

SUPPLEMENT

DENR's RESPONSES

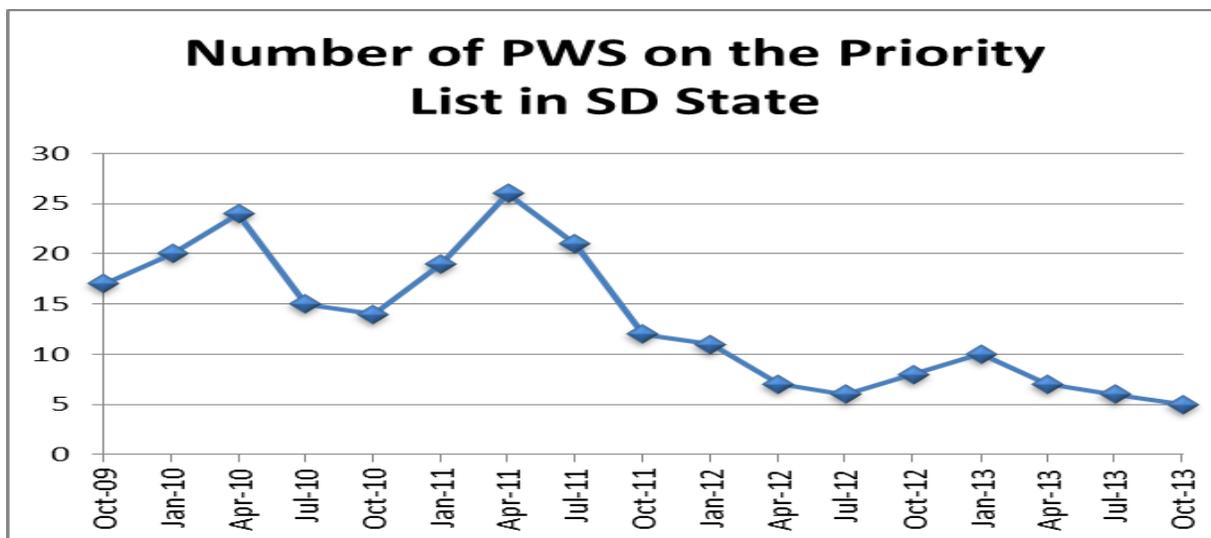
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**QUESTIONS from the
JOINT COMMITTEE ON
APPROPRIATIONS**

Question 1 – What activities will your agency eliminate, initiate, or significantly change?

- **Implementing Past Repeal Efforts** - In 2012, the legislature passed DENR's repealer bill, HB 1013, which repealed 8 pages, 34 sections, and 2,478 words of code and voided 52 pages, 35 sections, and 16,226 words of rules. In 2013, the legislature passed DENR's repealer bill, HB 1059, which repealed 299 sections, or portions thereof, and 28,704 words of statutes and rules that had been executed, are duplicative, or obsolete. With more than 300 sections of law repealed during 2012 and 2013, DENR will not have a repealer bill in 2014.
- **DENR Changes Public Awareness Process to Increase Transparency of Environmental Programs** - In January 2013, DENR launched a One-Stop Public Notice webpage listing all DENR activities undergoing public notice. This provides the public a convenient place to view all DENR permitting activities, rules promulgation, funding of environmental projects, and resource evaluations. The page provides links to public notices, draft permits, application reviews and allows online comments. The webpage has attracted 5,437 page views and 120 people have subscribed to receive email notification when new content is added to the page.
- **37 Visual FoxPro Database Conversion Project**— As we noted last year, DENR is a heavy user of scientific and technical data; consequently, DENR is a heavy user of computer based databases and maintains more than 37 on a daily basis. In the early 1990's DENR began using Q&A, the state standard for databases, to manage the large volume of data that we collect on an on-going basis. As requirements for database usage changed, DENR's use of database software progressed from Q&A eventually to Microsoft's Visual FoxPro. Visual FoxPro is widely used within DENR and has worked well, but now the problem is FoxPro is a discontinued product as Microsoft announced there would be no new versions of Visual FoxPro released and all support will end in 2015. This phase out by Microsoft necessitates that DENR begin migrating our FoxPro applications to another platform. Likely platforms are SQL Server and .NET. However, there are no standard programs available to easily convert FoxPro to .NET, so this will be a huge undertaking and will be a multi-year effort. As a result, this effort will drastically change how DENR is currently managing its data and various databases.

