

Environmental Policy

GeoHazards Society (GHS) is committed to promoting resilience and safety from natural hazards while ensuring that our work supports the protection and sustainable use of the environment. We recognize that environmental integrity is essential to reducing disaster risks and enhancing community resilience. To this end, GHS will:

- 1. **Integrate environmental considerations** into all aspects of our disaster risk reduction programs, fieldwork, and training activities.
- 2. **Minimize the environmental footprint** of our operations by:
 - Reducing waste and promoting reuse and recycling in offices and field sites.
 - Opting for energy-efficient practices and low-carbon travel options where possible.
 - Avoiding or minimizing use of environmentally harmful materials.
- 3. **Support environmentally responsible procurement**, prioritizing local, eco-friendly, and ethically produced materials and services.
- 4. **Promote nature-based solutions** in hazard mitigation where appropriate, such as afforestation, slope stabilization with vegetation, or conservation of wetlands for flood risk reduction.
- 5. **Comply with applicable environmental laws and best practices**, and strive to exceed them where possible.
- 6. **Raise awareness** among our staff, partners, and communities about the environmental dimensions of disaster risk and the importance of sustainable practices.
- 7. **Monitor and review** our environmental performance annually and update this policy as needed to improve effectiveness.

By embedding environmental responsibility into our operations and programs, GHS reaffirms its commitment to a safer, more sustainable future for all.

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