



## ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY POLICY/PROCEDURE

### Purpose and Scope

**This policy outlines the Best Management Practices (BMPs) utilized by Apex Pipeline in regard to environmental sustainability. Apex is committed to minimizing its environmental footprint as much as possible on its projects and in helping reduce the amount of emissions and waste when practical and feasible from its operations.**

**The purpose of this policy is to establish some guidelines and best practices to follow when feasible in attempt to assist in the overall minimization of impact our projects have on the environment.**

### Responsibility

**It is the responsibility of all Apex employees and subcontractors to adhere to this policy at all times and utilize Best Practice measures to reduce waste and emissions and control the impact of our work on the environment.**

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- When available and approved, Apex shall purchase and utilize materials and products that minimize the overall impact on the environment. Apex will attempt to utilize material that can be reused or recycled when possible. Apex shall also purchase recycled if available and is approved for the applicable use.
- Apex shall make every attempt to minimize any waste on all projects. This step not only is a measure in preventing waste and its impact on the environment. It also assists from a quality and inventory management perspective. Remaining material and products are used on future projects where applicable in attempt to reduce waste from any project.
- Efficient use of vehicles and equipment on Apex projects assist in controlling the impact on the environment. Vehicles and equipment use are also very critical and necessary to completion of the projects. Apex provides company transportation to the job site to reduce the number of vehicles that must be driven. This carpooling technique helps in many aspects. It reduces the overall amount of greenhouse emissions released from a project, it reduces the amount of disturbance needed to accommodate the additional parking issue. When not being driven, vehicles and equipment are to be turned off and not left to idle to help with energy conservation and fuel consumption.
- While a project may temporarily impact the local habitat, the completed, restored project is intended to promote and enhance local habitat conditions. The restored project should promote local habitat by providing enhanced nutritional locations left by the type of seed the project site was restored with as well as additional growth potential. Temporary restoration while the project is active will also help reduce the impact made by the project.



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- All projects shall make every attempt to reduce the usage of water when possible. Water usage is necessary in many functions of a project, but where feasible and allowed, water shall be reused for similar purposes to prevent use of new water. Water use shall also be limited in areas such as dust suppression or road cleaning activities. Any devices utilizing water shall be inspected to ensure it is operating efficiently and has no leaks.