



LDEQ 101: Understanding the Agency

Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality
Office of the Secretary
Small Business/Small Community Assistance Program



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DEQ's Mission and Vision



- **Mission:**

To provide service to the people of Louisiana through comprehensive environmental protection in order to promote and protect **health, safety, and welfare** while considering sound policies regarding employment and economic development

- **Vision:**

To be a respected steward of the State's environment.



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DEQ's General Areas of Responsibility



Air quality
Water quality
Solid wastes
Hazardous wastes
Asbestos, mercury, lead programs
Radiation protection
Remediation of contaminated sites
Regulations development
Permitting
Groundwater protection
Surveillance
Enforcement
Criminal investigations
Underground storage tanks
Environmental impact assessment
Planning and performance tracking
Complaints
Legislative Support

Compliance assistance
Laboratory services
Laboratory accreditation
Beneficial environmental projects
Environmental monitoring
Environmental education
Emergency response
Accident prevention
State revolving loan fund
Brownfields projects
Recycling
Environmental research
Economic development assistance
Emissions inventories
Contractor certifications
Training programs
Economic Development



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Focus Areas – 10 Point Plan

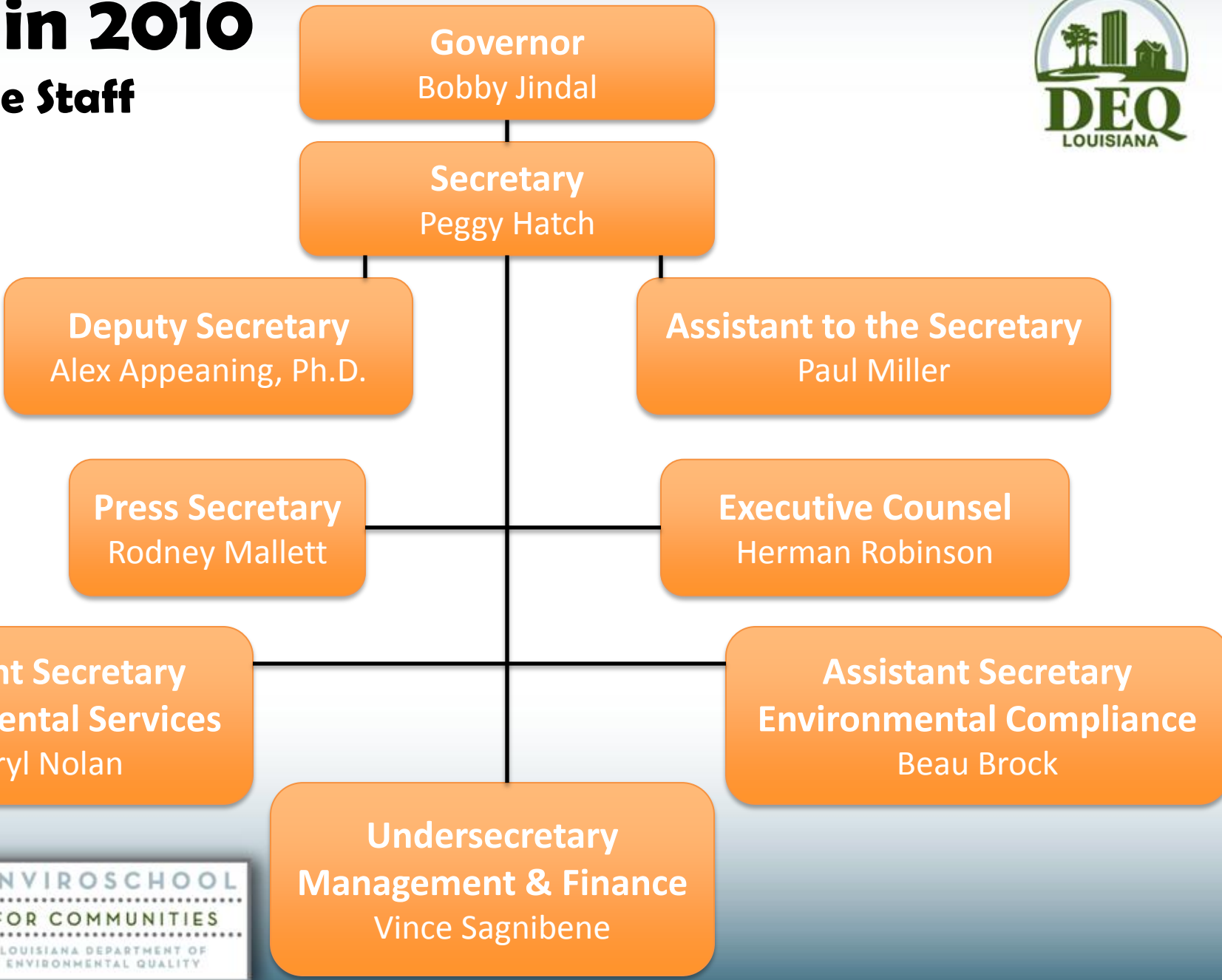


1. Ethics and Integrity
2. Transparency
3. Level Playing Field
4. Front-Loading
5. Regionalization
6. Investment in Employees
7. Investment in Community Organizations and Local Governments
8. Investment in Small Businesses
9. Investment in Green Government and Applied Research
10. Investment in Technology and eBusiness