- Increasing E-Government** – DENR has provided training to more than 300 wastewater system operators, resulting in 47% of the eligible permitted systems voluntarily submitting their discharge monitoring reports electronically instead of using paper. The EPA-sponsored training on electronic reporting was less than helpful, so DENR developed a training program tailored for South Dakota. This has resulted in more efficient and accurate reporting and more wide-spread use of the system. This change in effort will make it easier for permitted facilities to meet their reporting requirements and easier for DENR staff to track compliance.
- Safe Drinking Water** - DENR's Drinking Water Program is one of only a few in the country to be fully implementing all of the EPA National Primary Drinking Water Standards. South Dakota community Public Water Supply (PWS) systems have surpassed the EPA goal of having 95% of regulated systems meet all health-based standards for each of the past three years - 97.2% in 2011; 97.4% in 2012; and 98.2% in 2013. Each quarter, EPA identifies public drinking water systems in South Dakota with compliance issues that warrant a formal enforcement action. DENR has figured out how to copy EPA's scoring system allowing us to identify a water system that has compliance issues before it shows up on EPA's enforcement list. Those systems that are likely going to show up on EPA's list are targeted for technical assistance in an effort to keep them off EPA's list. As a result of this change in how we implement our program, DENR has been able to show a consistent decline in the number of public water supply systems showing up on EPA's quarterly priority list for enforcement.



Question 2 – What initiatives for improving efficiency of operations are planned in FY15?

DENR has two separate initiatives to improve efficiencies that we intend to implement in FY15.

- On November 25, 2013, the Argus Leader published a letter from Mr. Ganje, attorney from Rapid City who specializes in business and natural resources law, entitled: **My voice: South Dakota must pursue revitalization of 'brownfields.'** He wrote: *“Not all government agencies are created equal. Not all government agencies work effectively and fairly. South Dakotans are fortunate in that the DENR is an agency that generally is accessible and open in its regulatory and management style. Such accessibility is not always the norm among environmental agencies across the country. DENR has established policies that promote the development of environmentally affected properties. Many South Dakota municipalities, local governments and private owners are missing the boat. Not all environmental regulations are bad. Here are two useful but underused environmental cleanup programs in the state: 1. The state’s Petroleum Tank Removal projects, which provide significant, if not complete, coverage of tank removal costs. 2. South Dakota’s Brownfields programs. Both of these activities are designed to clean up contaminated properties within communities and restore them to a beneficial use that can be added to local tax rolls. Mr. Ganje is making the point that these program are underutilized, so DENR is planning to develop a marketing plan to show these programs are available and can be used to improve local environments and economies.*
- The second initiative we intend to implement in FY15 is to improve the water right permitting process for aquifers that have been determined by the Water Management Board to be fully appropriated. The current process is confusing and not fair to those applicants who desire to tap into these aquifers should additional water be found for appropriation. To improve this situation, DENR has drafted and submitted HB1015 for the legislature’s consideration. If passed, DENR will implement this initiative in FY15.

Question 3 – What are the standards of performance or metrics by which you judge the success and efficiencies of your agency’s outcomes?

