



# DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S OFFICE

NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, & ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE  
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BUDGET BRIEF

**SUMMARY**

The mission of the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is to safeguard public health and quality of life by protecting and improving environmental quality. DEQ also considers the benefits to public health, the impacts on economic development, property, wildlife, tourism, business, agriculture, forests, and other interests, and the costs to the public and to industry. DEQ has the responsibility to strengthen local health departments' environmental programs; build consensus among the public, industry, and local governments in developing environmental protection goals; and appropriately balance the need for environmental protection with the need for economic and industrial development.

DEQ consists of seven operating line items:

1. Executive Director's Office (EDO)
2. Division of Air Quality (DAQ)
3. Division of Environmental Response and Remediation (DERR)
4. Division of Radiation Control (DRC)
5. Division of Water Quality (DWQ)
6. Division of Drinking Water (DDW)
7. Division of Solid and Hazardous Waste (DSHW)

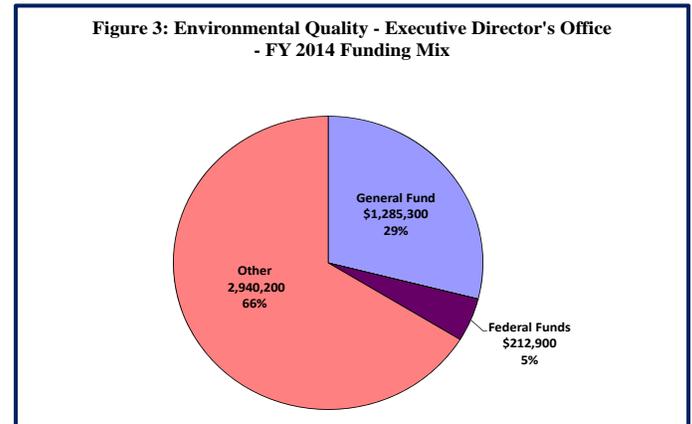
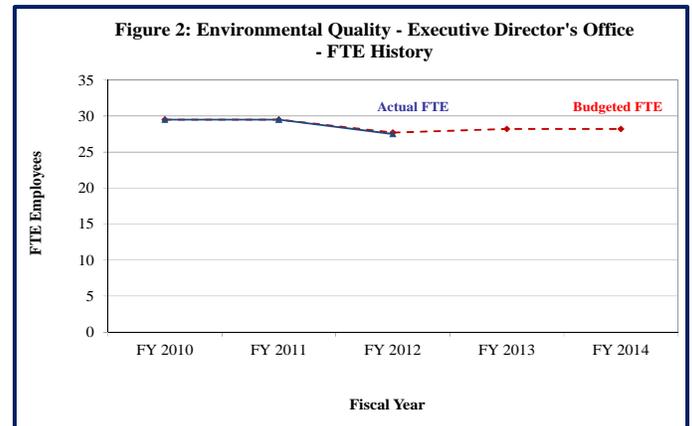
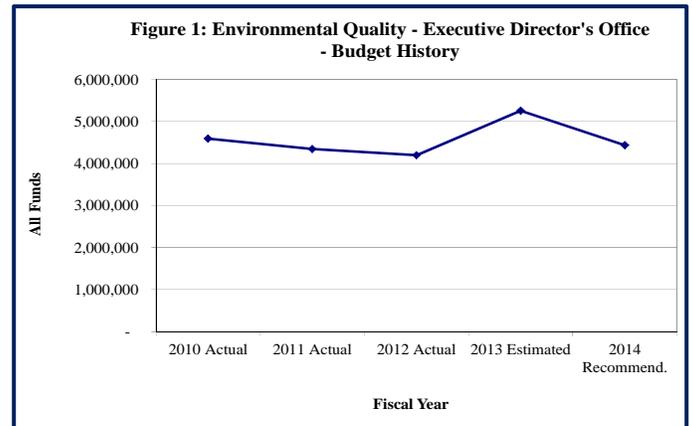
A separate budget brief has been prepared for each of the divisions.

**ISSUES AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

EDO primarily performs the following:

- Directs planning and policy development within the Department.
- Supports implementation of state and federal environmental laws, rules, and regulations.
- Maintains primacy for the State for implementing federal programs.
- Coordinates Department programs with local health departments.
- Coordinates budget and financial accounting.

The total FY 2013 appropriated budget for EDO was \$4,730,000. Using the FY 2013 ongoing appropriation as the beginning point for the FY 2014 base budget,



with changes in the level of General Fund one-time (\$150,000); federal funds (\$4,400); restricted funds (\$100) and transfers (\$137,100); the base budget for the EDO line item for FY 2014 is \$4,438,400.

The Analyst recommends the Legislature consider adopting the base budget of \$4,438,400, with \$1,285,300 from the General Fund.

The Analyst further recommends a \$400,000 transfer one-time from the Environmental Quality Restricted Account to the Hazardous Substance Mitigation Fund.

