



COUNTY OF NORTHERN LIGHTS

POLICY

ENVIRONMENTAL STABILITY

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PURPOSE

Sustainability is a new way of thinking about an age-old concern: ensuring that our children and grandchildren inherit a tomorrow that is at least as good as today, preferably better. Sustainability is defined as meeting the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. We want to make sure that the way we live our lives is sustainable - that it can continue and keep improving for a long time.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY MISSION STATEMENT

The County of Northern Lights wants to be the leader in environmental sustainability within our industry and through a focused effort to become more aware of the effects our business practices, workers, business partners, subcontractors and vendors have on the environment.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY INITIATIVES

The County of Northern Lights cares about the environment and we are doing our part to make County of Northern Lights sustainable for future generations. We realize the process of becoming more "Green" is one that continuously evolves and by initiating our program we will make a positive difference to the environment, step by step.

All initiatives taken at each work site will be reported to County of Northern Lights.

Energy Conservation

Each County of Northern Lights work site will develop measures to be in place for energy conservation and energy conservation measures should be used whenever possible. This can include shutting down equipment when it's not in use, use of energy efficient light bulbs, using new energy efficient technology, using equipment with the ENERGY STAR mark, reduction in the use of generators and using more local electrical supply, etc.

Water Conservation

Each County of Northern Lights work site will develop measures to be in place for water conservation. Water conservation measures should be used whenever possible. This can include repair on any equipment leaking water, use of a broom instead of a hose for cleaning purposes, upgrade equipment efficiency, educating employees, recycling dirty water for other applications instead of clean water, etc.

Efficient Use of Vehicles

County of Northern Lights will make efficient use of vehicles and equipment to minimize the impact to the environment. Vehicles and equipment should be kept in good condition with up-to-date preventative maintenance, should not be left idling unnecessarily, should use alternative fuels when possible, reviewing trips to reduce the number of vehicles used, etc. The most efficient vehicles and equipment should be used when possible.

Habitat Impact

The County of Northern Lights will always work towards minimizing environmental impacts on the local habitat when activities may affect them. When activities may affect the local animal or plant population or habitat a plan shall be in place to minimize any environmental impact to them. The plan is to be reviewed and approved by the site manager prior to work beginning.



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Waste Management

Efficiency

We must make efficient use of materials in order to minimize waste. An efficient material management system should be used to reduce the impact on the environment by limiting the amount of materials that are used, left over as waste or transported.

Purchasing

County of Northern Lights will emphasise purchasing products with minimal impact on the environment when available. County of Northern Lights should take into consideration the impact a product has on the environment before purchasing. Preference should be given to products that minimally impact the environment, made of recycled, renewable material, energy-efficient, etc. Local purchasing will also reduce the amount of emissions and fuel used as compared to purchasing involving direct shipment from more distant locations.

Recycling

Each County of Northern Lights work site will develop measures to be in place for recycling. Besides recycling paper, cardboard, fluids, tires and plastics at our facilities we also want to recycle used engine oil, treat or recycle solvents, etc.

Measures in Place for Limiting Greenhouse Gas Emissions

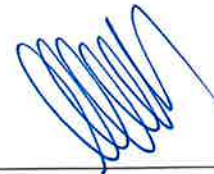
Each County of Northern Lights work site will develop a process for implementing procedures to protect the climate. This includes limiting the amount of greenhouse gases by use of low-emission technologies, driving less or carpooling and use of renewable energy.

Site managers are responsible to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and fuel consumption, decrease wasted expenditures in fuel and maintenance and improve efficiency.

EMPLOYEE AWARENESS

All County of Northern Lights workers will be made aware of our sustainability efforts and asked for their input for additional methods to protect the environment while we conduct our work.



Chief Elected Official

Chief Administrative Officer