



Environmental Justice & Public Health

Ensuring safe living and working conditions for our community is a priority in the Southern District of Florida. Notifying the U.S. Attorney's Office about environmental justice concerns helps us insure that the community is protected against harmful violations of federal law and insures all our citizens have a voice in environmental enforcement.

“In South Florida, we are blessed with great weather, beautiful waters, and parks with international significance. They blend together to make this one of the premiere areas of our country in which to work, live, and raise our families. Insuring that these and our other natural resources and environment are preserved for future generations requires our continuing attention. We must act, as a community, to protect our residential areas, aquatic assets, and agricultural lands to maintain the quality of life that has drawn so many to our region .”



-- U.S. Attorney Markenzy Lapointe

Information

The U.S. Department of Justice enforces the Nation’s civil and criminal environmental laws, including the Clean Air Act, Clean Water Act, and hazardous waste laws. We also protect natural resources and handle cases relating to tribal rights and resources.

Working with our U.S. Department of Justice partners, the U.S. Attorney’s Office seeks to secure environmental justice for all communities, to ensure that everyone enjoys the same degree of protection from environmental and health hazards and equal access to a healthy environment in which to live, learn, play, and work.

U.S. Attorney Juan Antonio Gonzalez encourages residents to contact the U.S. Attorney’s Office at (305) 961-9001 or by email USAFLS.Environment@usdoj.gov when also contacting local, state, or federal agency hotlines or websites to report environmental, health and safety concerns. Notifying our Office helps us protect the community from harmful violations of federal health & safety laws.

Who to Contact

If the violation impacts:

- Air quality
- Climate Change
- Chemicals and Toxics
- Health
- Land, waste, and cleanup
- Water

Report the violation to the Environmental Protection Agency at:

<https://echo.epa.gov/report-environmental-violations>

If the violation concerns workplace conditions such as chemicals or noxious fumes:

Contact the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) at: 1-800-321-6742

If the violation concerns the illegal harming or harassing of wildlife:

Contact the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service at: 305-526-2620

If the violation concerns pesticides harming Wildlife:

Contact the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service at: 1-800-344-9453

If the violation concerns the destruction of Wetlands:

Contact your local district branch of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers’ Office at: 1-800-832-7828

If the violation concerns medications, cosmetics, biological products, and other products for human consumption:

Contact the FDA at: 1-888-463-6332

To report an Oil or Chemical Spill:

Contact the National Response Center at: 1-800-424-8802

Contact Information

The Environmental Protection Agency’s online complaint form is available at:

<https://echo.epa.gov/report-environmental-violations>

Email your concerns to U.S. Attorney's Office:

USAFLS.Environment@usdoj.gov

Leave a voice mail for our USAO Environmental Protection Team:

(305) 961-9001

Community members who are interested in further information about concerns or matters related to Environmental Protection within our District are encouraged to contact the U.S. Attorney's Office via email or by leaving a voice mail at the sites and numbers listed above.