

Hanscom AFB Environmental Management System

Hanscom Air Force Base's Environmental Commitment Statement – July 2024

Hanscom Air Force Base (HAFB) is proud to secure, support and sustain employees of HAFB and retired military and their families in the New England and New York area. Additionally, HAFB strives to deliver and support affordable and sustainable war-winning capabilities to U.S. and international partners.

Along with these missions, HAFB is committed to protecting the natural and cultural environment through implementation of its Environmental Management System (EMS). This commitment extends to all military personnel, civilian employees, contractors and other persons performing work on the installation and at its geographically separated units which include Patriot Golf Course, Fourth Cliff, Sagamore Hill and Ipswich. Specifically excluded from this scope are Defense Commissary Agency (DeCA), Army and Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES), the Joint Force Headquarters for Massachusetts National Guard and Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) - Lincoln Laboratory because they each maintain their own EMS. Lincoln Schools and Hanscom Family Housing are also excluded from this scope as they are private entities. Air Force Research Laboratory - Rome Research Site is its own installation and is not included in this scope.

Environmental. In order to protect the surrounding environment, HAFB is committed to conservation of natural and cultural resources and achieving pollution prevention opportunities through sustainable use of all materials. Awareness of these commitments and general education about sustainability and pollution prevention will be provided through press releases, public meetings, training and events such as Earth Day.

Management. HAFB recognizes that it requires an effort from all levels of leadership and the base population to succeed in environmental management. To aid in managing environmental concerns, goals, objectives and targets will be developed by the installation Unit Environmental Coordinators. These goals, objectives and targets will then be reviewed and approved by the EMS Cross Functional Team and Environmental, Safety, and Occupational Health Council. This allows input from all levels of personnel on the base, from the general base populace up to the base leadership.

System. To ensure compliance with all federal, state, local, DoD and Air Force environmental regulations and policies, as well as other requirements for which HAFB subscribes, a systematic approach will be applied. Supporting HAFB's commitment to continual improvement, priorities will be developed, data collected on how the objectives and targets are being met, and a review of the successes and failures will lead into the development of new environmental action plans.

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