

State Comparison of Petroleum Release Funding Mechanisms

Q'	Colorado	Utah	Wyoming	Montana
Fund Under DEQ	Yes	Yes	Yes: Corrective Action Account (CAA) funds managed by WY DEQ	No
Deductible	\$10,000 for responsible parties Non-responsible parties may be waived	\$10,000	\$0 Deductible \$200 fee/tank/yr to opt into the CAA	\$17,500 (1/2 of \$35,000)
After Deductible Max Cost/Release	\$1,990,000 (responsible parties) \$2,000,000 (non-responsible parties)	\$990,000 (non-marketer) \$1,990,000 (marketer)	N/A	\$982,500
Fund Section Responsibility	Process applications for reimbursement, results presented to PST Committee for decision	No specific "fund" section	No fund section	Review/recommend eligibility to Board; review and obligate funding for CAPs; process claims for completeness/recommendation of reimbursement for Board decision
Eligibility Decision and Deductions	Eligibility requirements- Decision made by PST committee Deductions can be taken	Eligibility requirements- Decision by Compliance and Cleanup Sections. Either in fund (covered) or out of fund (not covered)	N/A	Eligibility requirements- Fund Staff review eligibility application and recommend to Board for approval (owner may appeal) Deductions taken in accordance with ARM
PST Committee/ Petroleum Board	7 members w/release technical expertise. 3 permanent members: Director of DEQ, Director of Labor and Employment, PST owner/operator	N/A	N/A	7 members appointed by Governor of MT: Banking, Petroleum Services, Petroleum Marketers, Public, Service Station, Insurance, and Environmental Representative
Consultants/ Reimbursement	Recognized Environmental Professional Program who get reimbursed at reasonable cost rates	Certified Consultant List reimbursed at Cost Guidance rates	Select consulting firm via bid process to complete all phases of work. Contract may be renewed every several years.	Owner/Operator can hire whomever they want. No certification program.
Budget Reviews	Remediation Technical Staff	Remediation Technical Staff	Payments reviewed/approved by Tank Project Managers	Fund Staff
Corrective Action Plan Reviews	Remediation Technical Staff	Remediation Technical Staff	Tank Project Managers	Remediation Technical Staff Fund Staff