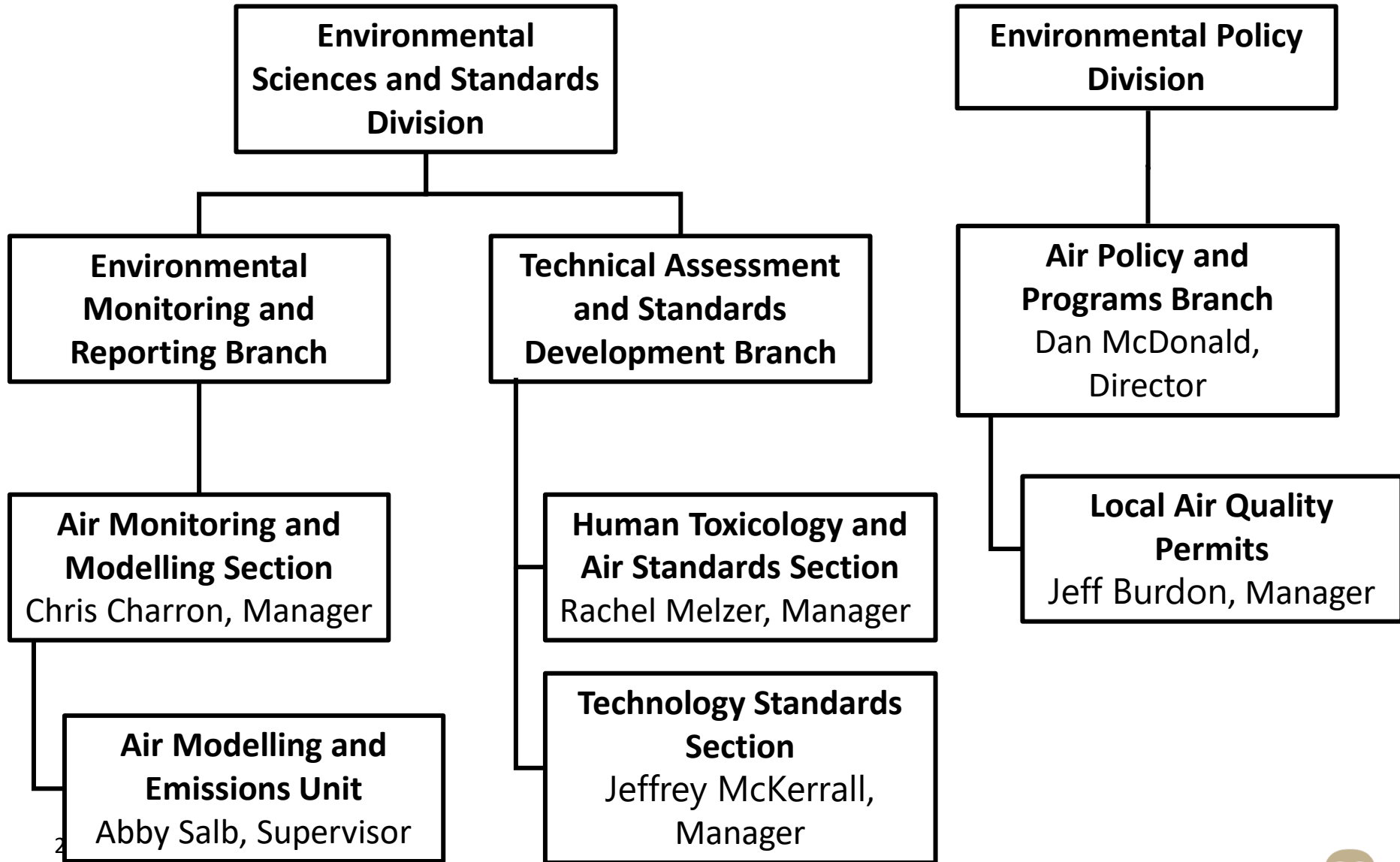


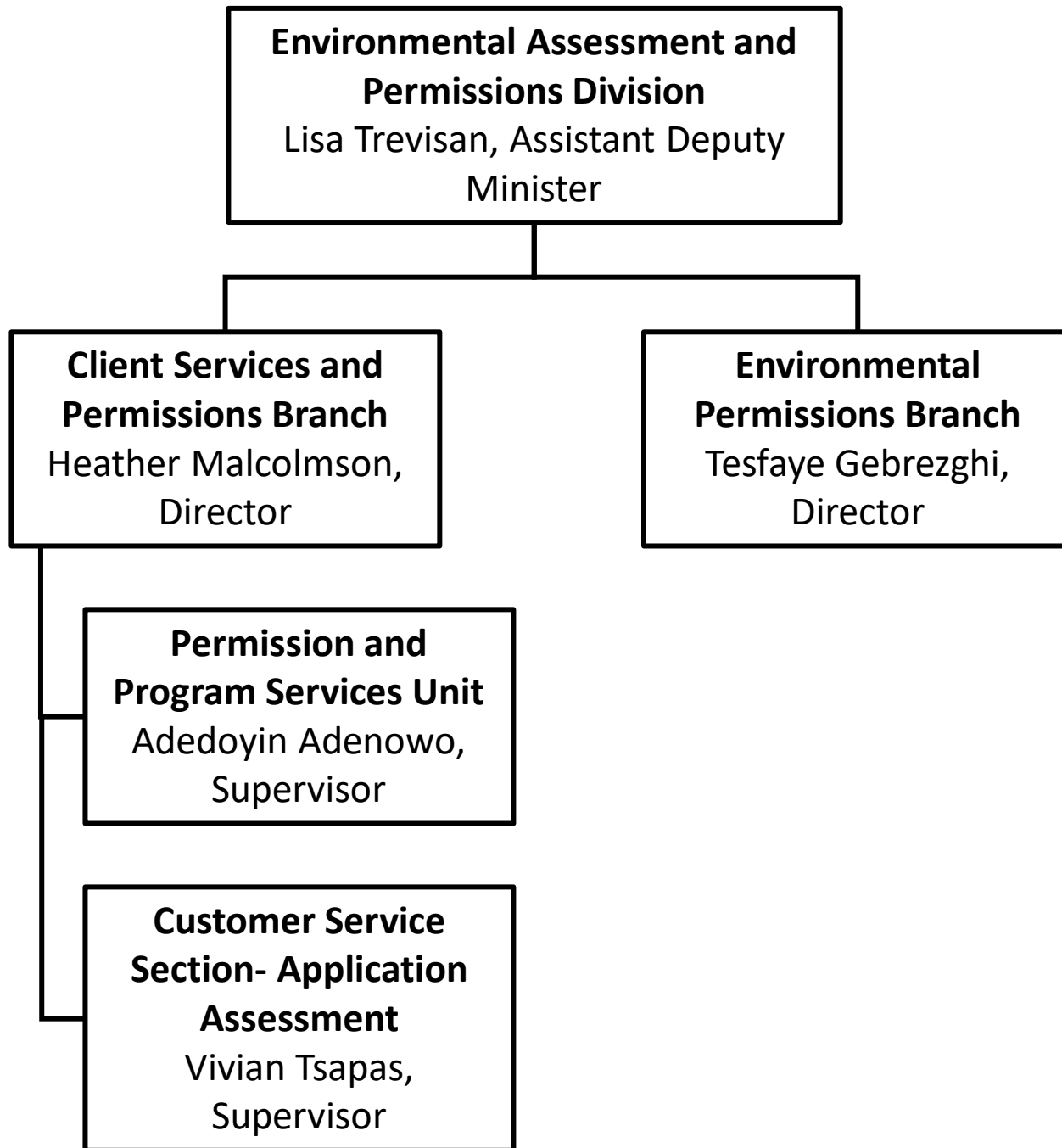
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