

Turnover

Since July, the agency has had 5.0 FTE leave state employment, 5.0 FTE have retired, and 3.0 FTE have transferred to another agency.

OTHER ISSUES

Information Technology Projects

Coal Information Management System (CIMS)

The Coal Information Management System (CIMS) is a Coal ePermitting System funded with \$1.75 million in federal grants.

CIMS Phase I: The Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSMRE) is still determining what direction they want on the Inspection and Enforcement (INE) application. This phase of the CIMS project is on hold pending that decision.

CIMS Phase II: The current application in phase II is DEQ's Bond Reclamation Calculation Estimating Application. This web application will be built by DEQ, and once complete, given to OSMRE where they can make their modifications. Development started on 11/01/21 and DEQ expended \$736,500 during the month of November. This application is slated to be complete for DEQ by 1/31/2025 and OSMRE's version would then be completed by 6/30/2026.

Update on Decision Packages Approved by the 2021 Legislature

DP 90 - Orphan Share Expanded Use (RST/BIEN)

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The legislature approved expanded use of the orphan share account to allow the Department of Environmental Quality to evaluate and take remedial actions and to respond to a release or threatened release at petroleum or hazardous substance sites. As of November, the agency has expended \$1,800 under this authority.