Brownfields 2013 Cleanup Grant Fact Sheet
Wausau, WI

EPA Brownfields Program

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is 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. In 2002, the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act was passed to help states and communities around the country cleanup and revitalize brownfields sites. Under this law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

Cleanup Grant

$200,000 for hazardous substances

EPA has selected the City of Wausau for a brownfields cleanup grant. Hazardous substances grant funds will be used to clean up the former Hammerblow Corporation site at 920-1000 1st Street. The site was developed in the late 1800s and used for lumber storage, an auto assembly and repair facility, and a tool company, which started to manufacture trailer jacks in the 1930s. Hazardous substances used at the site included machine lubricants, hydraulic oils, parts cleaner, paint, and xylene. Chlorinated solvents and polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons associated with foundry sand materials are the primary contaminants at the site. Grant funds also will be used for community outreach activities.

Contacts

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields Web site (http://www.epa.gov/brownfields).

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