



DEQ MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality is to protect people through the air we breathe, the water we drink, and the land on which we thrive, helping to make Oklahoma an even better place to live.

DEQ VISION STATEMENT

The vision of the Department of Environmental Quality is to eliminate the effects of unintended consequences of historic development, to prevent new adverse environmental impacts and to provide significant input into national decision making, all the while enhancing both the environment and the economy of Oklahoma.

DEQ GOALS

GOAL ONE:

Place SERVICE at the forefront of agency planning and execution, internal communications, and interactions with citizens, businesses, and our local, state, and federal counterparts.

GOAL TWO:

Establish efficient and transparent permitting processes to produce timely, cost-effective, and enforceable permits.

GOAL THREE:

Maintain a responsive, equitable and timely environmental complaints process and emergency response system.

GOAL FOUR:

Ensure agency rules and compliance monitoring/enforcement processes are transparent, easy to understand, and fairly administered.

GOAL FIVE:

Use technology to improve agency transparency, customer compliance with environmental laws, and information dissemination.

DEQ VALUES AND BEHAVIORS

The employees of DEQ are public servants whose responsibilities and authorities are derived from the laws of the people of Oklahoma.

As such we value:

- Making decisions based on the impartial application of law and the use of common sense, good science and fiscal responsibility
- Performing our work ethically in a timely, effective and respectful manner.
- Managing simple and uniform processes to provide courteous, consistent and just service with professionalism and integrity.