live, and work aboard the base to conduct their mission planning, decision-making, training, and daily operations in a manner that demonstrates a firm commitment to:

- **Conserve** Camp Pendleton's natural and cultural resources by maintaining situational awareness of environmental factors such as soil erosion, fire hazards, and cultural sites;
- **Full compliance** with all applicable environmental laws and regulations in order to sustain our capacity to train, and to support our Marines, Sailors, civilian employees, and their families;
- **Prevent pollution and spills.** If spills occur, immediately report and do cleanup. Control and manage the distribution and use of hazardous materials, not only to reduce waste, but also ensure a safer and cleaner environment;
- **Continually improve** Camp Pendleton's environmental management system in a manner that embraces its value as an Expeditionary Training Base.

I ask all Commanders and leaders to enhance awareness of this policy throughout their organizations. Establish objectives and targets and review them periodically to ensure that our environmental performance improves and our impacts on the environment decrease. Let us do everything we can to make Camp Pendleton a cleaner and safer place to live and work for our Marines, Sailors, civilian employees, and their families.

Semper Fidelis,

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