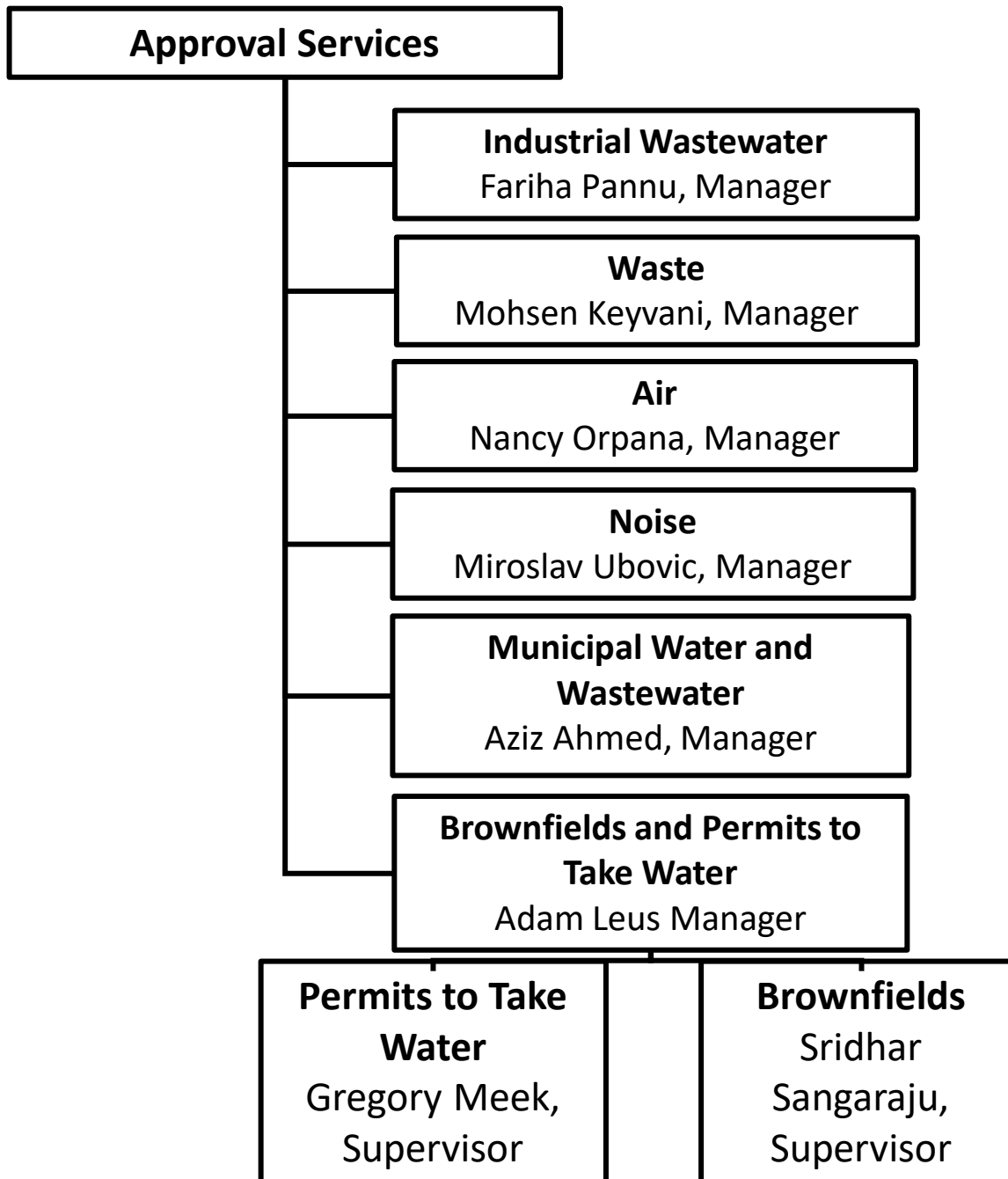
## **MECP/Air Approvals Updates and Discussions**

