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Bureau of Mining Programs

Mining Program Fee Review Reports

Environmental Quality Board

May 20, 2015

Tom Wolf, Governor

John Quigley, Acting Secretary

Mining Programs

Program	Fees Finalized
Non-coal Mining	October 2012
Coal Mining	November 2012

Mining Programs

- Noncoal Mining
 - Fully funded by fees (permit and administration)
- Coal Mining
 - 50 percent funding from federal Title V Grant
 - Fees were intended to cover a portion of the costs to review permits

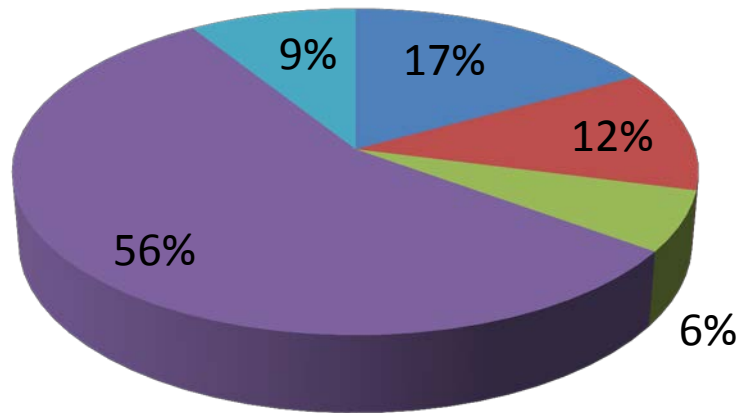
Program Activities

- Both programs include permitting and compliance activities
- Permit application review
- Inspections and enforcement

Non-coal: Revenue vs. Expenses

Fiscal Year 2013 – 2014	
Revenue	Expenses
\$2,452,449.76	\$3,019,992.63

Revenue



■ Permit Application Fees

■ Interest

■ Civil Penalties and Enforcement

■ Annual Administration Fees

■ License Fees



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Non-coal Analysis

- Three factors impacted revenues:
 - 2009 wage rates
 - Benefit rate
 - Decline in applications

Coal: Revenue vs. Expenses

Fiscal Year 2013 - 2014

Application Fee
Revenue

Permitting Costs

\$327,000

\$2,257,500

Coal Analysis

- Rulemaking process begins with MRAB
- Options include:
 - Updated rates
 - Expand the scope
 - Annual administration fee

Summary

- Advisory board engagement
- Non-coal in fall 2015
- Coal in winter 2015-2016



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