

## KIM FARNHAM

### Objective Summary...

I have over 15+ years of experience as an Environmental Protection Specialist working with the Environmental Protection Agency Region 10 (EPA R10). My objective is to continue work with the regulated community to educate and strengthen the working relationship in order to move forward EPA's mission to protect human health and the environment by working within the environmental regulations.

### Skills and Specializations ...

Project Management

Report Preparation

Data Analysis

Regulatory Issues, Compliance and Enforcement

Client Management

Lead-based Paint Inspector

RCRA Tribal Solid Waste

TSCA Lead-Based Paint

Attention to Detail

Time Management

Team Cooperation

Leadership

Problem Solver

Self-Motivation

Work Ethics

Health & Safety Training

### Summary of Professional Qualifications...

#### Regulatory:

- ❖ 5-years of experience with Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) EPA regulation providing technical and compliance assistance directly to tribes and other external and internal parties on solid and hazardous waste technical issues.
- ❖ 10-years of reviewing, and implementing legislative proposals, regulations, standards, policies, and operating guidance for the Lead Based Paint program under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA).

#### Project Management:

- ❖ 1-year experience developing the Region 10 Tribal Green Building Program and analyzing current challenges in making stakeholders understand the tribal viewpoint on significant environmental and human health issues related to green projects. Developing this program required identifying, planning and carrying out projects and activities to support Region 10 tribes.
- ❖ Program administration and oversight, which involves (1) managing, administering, and coordinating programs or projects to achieve and maintain environmental compliance of ongoing operations, and remediate past environmental violations or compliance problems; or (2) administering, evaluating, and overseeing environmental programs and/or activities funded by a program of grants, cooperative agreements, or other similar arrangements.
- ❖ Serve as a representative of management regarding technical, programmatic, and administrative issues and topics.

#### Field Management:

- ❖ Completed over 300 LBP RRP Inspections in the field over 10-years.
- ❖ Processed over 50 enforcement actions in the LBP Program.
- ❖ Managed over 25 RCRA Tribal Solid Waste Federal Grants over 5-years.
- ❖ Managed over 10 TSCA Lead-based Paint Federal Grants over 10-years.

## **Education:**

- ❖ BS, 2004, BS Business Management, University of Phoenix On-line, Phoenix Arizona, 85034, Total Semester Hrs: 51, GPA 3.51
- ❖ AA, 1995, Psychology – General, Palo Alto College, 1400 Villaret, San Antonio Texas, 78224, Total Semester Hrs: 47, GPA 2.6
- ❖ Psychology – General, ST Phillips College, 2111 Nevada, San Antonio, TX 78203; Total Semester hrs: 9; Spring 1990, Fall 1990
- ❖ General, Community College of Aurora, 791 Chambers RD, Aurora, CO 80011; Total Semester hrs: 15; summer 1985, fall 1985

## **Certifications ...**

- ❖ 8-hour HAZWOPER Refresher (EPA, 2021)
- ❖ RRP Renovator Initial (2014)
- ❖ Winning Courtroom Confrontations (2012)
- ❖ EPA Inspector Workshop (2012)
- ❖ General OSHA and Field Safety Training (2012)
- ❖ Lead Risk Assessor Certification (2011)
- ❖ Washington Lead Risk Assessor Certification (2011)
- ❖ AHERA Building Inspection (2011)
- ❖ Basic Inspector Training (EPA-2007)
- ❖ Administrative Hearing and Trials Training (2007)
- ❖ RCRA Hazardous Waste Regulations (2007)
- ❖ 40-hour HAZWOPER (2006)

## **Employment History ...**

### **TSCA INSPECTOR/COMPLIANCE OFFICER (ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION SPECIALIST**

January 1, 2011 – present

EPA / Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Division / Air and Toxics Enforcement Section, 1200 Sixth Ave, Seattle, WA, 98101

Review and implement legislative proposals, regulations, standards, policies, and operating guidance for the Lead Based Paint program under the Toxics Substances Control Act (TSCA). Program administration and oversight, which involves (1) managing, administering, and coordinating programs or projects to achieve and maintain environmental compliance of ongoing operations, and remediate past environmental violations or compliance problems; or (2) administering, evaluating, and overseeing environmental programs and/or activities funded by a program of grants, cooperative agreements, or other similar arrangements. Serve as a representative of management regarding technical, programmatic, and administrative issues and topics.

