

JANET KIELER, P.E.

BIOGRAPHY

Janet is the Director of Environmental Programs for Denver International Airport (DEN). In this role she directs the work of environmental units, develops work plans and strategies for environmental performance, and resolves complex business issues. Janet is responsible for all aspects of environmental compliance and performance, including environmental planning and analysis, air quality, water quality, waste, wetlands, and endangered species. She designs and manages the programs, procedures, standards, and projects necessary to implement DEN's policies, goals, and objectives. Janet serves as a liaison and advisor to other groups at DEN providing programmatic support and subject matter expertise. Janet represents DEN in meetings with elected officials, appointed officials, other cities, and other agencies on environmental issues. In meeting DEN's environmental goals and objectives Janet manages an operating budget of \$5.5M that includes a staff of 13.

Janet served as the Permits Section Manager for the Water Quality Control Division of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. In this role she was responsible for the issuance of NPDES and State permit actions, compliance aspects of several programs, data management, and business processes. The Colorado program is comprised of approximately 10,000 active permits associated with a variety of operations including with sewage systems, municipal separate storm sewer systems, mining, oil and gas exploration and development, construction, manufacturing, use of reclaimed water, land application of biosolids, and applications of pesticides. During her tenure Janet leveraged the program to develop a capacity to issue 5,000 permit actions per year and managed 30 staff.

In her role with the State of Colorado Janet chaired the permitting and compliance committee for the Association of Clean Water Administrators and represented states on a number of joint EPA-State work groups. Janet worked at a legislative level in regards to multiple issues related to formulating and implementing environmental programs and strategies. Janet engaged with high level officials and significantly contributed to the formulation regarding key policy aspects of the permit fee structure. In her capacity Janet provided oral testimony for legislative committees and the Water Quality Control Commission, facilitated stakeholder groups and public meetings, and navigated difficult situations to successful resolution.

Janet previously worked for DEN, managing many environmental aspects of airport operations. During this time Janet led the development of site-specific water quality standards for the receiving waters in the vicinity of the airport and her proposal won unanimous support by the Colorado Water Quality Control Commission. Janet was responsible for industrial stormwater permit compliance, management of contracted operations to recycle captured aircraft deicing fluid, and planning and designing new infrastructure to support collection, storage, recycling, and disposal of spent aircraft deicing fluid. Janet also managed a project conducted in close coordination with the Metro District to study options for enhanced disposal of spent aircraft deicing fluid which resulted in increased disposal at the Robert W. Hite Treatment Facility.

Janet also worked in private consulting, and supplements her water quality experience with work on a number of NEPA, air quality, CERCLA and engineering design and construction projects.

Janet is a registered professional engineer in the State of Colorado, and is a graduate of Northwestern University's McCormick School of Engineering and Applied Science. She has over 26 years of experience as an environmental professional. She is an active member of Airports Council International and currently chairs a project panel for the National Academies of Science, Engineering, and Medicine. She is a seasoned volunteer instructor with the National Sports Center for the Disabled and regularly contributes through her volunteerism to the mission of Special Olympics Colorado.