



CEMEX Water Policy

At CEMEX, we recognize the importance of appropriate and responsible water management and water conservation. In many parts of the world, freshwater resources are under stress, and access to sufficient quantities of clean water is already constrained by competing priorities.

CEMEX is fully committed to carrying out our business activities in a sustainable manner, minimizing pressure on water resources and covering three essential aspects such as resource availability, resource quality and ecosystem integrity. To meet this commitment, a comprehensive approach beyond operational impacts that includes social, environmental and economic aspects will be developed. In particular, we will:

- Ensure compliance with all relevant legislations and statutory codes of practice.
- Maximize our water efficiency by managing our water consumption (i.e. increase recycled/captured water usage) and by implementing a more sustainable use of our water sources (i.e. promote rain water use instead of ground water where feasible).
- Monitor, review, assess and disclose our water efficiency performance against measurable targets and industry best practices to drive continuous improvement, and openly report the results achieved.
- Actively pursue a policy of pollution prevention and reduce to a practical minimum the environmental impacts of discharges to water ecosystems from our operations.
- Responsibly manage the water resources within our sites, to protect ecosystems and biodiversity and to maximize our contribution to nature.
- Establish constructive relationship and working networks with local stakeholders to tackle shared water challenges and identify joint solutions for the protection of our common water resources.
- Partner with governments, public authorities, other businesses and civil society organizations to advance the body of knowledge, intelligence and tools.
- Improve understanding of the complex relationship between water and other relevant sustainability topics such as energy use.

Through harnessing our internal experience, a Corporate Water Strategy will be developed for CEMEX to guide these courses of action.

Everyone who works for CEMEX is encouraged to demonstrate responsible behaviours in the management and stewardship of water resources. Managers are provided with top level endorsement and the necessary resources for instruction, training and supervision to implement water action plans that help meet these commitments and to periodically review the progress achieved.

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Lorenzo H. Zambrano

Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer

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