



**TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY**

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Members of The Texas A&M University System have a rich history of environmental stewardship that continues to be positively reflected every day on our campuses and at our agencies. At Texas A&M International (TAMIU), we fully embrace our role of being proactive members in the community we call home.

*Environmental stewardship* is the responsible and accountable administration, care, development, and enjoyment of resources placed under our control. The faithful steward is rewarded, not necessarily with praise from others, but with a rich inheritance passed down through generations. Stewardship is a unifying concept, excluding no one, in the call to maintain and improve both our built and natural environments. Yes, there are rules and regulations, but the rules establish a framework for action that reflects our intent.

This view towards stewardship of our human and natural resources has also long characterized how we plan, design, and build our own facilities, and how we operate them. Behind the scenes, many professionals, workers, contractors, and volunteers have continued to maintain and improve our built environments and their efficient use of resources. Moreover, environmental stewardship is a commitment that has been codified by the A&M System Board of Regents in System policy 34.01.03 Environment.

As President of TAMIU, I heartily endorse this policy and call on the TAMIU community to commit to these principles and seek ways to live them out. If you would like to learn more, have ideas for how we can improve or would like to play an active role, you are invited to reach out to Jessica Perez at (956) 326-2190 and/or [jessica.perez01@tamju.edu](mailto:jessica.perez01@tamju.edu), our contact for environmental matters.

Most Sincerely,

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President