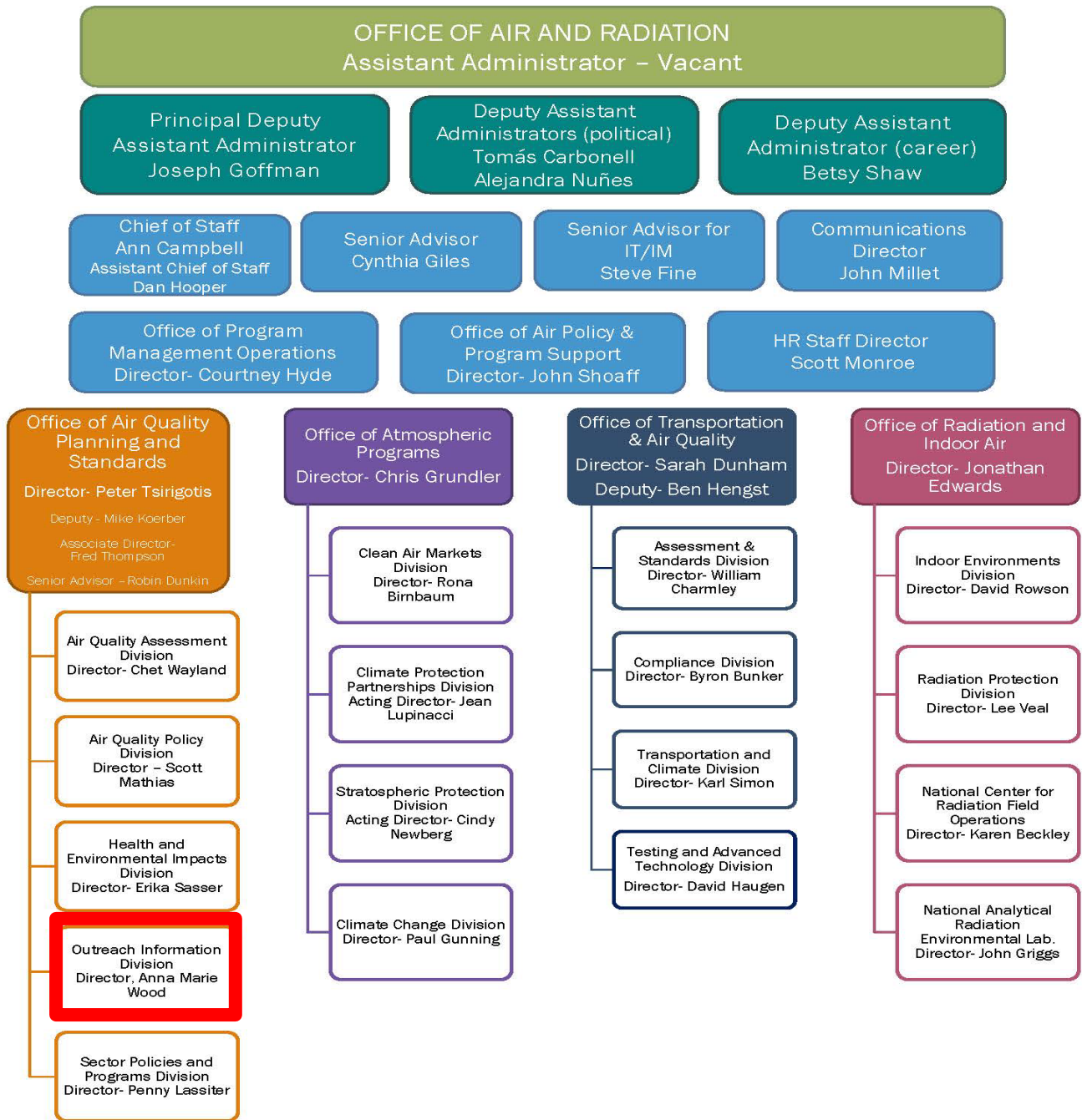


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OAQPS SBAP Framework

- ▶ The OAQPS Small Business Assistance Program (SBAP) is managed by the Community and Tribal Programs Group in OAQPS' Outreach and Information Division.
- ▶ The OAQPS SBAP serves as a central resource for States, EPA Regions, and small businesses to obtain information, tools, and training about OAQPS regulatory actions that may impact or be of interest to small businesses.
- ▶ Currently, 9 out of 10 regional offices have one Regional Air Small Business Liaisons (RASBL) that engage with state representatives.
 - ▶ Approximately 10% of time available to support the OAQPS SBAP.
 - ▶ Region 6 is currently vacant.
 - ▶ Regions 8 and 10 have collaborated to work together. This is a pilot.
 - ▶ Regions 3 and 5 are still operating as multi-media support.

**Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards
Small Business Strategic Plan**

| Vision | OAQPS SBAP will become a sustainable program which provides ongoing support to all small business stakeholders on OAQPS air regulatory actions. |
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| Goals | Strategies |
| 1. Build strong collaborative relationships between OAQPS and small businesses through fostering communication and information sharing on air regulatory actions | 1. Development of an OAQPS Small Business Strategic Plan 2. Development of Internal EPA Coordination <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OAQPS Small Business Liaison/staff – CTPG’s LEAN Kaizen Event • EPA’s ASBO • EPA Regional Air Small Business Liaisons (RASBL) • OECA • OP • OGC 3. Development of External Coordination <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State Business Environmental Assistance Program (SBEAPs) • Trade Associations • Small Business Administration (SBA) |
| 2. Developing products and providing technical assistance to implement rule support | 1. Improve effectiveness of RASBLs and SBEAPs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop and deliver education and training to the RASBLs • Assist RASBLs to engage effectively with state representatives on air regulatory actions • Develop and deliver training to assist small businesses 2. Communicate technical information to the small business audience (e.g., permit, surface coating, etc.) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RASBLs will have regular meetings with SBEAPs on OAQPS updates |
