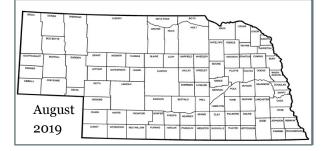
ASSISTANCE VISITS

NDEE is focused on developing relationships with our customers and achieving voluntary compliance by offering compliance assistance visits, permit assistance visits, and through calls to program assistance coordinators across the agency.

An assistance request and assistance visits are not shields for enforcement **if** violations present an immediate or substantial threat to human health or the environment; however, compliance visits focus on providing you with help and guidance to assist in understanding and meeting your regulatory obligations.

We appreciate the opportunity to work with you to protect Nebraska's environment, implement energy efficiency's and look forward to supporting your compliance goals.



Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality



Email:

NDEQ.assistance@nebraska.gov

or
On the Web:
http://dee.ne.gov

Main Telephone: 402-471-2186

Small Business Assistance Coordinator: 402-471-8697

Air Quality Permit Hotline: 1-877-834-0474

Waste Management Assistance: 402-471-4210

Water Quality Program Assistance: 402-471-4220

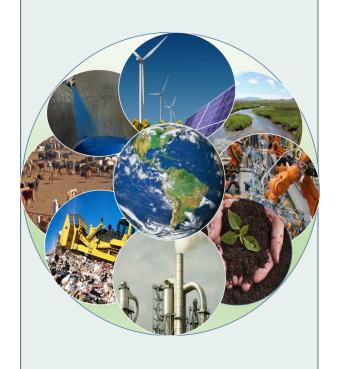
"NDEE is dedicated to helping small businesses understand and comply with simple or complex environmental requirements. They relate to the many hats we must wear as small business owners, and work to save our time by offering updated Online Services, One-Stop Meetings or Assistance Visits. I highly recommend a small business owner engage with, and welcome NDEE to their facilities. They are a partner I wouldn't want to do without."

Jim Hellbusch- Owner of Duo-lift Manufacturing, Columbus, NE and Small Business Compliance Advisory Panel Chair

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NDEE Permitting
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Nebraska Businesses

"Making Compliance Easy"





Creating, Expanding, or Relocating Your Business in Nebraska?

The Nebraska Department of Environment & Energy (NDEE) continually works with new and existing businesses, industries and municipalities across the state to protect, preserve, and enhance our Air, Land, Water and Energy Resources by issuing required permits, offering grants and loans, and assisting all entities to manage wastes and protect our shared environmental resources.

Many new businesses are not sure which permits they are subject to, what tools are available, or what actions are allowed or required before starting.

Most permittees work hand in hand with our agency staff to make these determinations. Our goal is to provide an initial response in regard to your specific project within 10 days of a request, through NDEE's Grow Nebraska Team efforts.



TOOLS AND RESOURCES

The <u>NDEE website</u> at <u>http://dee.ne.gov/</u> offers a multitude of agency information and program resources online.

PERMIT MATRIX

TOOLS. The Permit Matrix is an excel file that provides frequently asked questions, a menu and links to an extensive amount of permit-related information by industry such as guidance documents, applications/forms, regulations, and alternate contacts-all in one downloadable file. You can find it here: **Permit Matrix**

GROW NEBRASKA: ONE-STOP <u>MEETINGS</u>

SAVE TIME. Request a One-Stop Meeting during your planning process or prior to construction, where you'll meet with the experts from each program who can answer any specific permitting questions you may have.

ASSISTANCE VISITS

REDUCE CONFUSION. NDEE provides site visit assistance to review your permits and compliance questions.

CONFIDENTIALITY

NDEE understands your business or operations may contain proprietary information essential to your success; however, as a public entity, NDEE is bound by public record laws §84-712 that require specific actions in order for a business to claim confidentiality or trade secrets.

Please note the following list is not comprehensive. All claims must be submitted in accordance with: <u>Title 115. Chapter 4 – Rules of Practice and Procedure, Confidentiality for Trade Secrets.</u>

The confidentiality claim must be declared at the time of each document or record submission or it will be deemed waived

The facility shall certify the record or information by including a cover sheet with appropriate notice, reasons for asserting the claim, and language, such as trade secret, proprietary, or confidential.

Please provide two copies: one for the confidential file and a redacted copy for the public file.

NDEE has developed a confidentiality request form to assist those requesting a claim.