Division of Financial and Technical Assistance				
	Actual FY 2012	Actual FY 2013	Estimated FY 2014	Estimated FY 2015
Performance Indicators				
Travel, Direct, Noncash, Receiving Vouchers, and Cash Receipts Processed	4,709	4,373	4,400	4,400
Requisitions/Travel Requests Processed	63/1,029	87/839	85/900	85/900
Contracts and Grants Monitored	501	353	375	375
Awards/Projects:				
Consolidated Program	\$5.3M/22	\$8.73M/20	\$7.5M/20	\$12M/30
Small Community Planning Grants	\$160K/21	\$204K/26	\$225K/30	\$225K/30
Solid Waste Projects	\$3.8M/13	\$2.4M/17	\$2.65M/15	\$2.65M/15
State Revolving Fund (SRF) Loans	\$77.4m/54	\$67.95M/35	\$75M/45	\$75M/45
State Water Resources Management System (SWRMS) Projects	\$5.31M/2	\$6.5M/2	\$5.3M/2	\$1M/1
Nonpoint Source Awards/Projects	\$2.56M/7	\$2.4M/5	\$2.4M/6	\$2.4M/6
Water Quality Grants	\$1.85M/10	\$650K/3	\$1.5M/10	\$1.0M/5
Nonpoint Source Projects in Progress	16	15	14	14
TMDL Waterbodies Under Assessment	46	41	40	40
Statewide Lake Assessment Monitoring	54	43	25	25
State Water Plan Projects	93	66	65	65
Construction Inspections Conducted	100	86	90	90
Plans & Specs Reviewed	53	51	50	50
SRF Loans Reviewed/Monitored	54/401	35/423	45/430	45/430
Test-Hole Footage Drilled	11,767	9,079	10,000	10,000
Test Holes Drilled	86	95	90	90
Wells Installed	13	45	55	30
X-Ray Analyses Completed	51	33	30	50
Water Samples Collected for Chem. Analysis	101	65	117	82
Square Miles Mapped (Geologic – 1:250,000 scale)	0	0	0	3,350
Square Miles Mapped (Geologic – 1:100,000 scale)	0	0	200	3,300
Square Miles Mapped (Geologic – 1:24,000 scale)	110	168	120	120
Square Miles Mapped for Aquifer Studies	3,049	3,147	4,000	4,000
Projects and Publications Completed	10	10	10	10
Presentations Given to Public or Agencies	35	42	30	30
Drilling Weeks Accomplished	37	32	40	40
Reconciling difference in information (well name, location, elevation, etc.) for geologic and water well records in databases belonging to Water Rights, Minerals and Mining, and Geological Survey Program	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Investigate areas or aquifers to specifically provide geologic and hydrologic data to support recommendations from DENR's Water Rights Program on applications for new water right permits				
* Area of aquifer name(s)	NA	Upper-Vermillion-Missouri	Upper-Vermillion-Missouri	Granite wash
* Counties underlain by area of aquifer(s)	NA	Clay, Turner, Hutchinson, Lincoln	Clay, Turner, Hutchinson, Lincoln	Roberts
* Areal extent of aquifer(s)	NA	~320 sq mi	~320 sq mi	Unknown
* Number of test holes drilled	NA	10	80	30
* Number of feet drilled	NA	1,191	8,200	4,000
* Number of monitoring wells installed	NA	9	50	20
* Number of aquifer test performed	NA	NA	1	1
* Number of aquifer reports prepared	NA	NA	1	1
Compiling, scanning, and developing information needed by industry and government staff for the exploration and development of oil and gas	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Developing a web site for dissemination of information related to oil and gas exploration and development	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Database Management Initiative	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Division of Environmental Services

	Actual FY 2012	Actual FY 2013	Estimated FY 2014	Estimated FY 2015
Performance Indicators				
Permitted Air Emission Sources	696	708	720	725
Small Air Emission Sources Regulated by Rule	779	827	850	875
New and Construction Air Quality Permits Issued	69	65	70	75
Ethanol Prod. Capacity from Plants with Air Qual. Permits (millions of gallons)	1,250	1,250	1,250	1,250
Air Quality Monitoring Sites	16	15	15	14
Stream Sites Sampled for Ambient Water Quality Monitoring	151	151	146	146
Regulated Public Drinking Water Systems	650	645	647	650
Total Population Served by Public Water Systems	771,998	779,260	786,000	794,000
Hazardous Waste Generators	2,159	2,269	2,344	2,419
Permitted Solid Waste Disposal Sites	244	246	246	246
Total Sources Authorized Under General Industrial Storm Water Permits	1,069	980	1,000	1,100
Total Sources Authorized Under General Storm Water Construction Permit	1,592	1,810	1,825	1,850
Storm Water Inspections	206	119	120	120
Cumulative Spill Sites	9,828	10,074	10,274	10,474

