# OKLAHOMA ENVIRONMENTAL LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING SEMINAR



An Informative Training for Enforcement Officers, Environmental Managers and Decision Makers



When: Tuesday, August 16th, 2022

**Where**: Tulsa City Hall (175 E 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Tulsa OK, 74103)

**Registration:** 8:30 – 9:00 a.m. / Program 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**Cost:** FREE (Space is limited; pre-registration is required)

## A CLEET Accredited Training Event.

8 hrs. Law Enforcement Credit Provided

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### Why Attend?

- To gain expertise in environmental crimes investigations involving:
  - Solid and hazardous waste
  - o Air and water pollution
  - o Open burning
  - Agency jurisdictional issues
- To identify resources for improving local enforcement programs
- To network with others involved in environmental law enforcement.

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#### The Instructor

Mr. Dennis Williams is a Criminal Investigator with the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). He is a CLEET-certified peace officer, holding Advanced Law Enforcement Certification. Mr. Williams graduated from East Central Oklahoma State University in 1991 with a Bachelor's degree in Environmental Management. Upon graduation he accepted appointment as a Commissioned Officer in the United States Public Health Service and was stationed on the White Mountain Apache Reservation in central Arizona. Mr. Williams began his career with DEQ in 1997 at the Regional Office at Tulsa where he specialized in petroleum refinery inspections and administrative enforcement. In 2002 DEQ commissioned Mr. Williams as a law enforcement officer. He currently serves as Chief of the Criminal Investigation Unit, with statewide jurisdiction in investigating environmental crimes. In 2016 Mr. Williams was assigned DEQ Security Manager duties and quickly set about modernizing security procedures, hardware, and personnel. In 2018 Mr. Williams was cross-commissioned with the Cherokee Nation Marshal Service.

#### **AGENDA**

**REGISTRATION** 8:30 – 9:00 a.m.

**INSTRUCTION** 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**LUNCH BREAK** 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. (on your own)

**INSTRUCTION CONTINUES** 1:00-4:00 p.m.

TESTING / CERTIFICATION / ADJOURNMENT 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

#### **INSTRUCTION TOPICS:**

- What is environmental crime?
- Who investigate environmental crimes?
- Responding to crime scenes
- Danger at environmental crime scenes
- Dealing with hazardous waste
- Open burning
- Oklahoma and Federal Clean Air Acts
- Safe Drinking Water Act
- Administrative vs. civil vs. criminal enforcement

- Overview of environmental crime statues
- Oklahoma's littering & dumping laws
- Oklahoma Environmental Crimes Acts
- Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
- Case studies/law enforcement video
- Whom to call for assistance
- Landfill enviro-scape demonstration

#### **REGISTRATION FORM**

Scan and email to: keima.kamara@okstate.edu

Environmental Law Enforcement Training Seminar
Name
Agency/Organization
Mailing Address
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Required for CLEET Certification only – CLEET Number:  You must be pre-registered to attend. Registration is FREE, but space is limited.  Your registration will be confirmed by phone or email.