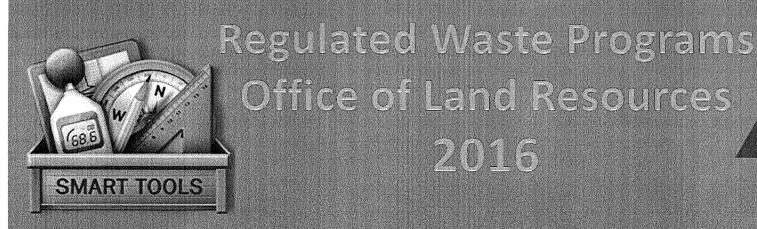
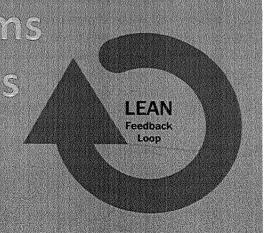
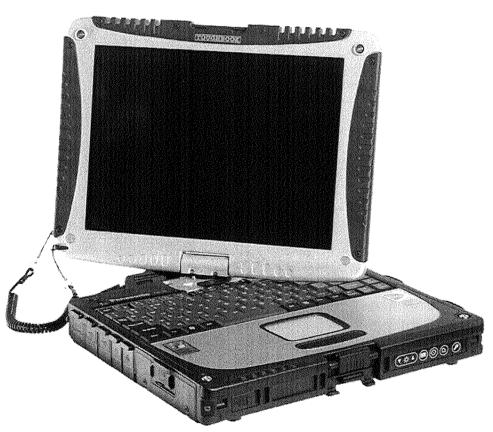


# Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality





# Smart Mobile Tools for Field Inspectors (Smart Tools)



#### SMART TOOLS

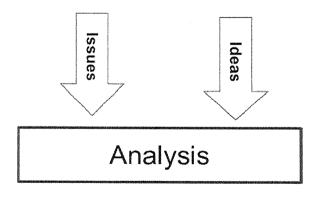
LEAN event held in Washington D.C Oct. 5-9, 2015.

RCRA Subtitle C with plans to expand to Air, Water, and RST.

o EPA Regions/NEIC and States represented (ASTSWMO and ECOS).

#### **Event Objectives**

- Consensus on Scope
- Alignment on Goals and CTQs
- Mutual understanding of the process
- Agreement on the issues and requirements
- Designed improvements, metrics, and instrumentation
- Implement simple improvements
- Documented implementation plan



Core Inspection Process Requirements

#### What are Smart Tools?

- Fundamentally changing the way environmental inspection programs are operated and managed, Smart Tools supports the following processes by providing an integrated suite of digital tools to improve the quality and consistency of inspections:
  - Inspection planning and management
  - Field collection
  - Evidence management
  - Data management
- Streamlines communication with facilities by providing quicker access to inspection reports & noncompliance issues.

## Why Is This Important?

EPA conducted slightly over 1300 RCRA inspections in FY2015

States conducted close to 23,000 RCRA inspections in FY2015

Need to be more efficient and effective with limited resources

Records management issues

## **Expected Benefits**

Improved field inspection quality, consistency and efficiency

Direct flow of data to and from Agency information systems

Robust and secure evidence collection and retention

Improved data quality

Improved ability to assign and manage inspections

Rapid data sharing to home offices and the field

## Phased Approach

Phase 1 (CY 2016) – Initial small EPA & State pilot of inspection component of RCRA Subtitle C inspectors

- Add management, report writing and document repository components
- Support for state modifications

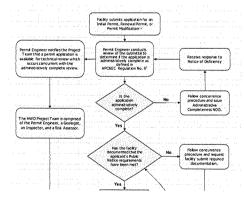
Phase 3 (2017-18) Expand to additional EPA & State inspection programs

Phase 2
(2016-2017)
Releases for
CWA/NPDES
and
CAA/Title V
field
inspectors

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# Permitting LEAN Process Value Stream Mapping

Mapped out our entire RCRA C Permitting Process



- Looked at the areas where things got "stuck"
  - Administrative Completeness
  - Technical Adequacy

# Permitting LEAN Process Value Stream Mapping

• We generated an Ideas List related to the specific process.

• We generated a Parking Lot list; these are ideas/suggestions not specific to this process but ones that warranted being written down and followed-up at a later date.

