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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: United States Army Hawaii (USARHAW) Policy Letter #22 – Environmental Compliance and Protection Program

1. References:

- a. Army Regulation (AR) 200-1, Environmental Protection and Enhancement, 13 December 2007.
- b. USAG-HI Regulation 200-4, Installation Hazardous Waste Management Plan (IHWMP), 19 March 2018.
- 2. Applicability. This policy applies to all Soldiers, Civilians, Family Members, contractors, and other personnel who work on, reside on, or visit any United States Army installation, facility, or work site in the State of Hawaii.

3. Policy.

- a. Protecting our environment is one of the most important aspects of accomplishing the USARHAW mission. I am personally committed to ensuring that all Soldiers and Civilian employees comply with all environmental laws and regulations. I expect every Commander and Director to support and comply with environmental regulations through involved leadership, effective planning, disciplined training, and professional execution of the environmental program.
- b. The Environmental Compliance Officer (ECO) is a Commander's and Director's most valuable asset for maintaining compliance with all Federal, State, and Army environmental regulations. Subordinate Commanders, Directors and heads of tenant activities, both military and civilian, will appoint one primary and one alternate ECO from brigade-level down to the company-level or equivalent organizational element. It is essential that personnel in key positions are appointed as ECOs and attend the ECO certification course. Personnel enrolled in the course must have at least one year of retention at their duty station. Examples of personnel appointed as ECOs that normally handle hazardous materials (HM) and/or hazardous waste (HW) daily are Battalion Maintenance Officers (BMO), Motor Sergeants, Petroleum, Oil Lubricants (POL) clerks, and warehouse personnel.

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- c. The Senior Leader's Environmental Compliance Training (SLECT) course provides senior leaders with a general overview of federal, state, and local environmental laws, regulations, and policies and furnishes them with tools vital to managing a successful environmental compliance program. Your support will determine how successful your environmental compliance program will be. In line with this, each senior leader with environmental compliance responsibilities in platoon-level and above leadership positions, brigade, battalion, company executive officers, S4 officers, logistics officers, and civilians in supervisory positions will attend the SLECT course within 120 days of assuming these positions.
- d. Recurring unannounced quarterly environmental inspections are conducted by the Directorate of Public Works (DPW). Commanders/Directors will respond to deficiencies identified by the DPW inspectors by endorsement within two weeks. Results of these inspections are reported at the Environmental Quality Control Committee (EQCC) meetings conducted quarterly and chaired by the Deputy Commanding General of Support. Commanders/Directors who receive an unsatisfactory rating on inspections or are responsible for providing after action reports on spills, will report the status of any and all corrective action at the EQCC meeting.
- e. Payment of fines resulting from environmental inspections is the responsibility of the inspected unit/activity and/or tenant, to include the Army and Air Force Exchange Service. Funding used to pay a fine is valuable money that is diverted from other critical mission/base operation requirements.
- 4. This policy supersedes previous versions and remains in effect until superseded or rescinded in writing.
- 5. Proponent. The proponent for administration of the U.S. Army Environmental Compliance and Protection Program in Hawaii is the DPW Environmental Division, at 808-656-5790.

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