

State Program Update

Oregon DEQ Industrial Pretreatment Program

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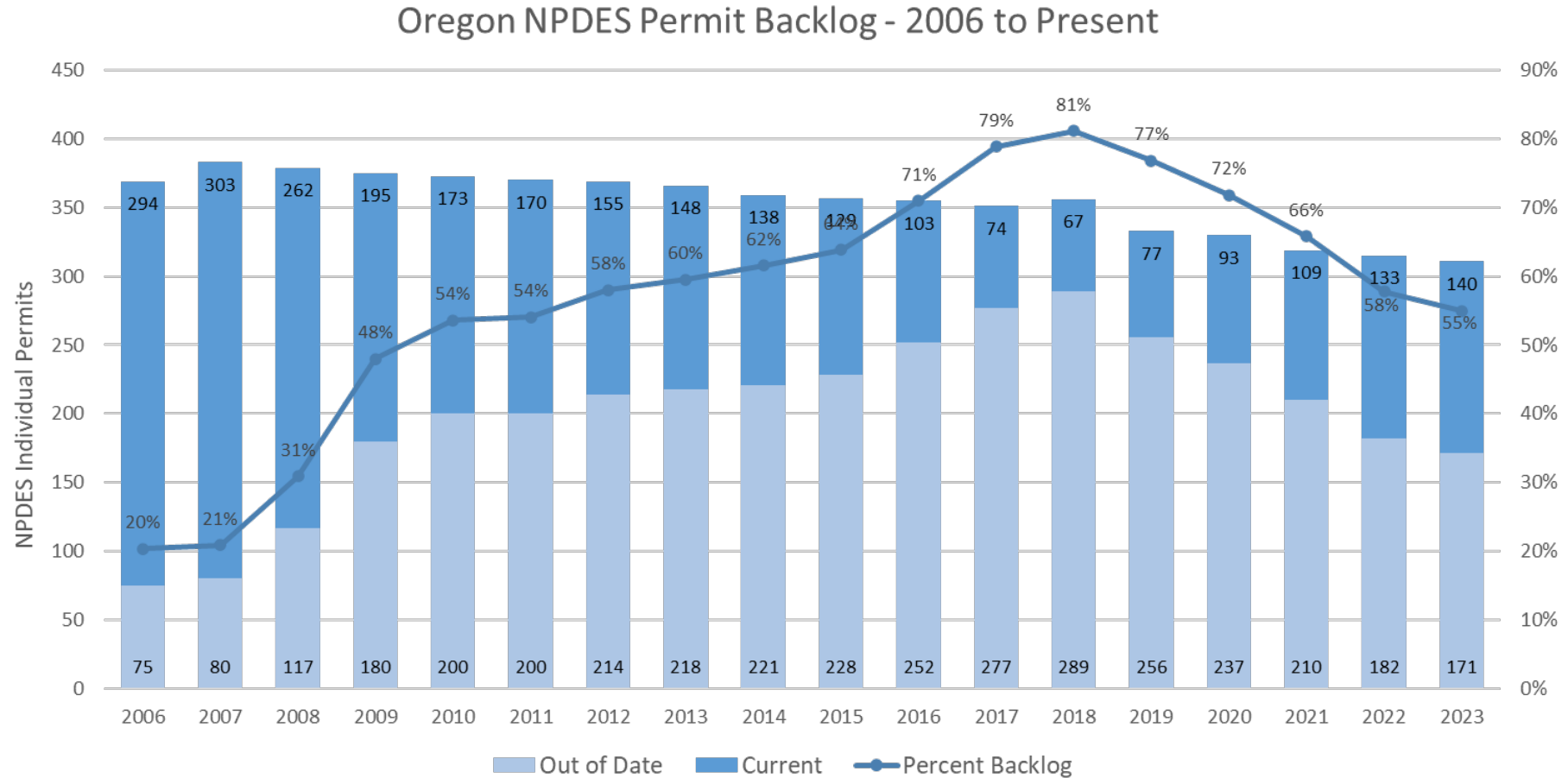
Pretreatment Program Update

- POTWs with approved pretreatment programs
 - Permit deliverable issues and annual reports
 - Program modification reviews
 - Categorical determinations
 - Audits and inspections
 - Technical assistance
- POTWs with non-approved pretreatment program
 - IU Survey reports, and Hauled Waste Control Plan review
 - IU permitting, monitoring, and enforcement
 - Technical Assistance
- New program development assistance

