



**OKLAHOMA**  
Environmental  
Quality

# **It takes a Team to Complete a Permitting Scheme**

**Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)  
SBEAP Annual Meeting March 2023**



# Who We Are

- ❖ **Office of Business & Regulatory Affairs (OBRA) within the Executive Offices of DEQ**
- ❖ **OBRA Functions:**
  - ❖ **Business Assistance – New and Existing**
    - ❖ **Permits**
    - ❖ **Recognize Regulatory Barriers**
  - ❖ **Regulatory Assistance**
    - ❖ **AskDEQ: (800)-522-0206**
  - ❖ **Financial Assistance**
    - ❖ **Information Sharing**





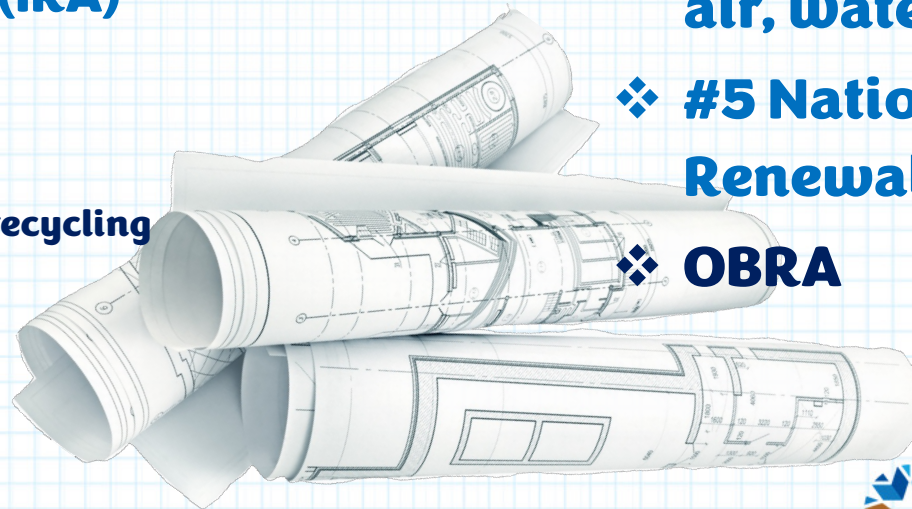
# Opportunities

- ❖ **Business investment**
- ❖ **Oklahoma seeing major influx of business prospects**
- ❖ **Drivers of new prospects:**
  - ❖ **Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)**
  - ❖ **Inflation Reduction Act (IRA)**
  - ❖ **Industry expansion**
    - ❖ **EV'S (manufacturing, tires)**
    - ❖ **Battery manufacturing and recycling**
    - ❖ **Hydrogen**
    - ❖ **Solar**
    - ❖ **Wind**

## ❖ **Why OK is a competitive location:**

- ❖ **Low Cost Utilities**
- ❖ **All Energy Approach**
- ❖ **Environmental (clean air, water, and, land)**
- ❖ **#5 Nationally in Renewables**

## ❖ **OBRA**





# What We Do

## The Permitting Process Flow

Permit Assistance Team (PAT)



**1. Contact OBRA**



**2. Meet PAT**



**3. Timelines**



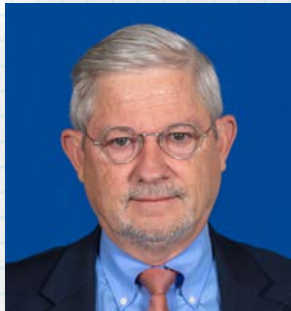
**4. Navigation**



# DEQ Dream Team

**Our Permit Assistance Team provide the guidance you need!**

~150 years of business and permitting experience



**Lloyd Kirk**  
**OBRA**  
**Director**



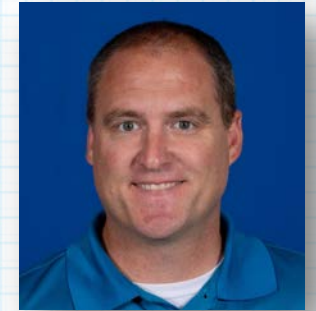
**Phillip Fielder**  
**AQD Chief**  
**Engineer**



