



Corps Captures Two DoD Environmental Awards

Marine Corps Base Hawaii and Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune are winners in the recently announced 2014 Secretary of Defense Environmental Awards. MCB Hawaii won the Natural Resources Conversation, Small Installation award while MCB Camp Lejeune was recognized for Environmental Restoration.

“The environmental protection and conservation work at all of our installations is world-class with teams of professionals making new, significant contributions each year,” said Major General Juan Ayala, Commanding General, Marine Corps Installations Command. “To have two of our bases recognized by the Secretary of Defense in the same year for their tremendous enhancements is a testament to their hard work and positive impact on the local environment.”

The Department of Defense’s annual awards honor individuals, teams and installations for their outstanding achievements. MCB Hawaii was cited for its multiple efforts over the past several years to “promote the conversation of natural resources, including the identification, protection and restoration of biological resources and habitats; the sound management and use of the land and its resources; and the promotion of the conservation ethic.”

At Camp Lejeune, the Environmental Restoration program’s mission is to identify and evaluate the nature and extent of a release of hazardous waste or constituents at a site and implement appropriate corrective action necessary to protect human health and the environment. “I couldn’t be more honored and pleased by the Department of Defense’s recognition of the tremendous efforts of the unsung professionals who lead Cam Lejeune’s environmental restoration mission,” said Brigadier General Robert F. Castellvi, Commanding General, Marine Corps Installation-East.

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