

1 **Environmental Sustainability Definition**

2 Sustainability is the ability to continue a defined behavior indefinitely.¹ It is a broad concept that
3 incorporates a variety of criteria including economics and the environment that will enable the
4 community to thrive well into the future.

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6 Environmental sustainability is a state that allows for indefinite support of our community, its
7 built and natural environment, its quality of life, and future ecosystem health.

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9 In order to achieve environmental sustainability, it requires a balance between the rates of
10 resource depletion and generation, while minimizing the rate of pollution.

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¹ Harich, J., Bangerter, P., (2014). *Finding and Resolving the Root Causes of the Sustainability Problem*. Retrieved from <http://www.thwink.org/sustain/glossary/EnvironmentalSustainability.htm>