

**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (930)  
2015 FISCAL YEAR**

**I) AGENCY SUMMARY & REVENUE SOURCES**

**MISSION**

The Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality's (ADEQ) purpose is to safeguard the air, water, and land resources of Arkansas by controlling or abating existing pollution of these resources, preventing new pollution through the adoption of regulations, and enforce existing state and federal regulations concerning pollution. The Pollution Control and Ecology Commission promulgates rules and regulations for the Department and provides an appeal of permitting or grants decisions rendered by the director or his delegate, or of administrative enforcement or emergency actions.

**TOTAL APPROPRIATION**

The total appropriation for the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) for FY15 is \$105,082,747.

**FUNDING SOURCE**

The appropriations for ADEQ are funded by Fund Balances, General Revenues, special revenue funds, federal funds, and trust funds.

**II) APPROPRIATIONS / CHANGES**

1. **General Revenue funded Operations appropriation** provides for the operating costs of this agency. Total appropriation for FY2015 is \$5,180,035 with no significant changes from FY2014.
2. **Federal Operations appropriation** is \$9,638,954 for FY2015, with no significant changes from FY2014.
3. **Waste Water Licensing appropriation**, funded from fees, is \$218,168 for FY2015, with no changes from FY2014.
4. **Land Reclamation appropriation**, funded from bond forfeitures, is \$950,000 for FY2015, with no changes from FY2014.
5. **Hazardous Waste Permit Program appropriation**, funded from special revenue fees, is \$1,644,683 for FY2015, with no changes from FY2014.
6. **Reclamation of Abandoned Mines appropriation**, funded with federal revenue, is \$5,700,000 for FY2015, with no changes from FY2014.
7. **Surface Coal Mining appropriation** funded with permit fees, is \$15,000 for FY2015, with no changes from FY2014.
8. **Mining Reclamation appropriation**, funded with bond forfeitures, is \$1,520,000 for FY2015, with no changes from FY2014.
9. **Fee Administration appropriation**, funded with special revenues, is \$14,945,752 for FY2015, with no significant changes from FY2014.

10. **Solid Waste Performance Bonds appropriation**, funded with bond forfeitures, is \$3,000,000 for FY2015, with no changes from FY2014.
11. **Hazardous Waste Cleanup appropriation**, funded with trust funds, is \$7,962,014 for FY2015, with no significant changes from FY2014.
12. **Emergency Response Program appropriation**, funded with trust funds, is \$499,627 for FY2015, with no changes from FY2014 .
13. **Asbestos Control Program appropriation**, funded with special revenue, is \$412,306 for FY2015, with no changes from FY2014.
14. **Solid Waste Management and Recycling Program appropriation**, funded with landfill disposal fees (special revenue), is \$8,511,461 for FY2015, with no significant changes from FY2014.
15. **Regulated Substance Storage Tank Program appropriation** is \$930,047 for FY2015, with no significant changes from FY2014.
16. **Petroleum Storage Tank Trust Fund appropriation**, funded with environmental assurance fees, is \$21,785,048 for FY2015, with no changes from FY2014.
17. **Regulated Substance Storage Tank Program federal appropriation** is \$3,925,000 for FY2015, with no changes from FY2014.
18. **Landfill Post-Closure Program appropriation**, funded with landfill disposal and transportation fees (special revenue), is \$7,836,977 for FY2015, with no changes from FY2014.
19. **Waste Tire Recycling Program appropriation**, funded with fees (special revenue), is \$6,425,000 for FY2015, with no changes from FY2014.
20. **State Marketing Board for Recyclables Program appropriation**, funded with special revenue, is \$28,876 for FY2015, with no changes from FY2014.
21. **Environmental Education Program appropriation**, funded with fund transfers (10%) is \$271,965 for FY2015, with no changes from FY2014.
22. **Small Business Loans appropriation**, funded with loan repayments, is \$550,000 for FY2015, with no changes from FY2014.
23. **Small Business Revolving Loan Program appropriation**, funded with interest earnings, is \$19,660 for FY2015, with no changes from FY2014.
24. **Performance Partnership System Expenses appropriation** funded with trust funds, is \$600,000 for FY2015, with no changes from FY2014.
25. **Environmental Settlement Trust appropriation** funded with settlement agreements, is \$750,000 for FY2015, with no changes from FY2014.
26. **Computer and Electronic Recycling appropriation**, funded with

special revenue, is \$250,000 for FY2015, with no changes from FY2014.

