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A stylized, weathered sign with a blue background and white text. The sign is framed by a dark, distressed border. At the top, the words 'OKLAHOMA USED' are written in a bold, white, sans-serif font, flanked by two white wrench icons. Below this, the word 'TIRES' is written in a large, blue, distressed font. To the left of 'TIRES' is a single black tire icon, and to the right is a stack of three black tires with two wrench icons. At the bottom of the sign, the words 'RECYCLING PROGRAM (FY17, FY18 AND FY19)' are written in a bold, white, sans-serif font.

OKLAHOMA USED

TIRES

RECYCLING PROGRAM (FY17, FY18 AND FY19)

REPORT

Road to Recycling

Background

The Oklahoma Used Tire Recycling Act (Act) helps address the problem of disposal of tires in Oklahoma, which cannot be burned and are not readily accepted at landfills. The intent of the Act is to clean up existing tire dumps, prevent new dumps, and provide incentives for recycling tires. The staff of the Used Tire Recycling Program (Program) implements these goals. Along with providing a legal means for tire disposal, the Act mandated the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) file a report with the Legislature and the Governor every three years. This report covers the Program activities for state fiscal years (FY) 2017, 2018, and 2019.

For a more detailed version of this report, click the following link:
<https://go.usa.gov/xpA37>



Oklahoma Used Tire Recycling Fees

Fees are collected for each-tire sold and on newly registered vehicles in Oklahoma. These fees help pay permitted recyclers (Recyclers) for the collection, transportation, and processing of tires, program administration, and for the cleanup of tire dumps. Recyclers are reimbursed with the used tire recycling fees (fees) submitted to the Oklahoma Tax Commission (OTC) and maintained in the Used Tire Recycling Indemnity Fund (Fund).

Oklahoma Tire Recycling Fees (FY 17 – 19):

Rim Size	Fee
≤ 19 ½ inches	\$2.50
> 19 ½ inches and Tread Width ≤ 12 inches	\$3.50
> 19 ½ inches and Tread Width > 12 inches	\$7.00
Motorcycles/Motorized Bicycles	\$1.00

Agricultural Tires:

Rim Size	Fee
≤ 19 ½ inches and < 30 inches total diameter	\$2.50
> 19 ½ inches and < 30 inches total diameter	\$3.50
> 30 inches and ≤ 44 inches total diameter	\$8.00
> 44 inches and ≤ 72 inches total diameter and not more than 30 inches wide	\$16.00

Tag Agents (First Time Registrations in Oklahoma):

Rim Size	Fee
≤ 19 ½ inches (Automobile and Trailer Tires)	\$2.50
> 19 ½ inches (Other than Automobile)	\$3.50
Semi Trucks First Registered in Oklahoma 47 O.S. § 1120	\$7.00
Trailers First Registered in Oklahoma 47 O.S. § 1133	\$5.00
Motorcycles/Motorized Bicycles	\$1.00

Inspections

Compliance inspections help prevent roadblocks and keep the program rolling. Inspections are conducted of Recyclers, complaints, tire dump sites, and tire dealers. The majority of inspections are conducted at tire dealers to verify appropriate fees are collected and submitted to the OTC.

Inspections: 343

Compliant: 246

Non-compliant: 97



Where Do Oklahoma Tires Come From?