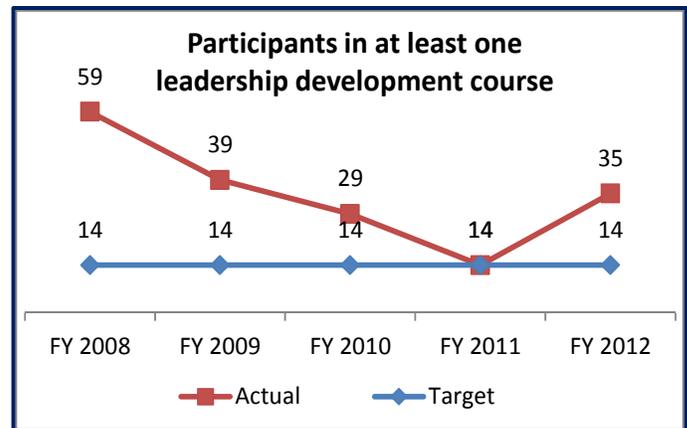
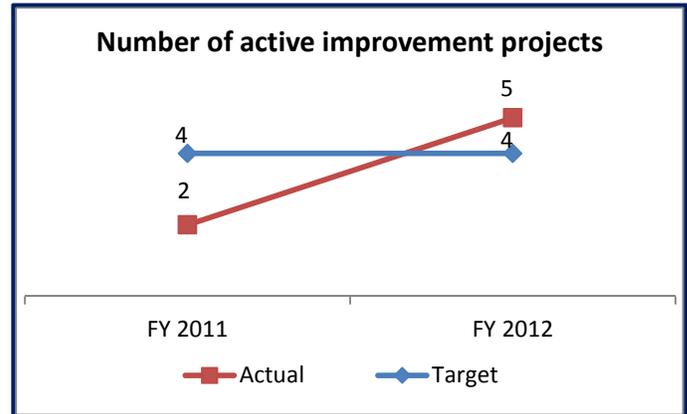
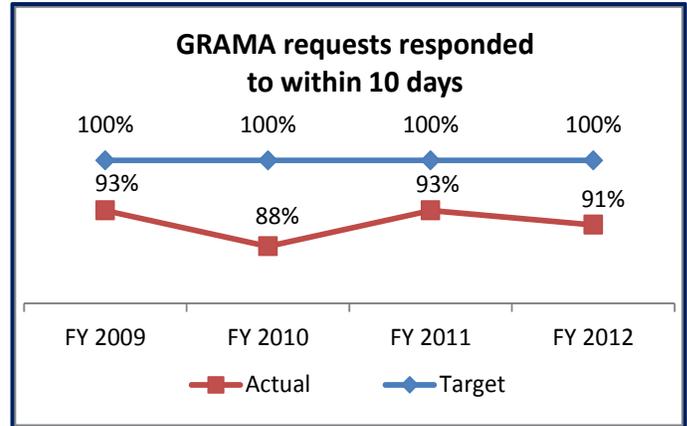
**ACCOUNTABILITY**

High level performance measures for EDO include the following:

UCA code 63-2 requires that requests from the public to view records be responded to within 10 days. DEQ tracks the number of days it takes to respond to the public. The decrease in FY 2010 is attributed to DEQ moving offices; making file retrieval more difficult.

DEQ is committed to look for and implement process improvements to ensure the efficient use of public dollars and to maximize staff resources. Internal and external stakeholders are involved in these projects. The first process improvement project under this model began in FY 2011, therefore the actual versus target numbers look a bit skewed.

DEQ leadership and succession planning occurs in two parts: a mentoring program and leadership skills training. The people in the mentoring program are nominated annually for the two year program. One person from each division is nominated. The leadership skills training is open to all employees. The drop in FY 2010 and FY 2011 were due to other priorities within the department. Starting in FY 2012, the leadership development training was actively promoted.



**Intent Language**

*Under the terms of 63J-1-603 of the Utah Code, the Legislature intends that appropriations provided for Executive Director’s Office in Item 20, Chapter 6, Laws of Utah 2012, shall not lapse at the close of FY 2013. Expenditures of these funds are limited to high level nuclear waste opposition \$129,100; capital improvements for the proposed DEQ Technical Support Center \$450,000; administrative law judge \$150,000.*

