



TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Office of Compliance and Enforcement Investigation Process



TCEQ performs investigations state-wide to address the following:

- Meet state and federal performance measures;
- Respond to citizen complaints;
- Address referrals from another governmental entity;
- Respond to emergencies; or
- Conduct special initiatives

In addition to providing technical outreach/assistance, encouraging voluntary compliance through audits, and monitoring airsheds, the agency works to ensure compliance through purposeful investigations, and effective enforcement. TCEQ investigations are categorized by media and may be field investigations (onsite) or record reviews (in office). TCEQ may also conduct site assessments for some permits prior to issuance. If violations are documented, enforcement actions can be handled at the regional level with a notice requesting corrective action, result in administrative enforcement actions by TCEQ, or be referred to the Office of the Attorney General for civil action.