- ❖ The regional subject matter expert point-of-contact and program coordinator for implementation and enforcement program of the Disclosure Rule, Renovate, Repair, and Painting Rule (RRP), and the Lead-based Paint Activities Rule.
- ❖ Plan, organize, and coordinates briefings and information exchange opportunities. Serve as organizational spokesperson at public meetings, formal and informal briefings, workshops, and complex program activities. Establish and maintain effective working relationships and information networks with state, local entities, and industries affected by the lead-based paint program to gain a better understanding of their interests and to facilitate their participation and understanding.

- ❖ April 2013 – September 2015: Managed/monitored two Senior Environmental Employment (SEE) grantees. Assigned work, monitored/evaluate work performance, managed resources, developed plans, and took necessary actions to achieve goals/objectives in supporting the enforcement program. Set strategic goals and priorities, developed policies, allocate and monitor workload and allocate resources. To increase productivity managed major changes to the structure and content of the enforcement program. Planned, directed, and evaluated work of SEE grantees.
- ❖ Serve as grant project officer assigned to manage cooperative agreements, grants, and interagency agreements; utilize expertise gained to resolve unique difficulties and provide viable solutions to problems. Lead discussions with grantees in the development and coordination of problems, and in the identification and resolution of unique or significant grant issues.
- ❖ Serve as a grant/cooperative agreement/interagency agreement subject matter expert and advisor on a variety of issues; communicating and implementing guidelines or provide instructional guidance on its applicability to grantees. Provide technical advice on all aspects of grant/financial mechanisms. Ensure awardees comply with established administrative and financial policies.

### **RCRA ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION SPECIALIST**

August 21, 2005 – December 31, 2010

EPA/Office of Compliance and Enforcement / Pesticides and Toxics Unit, OCE-101, 1200 Sixth Ave, Seattle, WA, 98101

Technical and compliance assistance provided directly to tribes and other external and internal parties on solid and hazardous waste technical issues. Work with partners to create educational materials, training and tools to assist tribes in their solid and hazardous waste program planning and implementation. Work directly with Federally Recognized Tribes to address solid and hazardous waste issues. Tribal Solid Waste Management Assistance Project and the Hazardous Waste Management Grant Program managed for Tribes in Region 10.

- ❖ Coordinated staff reviews of HQ OSWER grant competition proposals (RFP) working with SWAT Tribal Team, AOO, Tribal Coordinators, ADEC, and other federal agencies. Knowledgeable with RCRA, 40 CFR Parts 257 & 258 (Municipal Solid Waste).
- ❖ Technical support included developing an Integrated Solid Waste Management Plan, and implementing the plan in order to execute and manage solid waste by recycling, proper reutilization of scrap, and pollution prevention. To achieve an integrated approach to waste management in Indian country strengthened partnerships within the federal family of agencies, Tribal Governments, and coordinating efforts between the various EPA Tribal Programs.
- ❖ Maintained Project Officer (PO) status to oversee grant and/or cooperative agreements. Responsibility included pre-award duties such as reviewing statements of work, and providing technical evaluations of proposals. Post-award duties include reviewing work plans, requesting and reviewing progress reports, monitoring cost, and reviewing management and overall technical performance project.
- ❖ Oct 2009 – Dec 2010 developed the Region 10 Tribal Green Building Program and analyzed current challenges in making stakeholders understand the tribal viewpoint on significant environmental and human health issues related to green projects. Developing this new program required identifying, planning and carrying out projects and activities to support Region 10 tribes. Technical assistance provided to tribes in identifying successful green projects and locating funding needs to accomplish green projects. Workgroup involvements included the Sustainability Standard for the Gaming Industry, HQ EPA Green Building Workgroup (GBWG), and HQ GBWG Building Products Team.