



ESI Stewardship Plan Checklist

The ESI Stewardship Plan Checklist is meant for use as a guide by DENR staff to determine if an organization has a functioning ESI Stewardship Plan. The ESI Stewardship Plan is an environmental management system model based on the requirements described in ISO 14001:2004. Text below and requirements for each of the elements is summarized from the ISO 14001 standard that is the reference document. This checklist should be used consistent with the ESI Stewardship Plan Protocol.

Each requirement must be checked for the ESI Stewardship Plan to be approved. An approved ESI Stewardship Plan is required for ESI Partners that are not ISO 14001 certified prior to application for Rising Steward or Steward.

Site Name: _____ **Location:** _____

✓	Requirements	Comments
4.1 General Requirements		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Define and document the scope of the EMS	
4.2 Environmental Policy		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Commitment to continual improvement, prevention of pollution, and compliance with applicable legal and other requirements	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Documented, implemented and maintained	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Communicated to all employees & contractors	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Available to the public	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Approved by top management	
4.3.1 Environmental Aspects		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Establish and maintain a procedure for identifying environmental aspects and related impacts of activities, products or services for all areas within scope of the EMS as well as significant impacts	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Identify significant aspects	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Information is documented and kept up-to-date	



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4.3.2 Legal and Other Requirements		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Key regulatory requirements have been identified and the organization has determined those that apply to its environmental aspects	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Procedure for keeping up-to-date on regulatory requirements	
4.3.3 Objectives, Targets, and Programs		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Document objectives and targets considering, at a minimum, the organization's significant aspects and legal and other requirements	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Establish, implement, and maintain a program for achieving objectives and targets, including designation of responsibility, means, and time-frame	
4.4.1 Resources, Roles, Responsibility, and Authority		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Management shall ensure availability of adequate resources to establish, implement, maintain, and improve the ESM.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Document roles, responsibilities and authorities for key roles in EMS	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Identification of EMS representative to ensure the EMS is implemented, maintained, and reported to top management	
4.4.2 Competence, Training, and Awareness		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ensure employees and those working on their behalf whose work may create a significant impact on the environment are competent and retain records	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Procedure for employees, and those working on their behalf, for awareness training to include policy, significant aspects, potential impacts, roles and responsibilities, and consequences of departure.	
4.4.3 Communication		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Procedure for internal communication	



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<input type="checkbox"/>	Procedure for receiving, documenting, and responding to external communication	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Document decision to communicate externally about significant aspects.	
4.4.4 EMS Documentation		
<input type="checkbox"/>	EMS documentation includes: Environmental policy; objectives and targets; scope of EMS; main elements of the EMS and their interaction; records as required by the standard; other records as determined by organization	
4.4.5 Control of Document		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Procedures exist for approving; reviewing and updating and re-approving documents; ensure revision status is identified.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Current versions of relevant documents are available where operations essential to the effective functioning of the EMS are performed	
4.4.6 Operational Control		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Document procedures stipulating operating criteria for those operations and activities associated with the identified significant environmental aspects including plans for maintenance	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Establish, implement, and maintain procedures related to significant aspects and communicating applicable procedures to suppliers, including contractors	
4.4.7 Emergency Preparedness and Response		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Establish, implement and maintain procedures to identify potential emergency situations and potential accidents, and how it will respond to them	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tested response procedures	



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<input type="checkbox"/>	Revise procedures following testing, accidents and/or emergency situations if needed	
4.5.1 Monitoring and Measurement		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Procedures developed for monitoring and measuring key characteristics of operations that can have a significant impact (refer to 4.3.1)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Procedures for tracking environmental performance and operational control of objectives and targets	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Maintain calibration records for equipment used to monitor significant aspects	
4.5.2 Evaluation of Compliance		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Procedures and records for periodically evaluating compliance with applicable legal and other requirements	
4.5.3 Nonconformity, Corrective Action, and Preventive Action		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Procedure for dealing with actual and potential nonconformities and corrective and preventive action to mitigate environmental impacts	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Process identifies and addresses the cause of actual or potential problems	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Process evaluates the need for action to prevent nonconformities and implements actions to avoid their occurrence	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Procedures and documents are updated following corrective or preventive action	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Record results and review effectiveness of corrective actions taken	
4.5.4 Control of Records		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Establish and maintain records to demonstrate conformity with the EMS and standard	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Procedure for id, storage, protection, retrieval, retention, and disposal of records	



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4.5.5 Internal Audit		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Audits program and procedures in place	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Audits performed on a periodic basis to determine conformance to EMS and standard and results reported to upper management	
4.6 Management Review		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Record evidence of top management reviews at intervals that assure the continuing suitability, adequacy and effectiveness of the EMS	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Management review shall address at a minimum audit results and progress on objectives and targets	

DPPEA has performed a site visit and review of the facility's ESI Stewardship Plan. Any determination made applies only to the specific site referenced on the first page of this report.

- The DPPEA site visit team determined that this facility's ESI Stewardship Plan is approved for the sole purpose of applying at Rising Steward or Steward level in the Environmental Stewardship Initiative. This determination does not replace an ISO 14001 third party certification.
- The DPPEA site visit team determined that this facility's ESI Stewardship Plan is **NOT** approved at this time. Please note the areas in **bold** comments above. Upon addressing these areas of concern, the facility may request another review.

DPPEA site visit team members:

Date of report: _____