

COMMITTEE GUIDE | 2020

Committees, Subcommittees and Workgroups



THE PETROLEUM ALLIANCE
OF OKLAHOMA

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

Whether you are a small, family-owned company or an employee of a Fortune 500 company, the Alliance is focused on ensuring your voice is heard by policymakers. Our fifteen standing committees encompass expertise from every segment of industry, and our staff of professional government, legal, and regulatory affairs specialists track every issue that affects our ability to operate in Oklahoma. If you would like to have your name submitted to one of our committee chairs for membership consideration, please contact our committee coordinator, Madison Miller, at madison@okpetro.com.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE & SUBCOMMITTEE

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

CHAIR | DEREK ALBRO, DEVON ENERGY CORPORATION
VICE CHAIR | MIKE MCDONALD, TRIAD ENERGY, INC

This committee provides information and analysis on the impact of proposed legislation on our industry. Committee members and staff review the more than 2,000 bills introduced each session in Oklahoma and are responsible for evaluating all legislation which could affect the oil or natural gas industry. They monitor, report, and carry out the board of directors' policy with respect to any and all legislative issues before local and state bodies. This committee meets regularly during legislative sessions and as needed the rest of the year.

TAX SUBCOMMITTEE

CHAIR | LACY MCCORMACK, CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION

This subcommittee is responsible for monitoring and evaluating all tax issues which could affect the oil or natural gas industry in Oklahoma. This subcommittee focuses on regulations and legislation involved in the payment of taxes and develops proposals for changes in various tax laws, rules and regulations. The subcommittee maintains communication with divisions of the Oklahoma Tax Commission. Meetings are held as needed.

LEGAL COMMITTEE

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CHAIR | DREW HARDING, UNIT CORPORATION

This committee is responsible for monitoring and evaluating all legal matters which could affect the oil or natural gas industry. The committee reviews court decisions and pending litigation to determine the impact on the industry. It also serves as a forum for the discussion and analysis of key legal questions that could impact the industry. The committee serves as the foundation for creating special ad hoc groups formed to represent the oil and natural gas industry's interest in litigation. Meetings are held once a quarter or as needed.



REGULATORY COMMITTEE & SUBCOMMITTEES

REGULATORY COMMITTEE

CHAIR | MIKE MATHIS, CONTINENTAL RESOURCES, INC
VICE CHAIR | JOE BREVETTI, CHARTER OAK PRODUCTION CO., LLC

This committee is responsible for monitoring and evaluating all regulatory issues which could affect the oil and natural gas industry in Oklahoma. The committee carries out board policy with respect to any and all regulatory or environmental issues before local, state or federal regulatory agencies and coordinates with the Legislative Committee on local, state or federal legislative activity concerning environmental issues. Meetings are held once a quarter or as needed.

BLM/FEDERAL ISSUES SUBCOMMITTEE

CHAIR | HEATHER LACY, DEVON ENERGY CORPORATION

This subcommittee is responsible for monitoring and evaluating all federal regulations which could affect the oil and natural gas industry on federal lands in Oklahoma. Meetings are held as needed.

SEISMICITY SUBCOMMITTEE

CHAIR | BRIAN SCHMIT, DEVON ENERGY CORPORATION
VICE CHAIR | PETE CHRISTIANSON, MARATHON OIL

This subcommittee is composed of technical personnel from the Petroleum Alliance of Oklahoma's member companies to study and share research about seismic activity in Oklahoma. The subcommittee reviews and advises on regulatory actions and legislative proposals aimed at reducing seismic activity in the state. Meetings are held as needed.

AIR SUBCOMMITTEE

CHAIR | MIKE SMITH, DEVON ENERGY CORPORATION

This subcommittee reviews air quality legislation, rules, and regulations developed by state agencies and prepares responses to these proposals. The subcommittee takes an active role in preparing comments and testimony on proposed rules and regulations before the Oklahoma Corporation Commission, the Department of Environmental Quality, and other regulatory agencies. Meetings are held as needed.

WATER SUBCOMMITTEE

CHAIR | VACANT

This subcommittee reviews and responds to water quality legislation, rules, and regulations developed by state agencies. The subcommittee takes an active role in preparing comments and testimony on proposed rules and regulations before the Oklahoma Corporation Commission, the Department of Environmental Quality, and other regulatory agencies. Meetings are held as needed.

