



Brownfields Grants 2006



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Money is Available to Assess and Cleanup Contaminated Sites

Proposals for U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Brownfields grants are due December 14, 2005.

For information on how to apply, eligibility and other grant requirements, view or download our grant guidelines at www.epa.gov/brownfields/applicat.htm.

If you would like a hard copy mailed to you, please see the contact information on the reverse side of this sheet for the Region 10 Brownfields Team.

Background Information

What is a Brownfield?

A Brownfield is any property in rural or urban areas where expansion, redevelopment or reuse is complicated by the presence of a hazardous substance or contaminant. Here are some examples of properties transformed in your region with the help of Brownfields grant money:

- Gas station *transformed to* community visitor center
- Electroplating facility *transformed to* multiple use commercial/residential building
- Old mill site *transformed to* industrial park
- Abandoned rail line *transformed to* riverfront trail

Who can receive a Brownfield grant?

Most government entities are eligible to apply for Brownfields grants. They include:

- State, county, city and other local governments;
- Federally recognized Tribes in Idaho, Oregon and Washington;
- Alaskan Native regional corporations, Alaskan Native village corporations, and the Metlakatla Indian Community;
- Government entities created by a state legislature;
- School districts;
- Redevelopment agencies; and
- Regional councils or other groups of local government entities.

In addition, certain non-profit organizations may apply for Brownfields Cleanup Grants. Private entities and individuals are not eligible to receive grant money directly from EPA, but they can apply for loans from revolving loan funds capitalized by EPA.

Who received grants last year?

Region 10 awarded twenty-two competitive grants totaling \$6.7 million in 2005. Nine of these were assessment grants, twelve were cleanup grants, and one was a revolving loan fund grant.

Brownfields grants benefit a wide range of communities:

- About half of last year's grants went to communities with less than 250,000 people
- The smallest community had a population of 7,400 residents (Salmon, ID)
- The largest community had a population of 3.5 million people (State of Oregon)

What kinds of grants are available this fall?

Grant Program	Funding	Eligible Activities
Assessment	Up to \$200,000 for one or more hazardous substance sites and/or up to \$200,000 for petroleum sites; may request waivers up to \$350,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inventory, characterize, assess and conduct planning related to one or more Brownfields sites; • 10% may be used to develop local government site-remediation program; • Portion of grant may be used to purchase insurance for the assessment of site(s).
Cleanup	Up to \$200,000 per site; may apply for up to 5 sites (a 20% cost share is required).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Perform, manage, inform the public about, verify, and document cleanup of site(s) owned by applicant; • Portion may be used to buy insurance.
Cleanup Revolving Loan Fund	Up to \$1,000,000 per eligible entity to capitalize a revolving loan fund (a 20% cost share is required).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capitalize and manage loan fund; • Make loans to other eligible entities, non-profits, private site owners or developers; • Make sub-grants to an eligible entity or non-profit to clean up a site they own [up to 40% funds can be sub-granted].

Brownfields 2005 Conference!

November 2-4, 2005
Colorado Convention Center
Denver, Colorado

Join us in Denver for the leading educational and networking event focused entirely on Brownfields. This free conference features interactive discussions, educational presentations, mobile workshops, and plenty of networking opportunities with business, government, and nonprofit organizations working at the enterprising edge of Brownfields redevelopment.

For more information, visit
<http://www.brownfields2005.org>.

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