

Petrified Forest National Park
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITMENT STATEMENT

Petrified Forest National Park was set aside to preserve, protect and interpret the remains of the globally significant Late Triassic ecosystem and the continuum of human use in a high desert/short grass prairie. As stewards of this diverse and special resource, our goal is to be a leader in environmental awareness and management.

Petrified Forest National Park will safeguard and enhance the natural, cultural, scenic, wilderness, recreational and educational values of the park. We will strive for exemplary environmental management and leadership in all areas of environmental protection. We commit to meet or exceed the requirements of all applicable laws, including federal, state and local laws, regulation, policies, and Executive Orders addressing the protection of the environment.

We will strive for the uniform adoption of high standards of sustainability. Park staff will demonstrate and communicate leadership in environmental performance to encourage and educate visitors about sustainable behaviors. We aim to be recognized by visitors, the community, and others as a leader in environmental stewardship.

To fulfill these commitments, we will incorporate best management practices and promote the reduction of pollution. Specifically, we will reduce energy, water, and fuel consumption, minimize the amount of waste generated, recycle and reuse materials, and purchase environmentally preferable products. We will work to continually improve our management and accountability in areas identified within the Petrified Forest National Park Environmental Management System.