

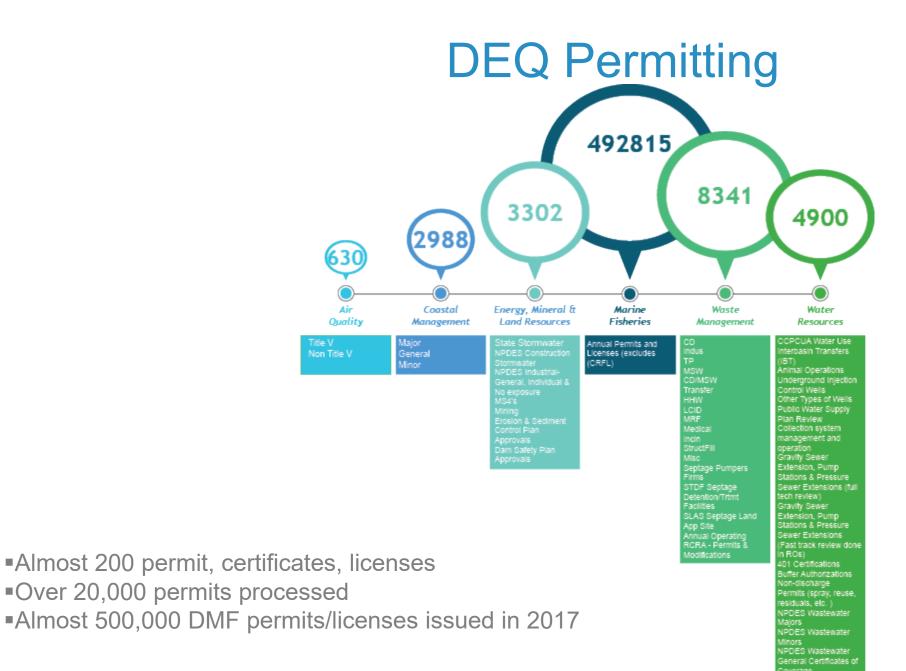
May 14, 2019 Permitting Transformation Project Department of Environmental Quality



DEQ Permitting Transformation Project

DEQ Initiative to **Improve** the Permitting Process Through **Streamlining** and **Online Automation** While Being More **Transparency** and Providing Clear **Communication**







DEQ Permitting Transformation Project

2017

- New DEQ Secretary
- Met with stakeholders
- DEACS lead initiative with regulatory divisions and DIT
- Determined themes among stakeholders

Improve communication and transparency Streamline permitting process with tracking/search functionality

Online permitting presence-payment and submittal

Eliminate Backlog



DEQ Secretary DEQ Senior Management DEQ Regulatory Divisions DEQ Division of Environmental Assistance and Customer Service NC Department of Information Technology



Permitted Entities Manufacturers Environmental Stewardship Initiative Members Industry Trade Groups Citizen Interest Groups Environmental Groups Non Governmental Organizations



Top Goals

Online Permitting Interface: Create a web-based portal to apply, track and pay for permit applications.

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Online Searchable Database: Develop a web-based searchable data "warehouse" for permit details, compliance issues and enforcement actions.

Streamline Permitting Process: Ensure a consistent and efficient permitting process throughout DEQ.

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Reduce and Prevent Backlog: Improve processes and identify efficiencies.

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Improve Communication and Transparency: Develop outreach efforts to maintain an open dialogue between DEQ and all stakeholders.



DEQ Permitting Transformation Project - 2018

- Developed PTP Plan with goals and milestones
- Engaged DIT to develop/maintain online portal (OPI)
- Provided DEQ funding to DIT for online portal
- Created DEQ workgroup to implement PTP goals-meets monthly
- Compiled index of permits, certificates and licenses- baseline data
- Met with other states who successfully implemented similar project –Mass DEQ
- Incorporated into DEQ Biennial Strategic Plan



DEQ Online Permitting Interface (OPI)

- User/Facility Registration
- Search for Applications
- Apply and Pay for Permits, Certificates, Licenses, Renewals
- Track Permits
- Permit Data Warehouse
- Current Data Dashboard
- Compliance and Enforcement Actions



