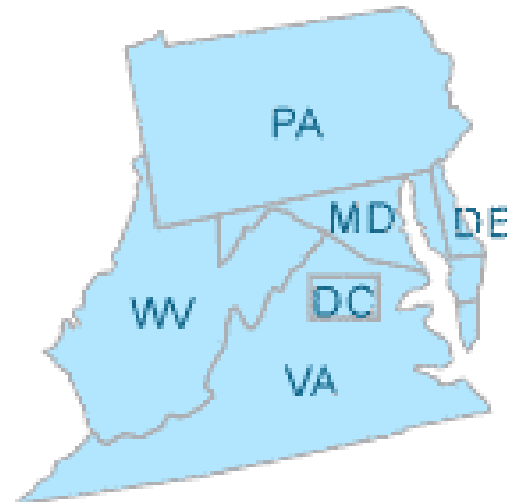


EPA Brownfields Program Overview



August 1, 2018

Types of Funding

- Assessment Grant
- Cleanup Grant
- Revolving Loan Fund (RLF)
- Job Training Grant
- Targeted Brownfield Assessments (TBA's)
- Multi-purpose 



Types of Available Grants

	Assessment	RLF	Cleanup
Applicant Eligibility (see full list in Section III.A.)	Government, Quasi Government, Regional Council, Tribe	Government, Quasi Government, Regional Council, Tribe	Government, Quasi Government, Regional Council, Tribe, Non-profit
Amount of Funding Available	<p>Community-wide</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to \$200,000 for hazardous substances, OR Up to \$200,000 for petroleum, OR Up to \$300,000 for a combination of hazardous substances AND petroleum (not to exceed \$200,000 for either type) <p>Site-specific</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to \$200,000 or up to \$350,000 with a waiver <p>Assessment Coalition</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to \$600,000 	<p>Community-wide</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to \$1,000,000 <p>RLF Coalition</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to \$1,000,000 	<p>Single-site</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to \$200,000 per site <p>Multi-site</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to \$200,000 per proposal <p>Up to 3 proposals totaling \$600,000</p>
Cost share Requirement	n/a	20% cost share	20% cost share
Period of Performance	3 years	5 years	3 years
Common Eligible Grant Activities	inventory, characterize, assess, reuse planning, cleanup planning, and conduct community involvement	capitalize a RLF program; provide loans and subgrants to carry out cleanup activities	cleanup activities, reuse planning, and community involvement

BUILD Act

The Brownfields Utilization, Investment and Local Development Act



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Funding

- **\$250 million annually authorized** – \$200M for EPA brownfields program; \$50M annually for State brownfields programs (must still be appropriated by Congress)
- **Bigger cleanup grants** – Law allows (but does not require)
- ▶ **Increase Brownfields Cleanup Grants** from \$200,000 to \$500,000 (or even \$650,000 based on anticipated level of contamination, size of site, and ownership status)
- **Multipurpose grants** –created to allow inventory, assessment, planning and cleanup activities under one grant, which may be up to \$1 million



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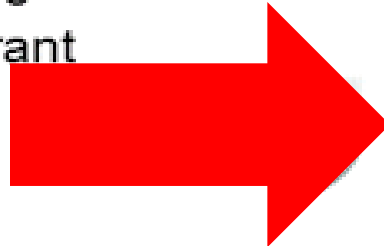
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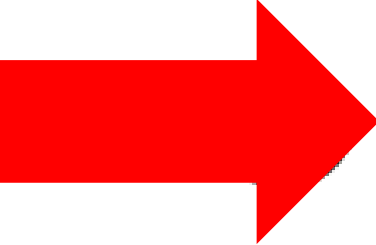
Liability protections

- **Local government acquisition** – New clarity on local government sovereign acquisition of sites by seizure, law enforcement tax foreclosure, abandonment, bankruptcy, or other local functions – takes out “involuntary”
- **Publicly-owned sites acquired before 2002** – Localities can receive EPA grants for sites acquired before 2002, even if BFPP status for brownfield site ownership is not shown, as long as locality did not “cause or contribute” to a pollution release
- **Liability protections for leaseholders**
- **Protection for Alaskan Natives** – Removes liability for Alaskan villages or corporations who received a contaminated site from U.S. government



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Grants for non-profits

- Definition of “eligible entity” to allow 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations to receive brownfield assessment, cleanup, RLF or multipurpose grants



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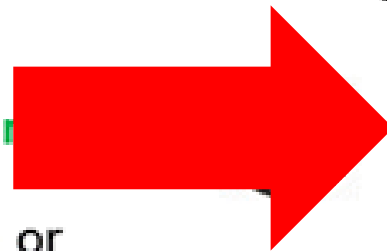
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Petroleum brownfields

- Drops requirement that EPA or the State determine that the petroleum site be “of relatively low risk, as compared with other petroleum-only sites in the State,” and slightly clarifies the requirement that the petroleum-only site have no viable PRP and will be addressed by a non-PRP



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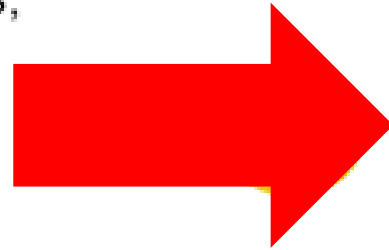
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Sustainable Communities

- **Small, Rural & Disadvantaged Communities:**
 - Allows U.S. EPA to provide up to \$1.5 million annually for grants, up to \$20,000, to brownfields
 - Provide support to small, rural and disadvantaged communities
 - Allows States & Tribes to use their EPA funding to assist small, rural and disadvantaged communities
 - “Small” = Less than 15,000 population; “Disadvantaged” = Annual median household income <80% of statewide median household income
- **Waterfront Brownfields & Clean Energy Projects:** Directs EPA to add criteria for evaluating grant applications to support brownfield projects on waterfronts and in floodplains, and to support brownfield projects involving renewable energy, energy efficiency, district energy, and combined heat and power projects

How we will notify you

- BUILD email blast (look for logo)
- BF Project Manager will keep you informed
- Monthly brownfields email will include regular updates on BUILD Act

Reach out to EPA Now!

- ▶ Participate in Region 3 Guidelines webinars
- ▶ For current grantees: cleanup your outstanding reporting requirements
- ▶ For site specific applications: vet site eligibility

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