

INFORMATION PAPER

1. **PURPOSE:** To provide guidance to Military Components on Fort Drum's Environmental Compliance Course (ECO) Schedule, Enrollment Procedures and Seating Availability

2. **INFORMATION:**

a. The Environmental Division will be conducting the Environmental Compliance Officers Course (ECO) to meet the training requirements for federal and state regulations while also meeting the unique needs of the Fort Drum population. The training will be divide into two classes, a 24-hour class and an 8-hour refresher class.

b. Upcoming 24-Hour courses and 8-hour refreshers for 2004 are scheduled for February, April, June, August, October, and December. Contact the Environmental Division Point of Contact (POC) at (315) 772-2678; DSN 772 for registration requirements and locations. Classes may be rescheduled if there are not enough students enrolled.

c. Request Commanders/Supervisors evaluate the needs of his/her unit and appoint individuals to attend training. During the selection process, the unit should consider the responsibilities normally associated with this type of appointment.

- (1) Coordinate environmental issues and attend briefings/information meetings
- (2) Maintain environmental plans and notices that apply to the unit
- (3) Attend environmental training as required
- (4) Ensure that unit operations comply with environmental requirements
- (5) Provide Hazardous Materials and Hazardous Waste Management

Please inform the Environmental Division of prospective candidates and desired course dates by telephone or in writing to Mr. Mark W. Clarke, extension 2-2678, building T-4838 (mark.clarke@drum.army.mil) at least 30 days in advance.

d. **CONCLUSION:** It is critical that the environment in which we live and work be as safe as possible. Correcting environmental deficiencies not only protects our environment and us, it is much less expensive than cleanup and restoration. Resources expended to repair environmental damage are resources unavailable for your mission requirements. It behooves us all to carefully conserve our resources as sound environmental stewardship plays significantly in our resource management responsibilities. Please take advantage of this training opportunity. If you have any questions or concerns, please call the PW, Environmental Division POC at (315) 772-2678; DSN 772.