



Town of Harrisburg, NC Environmental Policy

(Adopted by Town Council on September 14, 2015)

1. Meet or exceed all applicable environmental laws
2. Preserve open space to protect the natural environment
3. Practice waste minimization and recycling
4. Conserve energy and water at all Town facilities
5. Actively research new products and procedures that provide environmental benefits (where cost effective, ensuring inclusion of the long-term payback into the equation)
6. Include environmental considerations in purchasing goods and services (where cost effective, ensuring inclusion of the long-term payback into the equation)
7. Consider purchasing low or no-emission vehicles (where cost effective, ensuring inclusion of the long-term payback into the equation)
8. Reuse existing facilities and infrastructure (where feasible)
9. Consider environmentally sensitive design options, including LEED certification, in all new and retrofitted facilities that also balance resource and cost savings over time. (Any additional costs associated with an initiative will be isolated and determined by Town Council, or committee, on a case-by-case basis, ensuring inclusion of the long-term payback into the equation)
10. Produce an annual environmental report (Town Manager) on the first Council meeting in January detailing environmental actions taken by the Town in the prior calendar year. The report would also include areas for improvement and future near-term and long-term direction.