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"The term 'brownfield site' means real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant." (from the federal Brownfields Act of 2002)

SUMMARY OF BROWNFIELDS PROGRAM

Originally begun as an EPA initiative in January 1995, the US EPA National Brownfields Program has since evolved into a collaborative effort involving many federal, state and local partners. In January 2002, the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act ("the Brownfields law") was signed. This law expanded potential federal assistance for Brownfields revitalization, including grants for assessment, cleanup, and job training. The law also includes provisions to establish and enhance state and tribal response programs, which will continue to play a critical role in the successful cleanup and revitalization of brownfields. Below is a summary of the US EPA Region1 funding for each of the key Brownfields initiatives.

EPA Brownfields Funding in New England: Program Distribution by State (1994-2008)*

Program	CT	ME	MA	NH	RI	VT	Total
Assessment Grants	\$10,148,630	\$5,909,017	\$20,720,131	\$4,229,000	\$2,703,000	\$8,310,000	\$52,019,778
Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) Grants	\$9,529,645	\$5,568,355	\$13,668,000	\$4,201,790	\$5,690,000	\$2,000,000	\$40,657,790
Cleanup Grants	\$6,285,500	\$2,580,744	\$8,475,033	\$1,800,000	\$4,400,000	\$0	\$23,541,277
Job Training Grants	\$1,740,264	\$200,000	\$2,088,799	\$0	\$350,000	\$0	\$4,379,063
EPA Targeted Assessments (TBA)	\$2,177,470	\$426,339	\$3,743,869	\$398,926	\$314,217	\$266,621	\$7,327,442
State & Tribal Brownfields Funding	\$6,942,301	\$5,574,137	\$9,407,315	\$7,834,017	\$6,150,853	\$2,976,108	\$38,884,731
Showcase Communities	\$300,000	\$0	\$800,000	\$0	\$300,000	\$0	\$1,400,000
Total	\$37,123,810	\$20,258,592	\$58,903,147	\$18,463,733	\$19,908,070	\$13,552,729	\$168,210,081

*Funding total current as of April 2008

ASSESSMENT GRANT PROGRAM

State, tribal, and local governments are eligible to apply for funding to inventory, characterize, assess, and conduct planning and community involvement related to brownfield sites. Applicants may apply for \$200,000 to address sites contaminated by hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants (including hazardous substances co-mingled with petroleum) and \$200,000 to address sites contaminated by petroleum. A community-wide proposal is one in which sites are not specifically identified. The performance period of these grants is three years and recipients are selected through an annual national competition. The figures in the table that follows are cumulative totals for all Assessment Grants awarded in New Hampshire since 1994.

Assessment Grant Program		
Recipient	2008 Funding	Total Funding
Claremont		\$200,000
Concord		\$90,000
Nashua		\$673,000
Nashua Regional Planning Commission		\$400,000
New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services	\$200,000	\$550,000
New Hampshire Office of State Planning		\$400,000
North Country Council of Governments		\$600,000
Rockingham Planning Commission		\$200,000
Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission		\$200,000
Southwest Region Planning Commission		\$916,000
Assessment Grant Program Total:	\$200,000	\$4,229,000*
*Funding total current as of April 2008.		

REVOLVING LOAN FUND GRANT PROGRAM

State, tribal, and local governments are eligible to apply for funding to capitalize a revolving loan fund (RLF) and to provide subgrants to carry out cleanup activities at brownfields sites. Applicants may apply for \$1,000,000 to address sites contaminated by petroleum and hazardous substances. Two or more eligible entities may team together to form a coalition to pool their revolving loan funds. Revolving loan funds generally are used to provide no-interest or low-interest loans for brownfields cleanups. An RLF grant recipient may also use up to 40% of the awarded funds to award subgrants to other eligible entities, including nonprofit organizations, for brownfields cleanups on sites owned by the subgrantee. A grant recipient cannot subgrant to itself. An RLF grant requires a 20% cost share. The performance period of these grants is five years and recipients are selected through an annual national competition. The figures in the table that follows are cumulative totals for all Revolving Loan Fund Grants awarded in New Hampshire since 1994.

Revolving Loan Fund Program	
Recipient	Funding
New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services	\$1,751,790
State of New Hampshire	\$2,450,000
Revolving Loan Fund Program Total:	\$4,201,790*
*Funding total current as of April 2008.	

CLEANUP GRANT PROGRAM

State, tribal, local governments and nonprofits are eligible to apply for funding to carry out cleanup activities at Brownfields sites that they own. Applicants may apply for \$200,000 per site to address sites contaminated by petroleum and/or hazardous substances. Cleanup grants require a 20% cost share. Eligible applicants must own the site for which it is requesting funding in order to qualify. The performance period of these grants is three years and recipients are selected through an annual national competition. The figures in the table that follows are cumulative totals for all Cleanup Grants awarded in New Hampshire since 2003.

Cleanup Grant Program			
Recipient	Site	2008 Funding	Total Funding
Berlin	Burgess School/Notre Dame High School	\$200,000	\$200,000
Durham	Craig Supply Site, Depot Street		\$200,000
	Depot Road Site	\$200,000	\$200,000
Hillsborough	Woods Woolen Mill, 23/25 West Mill Street		\$200,000
Keene	Perkins Machine Shop Property, 92 & 110 Water Street		\$200,000
Nashua	76 Temple Street		\$200,000
	The Boiler House, 90 Pine Street Extension		\$200,000
Raymond	Former Rex Leather Tannery – Lot 43, Corner of Old Manchester Road & Wight Street		\$200,000
	Former Rex Leather Tannery – Lot 120, Corner of Old Manchester Road & Wight Street		\$200,000
Cleanup Grant Program Total:		\$400,000	\$1,800,000*
*Funding total current as of April 2008.			

