An Interesting Year at the 'Q

NCASI West Coast Regional 2016
George Davis, DEQ AQ, sorta...
This is *Interesting??*
It hurt, but we lived...

- Stage 1: Oh, _ _ _ _ !!!
- Stage 2: Impact
- Stage 3: Am I alive?
- Stage 4: I *am* alive!
- Stage 5: Nothing broken
- Stage 6: Get up
- Stage 7: Get back to work
• Elevated HAPs near glassmaking facility

• Conclusion: state air toxics program is inadequate
Back on our feet

- 2 responses:
  - Temporary rule for glassmaking in April
  - Commitment to develop an air toxics program
What kind of air toxics program?

- Develop program based on:
  - Other state/local air toxics programs
  - Input from multiple sources
Timeline

• Began info/input gathering ~ June 2016
• Draft rules by early 2017
• Public notice mid 2017
• EQC by late 2017
Changes to the air program

- Air toxics
Air toxics emission inventory letter
Invitation to report air toxics emissions to DEQ
~700 toxic substances (187 HAPs, SCAQMD, WA state, maybe others)
Letter goes out Oct 3
Reply by Dec 1
Changes at the top

- Interim Director: Pete Shepherd until 10/18; after that ??
- Permanent Director ???
- Deputy Director: Leah Feldon confirmed
Meanwhile, in the world of normal...

- Not much going on
- Oh yeah, ozone...
Ozone Levels in Oregon
2013-2015

Bend: 60
Eugene: 61
Hermiston: 65
Medford: 64
Portland: 63
Salem: 61

EPA Standard

Three Year Average of Fourth Highest Eight Hour
Ozone

• Existing programs successful, will stay in place
• No plans for new ozone reduction rules at this time
  • Possible exception is Stage II vapor recovery
• I hope that wasn’t too painful...

• Questions?