Contaminated Sites Cleaned Up and Closed out/Percentage of Cumulative Spill Sites Closed Out	9,423/96%	9,709/96%	9,959/96%	10,209/97%
Total Water Right Permits	8,125	8,494	8,600	8,680
Cumulative Tanks Removed/Sites through the Abandoned Storage Tank Removal Project	4,255/3,100	4,320/3,143	4,370/3,193	4,420/3,243
Active Above-Ground Storage Tanks Regis.	4,012	3,820	3,820	3,820
Active Underground Storage Tanks Regis.	2,924	2,879	2,879	2,879
Spills and Releases Reported	224	239	200	200
Wastewater Point Sources Permitted	372	383	388	390
Active Gold and Other Min Permits ⁴⁷	46	49	57	60
Active Sand and Gravel Mine Sites Licensed	1,734	1,638	1,638	1,638
Total Regulated Underground Injection Wells	123	135	140	145
Producing Gas/Oil wells	95/147	85/162	62/162	62/162
Number of Public Water Supply Systems Provided Assistance with Source Water Assessment and Protection	50	54	54	54
Provide Source Water Protection Area Reports to New Public Water Supply Systems	4	5	5	5
Public Water Supply Systems with Source Water and Wellhead Measures in Place	70	70	70	70
Hydrogeologic Review of Facility Locations	443	383	383	383
Permitted and Nonpermitted Facilities Required to Monitor Groundwater Quality	64	65	65	65
Total Groundwater Discharge Permits	14	14	15	15
Groundwater Discharge Permits and Variances Amended, Renewed, or Issued	8	8	8	8
Compliance Rate for Underground Storage Tanks	98%	98%	98%	98%
Storage Tank Closures Reported	80	67	70	70
Storage Tank Facility Inspections	509	600	600	600
Storage Tank Plans and Specifications Approved	41	62	50	50
Spill and Release Site Closures	250	267	250	250
Site Assessment Reports Evaluated for Compliance with Federal Hazardous Waste Regulations	12	13	13	13
State Oversight and Assistance on Brohm Superfund Site	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
State Oversight and Assistance on Riley Pass Abandoned Mine	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
State Oversight and Assistance on Ellsworth Air Force Base Superfund Site	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
State Oversight and Assistance on Black Hills Army Depot Formerly Used Defense Site	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
State Oversight and Assistance on Formerly Used Defense Sites	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
State Oversight and Assistance on Brownsfields Projects	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Brownsfields Assessments Completed	4	3	3	3
Brownsfields Cleanup Project Completed	1	1	1	1
Interstate Pipelines Reviewed for Environmental	2	2	2	2

