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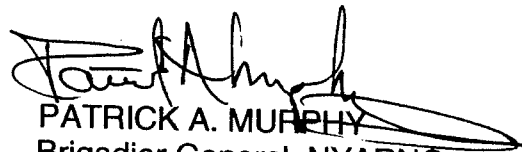
1. The New York National Guard is a dynamic organization comprised of men and women dedicated to fulfilling our federal, state, and community missions. Readiness of our units and personnel is integral to each of these missions, and resources that provide and facilitate readiness are a top priority. A sustainable training environment is critical to our continued utilization of training facilities and lands that are key among those resources.
2. In preparing to meet its requirements, the New York National Guard is committed to incorporating environmental management, stewardship and sustainability into all aspects of operations while providing a force, which is equipped and trained to respond to assigned missions or any contingency.
3. Through sound environmental management, the New York National Guard is committed to:
 - a. The continual improvement of the environmental management program and to the prevention of pollution.
 - b. The sustainability and availability of training lands and facilities to enable training and readiness.
 - c. Enabling the Environmental Quality Control Committee or Environmental Protection Committee as the primary means to set and review environmental objectives, targets and continual improvement.
 - d. Compliance with all applicable environmental legislation and regulations and other requirements identified as contributory to our stated objectives and targets.
 - e. Communication of environmental requirements to all levels of the agency through an educational process that assures our military personnel are informed of environmental program requirements and are able to execute individual and organizational responsibilities.
 - f. Consideration of environmental requirements and impacts in all planning processes relative to training, equipment fielding, and construction.

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g. Partnering with federal, state and local agencies, community groups and other interested parties to communicate mission requirements, minimize environmental impacts, and pursue opportunities for environmental excellence.

4. Adherence to these commitments and to the International Organization for Standardization 14001 Environmental Management Systems standards as directed by the Department of Defense, is vital to New York National Guard readiness and mission accomplishment, and will be fully supported by the chain of command.



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