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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARIES OF MILITARY DEPARTMENTS
CHIEF OF THE NATIONAL GUARD BUREAU
DIRECTORS OF THE DEFENSE AGENCIES
DIRECTORS OF THE FIELD ACTIVITIES

Subject: Announcement of the 2026 Department of War Environmental Awards Winners

It is my pleasure to announce the winners of the 2026 Department of War (DoW) Environmental Awards. DoW has recognized outstanding achievements in environmental management annually since 1962. These awards honor installations, teams, and individuals for accomplishments that support the warfighter, enhance mission readiness, accelerate project execution, ensure installation resilience, and reduce costs for compliance. The 2026 winners continue this distinguished tradition:

- **Natural Resources Conservation, Small Installation:** Hanscom Air Force Base, Massachusetts
- **Natural Resources Conservation, Individual/Team:** Marine Species Monitoring Program Team, U.S. Fleet Forces Command, Norfolk, Virginia
- **Environmental Quality, Non-Industrial Installation:** Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson Air Force Base, Alaska
- **Environmental Quality, Individual/Team:** Mr. Patrick D. Crile, Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Hawaii
- **Environmental Restoration, Installation:** Beale Air Force Base, California
- **Environmental Restoration, Individual/Team:** Ms. Shannon McMillan, Goodfellow Air Force Base, Texas
- **Cultural Resources Management, Large Installation:** Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, California

Congratulations to the 2026 DoW Environmental Awards winners. Your remarkable environmental achievements play a key role in protecting warfighter health and ensuring operational readiness. I commend your unwavering commitment to our nation, people, and DoW's mission.

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