Concerns				
Workshops and Meetings Held to Maintain Effective Community Right-to-Know Activities About Hazardous materials Stored or Used in Communities	6	7	7	7
Local Emergency Planning Committees Receiving Assistance	33	32	32	32
Large Manufacturing Facilities Reporting Chemical Storage and Use for Federal SARA Title III Sec. 313 (TRI)	93	99	99	99
Facilities Reporting Chemical Storage and Use for Federal SARA Title III Sec. 312	1,652	1,660	1,660	1,660
Public Drinking Water Systems/Percent Compliance with Microbiological Standards	633/97%	620/96%	627/97%	630/97%
Public Drinking Water Systems/Percent Compliance with Chemical, Radiological, and Turbidity Standards	630/97%	627/97%	627/97%	630/97%
Public Drinking Water Systems/Percent Compliance with Microbiological Monitoring and Reporting Requirements	618/95%	608/94%	615/95%	618/95%
Public Drinking Water Systems Required to Add Fluoride	79	77	77	77
Sanitary Surveys of Public Drinking Water Systems	188	192	193	194
Certified Drinking Water and Wastewater Operators	1,352	1,336	1,340	1,342
Plans and Specs Approved for Public Drinking Water Systems	82	103	105	107
Compliance Rate for Consumer Confidence Reports	100%	99%	99%	99%
Number of Capacity Development Reviews	20	18	20	20
Percentage of Major Wastewater Facilities in Significant Compliance with State Requirements	97%	97%	100%	100%
Wastewater Point Source Permits Renewed or New Issuances (*Inc. 85 facilities permitted under General No Discharge Permit renewed in FY12)	*122	45	75	75
Drinking Water Systems Authorized to Discharge Under the General Water Pollution Control Permit	70	74	80	85
Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4s) Audits	1	3	2	2
Wastewater Permit File Evaluations	98	95	85	93
Wastewater Compliance Audits	111	105	127	118
Pretreatment Industrial Users Permitted	29	37	41	43
Biosolids Generators Permitted	23	25	27	27
Biosolids Generators Inspected	18	6	10	14
Industrial Pretreatment Inspections	23	15	13	12
Municipal Pretreatment Compliance inspections	1	2	2	1
Municipal Pretreatment Audits	1	2	2	1
Environmental Reviews for Construction Projects	269	192	270	270

Review and Revise Surface Water Quality Standards	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Water Resource Enhancement Approvals	3	4	3	3
Use Attainability Analyses of Streams	12	26	15	15
Recreational use Assessment of Streams	61	110	50	40
401 Water Quality Certifications	15	27	15	15
Plans and Specifications Reviewed and Approved for Septic Systems	151	158	160	160
On-Site Wastewater System Installers Certified Annually	123	141	150	155
Total On-Site Wastewater System Installers Certified	672	661	670	675
Number of Improperly Installed Onsite Wastewater Systems by Certified Installers	2	3	2	2
Application Approvals for Animal Feeding operations under General Water Pollution Control Permit	141	111	125	130
Public Notice of New and Expanding Animal Feeding Operations Application.	14	21	20	20
Total Animal Feeding Operations permitted Under Animal Permit	408	415	421	429
Construction Inspections of Newly Built Manure Management Systems	46	46	45	45
Operational inspections of Permitted Animal Feeding Operations	287	226	305	311
Animal Feeding Operations Subject to Permit Fee	435	433	437	441
Training and Education Sessions for Operators of Animal Feeding Operations, Local Government officials, and General Public	8	7	10	10
Number of Attendees at Environmental Training for Livestock Producers	161	190	200	200
Feedlot Complaint Inspections	16	12	20	20
Revised Nutrient Management Plan Approvals	93	97	100	100
CAFO Enforcement and Compliance Actions	170	117	170	170
Plans and Specifications Approvals for Wastewater Facilities	84	102	105	105
Approvals for Addendum to Plans and Specifications for Wastewater Facilities	6	6	6	6
Existing Air Quality Permits Renewed or Modified	48	73	75	75
Backlog of New or Modified Air Permits New or Expanding Industries	0	0	0	0
Avg. # of Days to Issue New or Modified Air Permits	65	71	<90	<90
Total Number of General Air Quality Permits Issued	10	10	10	10
Facilities Permitted Under Air Quality General Permits	500	509	525	525
Air Quality Inspection	200	181	200	200
Compliance Rate of Air Quality Inspections	99%	99%	>95%	>95%
Monitor and Audit Performance Tests of Air Emissions	19	23	25	25

