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and meet environmental quality standards and performance specifications.

(f) *Substantive standards and limitations.* The qualitative and quantitative pollution control provisions contained in approved State implementation plans promulgated under Federal environmental protection statutes.

(g) *United States.* The 50 States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Canal Zone, Guam, American Samoa, the Virgin Islands, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

(h) *Installation.* A grouping of facilities, located in the same vicinity, which support particular functions.

(i) *Activity.* A unit, organization or installation performing a function or mission.

§ 650.4 Goal.

It is the Department of the Army's goal to plan, initiate, and carry out all actions and programs to minimize the adverse effects on the quality of the human environment without impairment to the Army's mission. Inherent in this goal is the requirement to achieve the following objectives:

(a) Eliminate the discharge of potentially harmful pollutants produced by Army activities.

(b) Conserve and wisely use natural and material resources provided for use throughout the Army.

(c) Maintain, restore, and enhance the natural and manmade environment in terms of its visual attractiveness and productivity.

(d) Demonstrate initiative and leadership in the formulation and execution of a program that contributes to the national goal of preserving and enhancing the environment.

§ 650.5 Policy.

(a) All Department of Defense agencies are required to—

(1) Comply with the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act and all other Federal environmental laws, executive orders, and regulations.

(2) Demonstrate leadership in environmental pollution abatement and enhancement of the environment consistent with the security interests of the Nation.

(b) The Department of the Army policy is that—(1) The achievement of environmental objectives is an integral part of the Army mission.

(2) The environmental consequences of any proposed action will be considered during the planning process and will be evaluated along with the technical and economic factors in the decisionmaking process.

(3) A detailed environmental impact statement will be prepared and processed in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act when an environmental assessment reveals that the proposed action may significantly affect the quality of the human environment, is highly environmentally controversial, or is anticipated to evoke litigation based upon environmental issues. "Environmentally controversial" relates to cases in which substantive disagreement, real or purported, exists as to the extent, nature, or effect of the action on the environment.

(4) Insofar as essential mission constraints permit, all programs and actions will be planned, initiated, or carried out in a manner to minimize polluting or degrading the environment.

(5) All activities subject to Federal, State, or local regulation will be conducted in accordance with applicable standards and monitored to insure compliance with such standards.

(6) All material and energy resources will be procured and used in a manner that will minimize the emission of pollutants and the production of wastes in keeping with the national policies for energy conservation. Wastes generated will be reprocessed or reclaimed for other productive uses to the maximum extent practicable.

(7) An understanding of the urgent need to preserve and restore the natural environment and to conserve material resources and an appreciation of the Army's support of the environmental protection effort will be fostered throughout the Army. Initiative, leadership, and cooperation in achieving these environmental objectives are encouraged of all personnel.

(8) Commanders will cooperate, to the extent practicable, in beneficial community environmental action programs.

(9) Historic and cultural sites, structures, and objects under Army jurisdiction will be preserved, restored, and maintained for the benefit and enjoyment of future generations.

(10) An integrated, multiuse, natural resources, land management program will be conducted for forests and woodlands, fish and wildlife, open space, soil, water, vegetation, outdoor recreation, natural beauty, and increased public access and nonconsumptive utilization on lands under Army jurisdiction within the provisions of AR 405-80 and AR 420-74.

(c) At locations outside the United States, Department of the Army activities will comply with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act as set forth in subpart B of this part and conform at all times to the environmental quality standards of the host country, international agreements, and Status of Forces Agreements. The provisions of this regulation will be used, to the extent applicable, in fulfilling environmental protection requirements in overseas locations.

(d) When, in the interest of national defense, it is not considered practicable to comply with the foregoing policies, the matter will be referred with full particulars to HQDA (DAEN-ZCE), WASH DC 20310.

§ 650.6 Implementing guidance.

Guidance for implementing DA environmental policies are—(a) The environment must be considered as a single, integrated system characterized by the continuous interaction of air, land, and water.

(b) For planning purposes, the environmental system will be regarded as closed; nothing can be thrown away. Wastes must be either recycled and reclaimed or confined and contained so they will not migrate to re-emerge in pollutant form.

(c) Pollutants are potential resources which are out of place.

§ 650.7 Responsibilities.

(a) Army Environmental Council will—

(1) Review and redirect, as necessary, Army environmental policy and programs to insure the Army fulfills its

responsibility under the National Environmental Policy Act and other Federal laws and regulations pertaining to pollution control and environmental protection.

(2) Provide policy guidance on those matters which fall within the cognizance of the Council and on such matters as referred for consideration by the Secretariat or the Army Staff.

(b) Army Environmental Committee will assist the Army Environmental Council by—

(1) Proposing new environmental policies and programs as directed by the Council.

(2) Serving as a forum for the exchange of information and ideas related to the formulation of the Army Environmental Program.

(3) Assisting in the resolution of interagency problems on environmental matters.

(4) Assisting in the formulation of Army-wide implementing instructions for the Army Environmental Program.

(5) Maintaining surveillance over the ongoing Army Environmental Program and activities.

(6) Reviewing Army Environmental Impact Statements and requests for exemption from Federal and State pollution control standards prior to formal approval by the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works).

(7) Providing reports and information as directed by the Army Environmental Council.

(c) Chief of Engineers will—

(1) Exercise primary Army Staff responsibility for directing and coordinating environmental activities within the Army.

(2) Recommend such actions as will enable DA to comply with the intent, purposes, and procedures of the National Environmental Policy Act and other Federal legislation relative to environmental quality.

(3) Apply Army environmental policy and direct programs so that applicable environmental and pollution control laws and regulations are observed in the acquisition, construction, operations, and disposal of real property.

(4) Maintain positive surveillance over and report progress of the design and construction of pollution control facilities for Army installations.