Tire Dumps



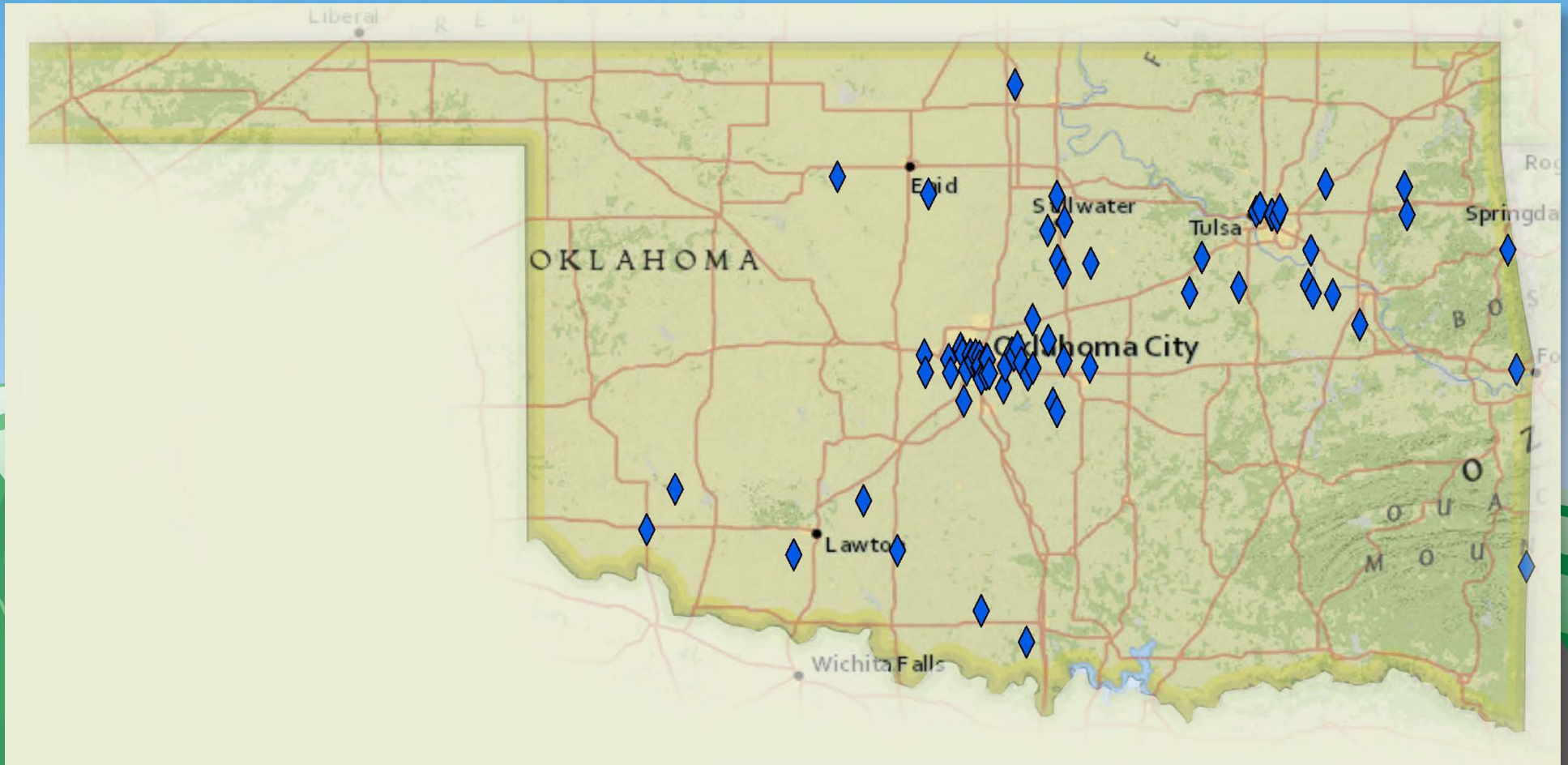
Before Cleanup

After Cleanup



Tire dumps are an ongoing problem in Oklahoma. They are unsightly and have negative impacts on humans and environmental health. While some individuals might find this deflating, the tire program works hard to steer Oklahomans in a new direction by helping victims of illegal dumping get their tires removed from their property. Occasionally, tire dumps cannot be cleaned up easily. In such cases, DEQ works with permitted facilities to clean up the site and reimburses them for their efforts. Cleaning up tire dumps assists individuals and communities that might be unable to pay for the removal and proper disposal of tire dumps.

