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Melinda Weir is the Environmental Investigator for the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, Division of Underground Storage Tanks. Melinda is responsible for the creation and implementation of the Program Integrity Protection Plan to protect the division's \$50 million program fund from fraud, waste and abuse.

Before coming to TDEC in 2014, Melinda was a Legislative Audit Investigator for the State of Tennessee Office of the Comptroller of the Treasury Special Investigations Unit for over 15 years investigating allegations of complex fraud, waste, and abuse of public funds and property.

Melinda has provided specialized training across the country on matters related to fraud and fraud auditing, interviewing and interrogation techniques, behavioral analysis, detecting and identifying deceptive behavior, and program integrity.

Melinda has a bachelor's degree in political science and a master's degree in criminal justice, both from Middle Tennessee State University, and has been a Certified Fraud Examiner for over 18 years. Melinda is a graduate of the Tennessee Government Executive Institute, Tennessee Government Management Institute and served as president of the Middle Tennessee Chapter of Certified Fraud Examiners. Melinda also holds membership in the National Association of Certified Fraud Examiners and currently serves as the Region 4 representative for the Association of State and Territorial Solid Waste Management Officials State Fund – Financial Responsibility Task Force.

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