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## NJIT TAB Conducts Brownfields 101 Workshop for Resilient NJ Communities

The NJ Department of Environmental Protection's Resilient NJ program is supporting multi-municipal regions to develop and implement their own unique Regional Resilience and Adaptation Action Plans. These projects bring together teams of municipalities, counties, and community-based organizations with a strong emphasis on robust and meaningful community engagement throughout the process and supporting socially vulnerable populations in the area.

NJIT TAB conducted Brownfields 101 Workshops for two of the Resilient NJ regional steering committees. On April 1<sup>st</sup>, NJIT TAB conducted a Brownfields 101 workshop for the Northeastern Resilient NJ Steering Committee, which is a coalition consisting of representatives from the Hudson County government, municipal representatives from Newark, Jersey City, Hoboken, and Bayonne, and representatives of two nonprofits – Ironbound Community Corporation and HOPES CAP. On June 15<sup>th</sup>, NJIT TAB conducted a Brownfields 101 workshop for the Resilient NJ Raritan River and Bay Communities Steering Committee, which is a coalition of representatives from Middlesex County government, and municipal representatives from Carteret, Old Bridge, Perth Amboy, South Amboy, Sayreville, South River, and Woodbridge.

NJIT TAB's workshops focused on: the definition of brownfields, planning for brownfields redevelopment, funding, the NJ regulatory process, NJIT TAB's technical assistance services, and how the redevelopment of brownfields can be a key ingredient for creating resilient and sustainable communities.

NJIT TAB reached out to the Resilient NJ regional steering committees with the offer of the workshops, prepared and conducted the workshop presentations, and participated in a robust Q&A following the presentations.