Statewide Inventory of All Air Pollution Sources	1	1	1	1
Provide Technical Indoor Air and Radon Assistance – No longer provide assistance since EPA cut funding	225	236	225	225
Provide Radon webpage with general information and EPA contact information	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Operating Air Quality Samplers	63	63	60	53
Total Continuous Air Quality Samples Collected	13,140	13,505	13,505	12,045
Total Air Quality Samples Collected (PM Manual)	1,733	1,520	1,428	1,306
Percentage of Air Quality Samples Meeting Federal Sampling Requirements (Manual)	98%	98%	>90%	>90%
Percentage of Air Quality Samples Meeting Federal Sampling Requirements (Continuous)	99%	99%	>90%	>90%
PM Concentrations from Air Quality Samplers Greater than Federal Air Quality Standards	2	0	0	
Ozone Concentrations from Air Quality Samplers Greater than Federal Air Quality Standards	1	0	0	0
Sulfur Dioxide Concentrations from Air Quality Samplers Greater than Federal Air Quality Standards	0	0	0	0
Nitrogen Oxide Concentrations from Air Quality Samplers Greater than Federal Air Quality Standards	0	3	0	0
Air Quality Nonattainment Areas	0	0	0	0
Clean Diesel Retrofits Installed on Old School Buses	16	21	4	1
Clean Diesel Retrofits Dollars Paid to School Districts	\$23,200	\$38,429	\$5,960	\$1,700
Number of Older Diesel Engines Replaced	11	8	4	3
Clean Diesel Grant Dollars Paid for Replacements	\$270,160	\$161,101	\$89,742	\$60,000
New Mine Licenses Issued for Sand and Gravel	19	17	17	17
Active Sand and Gravel Mine Licenses	501	519	519	519
Compliance Rate – Sand and Gravel Mine Licenses	97%	97%	97%	97%
Bond Held for Sand and Gravel Mine Licenses	\$2,805,652	\$2,863,752	\$2,863,752	\$2,863,752
Mined Acres Reclaimed During the Year Under Sand and Gravel Mine Licenses	711	1,223	1,223	1,223
Acres in Compliance – Sand and Gravel Min Licenses	20,086	20,769	20,769	20,769
Tons of Sand, Gravel, and Rock Produced	20,577,271	22,089,484	22,089,484	22,089,484
Inspections Conducted – Sand and Gravel Mine Licenses	207	241	241	241
New Exploration Notices of Intent Issued	2	3	4	2
Exploration Notices of Intent Closed	0	0	1	1
Active Exploration Notices of Intent	33	36	39	40
Bond Held for Exploration Reclamation	\$115,880	\$135,880	\$157,280	\$160,280
Inspections Conducted – Exploration	22	48	48	48
Gold and Other Mine Permits Issued	1	3	8	3
Mine Permit Amendments Issued	1	0	1	1
Technical Revisions to Mine Permits Issued	5	5	5	5