| 3. Strengthen infrastructure to support OAQPS’ small business assistance program (SBAP) | 1. Identify project support needs and ensure adequate contract resources to implement those support activities 2. Ensure sufficient FTEs to support the SBAP and implementation of this strategic plan 3. Leverage existing resources to support small business implementation and access to EPA rules <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Webpage • OAQPS SBAP Email ListServ |

Goals and Strategies

OAQPS SBAP Elements – INTERNAL Stakeholders

Coordination with Internal Partners

- ▶ Coordinate standing meetings with OAQPS SBAP workgroup and RASBLs to ensure state needs are heard and met.
 - ▶ Workgroup calls: February, June, and October.
 - ▶ Regional calls: April, August, December.
- ▶ Participate on workgroups for rulemakings to ensure small businesses are considered throughout the rulemaking process and to determine the most effective outreach strategy for those small businesses.
- ▶ Assist rule writers on developing documentation for SBAR panels.

OAQPS SBAP Elements – EXTERNAL Stakeholders

Outreach to External Stakeholders

- ▶ Developing and conducting trainings/webinars for small business stakeholders (e.g., Oil and natural gas rulemaking).
- ▶ RASBL meet with SBEAPs and participate in states' regional meetings.
- ▶ Development of small business assistance outreach materials (e.g., fact sheets, brochures, etc.).
- ▶ Provide support to small business environmental assistance programs (SBEAPs) throughout and after the rulemaking process including participating in monthly calls with SBEAP representatives (e.g., SBEAP Technical subcommittee).
- ▶ Maintain an email listserv of small businesses and stakeholders that is used to communicate upcoming training and regulatory actions.
- ▶ Development of a small business webpage that houses information for small businesses, such as regulatory actions, Small Business Advocacy Review (SBAR) panel announcements, a calendar of upcoming events, and RASBLs contact information.

OAQPS SBAP Website

Here is what you'll find:

- ▶ Announcements (e.g., upcoming trainings/webinars).
- ▶ Rules In Progress with Potential Small Business Interests.
- ▶ Rulemakings with a Current or Potential SBAR PANEL.
- ▶ Past Rulemakings with a SBAR Panel.
- ▶ OAQPS SBAP's Regional "Air" Small Business Liaisons (RASBL).

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