EASE Collaborative

Stakeholder/Public Engagement Process





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Collaborative Overview



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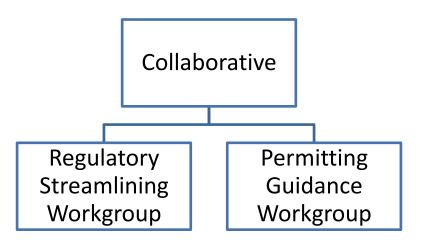
Collaborative Purpose

- Provide ADEQ with recommendations on our regulatory streamlining effort including opportunities for:
 - Consolidation of regulatory provisions,
 - Clarification of language, and
 - Updates
- Provide ADEQ with recommendations for topics to address in a new permitting guidance



Collaborative Organization

- The collaborative is a consensus-driven group representing diverse interests and the public.
- Two smaller workgroups are being formed to take a deep dive into issues and report on potential solutions to the Collaborative.



Workgroups

Selected from and report to Collaborative Participants

Regulatory Workgroup

Brainstorms solutions to streamline and clarify Arkansas Air Quality Regulations

Permitting Workgroup

Brainstorms solutions to clarify and document the Department's interpretation of air quality regulations for permitting



Collaborative Participation

Membership:

Open to anyone impacted by Arkansas's air quality regulations and air permitting program <u>Time</u> <u>Commitment</u>:

Quarterly meetings

ADEQ will work to make remote participation an option



Workgroup Participation

<u>Membership</u>

No more than ten participants plus ADEQ staff in each group

Representation of diverse interests desired

Selected from among Collaborative participants

Time Commitment

In-person two-hour meetings twice per month, and

Quarterly Collaborative meetings



Relationship between Collaborative and Workgroups

 Collaborative provides recommendations to ADEQ 1. Collaborative suggests priority issues for workgroups



3. Workgroups report potential solutions to Collaborative



2. Workgroups meet to brainstorm solutions to issues



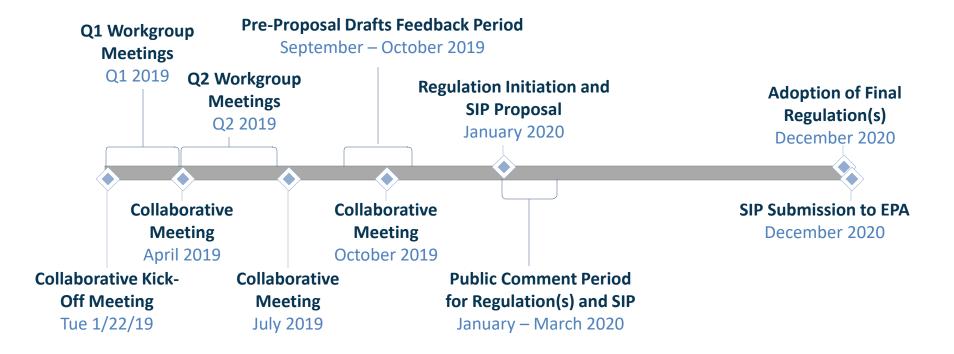


Timing and Deliverables



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Proposed Timeline for EASE, Rulemaking, and State Implementation Plan (SIP)





2019 Collaborative Meetings

January Priority Topics for Q1 Workgroup Meetings

Workgroup Membership Selection

April Workgroups report back to Collaborative on Q1 work

Collaborative makes recommendations to ADEQ based on workgroup findings

Priority Topics for Q2 Workgroup Meetings



2019 Collaborative Meetings

July Workgroups report back to Collaborative on Q2 work

Collaborative makes recommendations to ADEQ based on workgroup findings

October ADEQ presents overview of strawman draft regulation(s) and proposed permitting guidance prepared after consideration of Collaborative recommendations

Q&A on Preproposal strawman draft regulation(s) and proposed permitting guidance



Regulatory Streamlining Initial Suggested Topics List For Q1 and Q2 Meetings

- Feasibility of consolidation of overlapping provisions from Regulations No. 18 and No. 19
- Consistency of defined-term usage
- Continued relevance of grandfathering provisions
- Updates to Incorporation by Reference dates on a case-by-case basis
- Disposition of outdated nonattainment new source review requirements from Regulation No. 31
- Inclusion of new State Statutory Requirements
- Simplification of Prevention of Significant Deterioration provisions



Permitting Initial Suggested Topics List for Q1 and Q2 Meetings

- Guidance Design and Scope
- Arkansas's one-permit system versus EPA assumptions based on two-permit systems
- Terms used in Arkansas regulations versus Part 70



ADEQ Deliverables

- Preparation of supporting materials for meetings
- Preparation of pre-proposal strawman draft regulation(s) and pre-proposal SIP
- Preparation of Petition to Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission (APC&EC) to initiate rulemaking
- Support to APC&EC during administrative rulemaking process
- Submission of SIP to EPA based on changes made in rulemaking





Questions on the Process?

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Next Steps



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Workgroup Volunteers?



- Name and organization represented recorded on workgroup flip charts
- Ten selected for each workgroup, representing diverse interests



Q1 Workgroup Priority Topics?



Priority topics listed on flip chart for each workgroup



Thank You

ADEQ would like to thank you for your current and future participation in this effort!