FY 17 - 19 Tire Dumps Cleaned Up



FY 17 - 19 Tire Dump Actions



199,999
Tires Removed



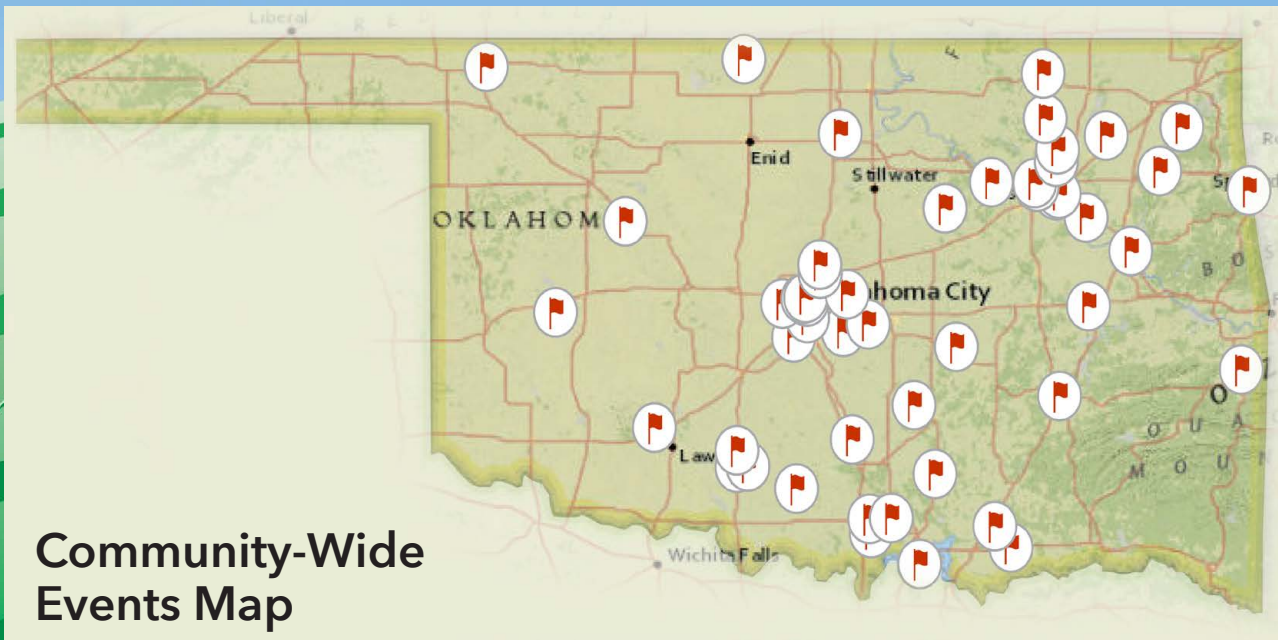
6 Program
Funded Cleanups



184 Tire Dumps
Cleaned Up

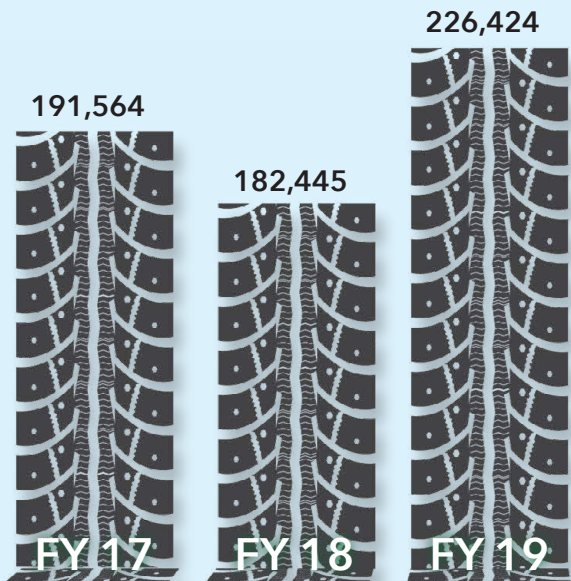
Community-Wide Events

Community-wide events relieve some of the pressure on communities to clean up tires by recycling collected tires free of charge. These events are held statewide and have a major impact on preventing illegal dumping.



Community-Wide Events Map

Tires Collected from Community-Wide Events



Where to Next?



Market Development

The Program will be rolling out evaluation criteria and eligibility requirements for market development projects. The criteria will enable the Program to evaluate market development projects to increase the amount of recycled tire rubber used in Oklahoma.



Ag Tire Compliance

A fee change that went into effect July 1, 2019 led to increased revenue from agricultural tires. However, not all dealers who sell agricultural tires are reporting fees accurately. The Program will educate tire dealers and agricultural co-ops using post cards and compliance assistance site visits.

