

DHWM Vision, Mission & Goals

Vision Statement

The Division of Hazardous Waste Management is recognized as a leader among state hazardous waste management programs through its expertise, effectiveness, application of sound science and delivery of quality service to its stakeholders.

Mission Statement

The Division of Hazardous Waste Management protects and improves the environment and therefore the health of Ohio's citizens by promoting pollution prevention and the proper management and cleanup of hazardous waste. We provide quality service to our stakeholders by assisting them in understanding and complying with the hazardous waste management regulations, and by implementing our program effectively.

Long Term Goals

(Note: Goals are not in order of importance)

Goal: Recognize, Value and Provide Professional Development Opportunities for all Employees

DHWM commits to employee satisfaction, development and well being by providing opportunities for technical and professional development and growth, by establishing and implementing a systematic training program that results in the efficient sharing of the division's knowledge, and by fostering a safe work environment through the development, implementation, and adherence to safety policies. DHWM further commits to recognize employees for their contributions towards accomplishing our mission.

Goal: Remediation

DHWM commits to timely, protective and appropriate action at facilities subject to RCRA remediation. This commitment will contribute to Ohio's goals of land revitalization and ecological enhancement.

Goal: Fiscal Responsibility

DHWM will administer or program through prudent and efficient fiscal management to ensure a sustainable fiscal base.

Goal: Permitting

DHWM will issue renewal permits prior to the expiration of the current permit 100% of the time and will act on all classes of permit modifications within the required regulatory time frame 100% of the time.

Goal: Provide quality Service

DHWM will adhere to Ohio EPA's principles of customer service 100% of the time.

Goal: Timely Rule Adoption

DHWM will adopt the Ohio version of a RCRA Subtitle C rule within 365 days of the rule's publication in the Federal Register, if Ohio has the necessary statutory rule-making authority and if it is a rule that we are required to adopt. DHWM will adopt an optional rule within 365 days from the date a decision is made to adopt such rule.

Goal: Promote Resource Conservation, Waste Reduction, and Environmental Sustainability Concepts

DHWM will support and actively promote the concepts of reduced waste generation, increased recycling and energy efficiency, and advances in sustainable waste and materials management as a component of its mission to ensure compliance with environmental law and rule.

Goal: Regulated Community Compliance

Through an appropriate mix of compliance assistance, inspections and appropriate enforcement actions, DHWM will help hazardous waste handlers maintain substantial compliance with the hazardous waste rules. Specifically, for permitted (or authorized) treatment, storage or disposal facilities and the large quantity generators who have filed an annual report for calendar year 2003, at least 95% of these facilities will be in substantial compliance. Not more than 5% will be in Significant Non-compliance (SNC).