ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT POLICY

POLICY STATEMENT
Florida International University shall protect the environment by a demonstrated commitment to environmental protection and stewardship that will be reflected in its teaching, research operations and community related activities.

REASON FOR POLICY
To guide the University’s decision-making regarding actions which may have an impact on the environment and the protection and conservation of natural resources.

DEFINITIONS
“Environment,” as used in this policy, describes soil, air and water likely to be affected by activities in which the University engages. Such effects may be immediate or long term.

PROCEDURES
In the conduct of its operations, the University should seek to adhere to practices that minimize negative impacts on the environment and contribute to the restoration, reuse and recycling of resources. To this end, the University advocates that each member of the FIU community is responsible to develop and implement operational procedures that align with the following objectives:

1. Minimize energy and water use through efficient management and practices.
3. Minimize polluting noises, odors, effluents and emissions to air, soil and water.
4. Minimize or eliminate the use of hazardous chemicals and toxic cleaning and maintenance products if appropriate substitutes are available.
5. Meet all applicable environmental standards and regulations with a view toward continual improvement.
6. Within available resources, initiate and maintain environmental awareness programs.
7. Encourage representation on local environmental planning workgroups and local networks of environmental protection and conservation initiatives.

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University Safety Compliance Guidelines

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