

# Deborah Farris, CEI

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## Professional Licenses, Registrations and Appointments

**Lead Risk Assessor**, Certification No. 2070717, Texas Department of State Health Services (TDSHS)

**Asbestos Inspector**, License No. 602100, TDSHS

**Certified Mold Assessor**, Environmental Assessment Association (EAA)

**Certified Environmental Inspector (CEI)**, Certification No. 73510, EAA

**Notary Public**, State of Texas, Commission Expires: 5/13/2013

## Employment History

ESA Project Manager, Dougherty Sprague Environmental, Inc. (**dse**), Richardson, Texas, April 1998 - present.

Administrative Assistant, Kelly Temporary Agency, Carrollton, Texas, January 1998 - April 1998.

## Professional Experience

### Environmental Site Assessments and Audits (ESA)

As a Phase I ESA Project Manager at **dse**, Mrs. Farris conducts Phase I Environmental Site Assessments and Audits including review of historical records, aerial photographs, city directory searches, historical or current environmental database review, wetlands maps, etc., as well as site visit and evaluation in accordance with ASTM Standards.

ESA's are performed during property transactions for residential, commercial and government facilities. Clients range from the FDIC and the Dallas County Community College District to private property development companies and residential property purchases.

Recent key projects include:

- Responsible for two Environmental Assessments and FONSI for the FAA at the Abilene Regional Airport in Abilene, Texas and Arlington Municipal Airport, Arlington Texas. The Arlington Municipal Airport project included Floodplain modeling, wetlands delineation, 404 permitting and a migratory bird study. On-site assessments included water sampling and a biological assessment. A FONSI was also prepared. The Abilene Regional Airport project included an Environmental Assessment and a Noise Survey. Ms. Farris also helped with the planning of a public hearing and completed a FONSI for this project. In spite of many changes in procedures from the client, the reports were completed within the required time frame.
- Performed an extensive Environmental Base Study (EBS) on 1,284 acres of the Louisiana Army Ammunition Plant. The purpose of the EBS was to survey the environmental setting, evaluate the environmental impacts of past practices and assess all areas of interest for the purpose of completing the conveyance of the LAAP from the U.S. Department of Army to the State of Louisiana to the Louisiana National Guard.
- Performed 13 Phase I Site Assessments for the Dallas County Community College District (DCCCD) prior to their purchase of the properties.
- Performer and was Project Manager on portfolio of 27 Phase I and HUD assessments for Dallas housing Authority.

### Asbestos Inspections

Mrs. Farris is licensed with the State of Texas Department of State Health Services (TDSHS) as an Asbestos Inspector. She has worked on asbestos inspections for commercial, government and military clients. Asbestos inspections include visually inspecting all reasonably accessible areas within the building to identify locations of suspect ACBMs, visually categorizing suspect asbestos containing materials into homogeneous groups, determining the friability and condition of the materials, collecting samples of materials from each homogeneous area and submitting the samples for analysis of asbestos content.

Recent key projects include:

- Performed a comprehensive asbestos inspection at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center (VAMC) in Big Springs, TX. Mrs. Farris was part of a five person team that conducted the triennial asbestos re-inspection of the Big Spring, Texas VA Medical Center. The project included the review of two previous comprehensive asbestos inspections and numerous survey and abatement reports. The team also coordinated with the facility engineering group to prepare AutoCAD™ drawings and spreadsheets of the entire facility showing the location and status (material, asbestos content, etc.) of current and historic asbestos bulk samples.
- Performed asbestos inspection in conjunction with a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment at a warehouse intended to be sold and renovated for a Dallas based property management company.

### Lead Inspections

Lead in paint is another area of specialty for Mrs. Farris. She has performed many lead inspections, often in conjunction with asbestos inspections, at schools, government, military, and private facilities. Lead investigations included physical sampling of paint, which is then analyzed at an accredited laboratory and compiled into a report.

Recent key projects include:

- Performed a comprehensive lead-based paint inspection for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers of multiple buildings at three locations throughout Texas. Screening of painted surfaces on the interior and exterior of the buildings was conducted using a portable X-Ray Fluorescence (XRF) analyzer. Standard operating procedures for the instrument were followed and H.U.D. guidelines for the inspection were followed.
- Mrs. Farris performed comprehensive Lead-based Paint (LBP) Inspections on multiple Dallas apartment complexes owned by the Dallas Housing Authority (DHA). An X-ray fluorescence (XRF) was used to determine the presence or absence of lead in painted surfaces, such as walls, ceilings, window sills, window frames, shelving, doors and door frames. The purpose of the sampling was to confirm former remediation of LBP within the complexes or determine the need for it in the future as these apartment complexes were scheduled for various remodeling and/or demolition activities.
- Performed comprehensive lead-based paint inspections for the City of Dallas' Recreational Centers and Independent School District Schools which were scheduled for major renovations.

### Mold Inspections

Mrs. Farris has also provided testing services for several sites for assessment of molds. These investigations have been for both residential and commercial clients with a wide range of problems and complaints. As of December 2004 The State of Texas began to regulate mold investigations and remediation. Mrs. Farris currently is not authorized by the State of Texas to provide mold investigations for clients that

fall under the Texas Rules or any other state's mandated rules.

Fluent in Spanish

**Education**

1993 - 1997, University of Oklahoma, Norman, Oklahoma

**Bachelor of Arts**

- English

**Double Minor**

- Interdisciplinary Perspectives on the Environment
- History

**Relevant  
Continuing  
Education**

Phase I & II Environmental Assessment Training, Health and Environment Technology Center, Moore-Norman Vo-Tech, Norman, Oklahoma, Summer 1997

First Aid/CPR, Separation Systems Consultants, Inc., Dallas, Texas, November 1999 and refreshers

Accredited Asbestos Building Inspector, University of Texas, Arlington, Texas, Southwest Environmental Education Training (SWEET) Center, July 2000

Subsequent Asbestos Building Refreshers – current through May 19, 2011

First Aid/CPR and OSHA 10 hr. Safety Training, Separation Systems Consultants, Inc. (SSCI), Dallas, Texas, November 2000

Subsequent First Aid/CPR Training – current through April 2012

Confined Space, SSCI, December 2000

Lead-base Paint Inspector, University of Texas, SWEET Center, Arlington, Texas, August 2001

Subsequent Lead-based Pail Inspector Refreshers – current through April 27, 2011

Mold Awareness and Inspection, Environmental Assessment Association (EAA), November 2001

Fourty-hour Hazwoper, SSCI, May 2002 and annual eight hour refreshers current through March 2012

Bloodborne Pathogens, American Safety & Health Institute, January 2004

Lead Risk Assessor, GEBCO Associates, Inc., Hurst, Texas, April 2004

Subsequent Lead Risk Assessor Refreshers – current through April 27, 2011

US Army Corp of Engineers, Construction Quality Management for Contractors Training, August 2005

**Professional  
Memberships**

Environmental Assessment Association (EAA)

Society of Texas Environmental Professionals (STEP)