



Safety and Environmental Newsletter

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Please join us in observing **national fire prevention month** this October! The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) is observing fire prevention month during the week of October 3-9, 2021. The goal of fire prevention month is to raise fire safety awareness and to help ensure your home and family is protected. Here are some fire safety tips to follow at home:

Fire detectors save lives

Install smoke and carbon monoxide detectors and remember to change the batteries

Create an escape plan

Ensure all family members know the emergency exits at home in case of a fire

Switch off appliances

Double check and make sure appliances are not left running after use

Monitor your extinguishers

Check your fire extinguishers often and replace as necessary

Clean vents and dryers

Clean lint filters after use and ensure all vents are clear

Visit www.firepreventionweek.org for more information and resources on 2021 Fire Protection Week!

BE AWARE AND STAY SAFE!





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FY2022 Environmental Management System High Priorities

Each fiscal year, NASA WFF considers upcoming planned projects and current compliance issues to evaluate all environmental aspects for the projected risk or opportunity.

Three High Priorities were selected because WFF's FY2022 activities might cause an environmental risk:

Natural and Cultural Resources

- Wallops Island physical and ecological studies to support Shoreline Resiliency require funding and implementation.
- Wetland compensation / Wallops Island resiliency strategy is needed.
- Cultural Resources predictive modeling needs to be funded and developed.

Site Restoration

- Ongoing Site Investigations and construction of new well pipeline

Water Quality

- Three potable water tanks require renovation.
- Upgrade to chlorination system desired.

Two High Priorities were selected due to their opportunity to create a benefit:

Environmental Planning

- Planning will result in 2 new scientific balloon launch sites for NASA.

Sustainability

- Photovoltaic cost avoidance
- N-159 Free Cooling Chiller Energy Savings

Environmental Policy



Goddard Policy Directive (GPD)

DIRECTIVE NO. GPD 8500.1D
EFFECTIVE DATE: May 25, 2017
EXPIRATION DATE: May 25, 2022

Responsible Office: 250/Medical and Environmental Management Division (MEMD)

Title: Environmental Policy and Program Management

1. POLICY

The Goddard Space Flight Center (GSFC) missions expand knowledge of the Earth and its environment, the solar system, and the universe. To maintain our nation's leadership in this endeavor, GSFC commits to conducting missions in a manner that promotes environmental stewardship. As an integral part of all mission planning and implementation, GSFC's environmental policy is to:

- Comply with all applicable Federal, state, and local laws and regulations, Executive Orders, NASA policies, and other requirements;
- Prevent pollution, conserve natural resources, and consider the environmental impacts of Center actions during planning;
- Implement pragmatic and cost effective solutions to environmental challenges;
- Communicate with the GSFC community, our partners, and the public;
- Continue to improve our environmental performance by:
 - Promoting awareness through education and training;
 - Integrating environmentally sustainable best management practices into our daily work activities;
 - Exploring advances in environmental technology; and
 - Providing a framework for setting goals, objectives and targets through our Environmental Management System (EMS).

These commitments demonstrate GSFC's environmental stewardship in our community.

The Goddard Environmental Policy requires each of us to understand the environmental impacts of our work and to plan ways to mitigate those impacts.

Even simple actions such as recycling, limiting printing, and turning off lights can have a big impact.

