



Conservation Community Support to the Warfighter

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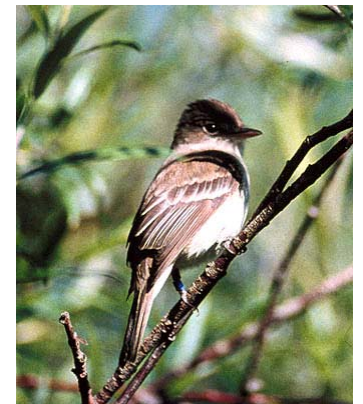
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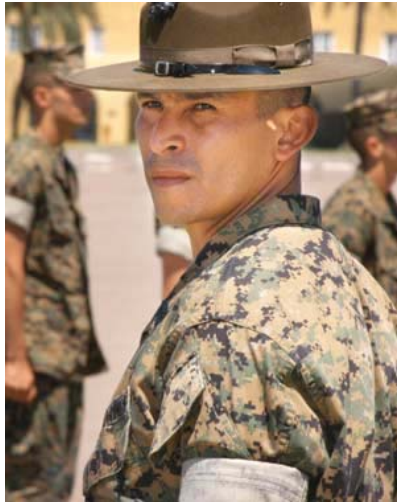
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Quick Stats

- 2.4 Million Acres
- 20 Bases/Stations/Ranges
- 57 Listed Species
- 200,000 Acres Critical Habitat
- 100's Historic Buildings
- 1000's Arch Sites





175,000 Active Duty Marines



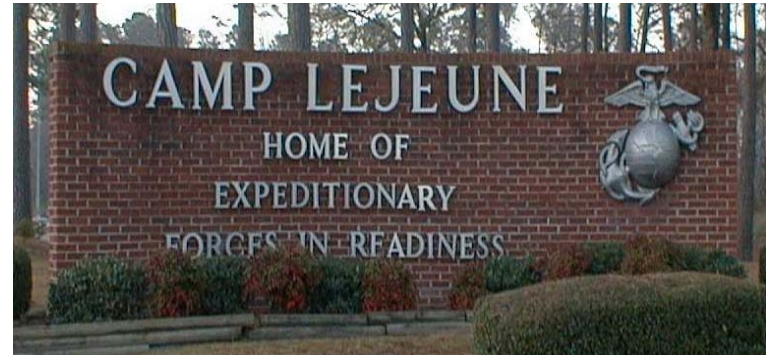
Modern Battlefield

- Highly technical and complex weapons systems
 - Large standoff capabilities
 - New tactics
- Range areas generally the same size
 - Requires frequent, repeated use of ranges



Base & Stations

- Provide training areas



- Where “working together” is learned, practiced and perfected for combat.
- Without installations, there is no readiness.

For this reason, our bases and stations are
“CRITICAL READINESS ENABLERS”

Installation Capability Challenges

- Competition for land, air & sea spaces
- Environmental controls
 - Endangered species & critical habitat
 - Marine mammals & fisheries habitat
 - Archeological & historic resources
- Urban sprawl
 - “Critters Have No Place Else To Go”



Result: “SIGNIFICANT TRAINING RESTRICTIONS”

Training Restrictions Begin With Encroachment and Urbanization...

Cumulative impacts of Encroachment & Urbanization...



Cause operational & training restrictions that ...



Create less realistic training...

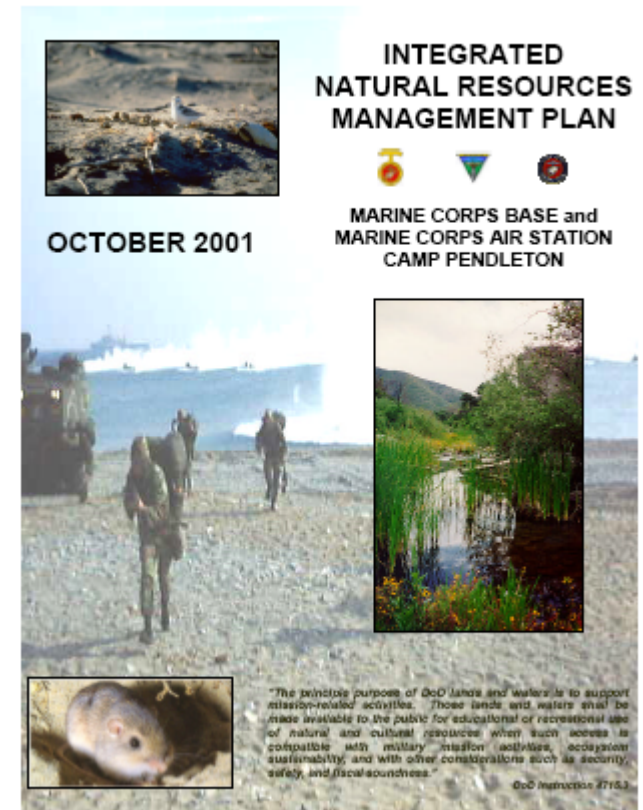


Resulting in

Degraded Combat Readiness

Inside The Fence

- Realistic landscapes with no restrictions
- INRMPs
 - full implementation
- ICRMPs
 - full implementation
- Develop implementation metrics



Outside the Fence

- Cooperation and collaborate with communities
 - Discuss mutual land use decisions
- Educate Stakeholders About Our Mission and Management
 - Talk to everyone
- Buffer land partnering
 - Protect open space
 - Preserve wildlife habitat



Vision of the Future

- Provide world-class training areas to Warfighters
- Work with stakeholders to control encroachment/urbanization
- Maintain our environmental stewardship

BOTTOM LINE:

Installations Must Support Warfighter Training