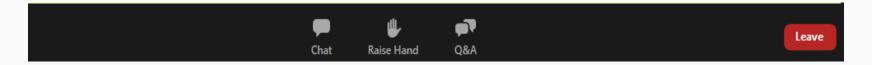
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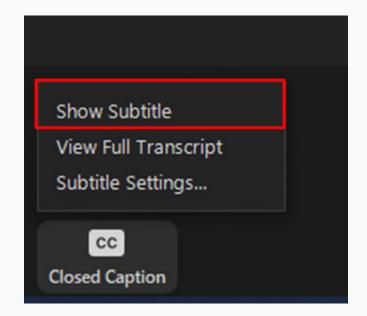


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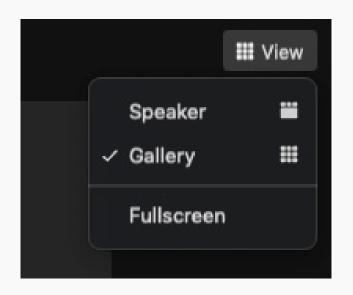
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## **Webinar Materials**

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## Introduction

- The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency provides public access to its regulatory compliance and enforcement data via the internet.
- The Enforcement and Compliance History
  Online (ECHO) website at
  <a href="https://echo.epa.gov">https://echo.epa.gov</a> integrates data from
  major EPA information systems for public use.



## What is ECHO?

- ECHO is EPA's public website that provides compliance information about regulated facilities.
  - How they are regulated
  - When they were inspected
  - Whether violations of environmental regulations were found
  - Whether an enforcement action was taken
- The website also provides dashboards with views of overall enforcement and compliance status trends and some bulk datasets for download.



## **ECHO Content**

## Compliance history for more than 1 million EPA-regulated facilities

- Three-year compliance status and five-year inspection and enforcement history
- EPA and state, local, and tribal environmental agency data for:
  - Clean Air Act stationary sources
  - Clean Water Act permitted dischargers
  - Safe Drinking Water Act public water systems
  - Resource Conservation and Recovery Act hazardous waste handlers



## **ECHO Content (continued)**

- EPA data for other statutes like Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA), Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), and Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA):
  - Inspections
  - Enforcement Action Details



## Sources of ECHO Data

ECHO extracts data from other EPA data systems, typically on a weekly basis:

- Integrated Compliance Information System (ICIS)
- Resource Conservation and Recovery Act Information System (RCRAInfo)
- Safe Drinking Water Information System (extracted quarterly)
- Facility Registry Service (links EPA-regulated facilities and permits under one ID number)
- Envirofacts: Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) and Greenhouse Gas (GHG) pollutant release data for context; EJSCREEN data

Full list with refresh dates on "About the Data" page (https://echo.epa.gov/resources/echo-data/about-the-data)



## **ECHO Features**

- Facility Searches → under home page "Search Options"
  - All Data (cross-program)
  - Air (stationary source)
  - Wastewater/Stormwater/Biosolids (NPDES program)
  - Hazardous Waste (RCRA Subtitle C)
  - Drinking Water (public water systems)
- Water Pollutant Loading Tool → under home page "Search Options"
- EPA Enforcement Case Search → under home page "Find EPA Cases"
- State Dashboards → under home page "Analyze Trends"



## Today's Topics

- How do I search for a specific facility?
- How do I search for facilities in my community?
- How do I search for facilities releasing a pollutant?
- How do I find visual depiction of data that track both facility and regulatory agency performance?
- How can I get notified about an update with a facility I am interested in?



Please enter questions you have during the presentation, and we will answer them soon.

#### Intro to ECHO Resources



- DFR Data Dictionary: <u>https://echo.epa.gov/help/reports/dfr-data-dictionary</u>
- Facility Search Criteria Help: <u>https://echo.epa.gov/help/facility-search/search-criteria-help</u>
- Air Dashboard Help: <a href="https://echo.epa.gov/help/air-dashboard-help">https://echo.epa.gov/help/air-dashboard-help</a>
- Drinking Water Dashboard Help: <a href="https://echo.epa.gov/help/drinking-water-qlik-dashboard-help">https://echo.epa.gov/help/drinking-water-qlik-dashboard-help</a>
- Nonattainment Areas for Criteria Air Pollutants (Green Book): <a href="https://www.epa.gov/green-book">https://www.epa.gov/green-book</a>

## General Resources



- ECHO Tool Guide: <a href="https://echo.epa.gov/resources/general-info/tool-guide">https://echo.epa.gov/resources/general-info/tool-guide</a>
- Video tutorials: <a href="https://echo.epa.gov/help/tutorials">https://echo.epa.gov/help/tutorials</a>
- Webinars: <a href="https://echo.epa.gov/help/training">https://echo.epa.gov/help/training</a>
- FAQs: <a href="https://echo.epa.gov/resources/general-info/echo-faq">https://echo.epa.gov/resources/general-info/echo-faq</a>
- ECHO Mailing list: <a href="https://echo.epa.gov/resources/general-info/listserv">https://echo.epa.gov/resources/general-info/listserv</a>
- How to Report an Error: <a href="https://echo.epa.gov/help/how-to-report-error">https://echo.epa.gov/help/how-to-report-error</a>
- State Agency Websites: <a href="https://echo.epa.gov/resources/echo-data/state-websites">https://echo.epa.gov/resources/echo-data/state-websites</a>



## **Question and Answer**



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