



## Environmental Policy

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The Hamilton Port Authority (HPA) recognizes that environmental leadership and stewardship is integral to its mission. The HPA will fulfill its commitment to the community by implementing practices which safeguard and promote the environmental protection of its properties and Hamilton Harbour.

Through the adoption of an Environmental Policy, the HPA will strive to manage its lands and facilities through the following:

**Environmental Compliance:** The HPA will work to ensure that its operations, facilities, and activities meet or exceed applicable federal laws and regulations, and have regard for provincial and local laws and regulations. The HPA will conduct federal environmental assessments on new projects where applicable.

**Environmental Protection:** The HPA will operate its facilities in an environmentally sound and responsible manner in order to continually improve our environmental footprint and to protect the community and the environment. The HPA will incorporate language in its lease agreements that proactively incorporates a high level of environmental protection.

**Best Practices:** The HPA will demonstrate best practices in its operations and activities through environmental programs such as Green Marine and Clean Marine to further protect the environment.

**Work Together:** The HPA will work with its customers and other organizations on projects that enhance the environment and the Hamilton Harbour ecosystem. The HPA will work toward the remediation of the Randle Reef area, and coordinate with the Hamilton Harbour Remedial Action Plan (RAP) committees such as the Bay Area Implementation Team (BAIT) and Fish and Wildlife Advisory Committee.

**Environmental Support:** The HPA will assist the efforts of environmental groups or agencies to restore or enhance the local ecosystem by contributing time, effort and/or funding to environmental projects, including through HPA's Environmental Trust Fund.

**Communication:** The HPA will communicate this environmental policy with Port stakeholders, HPA staff, customers and the community.