



ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY STATEMENT

As Commanding Officer of U.S. Naval Air Station, Sigonella, Italy (NASSIG); Security, Resource Conservation, and Health and Welfare are the pillars of my operating principles. In order to accomplish the NASSIG mission, I recognize our fundamental role in protecting the lands and resources that are entrusted to us and consider environmental management one of our highest priorities. NASSIG is committed to environmental compliance with environmental regulations as outlined by the Environmental Final Governing Standards for Italy and Department of Defense and Department of the Navy policies. Environmental stewardship is essential to the safe, healthful, and compliant execution of our mission and the preservation and protection of the resources entrusted to us by our host nation.

I am dedicated to nurturing the environment which sustains NASSIG for all SIG citizens and those to follow through a commitment to pollution prevention at its source by encouraging waste minimization, recycling, consideration of green products and services as the first choice in all procurement actions, and the use of green products and services to the maximum extent possible. I pledge to make environmental considerations an integral part of our planning, decision-making and operational processes. By identifying our most significant environmental aspects, developing objectives and targets, and the implementation of sustainable practices; we can achieve our goals to minimize impacts to the environment. As part of this commitment, NASSIG will continue to implement an Environmental Management System using a top-down chain of command structure for Environmental Program policy development, implementation, sustainability and continual improvement. As a pivotal resource, senior leadership engagement fosters communication throughout appropriate levels of our organization about our environmental commitments and performance facilitating meaningful change and opportunities for improvement.

Successful environmental stewardship is dependent upon each and every one at NASSIG. Knowing how your job impacts the environment and how you can perform it safely and in compliance with environmental requirements is paramount. Take accountability for your actions, be a leader in your organization by identifying opportunities to accomplish the mission while gaining efficiencies and reducing strain on our resources, and join me in my commitment to responsible environmental management of NASSIG.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "A. F. Shoemaker".

A. F. SHOEMAKER
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commanding Officer

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