Tracker examples

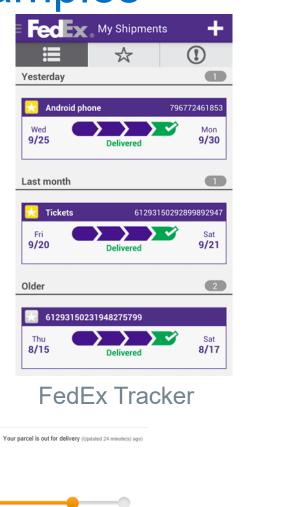
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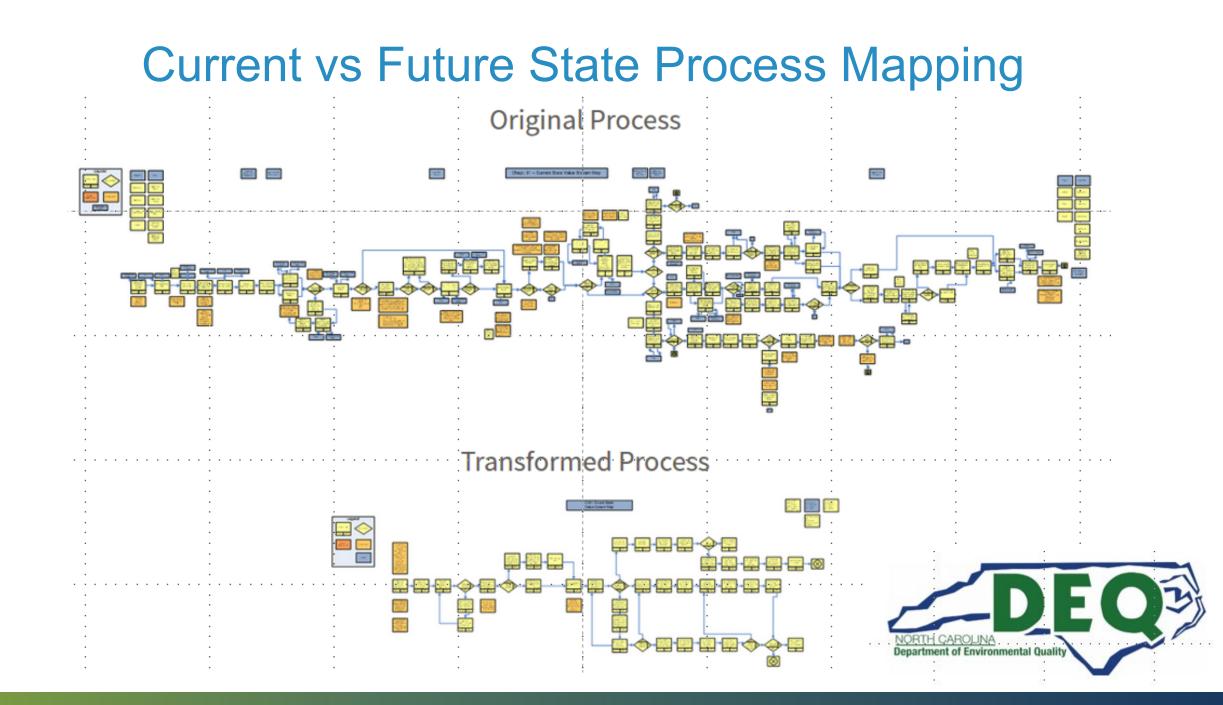
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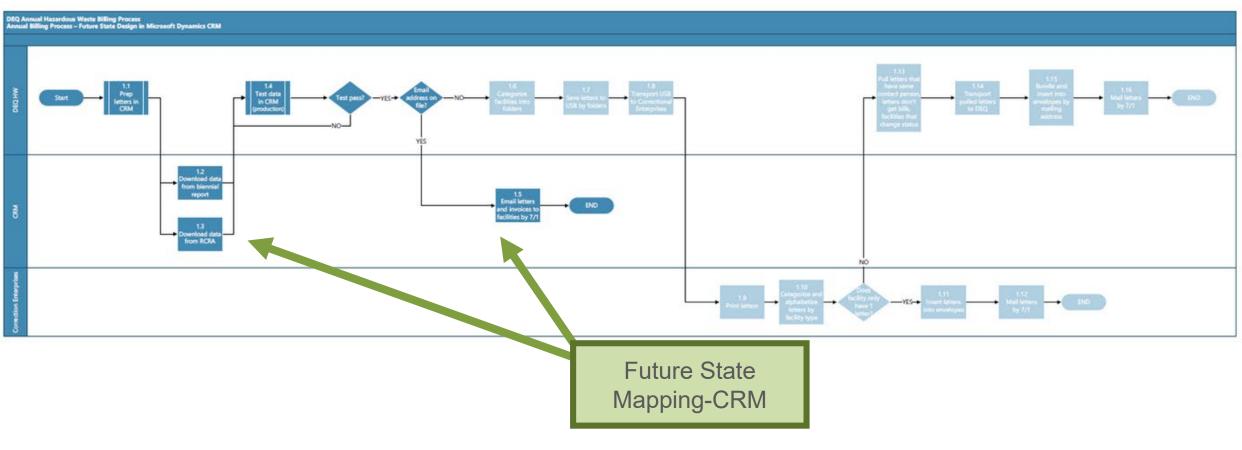
DEQ Permitting Transformation Project - 2019