Bond Held for Mine Permits	\$131,321,662	\$138,076,356	\$151,331,868	\$155,987,042
Spill Bonds Held for Mine Permits	\$551,300	\$561,300	\$580,700	\$1,595,700
Mined Acres Reclaimed During the Year- Mine Permits	8	1	50	50
Acres in Compliance – Mine Permits	3,220	3,313	3,274	3,680
Compliance Rate for Acres Mined Under Gold and Other Mine Permits	93%	93%	93%	93%
Inspections Conducted – Mine Permits	230	202	230	230
Ounces of Gold Produced- Calendar Year	67,147	68,061	70,000	70,000
Value of Gold Produced – Calendar Year	\$150,552,853	\$113,600,000	\$90,000,000	\$90,000,000
New Drilling Permits Issued for Oil and Gas	11	27	27	27
Average Number of Days to Issue Oil & Gas Drilling Permit		8	14	14
Gas Fields	3	3	3	3
Oil Fields	28	29	29	29
Estimated Value of Gas/Oil Produced	\$149,500,000	\$152,280,000	\$152,280,000	\$152,280,000
Oil Produced (Thousands of 42 gallon barrels)	1,722	1,778	1,778	1,778
Marketable Gas Produced (Millions of Cubic Feet)	803	426	426	426
Oil and Gas Wells Plugged	2	12	12	12
Oil and Gas Sites Reclaimed and Released	8	2	12	12
Bond Held for Oil and Gas Wells	\$816,000	\$986,000	\$1,236,000	\$1,236,000
Inspections Conducted – Oil and Gas	180	273	270	270
Oil and Gas Cases Requiring Board Hearing	4	4	2	2
Oil and Gas Cases Approved by Secretary		12	20	20
Notices of Recommendation Issued for Oil and Gas	5	2	2	2
Hazardous Waste Generator Inspections	82	81	75	75
Compliance Rate of Hazardous Waste Generators Inspected	97.5%	96.3%	98%	98%
Percent of Hazardous Waste Generators Returned to Compliance within Required Time Frame	100%	100%	100%	100%
Hazardous Waste Generator Determination	28	31	30	30
Follow-Up to Citizen Complaints About Hazardous Waste	9	11	10	10
Notification of Hazardous Waste Activity Processed	97	80	80	80
Hazardous Waste Transportation Document Corrections	1	5	2	3
Number of Hazardous Waste Generators Assisted in Completing Biennial Waste Reports	39	NA	35	NA
Educational Institutions and Businesses Assisted on Proper Disposal of Lab Chemicals	16	20	20	20
Disseminate Hazardous Waste Minimization Information	75	75	75	75
Permitted Hazardous Waste Sites	2	2	2	2
Hazardous Waste Permit Modifications	2	1	2	3
Amendments Made to Hazardous Waste Rules to Comply with Federal Regulations	No	Yes	No	Yes
Submit Annual Hazardous Waste Authorization Application	0	0	1	0

Certified Asbestos Workers	466	292	330	330
Conduct Audit of Asbestos Abatement Training Courses	4	4	4	4
Asbestos Notifications Processed	204	255	230	250
Asbestos Inspections	39	34	35	35
Compliance Rate of Asbestos Facilities Inspected	92%	88%	>90%	>90%
Provide Technical Assistance on Asbestos	503	483	490	510
Total General Permits for Solid Waste	8	8	8	8
Solid Waste Permits Issued/Renewed:				
Type I (>150,000 Tons/Year)	1	0	3	0
Type II, III (Between 500 and 150,000 Tons/Year)	23	10	22	15
Type IV (Less than 500 Tons/Year)	19	10	22	17
General Permit Authorizations	17	20	22	7
Solid Waste Plans and Specifications Approvals	5	14	7	7
Solid Waste Facilities Closed	1	2	5	3
Solid Waste Facility Inspections:				
Type I (>150,000 Tons/Year)	4	4	4	4
Type II, III (Between 500 and 150,000 Tons/Year)	51	51	50	50
Type IV (less than 500 tons/year)	41	51	50	50
Other (General)	53	57	60	60
Compliance Rate for Solid Waste Inspections	95%	95%	90%	90%
Solid Waste Complaints Investigated	30	37	30	30
New Water Right Permits Issued	118	422	200	170
Water Right Permit Cancellations	41	46	50	60
Deferred Water Right Applications	15	38	25	20
Water Right Permit Investigations	103	57	150	150
Water Right Complaint Investigations	33	36	35	35
Daily Stream Flow Measuring Stations	51	51	51	51
Water Well Drillers Licensed	151	141	145	150
Well Pump Installers Licensed	23	23	25	25
Inspections of State-Owned Dams and Other High Hazard Dams	46	81	63	46
Total Number of Water Right Observation Wells	1,554	1,555	1,555	1,555
Observation Well Measurements	10,961	10,985	12,000	12,000
Observation Wells Repaired or Developed	127	362	360	360
Dry Draw location Notices Recorded	72	66	70	70
Reported Surface Water Use for Irrigation (Acre-Feet – Calendar Year)	58,716	136,072	78,000	80,000
Reported Groundwater Use for Irrigation (Acre-Feet – Calendar Year)	119,114	303,382	220,000	230,000
Irrigation Questionnaires Mailed	3,286	3,344	3,780	3,850
Irrigation Questionnaire Violation Suspensions	4	3	3	3
Ordinary High Water Marks Established	0	1	1	1
Lake Level Measurements	274	290	300	300
Data Recorders for Measuring Water Levels in Observation Wells	52	31	33	33
Temporary Water Permits Issued	128	124	120	125
Transfer of Water Right Permit	130	130	130	130

