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Thomas D. Smith has worked for the Georgia Department of Natural Resources Environmental Protection Division since January 2002 in the Air Protection Branch. He has held Environmental Outreach Coordinator and Public Affairs Coordinator positions with the Air Protection Branch.

Prior to employment with the EPD, Smith worked with AGL Resources (parent company of Atlanta Gas Light Company) as a Communications Consultants in the Corporate Communications Office. He also served as Public Information Manager for the Association of County Commissioners of Georgia. Previously, he worked for Georgia DNR as a Communications Specialist from 1989-1993. Smith also was a Communications/Marketing Associate with the United Way of Metropolitan Atlanta.

Smith's current duties as Public Affairs Coordinator in the Public Affairs Unit include serving as Lead Facilitator for planning public meetings and hearings for the Air Branch and coordinating with other branches to strengthen outreach efforts on numerous cross-divisional projects. In addition, Smith serves as one of the primary spokesmen and media contacts for the Air Protection Branch, works with partner organizations and special groups on joint projects and produces written materials for public consumption such as news releases, brochures, fact sheets, PowerPoint presentations and more.

Smith is a Certified Toastmaster (CTM) and holds a certified public participation expert designation, via the International Association of Public Participation (IAP2). Smith has a Bachelor's Degree in Journalism from the University of Missouri-Columbia.

He is a native of Macon, Georgia. He continually updates his professional development with ongoing training courses in communications and marketing.

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