- Current state process mapping for all permits, certificates, licenses
- Future state process mapping
- Develop standardized definitions for key terms
- Determine rule changes needed
- Update stakeholders
- Working internal demo of OPI by summer of 2019
- Provide demo to external audience by end of year
- Train DEQ on LEAN for continual improvement





Actual DEQ Process Mapping



Process mapping addresses several project goals: streamlining, transparency, online portal



Process Improvement Mapping Current State

Division of Air Quality:

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Division of Coastal Management: Coastal Area Management Act Major Coastal Area Management Act General



Division of Energy, Mineral and Land Resources: Erosion and Sedimentation Control Stormwater Dam Construction



Division of Waste Management: Municipal Solid Waste Landfill Hazardous Waste Section Billing Underground Storage Tanks Environmental Compliance

Division of Water Resources: Public Water Supply NPDES Permitting Units 401 & Buffer



Process Improvement Mapping Future State

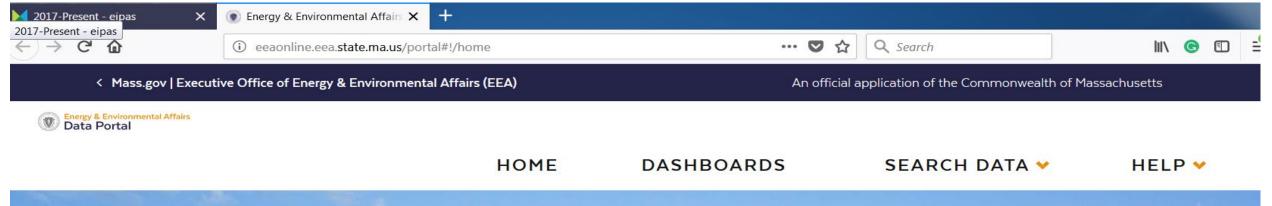
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Energy and Environmental Information and Public Access System Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection



Energy & Environmental Affairs Data Portal

The EEA Data Portal is an open data hub for state environmental data.

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Over 80 permits available online

Apply for, renew or amend a license, permit, certificate or submit a notification

Make payments online

Track the application status

EEA Public Access Portal





EEA Data Portal

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11 data sets and 7 dashboards available

Search and interact with regulatory data pertaining to Permits, Facilities, Inspections, and Enforcements

