



## Environmental Stewardship

It simply doesn't pay to waste energy or other resources, it never has. Leaders know that it can reflect poorly on an organization's environmental stewardship. The responsibility for environmental quality based on ones activities, products, and/or services embodies the environmental stewardship concept. In addition, local, state, and federal governments expect nothing short of full compliance with applicable environmental laws and the communities where we exist expect organizations to be good environmental stewards. However, limited staffing resources to evaluate and optimize manufacturing or other processes may prevent organizations from taking effective actions related to energy efficiency, pollution prevention (P2), or environmental compliance.

The professionals at BB&E can build your Environmental Stewardship Program or bring your organization its "Lean and Green" process techniques to help enhance your Environmental Stewardship Program by eliminating waste and reducing operating cost. In addition, most states have some sort of Environmental Stewardship or awards program where BB&E can assist your team gain valuable recognition. BB&E staff can:

- Evaluate and optimize processes, where practical, to conserve resources and prevent pollution;
- Provide training on "Lean and Green" process techniques;
- Provide required training for applicable environmental rules;
- Conduct environmental compliance audits;
- Develop operational control procedures or imagery for visual management; and
- Help communicate your Environmental Stewardship Program by creating the data package needed for many Environmental Stewardship Awards or other recognition programs and answering questions related to the submittal on your organizations behalf.

BB&E's low overhead and flexibility can help keep your organization's costs down and customize an Environmental Stewardship Program for your budget. So whether your organization needs a single process or an entire facility evaluated and optimized for P2 or guidance in obtaining environmental recognition for your program, BB&E can help.

Having a robust Environmental Stewardship Program can help reduce your operating costs, at a minimum, by reducing waste and conserving natural resources. By taking advantage of numerous recognition programs across the country, your organization can demonstrate its environmental leadership within the community. Besides recognition, state Environmental Stewardship Programs typically have other incentives such as expedited permits, reduced reporting requirements, P2 networking with other companies, as well as other benefits.

There is no doubt that environmental awareness in North America is on the rise and the communities in which we exist want sustainable organizations. Environmental Stewardship is a key component to your organization's overall sustainability. BB&E can help your organization meet its Environmental Stewardship goals, become more sustainable, and get you the recognition you deserve for your hard work.