Regulated Response Fund				
	Actual FY 2012	Actual FY 2013	Estimated FY 2014	Estimated FY 2015
Performance Indicators				
Brohm Match	\$163,765	\$139,959		
Witten – Soil Impact Investigation	\$5,237			
Canton – Vapor Impact	\$22,076			
Madison VOC		\$2,560		
Budgeted Capacity to Match EPA Superfund Expenditures at Brohm and Respond to Other Cleanups needed to protect health and environment	\$0	\$1,750,000	\$1,750,002	\$1,750,002

Livestock Cleanup Fund				
	Actual FY 2012	Actual FY 2013	Estimated FY 2014	Estimated FY 2015
Performance Indicators				
Wagner Livestock Yard	\$28,321			
Budgeted Capacity to Respond to Cleanups Needed to Protect Public Health and the Environment	\$0	\$765,000	\$765,000	\$765,000

Petroleum Release Compensation				
	Actual FY 2012	Actual FY 2013	Estimated FY 2014	Estimated FY 2015
Performance Indicators				
Petroleum Release Cases Initiated	95	120	75	75
Abandoned tank Sites Initiated	45	81	60	60
Responsible parties Reimbursed	70	58	70	70
Claims Processed and Amount Paid:				
Abandoned tank program	70/\$226,850	80/\$181,153	90/\$400,000	70/\$350,000
Regular Program	44/\$465,865	30/\$321,632	35/\$350,000	35/\$350,000
Public Presentations	1	3	2	2
Review Contracts and Corrective Action Plans	55	43	50	50
Board Meetings	1	3	4	4
Annual Insurance Meeting	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Annual Report to Governor & Legislature	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Claims Closed	90	81	90	90
Cost Recovery Action	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Question 4 – What funds from FY14 are planned to be applied to FY15 activities? Are these amounts in addition to amounts contained in the Governor’s FY15 budget?

- DENR has no current plans to use funds from FY14 to be applied to FY15 activities.

Question 5 – What are your plans regarding amending the FY14 General Bill?

- Other than Health Insurance and Bureau Billings, DENR has no current plans to amend the FY14 General Bill.

Question 6 – What programs and services offered by our agency has been, or will be affected by federal budget reductions due to the Budget Control Act of 2011 or other actions by the federal government? Were General Funds and/or Other Funds used to support the continuation of these programs or service?

- The vast majority of federal funds received by DENR come from the Environmental Protection Agency and these funds have very rigid requirements on how the funds are to be spent. DENR has received adequate funding to administer the programs under these grants and even though the amount of funds made available to the Department from EPA has decreased, DENR has been able to use the federal funds to cover administrative expenses at least through the current year. Whether the department is able to continue covering its administrative expenses depends on how much is provided from future allocations.
- The effect on subrecipients has been minor as well. While the reductions in the federal capitalization grants for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund are significant, there was no impact to the program borrowers. With more than \$20 million in principal and interest payments revolving in the State Revolving Funds annually, we have been able to use a combination of the reduced capitalization grants and match and a 2012 leveraged bond issue to meet the demand for loan funds. In FFY 2013, 27 loans from the State Revolving Funds totaling \$48.562 million were awarded.
- The reduction in Section 319 Nonpoint Source funding for watershed restoration has led to additional nonfederal funding being requested by the local sponsors of these watershed projects. The Board of Water and Natural Resources has awarded additional nonfederal Water Quality grants and state Consolidated Program grants through the Water and Environment Fund to minimize the impact.