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# Region 6 Employee News Journal

## Front Lines Message from the Regional Administrator

### 300-Day Plan Highlights

Our 300-Day Plan identifies our most important Regional objectives, and serves as a road map to outline how we will achieve those objectives by the end of the year. Having built in a 90-day review process, we are able to use this document as a tool to assess our progress and, when needed, adjust our plans.

I had the privilege of sharing this progress report with our Administrator, Steve Johnson, during his recent visit to the Region. We were able to show strong, measured results in nearly all of our 300-Day Plan targets for cleaner air, better protected land and safer water. I want to thank each of you for your hard work and dedication in helping us succeed. We continue to be leaders in carrying out the Agency's mission of protecting the environment and human health, while ensuring the economic well being of our country.



Our first update report reveals not only the outstanding progress we have already made, but also identifies for us what more needs to be done over the upcoming days to protect human health and the environment in this region.

Highlights from our recent review process show:

- We are on track to meet our ambitious goal of reviewing 30 state clean air plans this year, with 17 already complete
- 97% of the population drinks water that meets our most recent drinking water rules

- With one-half of the year gone, we are already 75% of the way to meeting our Brown-fields assessment grants goal
- We were first in the Nation to meet GPRA Corrective Action goals for hazardous waste sites
  - We are exceeding our enforcement goal, accounting for 24% of the national total
  - We've strengthened our collaborative networks through providing community training, creating Information Sharing Networks, and by working closely with our Tribal leaders
  - We devoted specific attention to protecting the environmental security of our Homeland by planning and completing the largest number of table-top and field exercises of any region

As you can see, we are well on the road toward making the upcoming year one of the most productive in our Region's history. We have achieved significant accomplishments in almost every goal we established. This hard work reflects your commitment to our Agency's mission. It reflects the character that defines this Agency of which I so often speak. Thank you for your team efforts in support of these achievements.

Our work is never done and much more needs to be accomplished. There are opportunities for all of us to contribute. I invite each of you to join with me in working toward these goals that are so very important to the health and well being of our nation.

As we contemplate the actions and decisions that remain to be made, let us commit to completing this year with strategic efforts that will best contribute to our success and our pride as EPA's premier region.