

SOUTHWEST OHIO REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY

Environmental Policy

SORTA's mission is to connect people and places, driving economic growth and expanding quality of life choices. It is SORTA's policy to carry out this mission in a way that establishes itself as a regional and industry leader in environmental and sustainability management. To fulfill this policy, SORTA commits to implementing a formal Environmental and Sustainability Management System (ESMS) that will develop procedures and practices to proactively mitigate environmental impacts, build a healthy and versatile workforce, and ensure fiscal stability. **SORTA is committed to the protection of the environment and the prevention of pollution.**

This Environmental and Sustainability Management System (ESMS) will:

- Empower employees to fulfill environmental and sustainability responsibilities through consistent communication and training
- Promote a spirit of collaboration among internal and external stakeholders
- Ensure compliance with all applicable federal, state, local and industry environmental regulations and policies
- Minimize air, water, and other pollution through a proactive approach to improve our operations and mitigate health and safety risks
- Minimize waste and dispose of it safely and responsibly
- Measure and monitor SORTA's compliance with this policy through the tracking of environmental and sustainability metrics
- Establish and maintain a process for continual improvement of SORTA's environmental and sustainability program

The SORTA environmental policy will be communicated to all SORTA employee and those working on SORTA's behalf, including all contractors and vendors, and will be made available to the public via SORTA's website. To fulfill the commitments made in this policy, all SORTA employees and those working on SORTA's behalf are responsible for incorporating this policy into their plans and work.

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