## Value Stream Mapping

#### **Idea Tracking Chart**

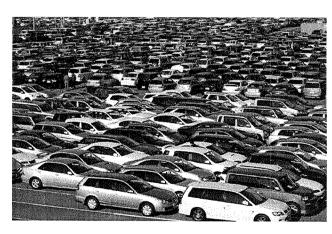
- 1. Why is it taking so long to review permit applications? Administrative review is a 21 step process that can be repeated two times if deficiencies are found. The Technical review cannot be completed until the application is administratively complete.
- 2. Develop a checklist for Administrative Complete Review to be used by ADEQ and external users
- 3. Send the checklist with the notification of permit expiration and renewal permit application call-in letter.
- 4. Publish the checklist on ePortal
- 5. Identify commonly missed items
- 6. Is there a definition of Administrative Complete? APC&EC Regulation No. 8 provides a definition.
- 7. Allow facility response to NOD for incomplete submitted to be emailed.
- 8. Use a standard checklist.
- 9. Face to face meeting with facilities submitting permit applications to review application for administrative completeness.

-NOD don's es enotin of Admin Review & Delays Tech Review 2. Develop Checklist internal external add step 3. Send w reminder letter (and step) 4 Checklist on efortal 5. Are there common's missed items? 6. Is there a definition of Idnin Compile. Reg No8 7. Can response be emailed.

### Value Stream Mapping

#### **Parking Lot Ideas**

- 1. How to streamline processing hardcopy once the document arrives in the building.
  - a. Application received by Project Coordinator
- 2. Figure out how ePortal connects
- 3. Face to face team meeting at least once per month
- 4. Model permit application
- 5. ADEQ standard policy of 3 strikes and you're out
- 6. Redline/Strikeout or highlight changed pages
- 7. ePortal vs Website



# Permitting LEAN Process Value Stream Mapping

- Conducted a LEAN Process Value Stream Mapping of the Administrative Completeness Checklist [originally up to a 42-63 step process; 3 NODS].
- Average time originally was 6 to 8 months.
- LEAN Team created an electronic Administrative Completeness Checklist that have hyperlinks to Unit Specific Checklist [~ 13 step process; No NODs].
- Average time now is 10 days. The great advantages are:
  - Applicant uses to ensure all necessary information is submitted.
  - ADEQ uses to expedite Administrative review and aids in Technical review.

Current State (Blue)

Has to hint belocation

### Administrative Complete Checklist

		Arkansas Department of Environmental Qu Administrative Comple			ous Wast	e Division					
Facility Nam AFIN Numbe	SENSON SHOP IN A PROPERTY			Date Application Received://2015 EPA ID Number:							
Required in Application	Facility	Location in									
*	Specific*	General Permit Application Requirements		Subm	itted	Permit Application Comments					
1,2,3,4,5		Permit Application Fee	Yes	No	N/A	T					
1,2	3,4	Pre-Application Public Notice and Meeting	Yes	No	N/A	T -	T	_			
1,2,3,4		Application Public Notice	Yes	No	N/A		1				
1,2	3,4,5	Complete Copy of Permit Application placed in Information Repository	Yes	No	N/A						
1,2,3,4,5		Notice to Adjacent Landholders and Tenants	Yes	No		_					
1,2,3,4,5		Table of Contents	Yes	No		After Cov	er Page				
1,2,3,4,5		Permit Application is a stand alone document with documents incorporated by reference included as attachments. (Ex. Sampling and Analysis Plan, Closure Plan)	Yes	No			_				
		Part A Requirements									
1,2,3,4,5		ADEQ version of RCRA Subtitle C Site Identification Form	Yes	No	N/A						
1,2,3,4,5		EPA version of Hazardous Waste Permit Information Form	Yes	No	N/A		-				
1,2,3,4,5		Signed by Responsible Official of each applicant	Yes	No	N/A		1				
1,3		Ownership Disclosure	Yes	No	N/A						
2,4,5		Disclosure Statement	Yes	No	N/A						
*1-TSDF Init	tial Commo	ercial, 2-TSDF Initial Non-Commercial, 3-TSDF Renewal Commercial,	4-TSD	F Renev	wal Non-C	Compreial,	st-Clos	orrective Action Only			

#### Administrative Checklist Use

- ADEQ email's Excel version of checklist to facility simultaneously with the mailing of the 6 month renewal reminder letter.
- Complete facility identification information at top of spread sheet.
- The Administrative Checklist (Summary Tab) contains 4 sections, for each section showing "facility specific" to the side use the quick reference value\* to determine specific line item requirements.
  - General Permit Application Requirements (facility specific)
  - Part A Requirements (facility specific)
  - Part B Requirements
  - Part B Specific Requirements (facility specific)

\*1-TSDF Initial Commercial, 2-TSDF Initial Non-Commercial, 3-TSDF Renewal Commercial, 4-TSDF Renewal Non-Commercial, 5-Post-Closure/Corrective Action Only

#### Administrative Checklist Use

- As each required line item is completed:
  - Mark the appropriate cell under the "Submitted" columns (Y, N, NA)
  - If submitted, provide the items location under the "Location of Information" column
  - If any additional information is required discuss in the "Comments or Variations" column. For example discussion of exemption to requirements could be provided.