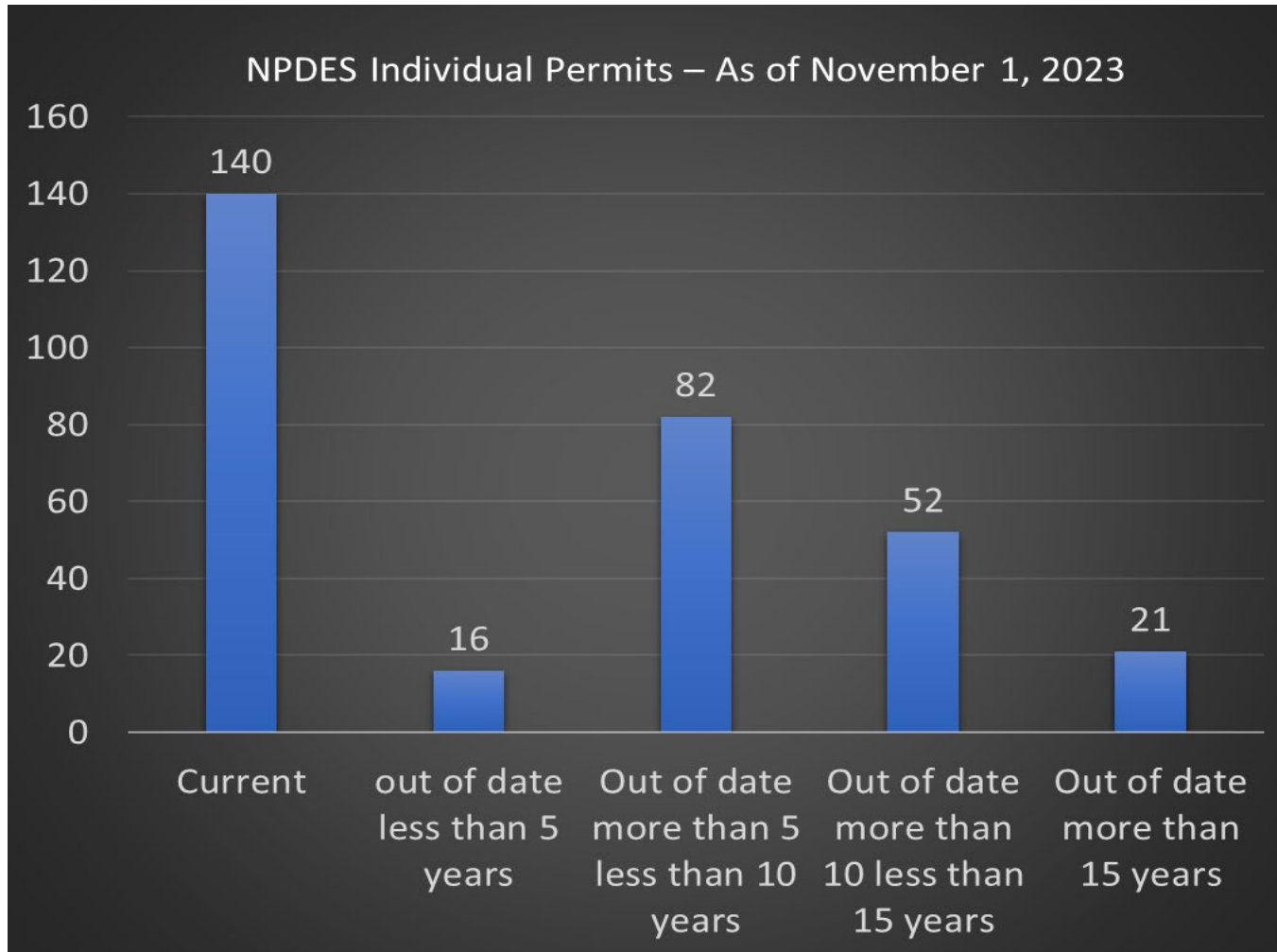
Working with DEQ permit staff

- NPDES permit staff – Pretreatment overview and discussions on IPP requirements and process for the POTW permits.
- SME review of DEQ permit drafts.
- Nexus between pretreatment and other DEQ programs; HW, MM and SW
 - Identify Cross programming issues
 - Collaborate with program staff
 - Seek technical assistance

Oregon Permits Backlog Reduction



Status of DEQ's NPDES Individual Permits



- 171 (54 percent) administratively continued.
- 16 (5 percent) are administratively continued for less than five years.
- 82 (26 percent) are administratively continued five years or more and less than 10 years.
- 52 (17 percent) are administratively continued 10 years or more and less than 15.
- 21 (7 percent) are administratively continued for 15 years or more.

NPDES Individual Permit Issuance Plans

- On October 1 of each year, DEQ publishes a permit issuance plan that identifies the permits targeted for development during the next year and for the next 5 years
- Work plan developed internally
 - Rollover permits
 - Permits soon to expire
 - Regionally priorities
 - Geography
 - Resource availability
 - Readiness reviews
- Water quality planning: <https://www.oregon.gov/deq/wq/wqpermits/Pages/default.aspx>
- Annual issuance plan: <https://www.oregon.gov/deq/wq/Documents/wqpNPDESpip2024.pdf>
- Five year plan: <https://www.oregon.gov/deq/wq/Documents/wqp5yrPIP.pdf>
- General permits: <https://www.oregon.gov/deq/FilterDocs/wqpNPDESpip2020.pdf>

Addressing PFAS in Oregon

DEQ formed PFAS workgroup - DEQ air, land, water programs, and DEQ lab taking steps to address PFAS:

Current work -

- Identifying sites that may use PFAS in their operations
- Overseeing site testing and assessment of impacts
- Using newly developed analytical methods for testing for PFAS

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Work in Progress –

- Drafting PFAS Strategic Plan
- Identifying sources
- Collecting and tracking the limited data coming in voluntarily
- Increasing Laboratory capacity and purchase of new equipment and methods development
- Staying current on fast evolution of the field
- Coordinating with OHA, and other agencies

ODEQ PFAS information – [Toxic Reduction and Safer Alternatives](#)

Program and Contact Information

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