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ENVIRONMENTAL OPERATING PRINCIPLES

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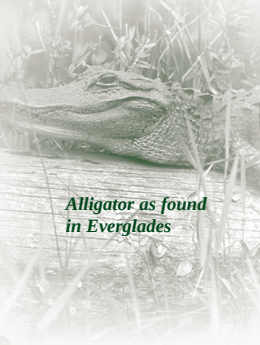
Environmental Sustainable Housing Fort Lee, VA

Wetlands at Melvin Price Lock and Dam

Endangered Whooping Crane Aransas National Wildlife Refuge, Texas

Planting a tree within Mississippi Delta

Listening to the public at Lake Hartwell drought meeting



Alligator as found in Everglades

Corps labs support research and development in Far East District

1. Strive to achieve Environmental Sustainability. An environment maintained in a healthy, diverse, and sustainable condition is necessary to support life.

2. Recognize the interdependence of life and the physical environment. Proactively consider environmental consequences of Corps programs and act accordingly in all appropriate circumstances.

3. Seek balance and synergy among human development activities and natural systems by designing economic and environmental solutions that support and reinforce one another.

4. Continue to accept corporate responsibility and accountability under the law for activities and decisions under our control that impact human health and welfare and the continued viability of natural systems.

5. Seek ways and means to assess and mitigate cumulative impacts to the environment; bring systems approaches to the full life cycle of our processes and work.

6. Build and share an integrated scientific, economic and social knowledge base that supports a greater understanding of the environment and impacts of our work.

7. Respect the views of individuals and groups interested in Corps activities; listen to them actively, and learn from their perspective in the search to find innovative win-win solutions to the Nation's problems that also protect and enhance the environment.