**27. Pollution Control and Ecology Commission - Administrative Hearing Officer appropriation,** funded with special revenue fund transfers is \$258,197 for FY2015, with no changes from FY2014.

**28. Pollution Control and Ecology Commission - Expenses appropriation,** funded with general revenue is \$3,977 for FY2015, with no changes from FY2014.

**29. Non-Hazardous Site Cleanup appropriation,** funded with trust funds, is \$750,000 for FY2015, with no changes from FY2014.

**30. Water Performance Bond Fund appropriation,** funded with miscellaneous funds, is \$500,000 for FY2015, with no changes from FY2014.

### III) POSITIONS

Total positions for FY 2015: 421

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### IV) SPECIAL LANGUAGE

**1. Extra Help:** Allows four (4) temporary or part-time extra help employees for Hazardous Waste Permit Program in the Land Program.

**2. Equipment Purchase restrictions:** Provides that capital outlay and data processing purchases for the Hazardous Waste Clean Up appropriation be used for the purchase of departmental laboratory equipment and data processing equipment and funded only through interest earnings from the Remedial Action Trust Fund, with biennial reporting of these expenditures.

**3. Appropriation restrictions:** No expenditure from the Environmental Settlement Trust Fund for Information Technology needs may be made without prior approval of Chief Fiscal Officer of the State and review by Arkansas Legislative Council. Also, utilization of appropriation for information technology needs must be approved by Exec. Chief Information Officer and approved projects and expenditures must be reported annually to the Joint Committee on Advanced Communications and Information Technology.

**4. Asbestos Program:** Fees collected for Asbestos Abatement Program in Air Program shall be used to fund operations expenses, provide and train personnel to administer asbestos program, and issue licenses.

**5. Quarterly reporting required:** for environmental permit applications, permit fees, applications pending, enforcement actions initiated by the department, total fines and collections and pending rulemaking activities with economic impact and environmental benefit analysis.

**6. Fund transfer provision:** provides authorization to supplement general revenue with transfers from various

department funds into ADEQ Fund account after approval of the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State, and allows carry forward of any unexpended balances of funds for departmental operations.

**7. Reporting requirements:** Amounts transferred to supplement funding for operations shall not be considered as part of any statutory limitation on the use of funds for other department programs.

**8. Landfill Post-Closure Clean Up restrictions:** Expenditures in excess of \$50,000 will be prioritized and expenditures shall not exceed \$2,000,000 per fiscal year.

**9. Cleanup of non hazardous sites restrictions:** Expenditures shall be funded only through interest earnings from the ADEQ Fee Trust Fund.

**10. Quarterly reporting required:** for Fayetteville Shale activity.

**11. Arkansas Public School Facilities Program:** Department shall adopt policies to ensure copies of academic facilities inspections are submitted to the Division of Public School Academic Facilities and Transportation.

**12. Code Amendment - §8-6-607(5):** Excluding other disposal fees collected under §8-6-607(4), the first \$150,000 of fees collected shall be deposited to the credit of the Crime Information System Fund to be used exclusively for the scrap metal log book program.

**13. Code Amendment - §19-5-1011(c):** Excluding other disposal fees deposited into the Marketing Board fund, the first \$150,000 of fees collected under §8-6-607 shall be deposited to the credit of the Crime Information System Fund to be used exclusively for the scrap metal log book program.