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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 (1994-2009)* | | | | | | | |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Program | CT | ME | MA | NH | RI | VT | Total |
| Assessment Grants | \$11,348,630 | \$7,659,017 | \$23,520,131 | \$6,029,000 | \$2,703,000 | \$9,310,000 | \$60,569,778 |
| Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) Grants | \$12,029,645 | \$8,268,355 | \$14,668,000 | \$4,701,790 | \$5,690,000 | \$2,000,000 | \$47,357,790 |
| Cleanup Grants | \$7,425,500 | \$3,180,744 | \$10,028,533 | \$2,400,000 | \$5,000,000 | \$600,000 | \$28,634,777 |
| Job Training Grants | \$2,140,264 | \$200,000 | \$2,338,799 | \$0 | \$350,000 | \$0 | \$5,029,063 |
| EPA Targeted Assessments (TBA) | \$2,577,470 | \$626,339 | \$4,403,869 | \$398,926 | \$514,217 | \$366,621 | \$8,887,442 |
| State & Tribal Funding | \$8,937,994 | \$8,134,361 | \$12,382,315 | \$10,164,267 | \$8,482,572 | \$4,525,752 | \$52,627,261 |
| Showcase Communities | \$300,000 | \$0 | \$800,000 | \$0 | \$300,000 | \$0 | \$1,400,000 |
| Total | \$44,759,503 | \$28,068,816 | \$68,141,647 | \$23,693,983 | \$23,039,789 | \$16,802,373 | \$204,506,111 |

*Funding total current as of May 2009

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. Coalitions of three or more eligible entities may apply for up to \$1,000,000 and must assess a minimum of five sites. 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 | 2009 Funding | Total Funding |
| Claremont | | \$200,000 |
| Concord | | \$90,000 |
| Lakes Region Planning Commission | \$400,000 | \$400,000 |
| Nashua | | \$673,000 |
| Nashua Regional Planning Commission | | \$400,000 |
| New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services | | \$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 | \$400,000 | \$600,000 |
| Southwest Region Planning Commission | | \$916,000 |
| Coalitions | | |
| New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services | \$1,000,000 | \$1,000,000 |
| Assessment Grant Program Total: | \$1,800,000* | \$6,029,000* |
| *Funding total current as of May 2009. | | |

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 | \$2,251,790 |
| State of New Hampshire | \$2,450,000 |
| Revolving Loan Fund Program Total: | \$4,701,790* |
| *Funding total current as of May 2009. | |

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 | 2009 Funding | Total Funding |
| Berlin | Burgess School/Notre Dame High School | | \$200,000 |
| Durham | Craig Supply Site, Depot Street | | \$200,000 |
| | Depot Road Site | | \$200,000 |
| Hillsborough | Woods Woolen Mill, 23/25 West Mill Street | | \$200,000 |
| Jaffrey | Elite Laundry, 4 Laundry Road | \$200,000 | \$200,000 |
| | Elite Laundry, 6 Laundry Road | \$200,000 | \$200,000 |
| | Elite Laundry, 10 Laundry Road | \$200,000 | \$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 |

| Recipient | Site | 2009 Funding | Total Funding |
|-------------------------------------|--|-------------------|---------------------|
| Raymond | Former Rex Leather Tannery – Lot 120, Corner of Old Manchester Road & Wight Street | | \$200,000 |
| Cleanup Grant Program Total: | | \$600,000* | \$2,400,000* |

*Funding total current as of May 2009.

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 May 2009.

STATE & TRIBAL 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 & Tribal Brownfields Funding | | |
|--|--|----------------------|
| Recipient | Year | Funding |
| New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services | Pre-Law | \$2,159,631 |
| | 2003 | \$1,034,031 |
| | 2004 | \$1,112,426 |
| | 2005 | \$1,144,936 |
| | 2006 | \$1,185,519 |
| | 2007 | \$1,197,474 |
| | 2008 | \$1,195,000 |
| | 2009 | \$1,135,250 |
| State & Tribal Program Total: | | \$10,164,267* |
| *Funding total current as of May 2009. | | |
| State Assessments | | |
| Municipality | 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 | Hafford Property | |
| Haverhill | Woodsville Railyard | |
| Henniker | Contocook Valley Paper | |

| Municipality | Site |
|-----------------------|---|
| 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 |
| 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

Showcase Communities were selected as national models demonstrating the benefits of collaborative activity on brownfields. The communities are distributed across the country and vary by size, resources, and community type. A wide range of support from federal agencies and in the form of tax incentives were leveraged, depending on the needs of each Showcase Community. An important goal of this program was to develop national models that demonstrate the positive results of public and private collaboration to address brownfields challenges. Showcase Communities were selected through a national competition in 1998 & 2000.

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