## Offutt Air Force Base Environmental Management System Environmental Policy Commitment Statement

- 1. The Offutt AFB EMS Commitment Statement is issued by the Commander in accordance with the requirements of AFI 32-7001, *Environmental Management* and consistent with the the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 14001:2015, *Environmental management systems Requirements with guidance for use*.
- 2. The environmental policy is a declaration of Offutt senior leadership's commitment to the environment, serves as the foundation for the EMS, and is formalized through the signature of senior leadership. <u>All persons working for the installation are expected to be familiar with and understand the policy.</u> This policy is considered when setting Offutt's environmental objectives and targets, and it is understood that the implementation of the EMS serves to make the commitments in this policy operational. The environmental policy is a vehicle for communicating Offutt AFB's aspirations for environmental protection. The environmental policy aligns with Offutt's core mission and is appropriate to the nature, scale and environmental impacts of its activities, products and services.
- 3. The EMS Commitment Statement contains overarching commitments made by the senior leadership that include, but are not limited to, the following:
  - **P** Prevent. All personnel must be committed to *pollution prevention*.
  - I Improve. *Continuous improvement* is the cornerstone of the EMS.

C – Comply. *Full compliance* with all national, state and local laws as well as DoD and Air Force directives are mandatory.

K - Know. Base personnel shall know how their job impacts the environment.

4. The environmental policy is communicated to all persons working for or on behalf of Offutt AFB, and is made available to the public in accordance with *EMS Procedure 8, Communication*. The EMS Commitment Statement is reviewed on an annual basis to assure it continues to be appropriate to the nature, scale and environmental impacts of Offutt AFB's activities, products and services, and revised as necessary.

## **Offutt AFB Significant Aspects**

- 1. During the 23 April 2019 Environmental Safety & Occupational Health Council (ESOHC) meeting, the Water Quality and Fuel/POL/Tanks were approved to be designated each as a Significant Aspects IAW AFI 32-7001. Tasks updated in 2021.
- 2. During the 23 April 2019 ESOHC meeting, Environmental Action Plans (EAPs) for each significant aspect which identifies Objectives and Targets by which to measure Continuous Improvement were discussed and approved. The EAPs for each significant aspect are documented on the installation's eDASH page in the EAP Library. EAPs updated in 2021.

# OFFUTT AIR FORCE BASE



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## ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (EMS)

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## EMS Training Requirements

#### **All Offutt Personnel**

are required to complete a one-time *EMS General Awareness Training* by any of the following means: (1) Advanced Distributed Learning Service (ADLS) via the Air Force Portal; (2) Online using TEACH; (3) Reviewing the awareness training slides on the Offutt AFB's eDASH page (see link at the end of this pamphlet).

#### Unit Environmental Coordinators (UECs) and Cross-Functional Team (CFT) Members

CFT Members and UECs must complete additional training available on the Air Force Civil Engineer Center (AFCEC) eDASH Learning Management System (LMS). Please visit the AFCEC eDASH



## What is an EMS?

An Environmental Management System (EMS) is a standardized way for Air Force installations to manage their environmental programs (e.g., air quality, water quality, fuel/POL/tanks, solid waste/recycling) and improve their environmental impacts.

Installations must implement an EMS in accordance with *A FI 32-7001*, *Environmental Management*.

## Get Involved—Join the Cross-Functional Team

An effective EMS relies on the active participation of all base personnel. This is accomplished through the CFT which meets quarterly to discuss environmental issues, address challenges and develop solutions. CFT members include military, civilian and contractors who represent key organizations identified by the CFT chair.

Squadrons appoint one person as their CFT representative, plus an alternate, to serve on the CFT. These personnel are known as UECs and they are the link between their unit and the installation's environmental functions.

## Key Resources & Contact Info

Offutt AFB Environmental Element, 55 CES/CEIE Manages environmental programs and EMS at Offutt AFB Building 301D, Entrance 2 Phone: 402-294-4087 Email:55CES.CEIE.Environmental@us. af.mil

#### • Offutt AFB eDASH

Contains environmental and EMSrelated documents and info https://cs2.eis.af.mil/sites/10624/Offutt/ \_layouts/15/start.aspx#/SitePages/Home.asp

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AFI 32-7001— Environmental Management Air Force instructions and requirements for EMS programs http://www.e-publishing.af.mil/

#### AFCEC eDASH Learning Management System Additional environmental training and information for all personnel, CFT Members and UECs <u>https://cs2.eis.af.mil/sites/10040/WPP/H</u> <u>omePage/Home.aspx</u>