**February 2, 2023**

# New Structure – New Names







# Air Approvals Status Updates

## 1. Technical Bulletin for Asphalt-mix Sector

- The ministry is working with the Ontario Road Builders Association in the development of a Technical Bulletin to address consistence in estimating fugitive dust from material drop sources

## 2. Update of Basic Comprehensive User Guide

- The ministry is currently updating the Basic Comprehensive User Guide.

## 3. Information Request Letters – include response date

- Ministry information request letters will now include a requested response date
- If additional time is required extensions to these dates will be granted

## 4. Land use assessment to support use of Urban Option in AERMOD

- Applications that use the Urban Option in AERMOD must include a Land Use Assessment Report
- The ministry has started including this in its of screening of applications.

# **Status updates (continued): Written Summary Form in ECA with LOF**

Ministry no longer require holders of an ECA with LOF to submit an annual Written Summary Form

- The Written Summary Form must be completed annually and kept onsite, and be available upon request to Ministry staff
- The Written Summary Form must be signed by the Highest Ranking Person - “Highest Ranking Person” means the highest ranking person regularly present at the facility who has management responsibilities relating to the Facility.

# Status updates (continued): Priority Review Request

Applications for environmental permissions are processed and reviewed in chronological order however; the ministry will consider requests to prioritize applications for certain projects, for example projects that:

- Prevents or mitigates to prevent an emergency situation;
- Pilots new technology with potential to improve environmental quality and performance;
- Addresses non-compliance issues
- Is subject to specified timelines in order to be eligible for government funding.

Please note, only high-quality applications that are deemed complete may be prioritized.

Requests to prioritize applications for permits and approvals should be submitted to the ministry's General Inquiry, Client Services and Permissions Branch, at [enviropemissions@ontario.ca](mailto:enviropemissions@ontario.ca) and should include the following information:

- Project description/ summary
- Project location
- Detailed rationale why the project requires priority review
- Timelines for the project (e.g. when the application will be submitted, when the approval will be required, estimated start date for construction)