

# Improving Norfolk Southern's Environmental Audit Program

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### Outline

- Audit Program Manual
- Risk-Ranking/Site Evaluation
- Audit Criteria and Audit Tools
- Metrics and KeyPerformance Indicators
- Questions



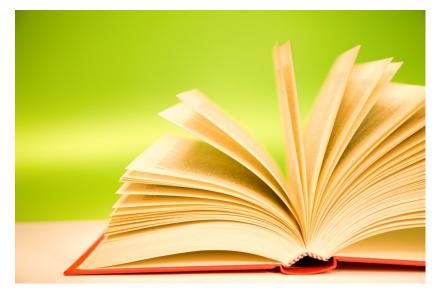
# Audit Program Manual: Purpose

- Define the environmental audit program
- Provide transparency
- Help stakeholders understand audit process and objectives
- Document audit process to:
  - Promote consistency
  - Sustain the program during times of change



# Audit Program Manual: Content

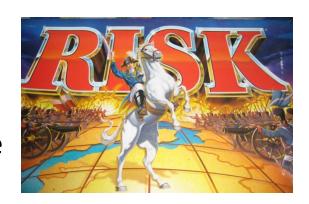
- Purpose and Objectives of the Program
- Audit Scope
  - Who are we auditing and what standards are we auditing to?
- Roles and Responsibilities
  - "Stakeholders"
- Risk-Ranking/Site Evaluation
- Audit Criteria and Tools:
  - Define and categorize a "finding"
  - Audit Protocols; Self-Assessment Checklists; Training
- Processes for Conducting the Audit
  - Pre audit: document review; audit notification; warm-up call
  - On-site: safety briefing; orientation and kick-off; site tour of operations; records review; closing meeting
  - Post-audit: data entry; audit reporting; corrective actions; follow up
- Audit Program Metrics/KPIs



## Risk-Ranking/Site Evaluation

# Identified aspects of facilities that directly or indirectly factor into compliance risk

- Environmental aspects (examples):
  - Compliance plans: SPCC, FRP, SWPPP
  - # and size of ASTs
  - NPDES monitoring (DMRs) vs. inspections only
  - Hazardous waste generator status
- Non-traditional environmental aspects (examples):
  - # of Departments located at the yard
  - Site regulatory complexity and compliance history



## Risk-Ranking/Site Evaluation

City

Macon

Altoona

Portsmouth

STATE

GA

PΑ

OH

- Each aspect is scored, and each facility has a total score.
- Total score describes the amount of risk at the facility

 Higher risk facilities have higher audit frequency

Rail Yard/Site

Yard 1

Yard 2

Yard 3

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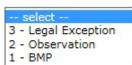
### Audit Criteria and Audit Tools

#### **Define Audit Criteria**

- Determine finding levels
- Categorize findings
  - (Root Cause Analysis "Lite")