LAND/WASTE SUBCOMMITTEE

CHAIR | ANGIE BURCKHALTER, CONTINENTAL RESOURCES, INC

This subcommittee reviews land/waste rules and regulations developed by state agencies and prepares responses to these proposals. The subcommittee takes an active role in preparing comments and testimony on proposed rules and regulations before the Oklahoma Corporation Commission, the Department of Environmental Quality and other regulatory agencies. Meetings are held as needed.

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

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CHAIR | GORDON PENNOYER, CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORPORATION
VICE CHAIR | CINDY HASSLER, OVINTIV

This committee is responsible for advancing the advocacy goals of the Alliance. The committee works to shape messaging on evolving issues and fine-tune strategy to promote advocacy goals. Meetings are held once a quarter or as needed.

MEMBERSHIP & ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE, SUBCOMMITTEE & WORKGROUP

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CHAIR | VALERIE MITCHELL, TROY ENERGY, LLC
VICE CHAIR | TOMMIE HERELL, SPITFIRE ENERGY GROUP

This committee is responsible for developing and implementing programs intended to achieve and maintain the highest possible membership in the Petroleum Alliance of Oklahoma, including recruiting new members, retaining current members, and working with the Wildcatters Club president to help recruit and retain members. This committee discusses all matters regarding strategic planning for the Alliance membership and advises on events, membership marketing, and creating short-term and long-term plans for recommendation to the Executive Committee. Meetings are held once a quarter or as needed.

NEXT GENERATION PETROLEUM ALLIANCE

CHAIR | SARAH KERN, HELMERICH & PAYNE, INC

This subcommittee works to support the development of young oil and natural gas industry professionals by establishing a base of qualified and dedicated leaders the Alliance can draw upon to strengthen the organization and the industry. The subcommittee fosters professional development through a series of educational seminars, networking events, and industry-oriented advocacy engagements. Meetings are held once a quarter or as needed.

OILFIELD SERVICES AUCTION WORKING GROUP

CHAIR | ETHAN HOUSE, ENERGYNET, INC
VICE CHAIR | DAVID DEARDEUFF, INSURICA

The Oilfield Services Auction Working Group consists of professionals from both the exploration and production and oilfield services sectors. The primary focus of this group is to identify timely and in-demand services, products, and other applicable items for the purposes of supporting the annual Oilfield Services Auction. Members of this group will be expected to assist in soliciting donations from member companies and to recruit and educate prospective bidding companies to ensure maximum participation.

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE & SUBCOMMITTEES

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CHAIR | BRIAN SIMMONS, TEMPLAR ENERGY, LLC
VICE CHAIR | GEREE WALD-MORTON, PLASTER & WALD CONSULTING CORPORATION
This committee identifies and addresses challenges involved in the exploration, production, transportation, and refining of oil and natural gas in the state of Oklahoma. Meetings are held once a quarter or as needed.

PRODUCERS SUBCOMMITTEE

CHAIR | SCOTT DONNELLY, CONTINENTAL RESOURCES, INC
This subcommittee consists of companies who are active exploration and production operators. The subcommittee serves as a forum for operations leaders to provide thoughtful input on how to address and solve potential challenges. Meetings are held as needed.

REFINING SUBCOMMITTEE

CHAIR | KEVIN LASSAHN, VALERO ENERGY CORPORATION
This subcommittee is composed of state refinery managers and provides a forum for addressing refining issues. Meetings are held as needed.

MIDSTREAM SUBCOMMITTEE

CHAIR | DUSTY DARR, ONEOK, INC
This committee provides an opportunity for addressing issues specifically relating to the midstream industry including pipelines, gathering, processing and storage. The subcommittee also provides input for the development of legislation and regulations to be advocated by the Alliance. Meetings are held as needed.

HEALTH & SAFETY (E&P) SUBCOMMITTEE

CHAIR | CHRIS HYDE, MARATHON OIL
This subcommittee consists of professionals involved in developing safe work practices for employees and contractors working for the companies they represent. The subcommittee meets quarterly to share best practices, lessons learned, safety alerts and information concerning current health & safety issues arising in the petroleum industry. This committee is responsible for monitoring the safety environment as it relates to the industry in Oklahoma.

OILFIELD SERVICES SUBCOMMITTEE

CHAIR | JEFF ALLISON, HALLIBURTON ENERGY SERVICES
This subcommittee provides an opportunity for addressing issues relating to the oilfield services sector. The subcommittee also provides input into the development of legislation and regulations to be advocated by the Alliance. Committee members consist of any engaged member representing an oilfield services company. Meetings are held as needed.



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If you would like to be considered for a committee position, please contact Alliance staff.

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