**BUDGET TABLE DETAIL 1**

<b>Environmental Quality - Executive Director's Office</b>						
<b>Sources of Finance</b>	<b>FY 2012 Actual</b>	<b>FY 2013 Appropriated</b>	<b>Changes</b>	<b>FY 2013 Revised</b>	<b>Changes</b>	<b>FY 2014* Recommended</b>
General Fund	1,243,800	1,285,300	0	1,285,300	0	1,285,300
General Fund, One-time	0	150,000	0	150,000	(150,000)	0
Federal Funds	174,900	217,300	(4,400)	212,900	0	212,900
GFR - Environmental Quality	736,400	744,600	(100)	744,500	0	744,500
Transfers - Within Agency	2,342,000	2,332,800	(47,100)	2,285,700	(90,000)	2,195,700
Beginning Nonlapsing	129,400	0	579,000	579,000	(579,000)	0
Closing Nonlapsing	(429,000)	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,197,500</b>	<b>\$4,730,000</b>	<b>\$527,400</b>	<b>\$5,257,400</b>	<b>(\$819,000)</b>	<b>\$4,438,400</b>
<b>Programs</b>						
Executive Director's Office	4,197,500	4,730,000	527,400	5,257,400	(819,000)	4,438,400
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,197,500</b>	<b>\$4,730,000</b>	<b>\$527,400</b>	<b>\$5,257,400</b>	<b>(\$819,000)</b>	<b>\$4,438,400</b>
<b>Categories of Expenditure</b>						
Personnel Services	6,718,400	2,603,100	38,600	2,641,700	(125,800)	2,515,900
In-state Travel	8,300	15,400	(4,600)	10,800	0	10,800
Out-of-state Travel	10,700	14,100	0	14,100	0	14,100
Current Expense	498,300	578,300	801,900	1,380,200	(690,500)	689,700
DP Current Expense	671,700	713,500	(187,000)	526,500	(2,800)	523,700
Other Charges/Pass Thru	652,500	805,600	(121,400)	684,200	0	684,200
Cost Accounts	(4,362,400)	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,197,500</b>	<b>\$4,730,000</b>	<b>\$527,500</b>	<b>\$5,257,500</b>	<b>(\$819,100)</b>	<b>\$4,438,400</b>
<b>Other Data</b>						
Budgeted FTE	28	30	(2)	28	0	28
Actual FTE	28	0	0	0	0	0
Vehicles	8	7	1	8	(1)	7
*Does not include amounts in excess of subcommittee's state fund allocation that may be recommended by the Fiscal Analyst.						

**BUDGET TABLE DETAIL 2**

On November 13, 2012, the Executive Appropriations Committee approved reorganization of appropriations acts so that they will more clearly identify different types of transactions. Under the reorganization, operating and capital appropriations – typically thought of as “the budget” – will be presented in separate subsections from items that approve business-like activities, review fiduciary funds, or simply move money from one account to another. The reorganization will not only more clearly communicate the legislature’s intent to state agencies and the Division of Finance, it will also allow readers to more easily compare appropriations acts to other budget documents like the Governor’s recommendations and Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

The reorganization also allows legislative staff to present more and better information about certain types of financial activity. Because transactions are now presented and summarized by type, all activity in self-spending “restricted special revenue” funds and enterprise funds can be shown without risk of double-counting. This year, staff is expanding and improving reporting on funds and accounts previously included in appropriations acts, and will over time add other funds not previously shown.

One such fund is the Hazardous Substance Mitigation Fund.

<b>Environmental Quality - Hazardous Substance Mitigation Fund</b>						
<b>Sources of Finance</b>	<b>FY 2012 Actual</b>	<b>FY 2013 Appropriated</b>	<b>Changes</b>	<b>FY 2013 Revised</b>	<b>Changes</b>	<b>FY 2014* Recommended</b>
Dedicated Credits Revenue	3,447,600	0	915,000	915,000	(760,000)	155,000
GFR - Environmental Quality	0	400,000	0	400,000	0	400,000
Beginning Fund Balance	18,349,000	0	21,221,000	21,221,000	(2,279,200)	18,941,800
Ending Fund Balance	(21,221,000)	0	(18,941,800)	(18,941,800)	3,896,800	(15,045,000)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$575,600</b>	<b>\$400,000</b>	<b>\$3,194,200</b>	<b>\$3,594,200</b>	<b>\$857,600</b>	<b>\$4,451,800</b>
<b>Programs</b>						
Hazardous Substance Mitigation Fund	575,600	400,000	3,194,200	3,594,200	857,600	4,451,800
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$575,600</b>	<b>\$400,000</b>	<b>\$3,194,200</b>	<b>\$3,594,200</b>	<b>\$857,600</b>	<b>\$4,451,800</b>
<b>Categories of Expenditure</b>						
Personnel Services	39,900	0	35,000	35,000	0	35,000
In-state Travel	200	0	500	500	0	500
Current Expense	527,500	0	462,300	462,300	97,600	559,900
DP Current Expense	1,000	0	1,000	1,000	0	1,000
Other Charges/Pass Thru	0	0	3,090,400	3,090,400	760,000	3,850,400
Cost Accounts	7,000	0	5,000	5,000	0	5,000
Transfers	0	400,000	(400,000)	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$575,600</b>	<b>\$400,000</b>	<b>\$3,194,200</b>	<b>\$3,594,200</b>	<b>\$857,600</b>	<b>\$4,451,800</b>
<b>Other Data</b>						
Change in Fund Balance	2,871,900	0	(2,279,200)	(2,279,200)	2,279,200	0