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Executive Staff





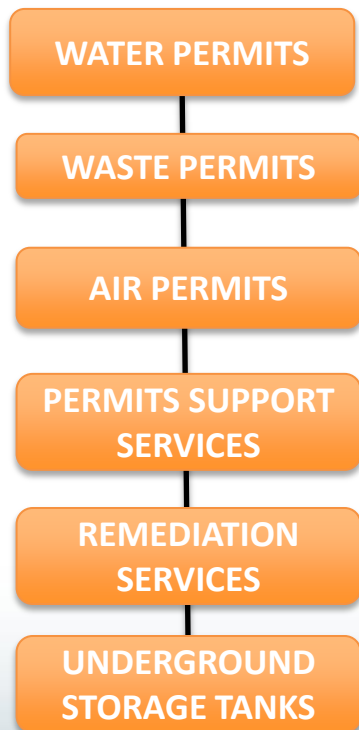
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Organizational Structure

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ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES



ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE

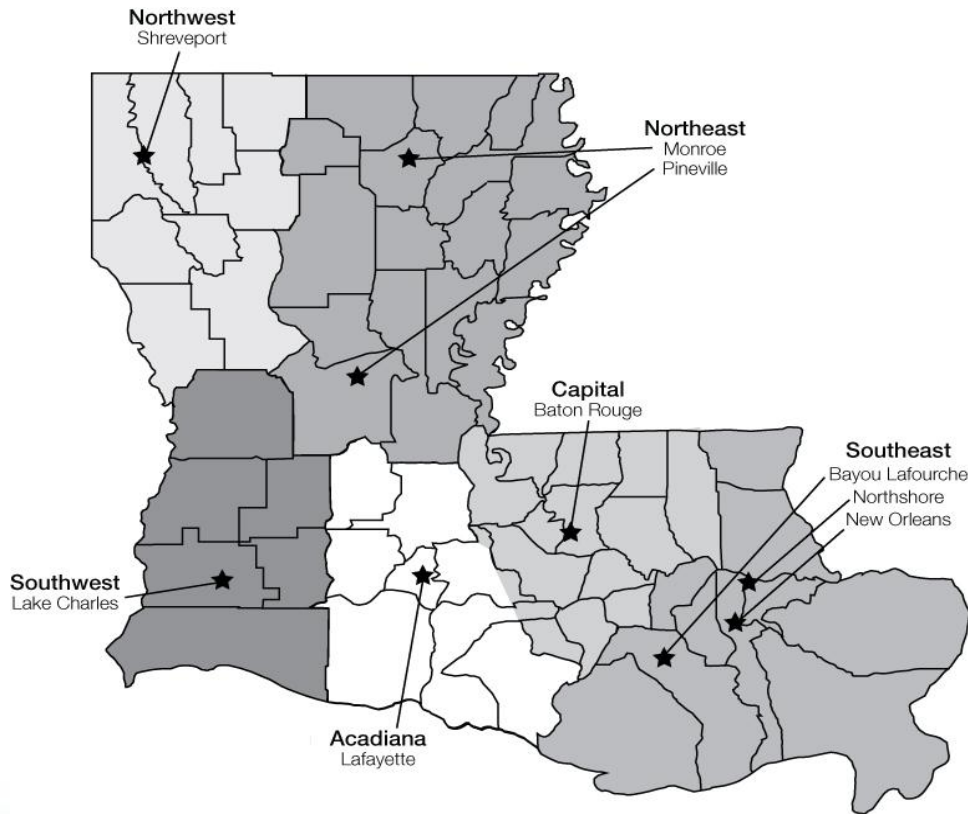


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Regional Office Map



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MISSION

- As the managerial branch of the Department, the **OSec** facilitates achievement of environmental improvements by:
 - coordinating the other program offices' work to reduce quantity and toxicity of emissions
 - representing the Department when dealing with external agencies,
 - providing legal counsel to the Department
 - communicating effectively with the public
 - and by promoting initiatives that serve a broad environmental mandate.



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- Business & Community Outreach
- Legal Affairs/Regulation Development
- Criminal Investigations
- Communications
- Ombudsman



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Office of Environmental Services



MISSION

- The mission of **OES** is to ensure that the citizens have a clean and healthy environment to live and work in for present and future generations. This will be accomplished by:
 - regulating pollution sources
 - providing permitting activities consistent with laws and regulations
 - providing interface between the department and businesses and customers
 - providing permit support services and improved public participation



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- Water Permits
- Waste Permits
- Air Permits



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- Permit Support Services
- Remediation Services
- Underground Storage Tanks



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Office of Environmental Compliance



MISSION

- The mission of **OEC** is to ensure the public and occupational welfare of the people and environmental resources of Louisiana by :
 - conducting inspections of permitted facilities and activities
 - responding to environmental emergencies and issuing sound enforcement actions.
 - establishing a multi-media compliance approach
 - creating a uniform approach to compliance
 - assigning accountability and responsibility to the appropriate parties
 - providing standardized radioactive material training to compliance
 - providing for the execution and timely resolution of activities.



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- Surveillance
- Enforcement
- Emergency Response & Radiological Services



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- Air Quality Assessment
- Water Quality Assessment



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QUESTIONS???



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