

## **DENR SUSTAINABILITY TEAM MISSION STATEMENT**

To raise employee awareness of the consequences of our actions and make DENR a model of sustainability by promoting the implementation of positive environmental stewardship initiatives in the Department and by encouraging employee involvement and recognition consistent with the State Government Sustainability Plan.

## **DENR SUSTAINABILITY DEFINITION**

Environmental Sustainability “...meeting the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.” - Environmental sustainability is the act of working toward minimizing the unwanted environmental impacts of daily activities and projects. State Government and individual employees have many opportunities to implement sustainable practices, both at home and at work, that encourage wise use of resources and that reduce or eliminate pollution.

## **DENR SUSTAINABILITY POLICY**

The Department of Environment and Natural Resources and its Divisions are expected to take real and permanent steps to reduce unwanted environmental impacts in their daily activities and projects. All DENR Divisions should implement their own sustainability projects and make sure that employees have access to environmental education resources and materials. (Effective December 1, 2001)