#### **Audit Tools:**

- Protocols
- Self-Assessment Checklists



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	Inspections	
	Labeling	

Recordkeeping

Finding Sub-Category 2
Regulation
Site Conditions
Training





## Protocols and Self-Assessment Checklists

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ı ID		Requirement	Citation	Notes	Juris- diction	Yes	No	N/A	Comments			
SPCC-SF Plans-	1	is the facility located where there is reasonable expectation for discharging oil into or upon navigable waters in quantities that may be harmful, and does the facility have:  More than 1,20 gallons of oil aggregate above ground (excluding oil in containers smaller than 55-gallons), or  - More than 42,000 gallons in USTs (excluding tanks regulated by 40 CFR 280 or an approved state program); or  More than 1 million gallons in uncontained storage or in a location where a release might impact fish, wildlife or drinking water sources?	40 CFR 112.1	Note: Facilities in existence prior to August 16, 2002 must continue to implement their existing plan until the revised plan is implemented. Facilities that came into existence after November 10, 2011 that have the potential for a discharge that meets the criteria for implementation of an SPCC plan must prepare and implement a plan prior to commencing operations. (40 CFR 112.3(a-b))	US	0			AUDIT P	L PREVENTION AND CONTROL ROTOCOL detreview and/or amendment of the SPCC Areportable spill event is defined as: 1)A		
SPCC-SF Plans-	3	Was the facility's SPCC plan reviewed and certified by a licensed professional engineer?		Note: If the facility stores less than 10,000 gallons and meets the qualifications in 40 CFR 112.1, the facility has the option to self-certify the SPCC Plan. (40 CFR 112.3(g))	US				single spill e petroleump or adjoining	vent with more than 1000 gallons of oil or o duct discharged to or uponnavigable waters shorelines; or 2) Two spill events in a 12- d where more than 42 gallons for each		
SPCC-SF 4 Plans-		Were all releases reported and was the SPCC plan amended following a release, if necessary?	40 CFR 110.3, 110.6 and 112.4		US				discharge of	oil or petroleum were discharged to sters or a djoining shorelines.		
SPCC-SF 5 Plans-		Was the SPCC Plan reviewed and updated if necessary, within the past five years?	40 CFR 112.5(b)		US				40CFR112.4			
SPCC-SF Plans-5	CC i	is the site reviewed each year to identify any changes to oil storage, including the addition or removal of containers or tanks, changes to secondary containment, changes to volumes of oil storage, etc.?	Our World, Our Choice, Section 3.10, "Oil Spill Prevention and Response"		Norfolk Southern				submitted to state water p	ithin 60 days of each spill, was a report the EPA Regional Administrator and the ollution control agency that included all of	YES	NO
SPCC-SF Plans-	6	Does the SPCC Plan include a signed statement as to whether the plan will be amended, either at the beginning or end of the plan, or in a log or an appendix to the plan?	40 CFR 112.5(b)		US				of the owner operation; 2	g: 1) The name and location of the site, name /operator, and date of initial facility ) Maximum facility storage or handling		
SPCC-SF 8 Plans-		Were amendments to the SPCC Plan made within six months of the Plan's review, and implemented within another six months of the Plan's amendment?	40 CFR 112.5(b) and 112.5(c)		US				the facility is	normal daily throughput; 3) A description of icluding maps and flow diagrams; 4) A copy		
SPCC-SF Plans-7	7a	Did the local environmental compliance team members and the team leader recognize changes in operations that affect the spill control plans and update the plans within two weeks of the change?		Note: Updates may be manually (hand-written) into the plan if they are relatively minor, including: Compliance team members change (due to retirement or relocation), contact phone number change, and/or the amount of spill response equipment (sorbent, booms, etc.) on hand increases.	Norfolk Southern				failure analy occurred; 6 taken; and recurrence? 40CFR112.	plan; 5) Cause(s) of the spill including a sis of the system in which the failure Corrective actions and or countermeasures ) Preventive measures takento prevent ((a) B 40CFR112.4(a)(1))40CFR112.4(a)(5))4 a)(6),40CFR112.4(a)(7)40CFR112.4(a)(8)Y		
SPCC-SF Plans-i	7b	Were significant revisions submitted as soon as possible (without regard to the 5- year update cycle) to NS Enricomental Protection headquarters for updating the plan and obtaining new Professional Engineer seals as required?	Section 3.10, "Oil Spill Prevention and Response"	Note: Significant revisions requiring INS Environmental Protection headquarters updates include (but are not limited to): a large petroleum spill (10 gallons or more): total storage capacity of petroleum products changes; storage tanks are added, removed, or change location, modifications to the table listing the tanks to house the plan agrees with the locations of the tanks shown on the site map in the plan; compliance schedule changes, amount of spill response equipment (sorbert, booms, etc.) on hand decreases or its	Norfolk Southern	_			necessary, a the followin change in fa maintenance oit; 3) If me technology! significantly As the result	the SPCC Hanreviewed, updated, and if mended by a registered engineer for ANY of circumstance. I, Every five years, 2) If a clicumstance. I, Every five years, 2) If a filled the special properties of the special clittle display operated to discharge re effective prevention and cortrol ass been demonstrated and field-provento reduce the likelihood of a spill event; or 4) of a spill event(or 112.5(b) )440C FRII 12.5(b) JHOC 10CFRII 12.4(b) CFRII 12.5(b) JHOC 10CFRII 12.4(b) CFRII 12.5(c)	YES	NO
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									the SPCC Pl	we the required amendments or changes to an been implemented no later than six morths at (s) that triggered the amendments? (e)	YES	NO
									sufficient fre containers?	s secondary containment along with e-board provided for all oil storage  40CFR112.7(a)(2)	YES	NO
									SPCC11. 1 periodic inte	f secondary containment is not provided has grity testing of containers and periodic	YES	NO
									Revised Jan	2 nary 2010		



### Metrics and Key Performance Indicators

- Metrics need to be:
  - Timely
  - Performance-oriented
  - A driver for continual improvement
  - Graphical, easy to understand
  - Consistent and comparable over time

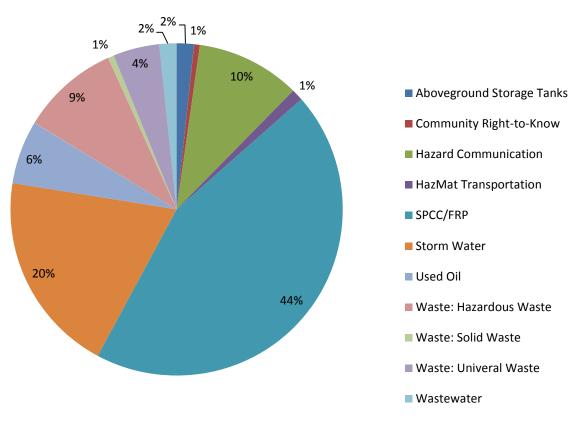


 Valuable metrics used to evaluate factors that are crucial to the success of an organization.

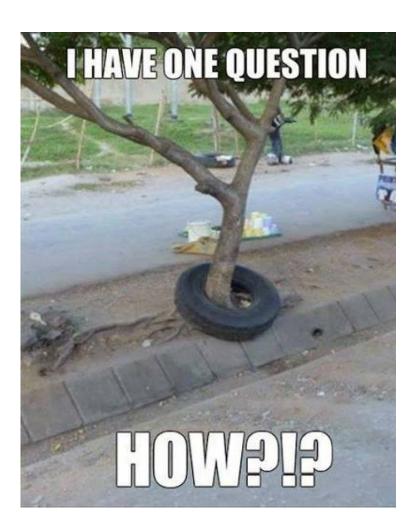


# Metrics and Key Performance Indicators: Graphical Example

#### **Mechanical Department Findings by Category**



### What Questions Do You Have?



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