

Michigan State University System Aspects Ranking  
2.0

**Environmental Aspect:**  
An element of MSU activities, or services that interact with the environment under normal, abnormal or emergency operating conditions

**Environmental Impact:**  
Any change to the environment whether adverse or beneficial, resulting from an organization's activities, products, or services.

**Objectives:**  
The overall environmental goal, arising from our environmental policy, that MSU has set to achieve, reduce or improve significant environmental aspects

**Targets:**  
A detailed performance requirement, quantified where practical, and applicable to MSU facilities.

Each Department unit is responsible for developing the Aspects/Impacts Ranking Methodology using input from various resources available on campus

The department and Steering Committee determines final scoring criteria for each environmental aspect

The Steering Committee determines the significant aspects and impacts, they are recorded on the Environmental Aspects Register, maintained by the ORCBS

The ORCBS shall be responsible for updating the Aspects Register

The total score for each aspect determines the significance and is reviewed by the Steering Committee for appropriateness

The Steering Committee determines a significance cut-off point; above which aspects will be deemed "significant", and below which aspects will be deemed not significant

Significant Aspects will be the focus for present or future goals

Significant Aspects will be part of focus during the Assessment Review process