Data can be viewed and downloaded to show comparisons and trends

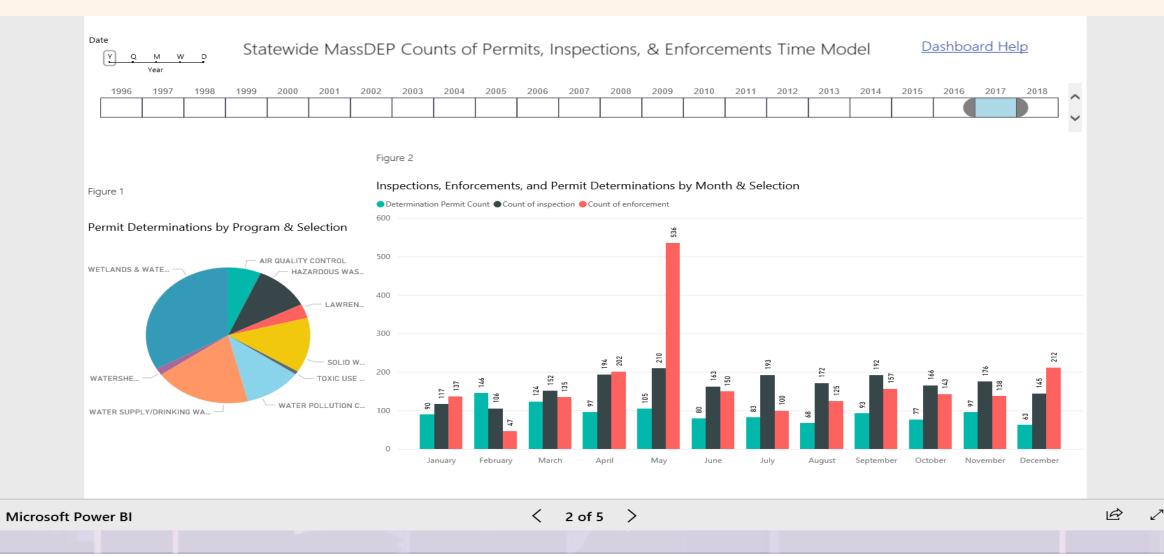
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Search and view all pending and final decisions for environmental permit applications submitted online

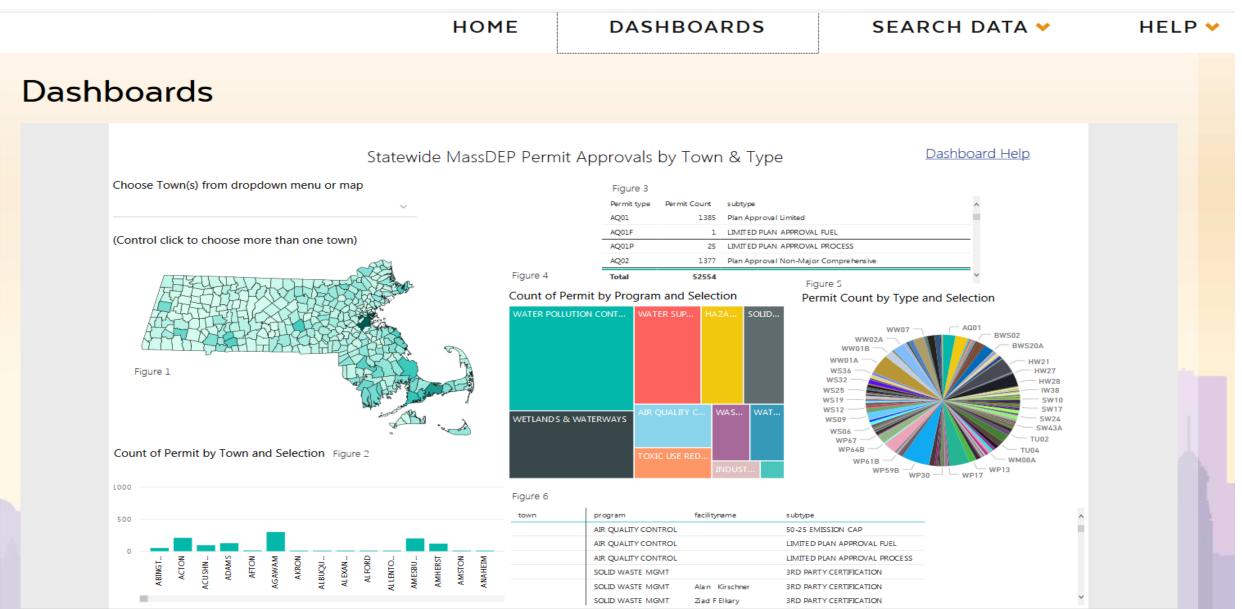
Provide comments on applications that are open for public comment



Dashboards



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EIPAS Successes

As of November 31, 2018



Air Quality Permits





Allocated days averaged across all Air Quality permits, some permits have more allocated days than others.

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Toxic Use Reduction Planners







Allocated days averaged across all TURA permits, some permits have more allocated days than others.

Agricultural Resources Pesticide Licenses





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Reduction in average days to decision is based on estimated days from paper process review.

Solid Waste Permits





Allocated days averaged across all Solid Wasre permits, some permits have more allocated days than others.

Previous slides were from MassDEP's website and/or webinar provided to provide an update on EIPAS project. Visit MassDEQ website at learn more.



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