

Office of Land Quality

#### **Biomass AD Registrations and Land Application Permits**

Indiana Solid Waste Anaerobic Digester Regulations

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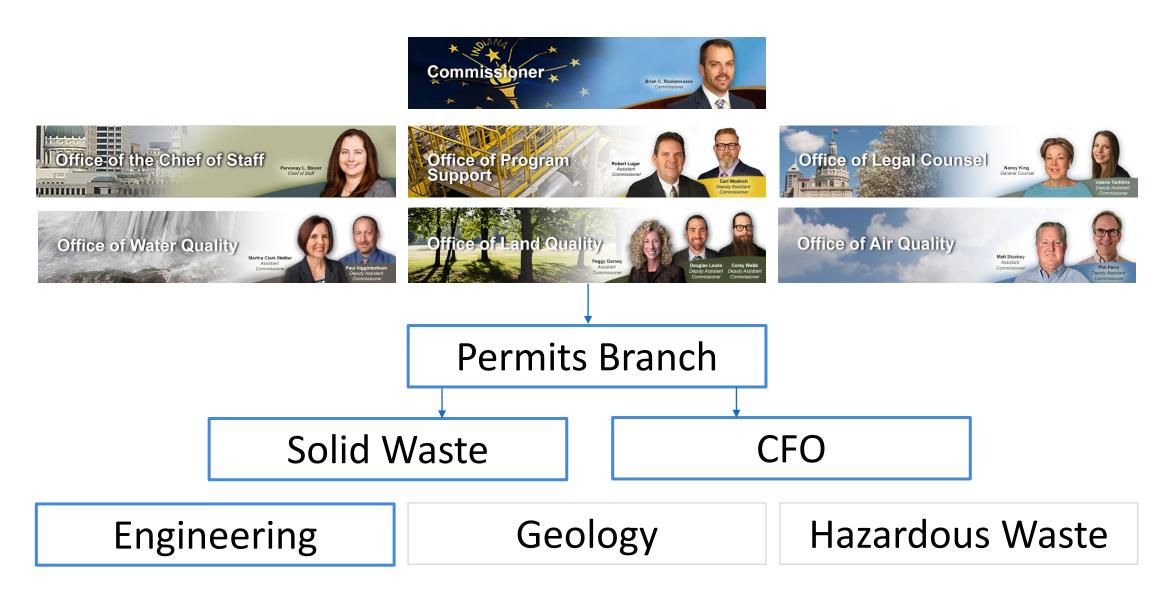
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#### Goal

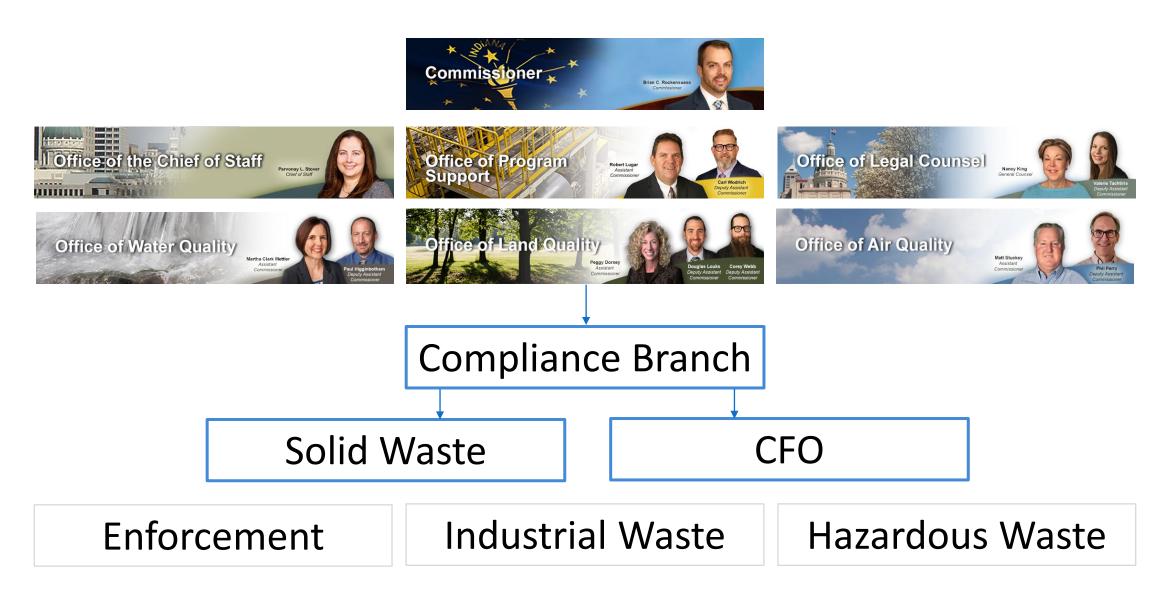
#### Broad overview of the how and why of the permitting program

- IDEM Organization
- $\circ~$  Purpose of the Rule
- Biomass vs Appropriate Feedstock
- Determination of Permit Type
- Biomass Anerobic Digester Registration Process
- Land Application Permitting Process

#### **IDEM Organization**



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#### Purpose of the Solid Waste Biomass AD Rule

Provide conditions for:

- Construction and expansion of Biomass AD facilities
- Storage and processing of biomass or appropriate feedstock
- Financial assurance for the cleanup and closure of facilities
- A registration program beyond 329 IAC 11

Any approval is based on protection of human health and the environment.

