



Brownfields 2016 Cleanup Grant Fact Sheet

Pickens, SC

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

\$127,000 for hazardous substances

EPA has selected the City of Pickens for a brownfields cleanup grant. Hazardous substances grant funds will be used to clean up the former Rail Depot Property on 124 Railroad Street. Originally developed as a passenger train depot with railway yard and shipping warehouses as early as 1889, the 1.9-acre site expanded in the 1930s and 1960s, when it operated as a box car assembly operation until approximately 1982. The facility then provided repair services for the box cars until 1995, when it was used for railroad locomotive repair and refurbishing. The site is currently contaminated with inorganic contaminants and metals. Grant funds also will be used to support 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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