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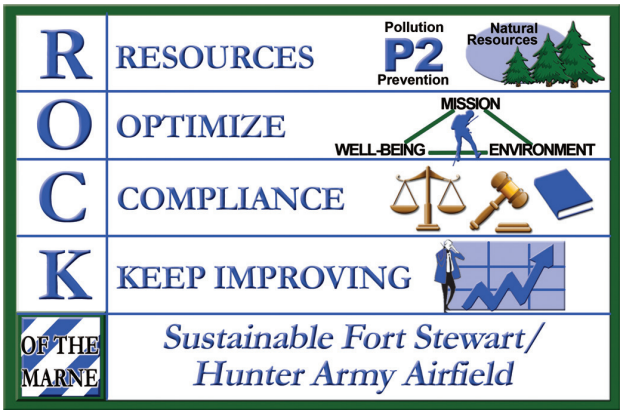

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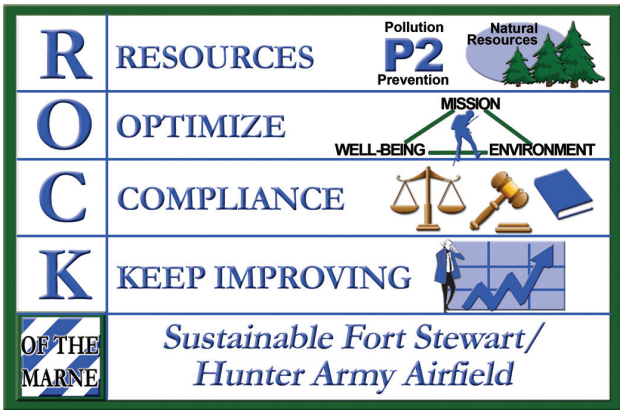

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1. **Know that SMS is the Sustainability Management System. We use the SMS to implement the Fort Stewart/Hunter Army Airfield Sustainability Policy.**
2. **Know the basic contents of the Policy. Refer to the policy on the back page – Remember: ROCK of the Marne!**

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3. **Know the Environmental impacts of your job!**
   - Know the possible causes of environmental impacts from the activities you perform and manage your activities using proper procedures.
   - If you have been designated to perform an activity that could result in a significant environmental impact, you must know how to properly manage that activity.
4. **Know that everyone has a role and responsibility in Fort Stewart/Hunter Army Airfield SMS.** Our goal is to sustain the mission while minimizing impacts to the environment and maintaining the best quality of life.

Fort Stewart/Hunter Army Airfield's SMS focuses on Land Use and Water Use. Our SMS emphasizes Threatened & Endangered Species management, solid waste reduction and water conservation.

How Can You Contribute?

Recycle at Work and at Home: Don't let your efforts go to waste, keep waste and recyclables separate!

Conserve Water:
- Turn off the water while you brush your teeth.
- Sweep the driveway instead of spraying it down with a garden hose.
- Use harvested rain water instead of potable water to irrigate and water plants.
- Install low-flow fixtures, such as shower heads and low flow toilets.

Protect Threatened & Endangered Species (TES): Be mindful of TES habitats when working in the training areas. Some areas have restrictions that must be upheld.

Adhere to Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs): Know and follow all SOPs for your job, to include recycling SOPs, spill response SOPs and guidance for proper handling of hazardous waste.

Become Informed: To find out more information, watch the SMS training video at **http://www.stewart.army.mil/dpw/EN.asp**, contact your unit Environmental Compliance Officer, or call the SMS Management Representative or Lead at 767-2010.

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