

Program Highlights

Quapaw Nation's Ambient Air Monitoring Program

Presented at the Alaska Tribal Air Summit

September 26, 2019

Background of the Quapaw Nation

Located in NE OK

Approximately 5,500 enrolled members

Approximately 5,500 tribal members

2 Casinos (Downstream Casino Resort and Quapaw Casino)

2 Gas Stations (near the casinos)



Environmental Office



Established Environmental Office in 1998

Started with a General Assistance Program Grant

Limited Staff and Resources

Vision and Leadership

Air Quality Program

Air Quality Program established in 1999

Primary concern of exposure is to lead dust in relation to the Tar Creek Superfund Site

Additional exposures include the exposure to ground-level ozone and particulate matter

Currently monitor for ozone, particulate matter, lead in total suspended particulates, ammonia, wind speed, wind direction and temperature



TAR CREEK SUPERFUND SITE

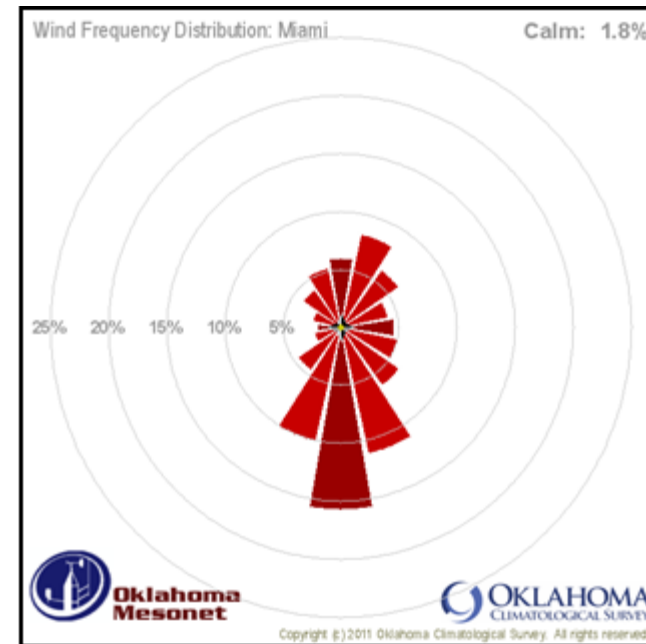
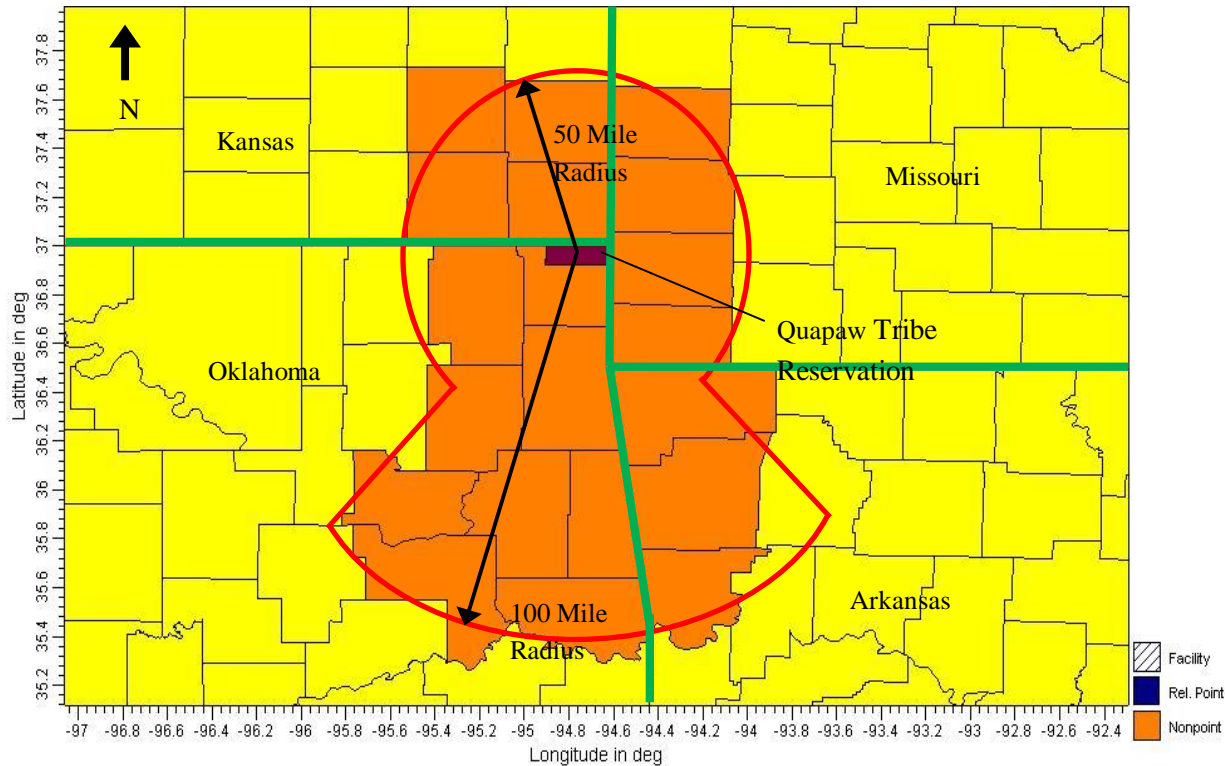
- ▶ Tri-State Mining District
- ▶ Mining began in the area during the late 1800's and lasted until approximately 1970
- ▶ Mining and milling of ore (primarily lead and zinc) produced more than 500 million tons of waste in area
- ▶ FOR EVERY 1 TON of ore extracted, approximately 16 tons of chat and tailings was left behind





