

Illinois EPA Information Pursuant to Section 4 of Illinois FOIA (5 ILCS 140/4)

<u>Summary of Purpose</u>: The mission of the Illinois EPA is to safeguard environmental quality, consistent with the social and economic needs of the State of Illinois, so as to protect health, welfare, property, and the quality of life. The Illinois EPA works to safeguard natural resources from pollution to provide a healthy environment. By partnering with businesses, local governments, and the public, the Illinois EPA is dedicated to continued protection of the air we breathe, the water we drink, and the land we live on.

Number and Location of Illinois EPA Offices

The Illinois EPA headquarters is located at 1021 N. Grand Ave. East in Springfield, IL. In addition to headquarters in Springfield, the Illinois EPA has 9 regional field offices throughout Illinois:

Champaign	Collinsville	Elgin
2125 South First Street Champaign, IL 61820	1101 Eastport Plaza Drive Suite 100 Collinsville, IL 62234	595 South State Elgin, IL 60123
Elk Grove Village	Des Plaines	Marion
P.O. Box 767 Elk Grove, IL 60009	9511 W. Harrison Street Des Plaines, IL 60016	2309 W. Main Street Marion, IL 62959
Rockford	Peoria	
4302 North Main Street Rockford, IL 61103	412 SW Washington Street Suite D Peoria, IL 61602	

Approximate Number of Full and Part-Time Illinois EPA Employees: 670.

Organizational Chart:

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Total Amount of Operating Budget

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Illinois Environmental Protection Agency

APPROPRIATIONS BY DIVISION

Appropriations Dequiring Conord Assembly Action	FY 2022		FY 2023		FY 2024
Appropriations Requiring General Assembly Action (\$ thousands)	Enacted Appropriation	Actual Expenditure	Enacted Appropriation	Estimated Expenditure	Governor's Proposed
Administration	43,500.1	33,443.9	44,700.0	37,300.0	45,700.0
Bureau of Air	165,536.3	36,536.6	172,080.1	64,951.1	179,455.1
Laboratory Services	3,740.0	2,909.0	3,740.0	3,200.0	4,240.0
Bureau of Land	167,190.3	83,993.8	173,254.6	102,609.7	472,366.7
Bureau of Water	191,472.1	81,622.6	158,693.3	57,702.0	164,420.6
Pollution Control Board	4,069.0	3,519.0	4,178.2	3,869.4	4,366.8
TOTAL ALL DIVISIONS	575,507.8	242,024.8	556,646.2	269,632.2	870,549.2

HEADCOUNT BY DIVISION

Agency Submitted Headcount by Division	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Estimated	FY 2024 Target
Administration	2.0	2.0	2.0
Bureau of Air	169.0	190.0	203.0
Laboratory Services	13.0	14.0	15.0
Bureau of Land	246.0	279.0	270.0
Bureau of Water	235.0	254.0	248.0
Pollution Control Board	20.0	29.0	30.0
TOTAL HEADCOUNT	685.0	768.0	768.0

A brief description of the methods through which the public can request information and public records from the Illinois EPA:

The Illinois EPA has an online tool created to provide transparency and easier public access to Agency documents called Document Explorer. The public can access the Illinois EPA Document Explorer to search more than 26,000 sites/facilities for:

- Air construction and operating permits;
- National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) water discharge permits;
- Leaking Underground Storage Tank (LUST) technical documents;
- Site Remediation Program (SRP) technical documents; and
- State Response Action Program sites technical documents.

Through Document Explorer, businesses and the public can search for locations of interest by site name, location address, and/or Bureau ID, or by a geographic mapping tool for more than 475,000 documents consisting of more than 13.5 million pages. General information about facilities, such as their Bureau ID, can be obtained through the Illinois EPA Agency Facility Inventory and Information Search System (AFISS) website.

The public may also access information by submitting a request pursuant to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (5 ILCS 140). The Agency's corresponding rules ("Access to Public Records of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency," 2 Ill. Adm. Code 1828) provide the framework by which Illinois EPA public records may be requested, accessed, inspected, and duplicated.

Your request for information can be submitted through one of the following means: the interactive FOIA Request Web Form, or through fax, the U.S. mail, or special carrier. Of these options, the FOIA Request Web Form allows for the quickest response to your request.

To submit a FOIA request using the Illinois EPA FOIA Request Web Form, the Agency requires that FOIA requesters create an account. An account is not required to submit requests via fax, U.S. mail, or special carrier. Anonymous requests will be accepted and processed, and can be submitted without creating an account. Anonymous request can be submitted via fax, U.S. mail, or special carrier.

FOIA requests may be submitted to Anwar Johnson (FOIA Officer) or Sharon Dowson (FOIA Section Manager) at the address below:

Illinois EPA FOIA #16 Division of Records Mgmt. 1021 N. Grand Avenue East P.O. Box 19276 Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276 (217) 782-2137 (Voice) (217) 782-9290 (Fax)

When a FOIA request is submitted, the Illinois EPA may impose fees prior to producing the documents. If the requested information is 400 pages or less, the pages will be copied and mailed to the requester at no cost. Different fees for other media (e.g., microfilm) may also be assessed based on the actual cost of reproduction. If the information requested is greater than 400 pages, there will be a charge of \$0.15 per page for black and white, letter or legal sized copies. Fees for copies in color or in a size other than letter or legal will be assessed based on the actual cost for reproducing the records.

Fees may be waived or reduced under certain circumstances. In general, the waiver or reduction of fees will be granted when it is determined to be in the public interest to do so. If a fee is required, information will not be released until the fee is paid in full.