## Part B Specific Checklist

quired in	Facility					Location in	
Application *	Specific*	Part B Specific Requirements (See Technical Checklist for details)	Yes is	Subm link to		Permit Application	Comments
	1,2,3,4	Documentation that the requirements for Containers listed in §270.15 are met.	Yes	No	N/A		
	1,2,3,4,5	Documentation that the requirements for Tank Systems listed in \$270.16 are met.	Yes	No	N/A		
	1,2,3,4,5	Documentation that the requirements for Surface Impoundments listed in §270.17 are met.		No	N/A		
	1,2,3,4,5	Documentation that the requirements for Waste Piles listed in §270.18 are met.		No	N/A		
	1,2,3,4	Documentation that the requirements for Incinerators listed in §270.19 are met.	Yes	No	N/A		
	1,2,3,4,5	Documentation that the requirements for Land Treatment listed in \$270.20 are met.	<u>Yes</u>	No	N/A		
	1,2,3,4,5	are met.	<u>Yes</u>	No	N/A		
	1,2,3,4		<u>Yes</u>	No	N/A		
	1,2,3,4	Documentation that the requirements for Miscellaneous Units listed in \$270.23 are met.	Yes	No	N/A		
	1,2,3,4	9270.24 are met.	<u>Yes</u>	No	N/A		
	1,2,3,4	are met.	<u>Yes</u>	No	N/A	:	
	1,2,3,4	Documentation that the requirements for Drip Pads listed in §270.26 are met.	Yes	No	N/A		
	1,2,3,4	Documentation that the requirements for Air Emissions listed in \$270.27 are met.	<u>Yes</u>	No	N/A		
	5	Documentation that the requirements for Post-Closure listed in \$270.28 are met.	<u>Yes</u>	No	N/A		
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### Technical Checklist (per Selection)

Technical Checklist for APC&EC Regulation No. 23 Section 270.15 (Containers)  Facility Name: Date Application Received:/_/2015  AFIN Number: EPA ID Number:										
Description	HW Regulations	Submitted			Adequate (ADEQ only)			Same Carlotte	Location of	Comments or Variances
	Reg. No. 23	Y	N	N/A	Y	N	N	/A		-12
I. General										
A. List of container storage areas										
B. List of the waste managed in each unit by waste code		<u> </u>							·····	
C. Rated capacity and largest container to be managed for each permitted area	270.15(a)(3)									
D. Drawings showing aerial dimension, buffer zone for ignitables, incompatible waste storage areas	270.15(c)		- Additional of the Additional							
E. Basic design parameters, dimensions, and materials of construction	270.15(a)(1)									
F. Drainage design	270.15(a)(2)									
G. Detailed plans and specifications individually sealed and dated by an independent registered	270.14(a)									
II. Containers										
A. Stack height (Containers holding ignitable waste can only be stacked 2 high by national fire code)		Total Association of the Control of								Stacking: ADEQ recommends two-high maximum for liquids and three-high maximum for solids for all HW
B. Aisle spacing must be adequate to allow access for emergency equipment	264.35									ADEQ recommends 30" minimum spacing
C. Condition of containers	264.171						挪			
D. Compatibility of waste with containers	264.172				(1960)					
E. Container management practices - container must be closed and not handled in a manner that could cause rupture or leak	264.173									

#### Administrative Checklist Use

- For each section selected in the "Part B Specific Requirements", click the "Yes" link to transfer to that specific supplemental technical checklist.
- Once each field has been completed on the supplemental checklist select the "<u>Return to Summary Page</u>" link at bottom of each page to return and select the next "Part B Specific Requirements".
- Once all the appropriate items have been completed, each page is formatted to print easily
- The printed pages should be included in the Permit Application.
- Upon Receipt of the Application, ADEQ will use the checklists to easily locate each necessary item in the Part B and mark as appropriate if the line item has been submitted and is adequate.

## Ultimate Objective/Goals

#### **GOALS**

- Efficient quality reviews
- Timely reviews
- Open communication with facility
- Timely issuance of Permits

HOW DID WE DO THIS?

Generated a list of all pending reviews

Sorted by Groundwater and Engineering Established a
TEAM to
commence review
&
acknowledgment
of submittals

### Questions?



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