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Capacity Building Air Quality and Emissions Inventory



- ▶ Fifty-one 51 off-reservation point sources and airports with emissions estimates above the minimum reporting thresholds identified

Capacity Building ITEP Trainings

All staff attended different levels of courses as experience, knowledge and expertise grew

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Date	Training Title
Sept 24-26	Indoor Air Quality in Tribal Communities (Level 1)
Oct 29-31	Management of Tribal Air Program & Grants
Nov 19-21	Sensor Technology
Dec 3-6	Air Quality in Alaska
Dec 16-18	GIS for Air Quality
2020	
Jan 14-17	Introduction to Tribal Air Quality
Jan 28-31	IAQ Diagnostic Tools (Level 2)
Feb 11-14	Air Quality Computations
Feb 25-27	Fundamentals of Air Monitoring
Mar 3-6	Indoor Air Quality in Alaska (Level 2)
Mar 10-13	Air Pollution Technology
Mar 24-26	Meteorological Monitoring
Apr 14-16	Air Pollution Modeling
Online	
Open	Building Performance: Improving IAQ in Cold Climates

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Volunteer and Participate

NTAA Membership

NTAA Executive Committee member as nominated on by RTOC peers

Tribal Air Monitoring Support Center Steering Committee Member and former Chairperson

Four States Clean Air Alliance Board Membership

TAS

Grant Program Authority - Section 105

Affected State Status - Section
505(a)(2)

Redesignations - Section 107(d)(3)

Notification of Construction of New
Major Stationary Sources - Section 126

Clean Air Act Funding

Section 103 Funding

Continue monitoring of select
criteria pollutants

Section 105 Funding

Work on building capacity for
commenting on permits in area

Ozone Advance Program

Joined as Board Member the Four States Clean Air Alliance

Represent agencies/entities from Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri and Arkansas

Advance Program supports states, tribes and local governments wanting to take proactive steps to keep their air clean by promoting local actions to reduce ozone

Annually reviews a Clean Air Action Plan and highlights area improvements, issues and lessons learned

Volkswagen Settlement

▶ \$55 million available for tribes to mitigation NOx emissions from diesel vehicles

▶ Quapaw became Beneficiary prior to first funding round

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Volkswagen Settlement - Y1

- ▶ Received approximately \$137,000 to replace a Fire/EMS Pumper Truck
- ▶ Quapaw became Beneficiary prior to first funding round
- ▶ Cost-shared part of the purchase and replacement
- ▶ Are required to “scrap” the replaced vehicle



Volkswagen Settlement - Y2

- ▶ Received approximately \$196,000 to replace a Fire/EMS Pumper Truck
- ▶ Will cost share some funds
- ▶ Are required to “scrap” the replaced vehicle



Sensor Technology

- ▶ Worked with TAMS SC to conduct an Aeroqual Study in NE Oklahoma
- ▶ How reliable are they and how can they be used as a screening device
- ▶ Recently working with EPA on a Long-Term Performance Evaluation of Purple Air Sensors



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