**Hillary Young**  
**LPD Chief**  
**Engineer**



**Patrick Rosch**  
**WQD Engineering**  
**Manager**



**Matt Pace**  
**ECLS Environmental**  
**Programs Manager**

# Timeline Overview

## Tier III Air Quality Division Permits\*

### PSD Major Source

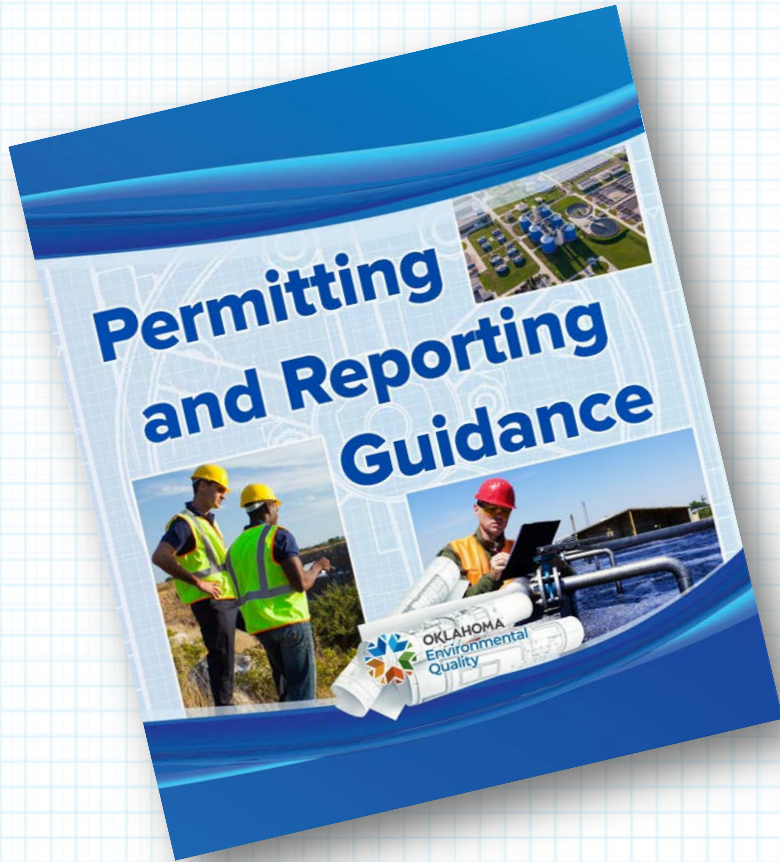
Month	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Notice of Filing	30 Day											
Administrative Review												
Technical Review												
Draft Permit (Public Review)							30 Day			30 Day		
Response to Comments (30 Day) and Proposed Permit Public Review (20 Day)								50 Day			50 Day	
Issuance												

\*Does not represent potential extensive public comment time frame.

Note: Blue time line represents application completeness and effective communication, gray designates schedule flexibility for increased permit complexity.



# Permit Guidance



- ❖ **10,000' level permitting document**
- ❖ **Located on DEQ webpage with clickable links**
- ❖ **Provided hardcopy for in-person meetings**
- ❖ **Process actively breaks down silos**



# Permitting Process Summary

- ❖ **OBRA is a 1 Stop Shop**

- ❖ **Relationships with internal and external agencies**

- ❖ **OK Corporation Commission**
    - ❖ **OWRB**
    - ❖ **OCC**
    - ❖ **EPA**

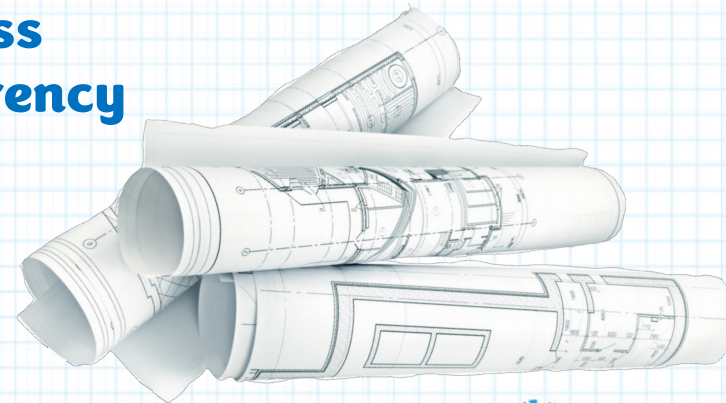
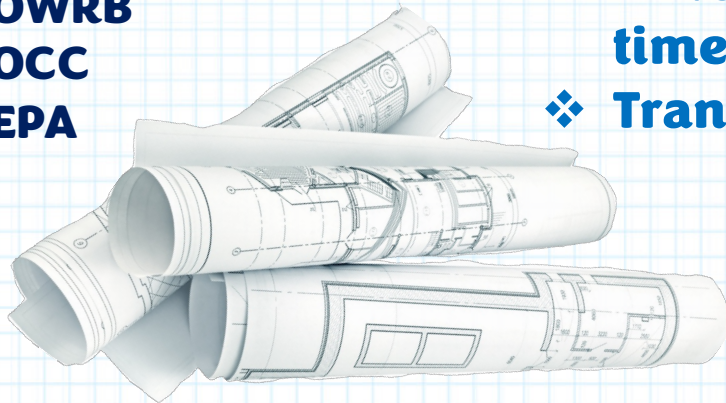
- ❖ **OBRA works with businesses of ALL sizes**

- ❖ **OBRA & PAT Priorities:**

- ❖ **Customer care and service**
    - ❖ **Efficiency and timeliness**
    - ❖ **Transparency**

- ❖ **DEQ permitting is delegated by EPA**

- ❖ **CAA**
  - ❖ **CWA**
  - ❖ **RCRA**





# DEQ - EJ Statement

**“All people should be protected from the impacts of environmental pollution regardless of race, national origin, or income. DEQ is committed to ensuring such protection through the development, implementation, and consistent enforcement of environmental laws and regulations.”**





# Q & A