JOB TRAINING GRANT PROGRAM

State, tribal, local governments and non-profits are eligible to apply for funding to assist residents of communities impacted by Brownfields take advantage of jobs created by the assessment and cleanup of brownfields. Applicants may apply for \$200,000 and must be located within or near a Brownfields Assessment Grant community. The Job Training Grant Program’s goals are to prepare trainees for future employment in the environmental field and to facilitate cleanup of brownfields sites contaminated with hazardous substances. The performance period of these grants is two years and recipients are selected through an annual national competition.

TARGETED BROWNFIELDS ASSESSMENTS (TBA)

One of EPA’s non-grant programs is the Targeted Brownfields Assessment (TBA) Program. TBAs are conducted by an EPA contractor on behalf of municipalities or non-profits. This is a “grant of services” where an EPA contractor performs the site assessment. The purpose of a TBA is to minimize the uncertainties associated with actual or perceived contamination that complicates the redevelopment of vacant or underutilized properties. The average value of these assessments is \$100,000. There is usually one round of selections per year and applications are accepted at any time. The Brownfields Law expanded the TBA program’s eligible sites to also include those contaminated solely by petroleum products. Call Jim Byrne at (617) 918-1389 for more information. Below is a summary of the sites and amount of TBA funding received in New Hampshire since 1997.

EPA Targeted Brownfields Assessments		
Recipient	Site	Approx. Value of Assessment
Durham	Craig Supply Company, Depot Road	\$70,409
Franklin	J.P. Stevens Mill, East Bow Street	\$8,697
Londonderry	Lamont Labs, 6 Perimeter Road	\$30,954
Milton	Former Tannery Site (Milton Mills), Walter Street	\$165,300
Newport	Ambargis Mill, 8 Greenwood Road	\$116,748
Sutton	Henry's Tire Property, Route 114	\$6,818
EPA-Lead Targeted Brownfields Assessments Total:		\$398,926*
*Funding total current as of April 2008.		

STATE BROWNFIELDS FUNDING

States and tribes play a significant role in identifying, cleaning up and redeveloping brownfield properties. EPA provides up to \$50 million annually in grants to states and tribes to establish or enhance their response programs that address the assessment, cleanup, and redevelopment of brownfields. States and tribes can use this funding to establish or expand voluntary cleanup programs, perform environmental assessments and cleanups, capitalize a

cleanup revolving loan fund, purchase environmental insurance, establish or maintain a public record of sites, oversee cleanups, and to conduct site specific activities. Below is a summary of the amount of funding received in New Hampshire since 1994.

State Brownfields Funding	
Recipient	Funding
New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services	\$7,834,017
State Program Total:	\$7,834,017*
*Funding total current as of April 2008.	
State Assessments	
Recipient	Site
Berlin	Fraser Paper Administration Building
	Notre Dame / Burgess School
	Pulp and Paper of America, R&D Building
Bradford	Former Naughton Landfill/Autocraft Site
Bristol	Bristol Micro Factory
Center Barnstead	Rogers Property, 72 South Barnstead Road (Route 126)
Claremont	Monadnock Mills
Derry	Shamrock Cleaners Site, 3 Railroad Avenue
Durham	Craig Supply Site
Greenfield	Former East Coast Steel
Harrisville	Harfford Property
Haverhill	Woodsville Railyard
Henniker	Contoocook Valley Paper
Hillsborough	Woods Woolen Mill
Jaffrey	Elite Laundry
Lebanon	Tide Water Oil Site
Londonderry	Lamont Laboratories
Manchester	Bass Island, 310 Second Street
	Bass Island, 344 Second Street
Merrimack	Harcros Chemical Site
	Merrimack Industrial Metals, Post Road Plaza
Milton	Spaulding Composites Lagoon Site
Milton Mills	Former Greene Tannery

Recipient	Site
Mount Vernon	Kaminski Site
Nashua	Whitney Screw
New Boston	Robert Riley Property
New Ipswich	Seppala & Aho Site
Northfield	Surette Battery
Nottingham	Lee Farm Property
Plymouth	Kelley's Salvage Yard
Raymond	Rex Leathers/Regis Tannery
Rochester	Advance Recycling Site
Somersworth	Breton Cleaners, 1 Winter Street
Surry	Bedard's Auto Center & General Store
Sutton	Carnevale Property (Henry's Tire & Wecking), Route 114
Tilton	Pillsbury Mill
Troy	Troy Mills
Winchester	AC Lawrence Leathers
State Cleanups	
Municipality	Site
Durham	Craig Supply Site
Goffstown	Upreach Therapeutic Riding Center, 153 Paige Hill Road
Laconia	Mechanic Street School, 259 Mechanic Street
Peterborough	Wilder Thermometer
Sutton	Carnevale Property (Henry's Tire & Wrecking), Route 114

SHOWCASE COMMUNITIES

As part of the multi-federal agency Brownfields National Partnership, sixteen communities were selected to receive Showcase Community designation following a national competition. The federal partners work with selected communities to revitalize brownfields properties. EPA provided each with a \$200,000 Brownfields Demonstration Pilot and assigned an EPA employee to work full time in the designated community for two years.

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