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**FORT CAMPBELL ENVIRONMENTAL HANDBOOK**  
**Guidance and Instruction**  
**LAND MANAGEMENT**

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1. **Purpose and Scope:**

Provide general information and guidance on Fort Campbell's land management program and inform EQOs of issues affecting training.

2. **References:**

- a. AR 200-3, "Natural Resources - Land, Forest and Wildlife Management," Chapter 3, February 1995.
- b. CAM Reg 385-5, Safety, RANGE REGULATION, Chapter 21.

3. **Definitions:** As found in references above.

4. **General:**

a. Heavier and faster vehicles, longer combat engagement distances, and increases in mechanization and combined arms exercises have all made the need to maintain realistic training areas a crucial land management issue on most Army installations that conduct vehicle training maneuvers.

b. Environmental consideration and natural resources conservation are other issues which require having a well developed land management plan as part of an installation's Natural Resources Management Program. These issues must be dealt with to ensure that the Army maintains an effective level of combat readiness while promoting good stewardship of the land on which it trains.

c. Some major areas of concern that must be complied with in order to assure accomplishment of the Army mission and compliance with environmental requirements in the area of land management include:

1) Soil conservation and maintenance of ground cover to stabilize soil and reduce erosion, as directed by Public Law 74-46, Soil Conservation;

2) Provision of sediment control structures to ensure sediments do not enter streams or other water bodies;

3) Maintenance of training grounds and compliance with the Clean Water Act (CWA) and nonpoint source pollution requirements;

4) Protection of wetlands and other sensitive areas to ensure no net loss or alterations, as directed under the CWA; and,

5) Complete inventories of soils, flora and fauna. These must be monitored to determine trends so that use and management activities may be planned and implemented to ensure the sustainment and best use of natural resources.

d. In general, carrying out national land use and conservation policies is required on all Federal lands to the extent practicable and without affecting the assigned mission. These policies are incorporated in AR 200-3. Guidelines for a land management plan are also provided.

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5. **Responsibilities:**

- a. The Commander/Director is responsible for ensuring guidance and EQO instructions are followed during his/her tenure.
- b. The EQO is responsible for initiating a unit program to disseminate information acquired during the Bi-monthly EQO meeting.

6. **Instructions:**

Avoid unnecessary damage to areas such as agriculture outleasings and wildlife food plots. They represent a maintenance service to the government in the case of agriculture outleasings to improve wildlife habitat and an expenditure of fees, paid by hunters, for the privilege of using the installation.

7. **Additional Guidance:**

- a. For additional guidance, information, and answers to your questions, contact Joe Whitfill, PWBC Environmental Division, Conservation Branch, 798-9850.
- b. For future reference, place this document behind *Tab Number 12* in your Fort Campbell Environmental Handbook.