### Biomass vs Appropriate Feedstock

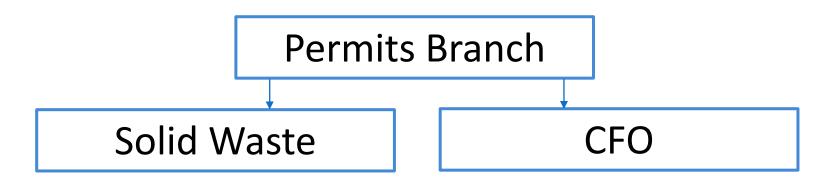
**Biomass** is material derived from living organisms that grow back or produce more of the material and is used as a source of energy.

- Agricultural crops
- Agricultural wastes and residues
- Wood and wood byproducts
- Animal wastes, including *manure*
- Aquatic Plants and algae
- Byproducts of processing agricultural crops

**Appropriate feedstock** is a segregated <u>solid waste</u> that can be processed with biomass at a biomass facility to produce useful materials or energy. Appropriate feedstock must be segregated from the general waste stream and does not include non-biodegradable waste.

- Food waste from food services or food manufacturing (FOG)
- Livestock operation residues
- Wood Pallets
- Industrial waste such as paper pulp, sewage sludge or off-spec or unused animal feed

Type of approval required: Where is biomass facility located? What type of waste is accepted? How are residuals handled?



- 329 IAC 11.5. Biomass Anaerobic Digestion Facilities And Biomass Gasification Facilities
- 327 IAC 6.1. Land Application Of Biosolid, Industrial Waste Product, And Pollutantbearing Water

• 327 IAC 19. Confined Feeding Operations

### AD Facility Located Within a CFO Biomass Only

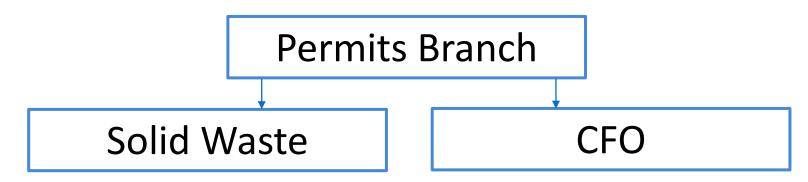


327 IAC 19. Confined Feeding Operations

- Located within the boundary of a CFO
- Accepts only biomass
- **Disposal** of digestate by application upon or incorporation into the soil via CFO permit

Contains conditions provided by 329 IAC 11.5

### AD Facility Located Within a CFO Biomass and Appropriate Feedstocks



327 IAC 19. Confined Feeding Operations

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327 IAC 6.1. Land Application Of Biosolid, Industrial Waste Product, And Pollutant-bearing Water

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### AD Facility Located Without a CFO Biomass and Appropriate Feedstocks



329 IAC 11.5. Biomass Anaerobic Digestion Facilities And Biomass Gasification Facilities

- Located at its own property
- Accepts biomass or appropriate feedstock

327 IAC 6.1. Land Application Of Biosolid, Industrial Waste Product, And Pollutant-bearing Water

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## AD Facility Located Without a CFO Biomass Only Permits Branch

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329 IAC 11.5. Biomass Anaerobic Digestion Facilities And Biomass Gasification Facilities

- Located at its own property
- Accepts biomass

355 IAC 8 Fertilizer Material Use, Distribution, and Record Keeping

Solid Waste

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### Permitting Process 11.5. Biomass Anaerobic Digestion

- No fee to apply
- Encourage a pre-application meeting with permitting and engineering staff
- Application will be reviewed by Permits Engineering staff.
- Permit issued will be five years in length.
- Modifications are required for a change to the process, location, amounts of biomass and any expansion of the permitted facility

#### Engineering Review Considerations

- Biomass and appropriate feedstock screening procedures
- Plot plans and construction plans
- Descriptions of the storage, processing, treatment and final disposal of inputs and residues
- Descriptions of procedures accounting for any residue, leachate or wastewater and surface water controls
- Contingency plans
- Financial assurance documentation

### Permitting Process 327 IAC 6.1. Land Application

- No fee to apply
- Application will be reviewed by Solid Waste Permits staff.
- The first permit issued will be five years in length and renewals are usually ten years.
- Application includes considerations for treatment, residual quality and application site characteristics, among others.

### Land Application of AD Residuals

327 IAC 6.1. Land Application Of Biosolid, Industrial Waste Product, And Pollutant-bearing Water

How much can be applied?

• Nitrogen

Can the material be applied?

- Heavy metals
- PCBs

Where can the material be applied?

- Site conditions
- Setback from features

Can the material still be applied?

• Cumulative loadings tracked by field



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