

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency: Region 6 2022 Year in Review Released



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The Region 6 Office of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) issued in a January 25th news release its:

2022 Year in Review (“Review”)

The *Review* states that it outlines Region 6:

. . . major accomplishments and environmental progress over the past fiscal year.

Region 6 is based in Dallas. Further, Region 6 encompasses the following states:

- Arkansas
- Louisiana
- Texas
- New Mexico
- Oklahoma

The Region also includes 66 tribal nations.

The *Review* states that it focused on three priorities for fiscal year 2022:

- Priority 1 – Embed the Administration’s Policy Priorities, which are stated to include:
 - Distributing federal resources to Region 6
 - Embedding climate change and environmental justice
 - Implementing follow-up actions for Region 6 Journey to Justice Tour
 - Producing an environmental action plan and/or producing a climate adaptation report
- Priority 2 – Make Environment Justice and Climate Change Top Priorities for All Region 6 Programs, which are stated to include:
 - Hiring crucial staff
 - Training employees on environmental justice and climate change
 - Positively protecting public health and the environment
 - Identifying environmental justice and climate impact areas in Region 6
 - Evaluating environmental impacts of the energy transition
 - Improving communication with communities
 - Enhancing relationships with states and tribes
 - Improving staff morale
- Priority 3 – Use Local Action to Impact National Policy, which is stated to include:
 - Improving air monitoring
 - Understanding Superfund site risk

- Communicating risk
- Evaluation process for Class VI wells

Activities associated with each of these priorities were discussed in the *Review*.

A copy of the news release which contains a link to the Review can be found [here](#).