

Report on Budget Note #2

Title V Program Operations

Joint Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Natural Resources
April 9 2025

Budget Note #2:

Title V Staffing Assuming passage of HB 3229 (2023), which increases Title V permitting fees to restore program staffing to current service level, the Department will need to undergo significant hiring throughout the 2023-25 biennium, aligning to available revenues. No later than April 1, 2025, the Department shall report to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means on the status of the Title V program staffing and productivity.

- This report shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
 - Full and partial FTE working on Title V permitting and compliance;
 - The timeliness and volume of permitting actions (including new permit, permit renewals, modification and amendments) issued by the program;
 - The timeliness and volume of compliance evaluations conducted by the program;
 - Progress on addressing the permit renewal backlog; and
 - Progress in transferring Title V administrative processes to the agency's comprehensive data management system known as "Your DEQ Online."

Air Quality Permitting Programs

Title V – 102 sources

- Federally delegated program
- Must be fully fee-funded

Air Contaminant Discharge –2500 sources

- Minor source state-level permits
- Funded by fees, general fund and federal funds

Cleaner Air Oregon

- Air toxics risk assessment and management
- Funded by fees and general fund



Title V Staffing Levels

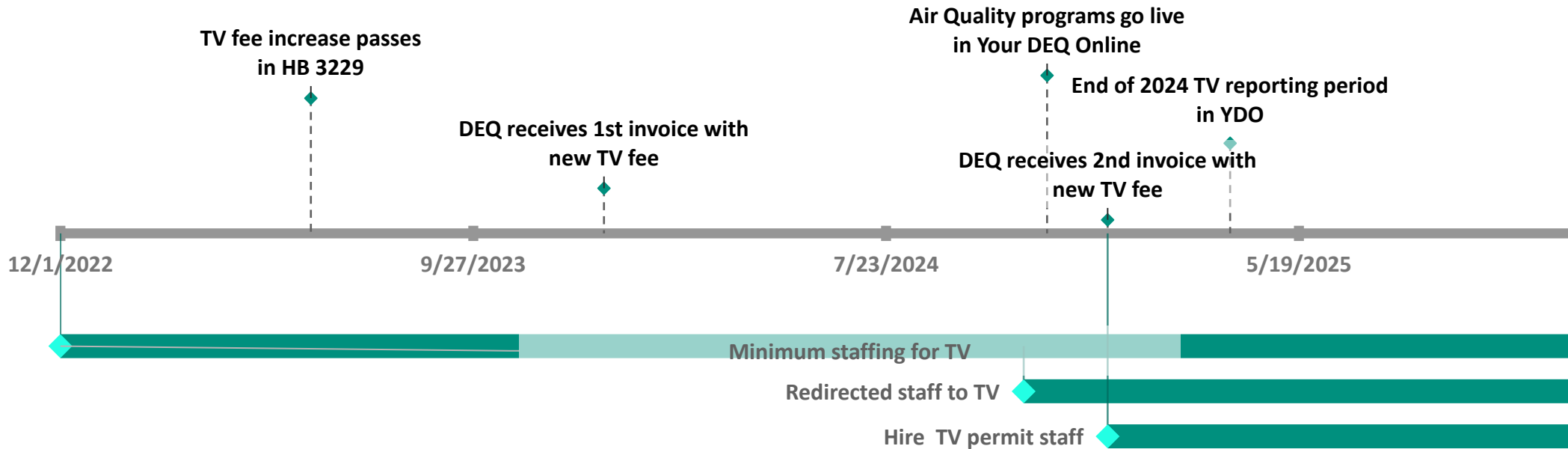


Timeliness and Volume of Permit Activities

Permit Action Type	Timeliness Target (days)	Total # of permit actions issued in time period	Average days to issuance	Number issued on time	Number issued late	% issued on time
Administrative Amendment	60	14	160	9	5	64%
Minor Modification	180	6	162	5	1	83%
New Permit	365	0		0	0	
Reopening For Cause	180	1	111	1	0	100%
Significant Modification	365	8	397	5	3	63%
Permit Renewal	365	9	871	2	7	22%
Permit Renewal Backlog	62% of Title V Operations Permits are current (KPM = 80%)					
Compliance Inspections	28 of 82 (34%) conducted					

23-25 Program Milestones

Title V Permitting Resources at DEQ



Next Steps

- Restore adequate staffing levels: continued hiring and training
- Continue exploring more equitable revenue models
- Permit Improvement Project
 - Improved data and transparency
 - Closer collaboration and coordination across permitting teams
 - Dedicated permitting team to process new priority facilities and major modifications