Program Funded Cleanups

The tire program had to pump the brakes on some of our Program-funded cleanups due to a lack of funds. Recent fee increases allow the Program to continue cleaning up tire dumps. Moving forward, the Program will be able to help citizens by providing more Program-funded cleanups for difficult tire dumps.



FY17 - 19 Tire Program Directions

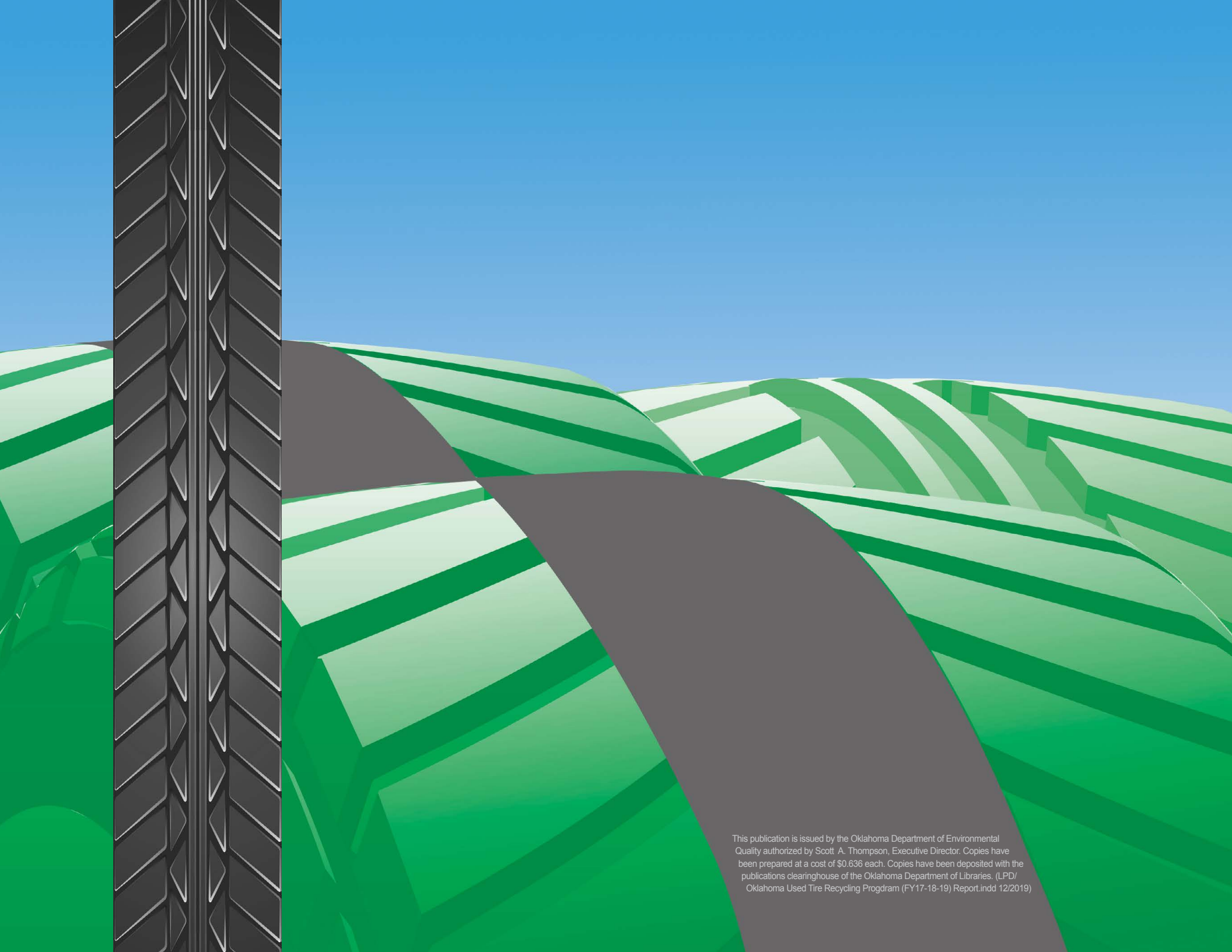
**Tire Program
FY17 - 19**

**Dumps Cleaned
184**

**Community-Wide Tire
Collection Events 112**

**Tire Dealer
Inspections 343**

**Fees Collected
\$41 million**



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