



# DOD REGION 4 | P2 PARTNERSHIP RESOURCES

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## Welcome to Region 4 *Resources*

WELCOME to the first issue of Region 4 *Resources*, the newsletter for the DOD Region 4 P2 Partnership. Region 4 *Resources* will be published on a quarterly basis and will bring you information about the latest P2 activities among the DOD facilities and P2 agencies in the eight states of Region 4.

Region 4 *Resources* will be prepared, produced and distributed by the Center for Environmental Policy (CEP) at the University of South Carolina's Institute of Public Affairs. The contents of Region 4 *Resources* will be *about* you and *for* you, its readers. What you'll find here will be facts about P2 initiatives from all state programs, military installations and related organizations of Region 4. We'll pay special attention to "success stories" in Region 4—what's working? Where? How? How can it be replicated at other facilities?

Region 4 *Resources* is your publication and we're asking you to send us information about your P2 efforts—especially success stories—by e-mail, fax, mail or telephone. From time to time, staff at the CEP will be calling you to ask about activities and initiatives that would

be of interest and value to the other members of the DOD Region 4 P2 Partnership.

Some of the standard features you'll find in most issues of Region 4 *Resources* will include:

- "State Region 4 Activities," a page of write-ups on P2 and related activities from participating states—we're hoping to have news from every state in each issue.
- "P2 Partners," a list of P2 and DOD contact persons, with name, department, e-mail address, and phone number. The plan is to update this list on a consistent basis to keep it as current and useful as possible.
- A calendar of upcoming conferences, seminars, workshops, etc. (If you know of an upcoming event, please send us information about it!)
- A "Resources" section of selected books, Web sites, journals, reports, studies, etc., recommended by the participants of the partnership.
- News from the steering committee of the DOD Region 4 P2 Partnership—sometimes

### Publishing

### Region 4 *Resources*

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partnership itself.

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## The partnership and its steering committee

THE DOD Region 4 P2 Partnership is a combined military and civilian working group focused on P2 and related issues.

The partnership includes members representing each military installation within the eight states of the Southeast. There are also representatives from the National Guard and Air National Guard, the Army Corps of Engineers, the Army Reserves, and the Defense Logistical Agency. The regional coordinators for each branch of the armed forces are also part of the partnership—Air Force Center for Environmental Excellence, the Army Southern Regional Environmental Office, Southern Region Naval Facilities Engineering Command and the Marine Corps Regional Environmental Coordination Office.

On the civilian side, partnership members include representatives from the EPA Region 4 Office of Pollution Prevention and state environmental regulatory agencies in each of the eight Region 4 states. The various state research universities and technical assistance providers, such as the Institute of Public Affairs at USC, are also members. All combined, there are over ninety members of the regional P2 partnership.

Since this is such a large group, a steering committee has been established to provide ongoing guidance and direction. •

### Current Steering Committee Members and Representatives

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Steering committee meetings and activities are coordinated and facilitated by Christine Steagall at the USC Institute of Public Affairs

## Survey to establish priorities, expertise

ONE OF THE FIRST orders of business for the DOD Region 4 P2 Partnership is a survey of members to accomplish two goals: 1) determine their P2 priority needs and 2) identify P2 expertise to link this expertise with specific needs. The survey was mailed in May.

The survey is a checklist indicating which areas and activities are high priority for respondents. There is a section which asks respondents to identify P2 expertise, whether individuals or organizations. In addition to this survey, telephone interviews of state part-

nership members will be conducted.

Survey results will be compiled and analyzed by USC's Center for Environmental Policy along with the North Carolina Department of Pollution Prevention and Environmental Assistance. Partnership members will have access to the results that will identify common areas of concern and a "top ten" list of priorities.

Results of the survey should be available to partnership members by the fourth quarter of 2001. •



## Regional Perspective

by George Carellas, *DOD Regional Environmental Coordinator*

Regional Perspectives—Giving all sections of the partnership—EPA, DOD, the state agencies, individual bases, etc.—a forum to add to the dialogue.

THE RESULTS of the various Department of Defense pollution prevention partnerships within Region 4 are really beginning to pay dividends. Not only are communication lines opening, but real problems are being addressed. In fact, Region 4 is the only EPA region where a DOD P2 partnership exists in each state. As a result, a “regional” partnership is being formed to take advantage of the state partnerships and to offer even more opportunities. While everyone seems excited about this opportunity, the real focus of the P2 partnerships in Region 4 remains at the state level—just as it should be. The regional partnership is just an added “benefit.”

The installations have made it clear that they “just don’t have time to sort through all the information that is currently available.” As one person described the situation, “There is a tremendous amount of data that is already available. The challenge is how to translate that data into information and then into knowledge.” Hopefully, the regional partnership will be an invisible mechanism to help produce such benefits.

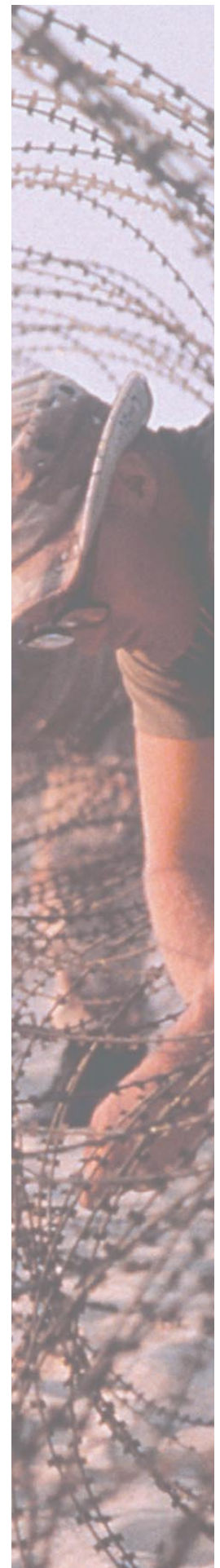
We’re also hopeful that some of the initia-

tives and successes of individual bases and installations will lead to regional efforts that can be accessed easily by everyone. With the heavy workload being asked of the installations, the key to success will be to keep it simple and relevant to the mission.

To me, the single most important factor for the success of these partnerships really rests with the P2 participants from EPA, the states and the military installations/bases. These people have “can do” personalities and extremely positive attitudes—not easily discouraged. They are very focused, very dedicated and continually look for realistic answers to real-world problems.

The best part of the state P2 partnerships is that each has its own personality and provides a unique opportunity to reinvent government for the benefit of the military and our environment. We always hear the cliché about “picking low-hanging-fruit.” The state P2 partnerships provide the nutrition for more “low-hanging-fruit” to grow back. •

Our first “Regional Perspective” is adapted from an article written by George Carellas first published in *Environmental Monitor*.



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this will be just a paragraph or two; other times we may have enough information for a full article.

- “Regional Perspective,” views of P2 efforts in Region 4 authored by individuals from DOD, EPA, and the individual state programs. (The first column is an edited version of a piece already published by George

Carellas, DOD regional environmental coordinator.)

Obviously, publishing Region 4 *Resources* will be a team effort—just like the partnership itself. We’ll be looking to you, the readers, to help make this publication informative, practical and timely. After all, this is *your* newsletter. We hope that you enjoy it and find it useful. •



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P2 Partners—Giving all members of the partnership current contact information.

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## DOD REGION 4 | P2 PARTNERSHIP

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Members of the partnership are encouraged to submit material about their P2 activities and other items of interest. Material may be edited for considerations of space and timeliness.

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