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### Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District

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#### **MARINE CORPS LOGISTICS BASE BARSTOW EARNS AIR QUALITY AWARD**

Base chosen for meeting, exceeding air quality standards

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VICTORVILLE — As a Title V facility holding 86 air quality permits, the Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow (MCLB) was honored as the 2017-2018 Exemplar Award winner by the Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District (MDAQMD).

The Exemplar Award is the District's highest honor for outstanding contributions toward the prevention or control of air pollution given to one organization in the MDAQMD's 20,000+ square-mile jurisdiction through a public nomination process.

"MCLB Barstow has not only been compliant, but has been proactive in seeing what they can do to further reduce emissions, and always preemptively ensuring that they are meeting all current permit requirements," said MDAQMD Executive Director Brad Poiriez, who presented the award to Base Sergeant Major Martinez-Ruiz.

MCLB Barstow is one of only two logistics bases operated by the United States Marine Corps. It serves an important role as a major west coast Marine Corps logistics and maintenance center. Its purpose is twofold: (1) to procure, maintain, store and issue all classes of supplies and equipment and (2) repair and rebuild USMC-owned and other Department of Defense equipment. MCLB furnishes supplies for USMC facilities worldwide and is a direct support provider for all installations. MCLB Barstow is also responsible for the technical training of Marines, developing and maintaining their skills and job efficiency.

"This award shows that all employees at the base work hard to maintain the high standards of excellence that we require," said Base Sgt. Maj. Martinez-Ruiz, "not just in the area of environmental protection but in all aspects of operation of the base."

Past winners include Cemex Victorville Plant; City of Hesperia; Marine Corps Air, Ground Combat Center Twentynine Palms; and Victor Valley Transit Authority among many others. Please visit [mdaqmd.ca.gov/outreach/exemplar-award](http://mdaqmd.ca.gov/outreach/exemplar-award) for more information on the Exemplar Award, the nomination process and eligibility requirements.

MDAQMD is the air pollution control authority and permitting agency for the High Desert portion of San Bernardino County and the Palo Verde Valley in Riverside County. It's governed by a board of 13 members representing nine incorporated municipalities and two counties within its boundaries. Visit [www.mdaqmd.ca.gov](http://www.mdaqmd.ca.gov) or follow us on social media @MDAQMD.

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