



Training of EMA staff on how to use the recently procured HAZMART spill response vehicle.

- Hazardous substances /waste use and handling;
- Production of guideline for Ecosystems protection, management and utilisation;
- Waste Management;
- Ensure compliance with environmental legislation.

### Environmental Management Services

The department is mandated to collect, produce and disseminate environmental information. It consists of two units; the Environmental Education and Publicity Unit and the Environmental Planning and Monitoring Unit



EMA raises environmental awareness through commemoration of environmental days together with stakeholders

### Roles of the EMS Department

1. Local Environment Action Plans (LEAPS);
2. Stakeholder capacitation workshops;
3. Environmental education;

4. Environmental competitions for schools, agricultural colleges and the police;
5. Commemorations for national and international environmental days;
6. Environmental projects;
7. Environmental Research;
8. Compiles State of the Environment Report

### Finance and Administration Department

Offers support services through its two units, the Finance and the Administration Unit. These offer:

- Financial and administrative support services;
- Manages the Agency's funds; and administers funds for EMA projects.

Other departments within the Agency include the Human Resources, Audit and Risk as well as the Procurement Management.



Part of the recently procured EMA fleet for ease of execution of duty.

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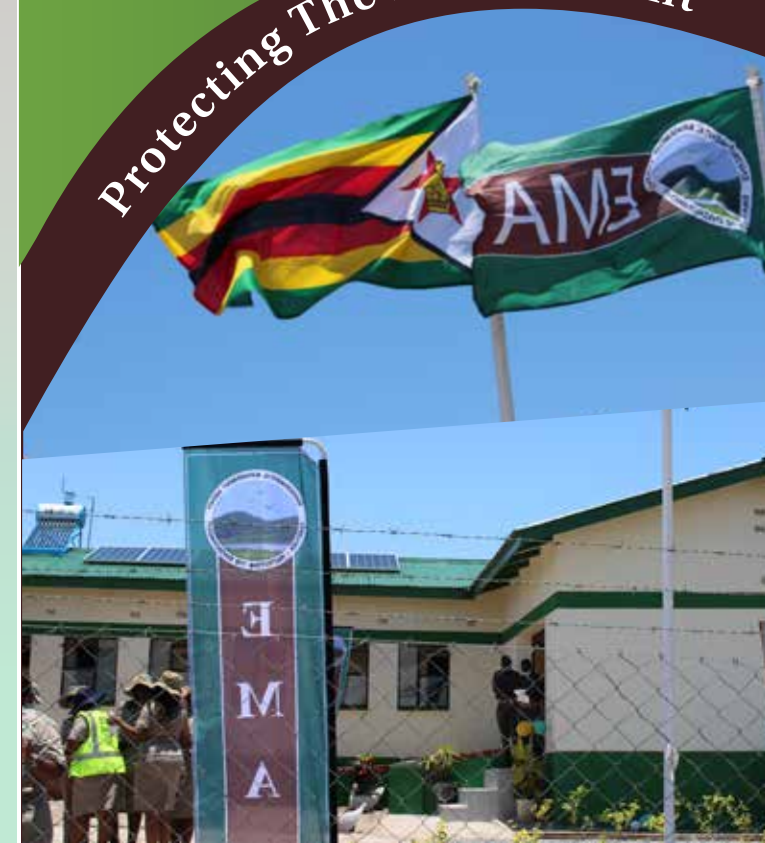
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# ABOUT EMA

Environmental Management Agency

Protecting The Environment





# Together-Protecting The Environment

**Put out all veld fires**  
construct standard fire guards (at least 9M wide)



## What is EMA?

Environmental Management Agency (EMA) is a statutory body responsible for ensuring the sustainable utilisation of natural resources and the protection of the environment and coming up with plans to prevent pollution and environmental degradation. It is a parastatal under the Ministry of Environment, Climate, Tourism and Hospitality Industry

## Origins of EMA

EMA was established under the Environmental Management Act (Chapter 20:27) of 2002. The Act was operationalized on 17 March 2003 through Statutory Instrument 103 of 2003.

## EMA's Vision

A clean, safe and healthy environment for an empowered society, and a sustainable growing economy by 2030.

## EMA's Mission

To regulate, monitor and promote sustainable management of natural resources and protection of the environment with stakeholder participation.

## EMA's core values

- Ubuntu/Unhu
- Professionalism
- Responsiveness
- Transparency
- Accountability
- Inclusivity

## EMA's Functions

1. Formulate quality standards on air, water, soil, noise, vibration and waste management;
2. Assist and participate in any matter pertaining to the management of the environment; and in particular to:
  - a). Develop guidelines for the preparation of the National Environmental Plan, environmental management plans and local environmental management action plans;
  - b). Regulate and monitor the collection, disposal, treatment and recycling of waste;
  - c). Regulate and monitor the discharge or emission of any pollutant or hazardous substance into the environment;
  - d). Keep records in the form of registers of all licences and permits issued under the Act;
  - e). Regulate and monitor the control of invasive alien species;
  - f). Regulate, monitor, review and approve environmental impact assessments;
  - g). Regulate and monitor the management and utilisation of ecologically fragile ecosystems;

## EMA'S Departments

EMA has two operational departments which are:

- the Environmental Protection (EP) and
- the Environmental Management Services (EMS).



EMA laboratory provides soil, folia and water testing services

## Environmental Protection Department

This department is responsible for compliance monitoring and enforcing environmental legislation as well as setting up environmental quality standards. It is made up of Environmental Quality and Ecosystems Protection Unit.

## Roles of the EP Department

- Production of environmental quality standards;
- Environmental Impact Assessment; (EIA) and review monitoring



The Agency procured a state-of-the-art Hazardous Materials (HAZMART) Spill Response vehicle for the effective management of accidental spillages of hazardous substances in transit.